

The Old Fliers Group

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A most enjoyable luncheon meeting with 85 guests.

Richard Ewing told us how his VW powered Sonex home built aircraft suffered engine failure on take-off at Jandakot. He remembered the advice to shove the nose forward as the Sonex has little inertia. He was at 300' as he departed runway 24R. A left turn brought him to the threshold of runway 12 and a safe landing. It was determined that fuel boost at full throttle had flooded the engine.

Milly Formby, recently returned from an around Australia coastal flight, in an Airborne Trike gave a talk about the plight of Shore Birds. Their coastal habitats are reducing through reclamation. Milly has spoken to children from 105 primary schools during her journey.

Milly had quality video from her high perch in the clouds as well as photos and art work detailing how these Shore Birds fly such long and arduous trips in annual search for food. Although some birds are quite tiny, they fatten up to double their size. These fat reserves power their long flight over oceans.

Milly received a long ovation for her professional presentation.

Next month we will return to RAAFA for our meeting. The lounge at Racwa will be complete by the 23rd but, as yet, a cafe service isn't available there.

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