

The Old Fliers Group

Attached to the Royal Aero Club of WA (Inc).

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Last Meeting

Just on seventy-five people sat down to lunch at the last meeting of the Old Fliers Group. Proceedings got under way with Fred Robins reciting three humorous Limericks. In the interests of those who could not make the meeting, a selection is recorded below.

Mini Speaker

The Mini-Speaker for the June Meeting was Brian John who told us of some aspects of the recent *Grand Tour of Europe*. It was particularly interesting to hear about the people of Villers Brettoneux and in particular the pupils at the Victoria School who remember the efforts of Australian troops in their flag-raising ceremonies.

Main Speaker

The Main Speaker of the day was Neil Hayman. He spoke of his time as a traffic officer with TAA, as a pilot with Airlines of New South Wales and as a simulator instructor with Oantas.

Neil's fantastic memory and his ability to tell a "good story" resulted in an entertaining talk on the things he had done, the places he had been and the people he had met. It all amounted to a very enjoyable session.





Brian John

Neil Hayman

Next Meeting

Friday 28th July 2006

The next meeting of the group will be held at the Royal Aero Club on Friday July 28. The Mini Speaker will be David Mills who will tell us something of the interesting aircraft that the saw and photographed while on the tour.

The main speaker of the day will be another Neil - this time Neil Pegrum. Among other things, he will tell us of his experiences in a Lancaster while on operations in WWII. Neil's stories will relate to the view from the back of the aircraft. He was a tail gunner.

Limericks

Reference to Brian John.

A persistent young pilot named Brian,
Continued to carry on flyin',
So that, now he's older,
And quite a bit bolder
He can land 'em without even tryin'!

Reference to Brian Hernan.

There's a scholarly fellow named Hernan
Who got to the top with much learnin'.

Though he's living in Crawley,
He could end up poorly,

If he's spending much more than he's earnin'!

And a miscellaneous one thrown in by the facilitator of the day.

There was a young fellow named Wright, Whose plane flew much faster than light,

He departed one day,

In a relative way,

And came home on the previous night!

Are there any more Limericks out there? If you have one which relates to flying, you may recite it in person at the next meeting, or alternatively, put it down on paper so it can be read out.

Come along at noon on the **Friday July 28th** to hear our speakers and have a convivial lunch with tea or coffee for the modest sum of \$12.00.

Hope to see you there.

Brian Hernan