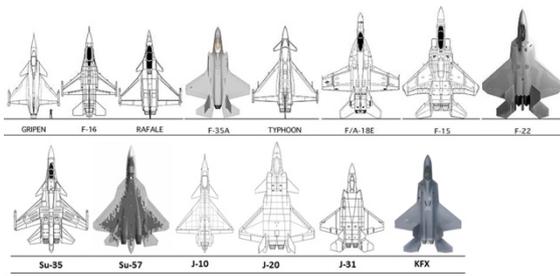


Fighter Aircraft Design 2023



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The February luncheon meeting was a purely social gathering with no guest speaker.

For our March meeting we had lined up Mr Vic Kaiser, a veteran pilot who was going to talk about the Angolan Bush Wars 1966 to 1990. Alas, Vic, and his family contracted Covid. We wish them well in their recovery and hope to have Vic present at a future meeting.

Mr David Archibald was happy to bring his presentation forward a month, for which we thank him.

David is an author and researcher who has devoted much time in researching the modern fighter designs.

His analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of fighters such as the F-35, Typhoon, F-16, Su-35, and Gripen was astonishing.

The economics of the F-35 are appalling.

As he said, “this dog will suck all the money out of the (Australian) defence budget and then get shot out of the sky in combat”.

His talk left much of the audience in shock at how our tax dollars are being squandered.

This talk was heavy on detail, and I encourage watching the video on our YouTube Channel to absorb the full impact.

22 new members paid their 2023 fee bringing our paid membership to 107. Note that if you are not a paid, member, you are not eligible to enter our raffles for flights.

Regards

Steve Rogers

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