

Christmas Op's Info & Reminders



Hi All,

We wish you all a Happy Christmas, a fantastic New Year and hope you get in some awesome flights.

**Below is some operations information and reminders.
Thank you.**

Fly Safe,

Brett and the HGFA management team.



Office Closure over Christmas & New Year

The HGFA office will be closed from 5.00 pm on Friday 22nd December and will re-open on Monday 8th of January 2018.

The HGFA emergency contact number (0417 644 633) will be monitored throughout the closure and emails will be checked periodically.

CASA Proposal for Multicom Frequency usage below 5000ft and Expanded CTAF's

The first element of the proposal will have little effect on our operations. However, the second element to increase the size of CTAF's to double their current size, is completely untenable and will severely affect and limit our operations throughout Australia.

We have drafted a formal response to this proposal, which will be submitted to CASA shortly and will be published on the HGFA website.

We ask that you take the opportunity to provide your feedback, via the CASA survey form or email, supporting our efforts to maintain your current flight privileges.

Please go to the bottom of the CASA proposal and click on the "Online Survey" link, then follow the directions.

Alternatively, you can draft your own email and send it to;
regulatorvconsultation@casa.gov.au

regulatory.consultation@caa.gov.au

Please make sure that your subject line is:

"Proposal - Frequency use at low level in Class G airspace"

You will also need to provide your name and HGFA number for it to be accepted.

Please feel free to utilise all, or sections of the official HGFA response to create your own. Thank you.

[\(Link to CASA proposal\)](#)

General Reminders

Speed Wing Endorsement: The period for those who wish to be Grandfathered the Speed/Mini Wing endorsement, expires on the 31st of December. After that date, you will need to complete appropriate training to attain the endorsement.

Red & Yellow Ribbons: New ribbons have been created and **RED** ones are being sent to all newbies. A pack of 10 **YELLOW** ribbons will be sent to each of the FTF's for use when students are operating alongside others, at populous sites.

The **Red** ribbons can be re-used by the pilot as a tell-tail, once he/she has achieved a higher certification level.





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