Welcome To

The RAAF Museum

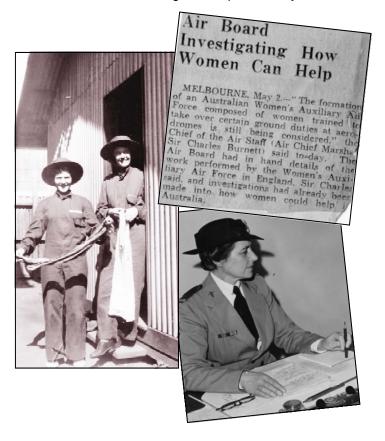
Home of the largest collection of Australian military aviation memorabilia in the world and the largest collection of historic military aircraft in the Southern Hemisphere.

Only 25 minutes from the CBD of Melbourne, the RAAF Museum is located at the birthplace of the RAAF, Point Cook. Here you will find a treasure-house of priceless artefacts and fascinating stories of past deeds. The RAAF Museum Heritage Gallery incorporates the latest in multimedia technology and display techniques which take the visitor back to the beginnings in World War I, through to today's sophisticated fighting force.





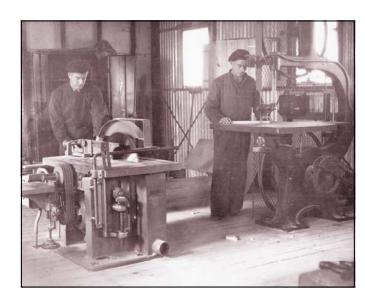
The RAAF Museum showcases more than twenty aircraft in its static display. The Maurice Farman biplane, Avro 504K, SE5a, Tiger Moth, Sabre, Boston, Phantom, Macchi Jet Trainer are among some of the aircraft on display. Items of memorabilia date back to the earliest days of the Australian Flying Corps and the birth of the RAAF in 1921 through to the present day.



Air Pageant



The RAAF Museum conducts a biennial Air Pageant which generally consists of aerial displays performed by ex-military and historic aircraft owned by the RAAF Museum and associates who operate with the Museum on a regular basis, or by invited owner/operators of historic aircraft. Current military platforms are invited to participate but these displays are generally limited to fly-pasts because of the limitations of the airfield. The Air Pageant provides the Museum with the opportunity to present that 'living' or 'intangible' legacy associated with the operation of the older aircraft, including the inheritance of knowledge associated with the practices of maintenance and operations.





At the RAAF Museum, you'll find tales of Australia's military aviators and their daring deeds.



RAAF Museum aircraft operate regularly as part of the Interactive Flying Program each Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday at 1:00pm (excluding Christmas and New Year period). The program introduces visitors to the history of Australian military aviation and gives you an opportunity to see the aircraft close up and ask questions of the pilot before they take to the skies. Airworthy aircraft include the Winjeel, CT4, Tiger Moth, Sopwith Pup, Mustang, as well as special visiting aircraft. There is also an opportunity to witness detailed aircraft restorations each day in the Restoration Hangar.

Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday 10:00am – 3:00pm Weekends and Public Holidays 10:00am – 5:00pm Closed Mondays, Good Friday and Christmas Day

Location

RAAF Base Williams, Point Cook Road, Point Cook. 25kms from Melbourne and 35kms from Geelong. Take the Point Cook Road exit on the Princes Freeway and follow the signs to the Museum (approximately 7kms). Melway reference 198 J4. Car and coach parking is available.

Admission

Admission is FREE, however, Donations are gratefully accepted. Note that photo identification is required for all visitors over the age of 16 to gain entry to the Base.

Disabled Facilities

Parking, toilets and access are available to the main Museum display and Interactive Flying Program for people with limited mobility.

Public Transport

The Museum is approximately 7kms by taxi from the Aircraft train station on the Werribee Line. Pre-booking of taxis is recommended. Alternatively, catch the Werribee Park Shuttle from the Victorian Arts Centre, Melbourne to the RAAF Museum and return. Bookings Essential. Contact Squires Coaches on (03) 9748 5094.

Guided Group and School Tours

Conducted on weekdays only. Telephone (03) 9256 1300 or 9256 1040 to book.

Souvenirs and gifts

Available at the Museum Shop and on-line at our website.

Friends of the RAAF Museum

A not-for-profit organisation supporting the aims and objectives of the Museum. Find out more by contacting us or ask for a copy of the brochure.

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