



The Old Fliers Group

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Another meeting with more than 90 attending. Marvellous. Eleven new members too.

I told members that our group has been offered a “Tour and taste” at Parliament House on Monday 4th of September. As numbers are limited, we will use a ballot to select.

Millie Formby, a microlight pilot, has accepted our invitation to talk to us in September. She is circumnavigating Australia raising awareness about shore birds.

Our speaker today was Vic Kaiser. Vic spoke extensively about the Angolan Bush Wars of 1966 to 1989.

His remarks were for the room only.

Vic went on to a successful aviation career flying B 737-200, B 747 SP, B 747-400, B 737-800 and A 340- 600 for South African Airways, B 747-300 for Singapore Airlines then immigrating to Australia. Here he flew A 320/321 for Jetstar and A 320 for VARA. Lately he has been flying FiFo routes.

Vic was critical of the 30-metre width, shorter runways found in the Pilbara making landings in hot weather difficult. The proximity of mining airstrips and non-controlled air space was a challenge. An earlier decision to use lower pressures in tires to avoid damage to runways has been reversed. An engaging talk.

Regards

Steve Rogers

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