



FIRST POWERED FLYING TRAINING CAMP AT RICHMOND EFTS

Elementary Flying Training School (EFTS), Richmond Flight, have completed their first powered flying training camp for a selected group of Air Force Cadets at RAAF Base Richmond.

Flying training camps aim to give Cadets exposure to, and inspire their interest in, aviation and the aerospace industry through education in theoretical and practical skills of aircraft handling, aircraft engineering and flight operations. Congratulations to all who participated.



OUR FAMILY



Cadets
7779



Instructors
1239



Volunteers
385



NATIONAL FIELD COMPETITIONS

Is 2023 your year to become more involved with National Competitions?

8Wing has won the AAFC 2022 National Field Craft Competition held at Worlds End, South Australia. FLGOFF (AAFC) Craig Lush, said he was very proud of the team.

"The competition was held on No. 6 Wing's territory, so we didn't have the home ground advantage," he said. "There was a lot of No. 8 Wing pride as it's the only national competition that we are really competitive at - we are the only wing to have won it more than once."

The competition is held over five days and tests teams on all aspects of field craft including camouflage, concealment, navigation, knots, lashings, survival and observation skills.



COMMANDER UPDATE

Group Captain (AAFC) Stephen Johns

It's a new year and 2023 is a great time to be a member of the Air Force Cadets, and for me, an absolute honour and privilege to be the new Commander.

I was a Cadet once, and the experiences, opportunities, and skills I received, including learning to fly, led me to join as an adult so I could pass those experiences on.

I have held positions as a Commanding Officer, Regional Executive Officer and most recently the Officer Commanding 2 Wing.

For me, it has now been 35 years in Cadets and I could not think of a greater opportunity than to lead in this position, and give back to the organisation that gave so much to me.

Our Cadets are the leaders of tomorrow and I am committed to our aim of becoming the best youth development program in Australia.

ADULT LEARNING CONTINUUM REVIEW

The skill and experience of our adult members is critical to the success in delivering the AAFC cadet learning continuum.

The Adult Learning Continuum Review (ALCR), will analyse, design and develop the learning requirements for AAFC adult volunteer staff. The ALCR will be based on a revised construct of the AAFC which has mapped the roles and development pathways for all adult volunteer staff.

The ALCR will focus on three distinct learning areas; organisational understanding, role specific knowledge and skills and leadership. Similar to the Cadet Learning Continuum Review (CLCR), the intent is to provide adults with a contemporary learning experience that is engaging, relevant and provides a worthwhile development opportunity.

Design and development is due to commence in Jan 23 and will be conducted by an external service provider. The aim is for new material to be trialled in late 2023 with piloting of new learning initiatives in 2024.



LET'S CONNECT



AIR FORCE SHOP

For all of 2023, Air Force Shop invites all AAFC staff and members to use promo code AAFC10PERCENT at the checkout for a 10% discount off all products, including those already discounted.

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QUOTE
of the day



Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right.

Oprah Winfrey

