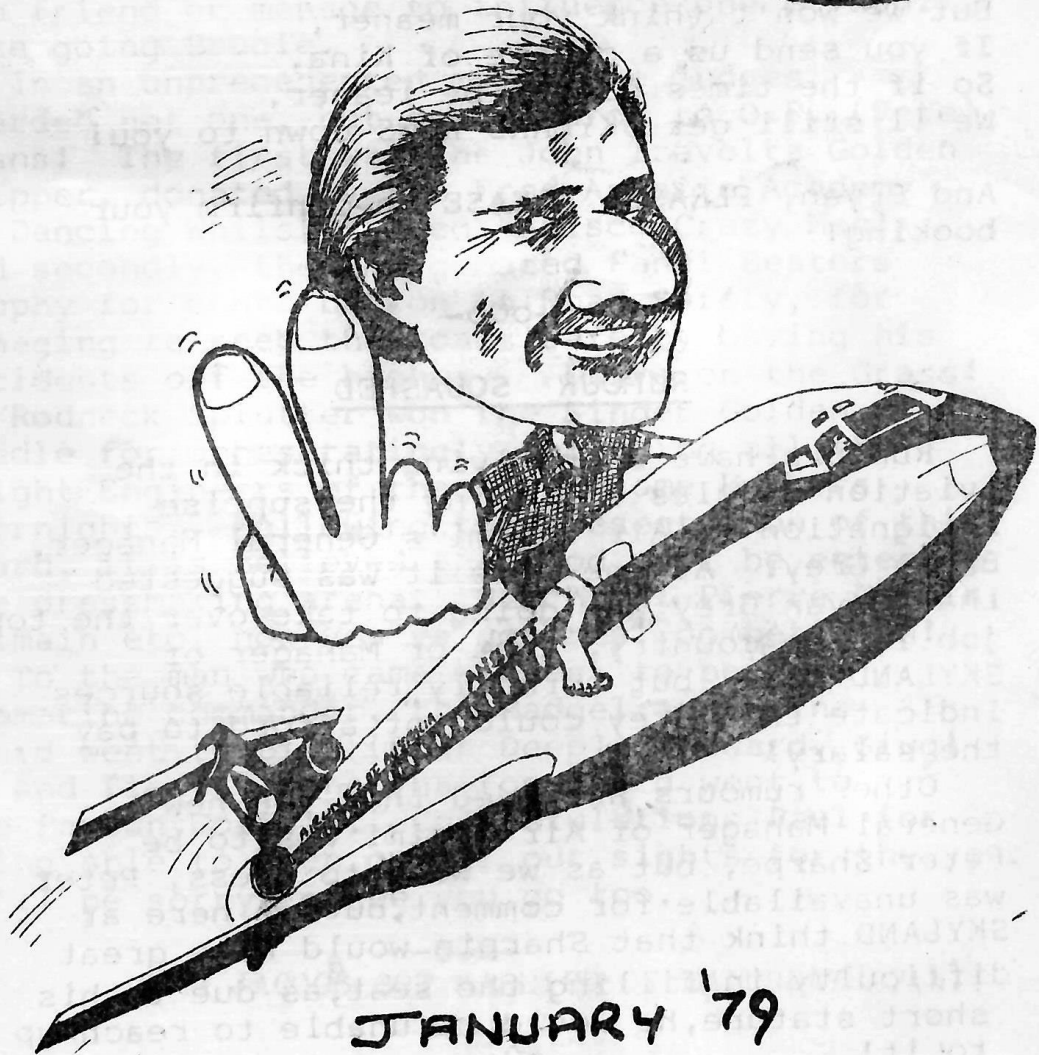


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ODE TO THEE!

There's a Boeing lying waiting on the tarmac,
Tomorrow for old Melbourne she'll fly,
Away from the heat and alchoholics,
Carrying Bryan Grey away in the sky.

They say he's joining up with Ansett
To do battle with another class,
Fresh from his bouts with the pilots,
The cream of PANGAPAS.

Who will we have to stir now,
That Bryan Grey's gone away?
No doubt we'll think of someone,
In the next issue we'll have our say.

But we won't think your meaner,
If you send us a couple of Kina,
So if the times get to be leaner,
We'll still get SKYLAND NEWS down to you!

And Bryan, PLEASE, PLEASE re-confirm your
booking!

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RUMOUR SQUASHED

Rumours have been flying thick in the aviation circles following the surprise resignation of Air Yugimi's General Manager, Bryan Grey. At one time it was suggested that Bryan Grey was going to take over the top job in the country, that or Manager of SKYLAND NEWS, but normally reliable sources indicate that Grey could not afford to pay the salary!

Other rumours abounded that the new General Manager of Air Yugimi was to be Peter Sharpe, but as we went to press, Peter was unavailable for comment, but we here at SKYLAND think that Sharpie would have great difficulty in filling the seat, as due to his short stature, he would be unable to reach up to it!

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NEW YEAR'S HONOURS

And by that title we don't necessarily mean Gary Honour. (Editors weak note)

Once again, and after spending prolonged periods in the 'Think Tank', SKYLAND NEWS team pays homage to those, who over the past year, have given themselves, their time, and their utmost devotion to pursuing the ideals of Mankind.

Selection was indeed hard, and took a lot of time, due to the vast number of nominations put forward by you, our worthy readers.

The 'Dale Carnegie' award went, this year to our old friend Bruce the Crafty, who did not win one friend or manage to influence one person. Nice going Brucie.

In an unprecedented move, the judges awarded not one, but two, awards to O.P. (Pete) Evans! The first was the John Travolta Golden Slipper, donated by the Fred Astaire Academy of Dancing Whilst Seated. Disco Crazy Man! and secondly, the Amalgamated Panel Beaters Trophy for contribution to Road Safety, for managing to keep the roads safe by having his accidents off the highway. Drive on the Grass!

Rodneck Splutter won the Singer Golden Needle for unhesitatingly relieving all the Flight Engineers of these irksome Honkers overnights. Following the presentation of this award, it is believed that Rod will be entering the dressmaking arena. Watch out Pierre Cardin, Balmain etc, now you've got real competition!

To the man who came closest to being a submarine commander, the Madgellan Marine award went to Bill (Down Deep) Woodward. Glug!

And finally, the Phantom Award went to the Papuan Gorilla. Congratulations Paul for being able to keep out of our sights for the year. We'll be sorry to see you go too.

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GREG JACOBS GOT MARRIED ON SATURDAY 27th.!

THE GREAT STEP FORWARD

Regular attenders at Tanfu Towers and environs, either for work or play, will be familiar with Operations officer Chris Guyler, whose devotion to checking the roster has earned him the nickname 'Chubby Checker'. Well, Chris is often seen driving his small Toyota which is really quite a good fit. Possibly a trifle tight around the shoulders, and definitely showing a bit of wear around the armpits. Chris apparently tried to make his car as lived in as possible by pushing his feet through the floorboards. Not only does this give a really snug fit, but it also saves a good deal of money, as he can now push himself along the road with his feet.

Energy conscious these Poms, aren't they?

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STRIKE!

Just out of interest, the earliest recorded strike was by an orchestra leader from Greece c. 309 BC. The strike was over meal breaks!

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PRECEDENT SET ?

Another, just out of interest observation, It appears that again the precedent has been set, by airline management, where technical crew requesting to take his wife on a Hong Kong overnight, was presented with a F.O.C. ticket!

They took away our M.C.O's,

And gave us F.O.Cs. !

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SUBS ARE NOW DUE!

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INTRODUCING KATHY PERCIFICA..

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Helo my Darlings,
I can't tell you how thrilled I
am to be on the staff of such a
dynamic magazine, and really those
guys running it. Really, I mean
really groovy... And you've all
been so'o nice writing all those
lovely letters to me-'though some
were a bit too much-naughty boy
aren't you Petey... Fancy writing
things like that!

One lovely lady wrote to me and
said "My husband burns the hair out
of his nose with a lighted match,
and he thinks I'm crazy because I
vote for Mal".

Well readers, what do you think of
that? Please write soon and let
me know if she voted for the wrong person!

Another reader has written to me asking, "Will
you please send me all the information on the
rythmn method. I'm learning to dance!".. Well, I
am sure that someone out there must be able to
oblige. To be quite honest, I'm not too sure if
we've got any copies of the rythmn method around
the office!

And finally, my sweets. if that other Airline,
you'll know who I mean, flies to the heart of
Asia, what are the anatomies of the rest of Asia?

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Q. What has an IQ of 102 ?

A. 101 Air Traffic Controllers!

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RUSSIA(1914-1924) Famine and Influenza left
20 million people dead!

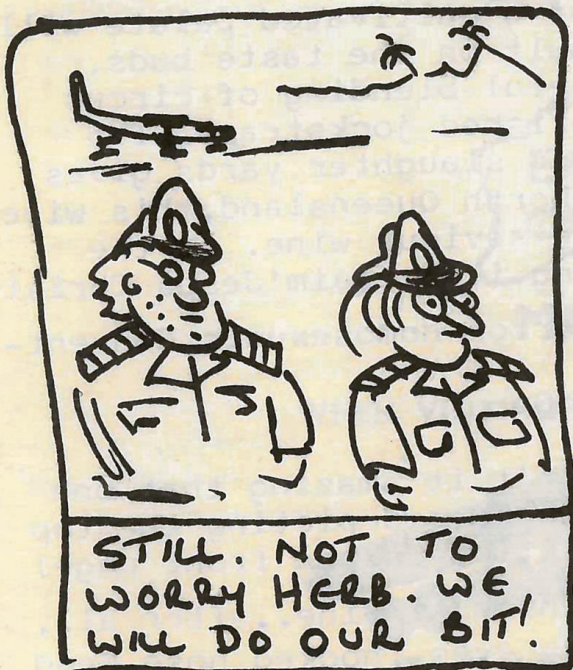
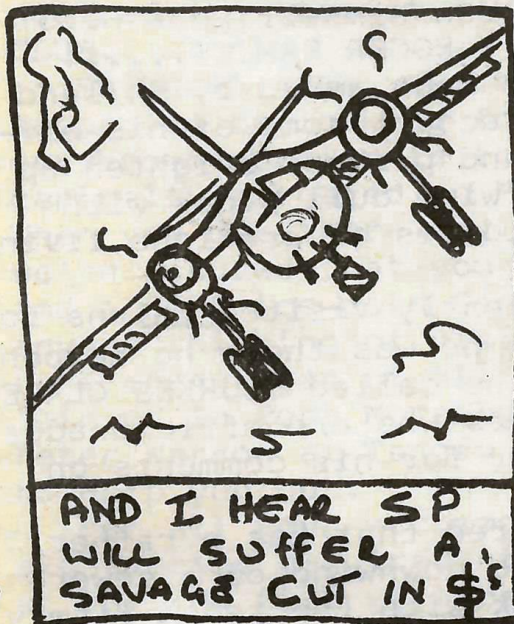
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THE GRIPPING CAPTAIN HUNDER



MARK HORNE VI

ADVENTURES OF D F/O RETCH



THE KORO-BOSEA COMPLEX 24.1.79.

INTRODUCING ...ROGER RAMJET..



Yes folks, here's the man the World has been waiting for! Mr Squeaky Clean himself, your Hero and mine...ROGER RAMJET.....! Roger has been asked by Skyland News to recount some of his adventures, and perhaps brighten up our otherwise dull pages with some anecdotes of gracious living.

Roger recently visited Cairns for a brief sojourn, and whilst he was there he happened across this rather nice wine called STURKES CLARET. Knowing we have many readers who are afficianados of the grape, we asked Roger for his comments on this vintage.

"An unusual rough as guts red that has a rather distinctive boquet of being downwind of a sewerage system. It is best drunk with the teeth firmly clenched to prevent ingestion of seeds and skins. Coinesseurs will savour the slight Taste of tannin and burnt Cockatoo feathers and soiled medical dressings.. Possessors of a cultivated palate will admire the initial assault on the taste buds, which come from the careful blending of circus floor sweepings with perished jockstraps.. The maturing in the Tableland slaughter yards gives it a definate nose.. In North Queensland, this wine is becoming known as the saviour wine, as the number of people drinking it exclaim 'Jesus Christ'!

Won a bronze at the Atherton Homosexuals Convention of 1973."

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Just out of interest, isn't it amazing that one Airline can put out a calendar depicting the top management team personalities on the front page!

No prizes for guessing which Airline.. after all, it's so obvious ...-beady eyes.. hooked nose. Need we say any more.

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MANILLA NEWS

Our resident correspondent in Manila advises us that one of our valued readers has recently acquired the tourist club known to all as the EMU CLUB.

So, next time you're in the Philippines, and happen to be looking for a good time in Manila, our recommendation is to visit the EMU CLUB, centrally situated on Mabini ('Phone 588629) When you get there say that Watto sent you, and we're assured that you will be greeted with open arms and a FREE ice-cold San Mig! Watto tells us that anyone thinking of visiting Manila, and wishing to take advantages of all the EMU CLUB offers may join up in Port Moresby. Just contact Watto, Peter Watson at Tangfu Towers and he'll be glad to help you out.

For all your accommodation, transport and sightseeing requiremants remember the happy staff at the EMU CLUB will be pleased to help you. Just say Watto sent me, or better still why not take him with you when you go?

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WHEN VISITING MANILA SEE THE...

BOOMERANG
FASHION HOUSE
TAILORS and DRESSMAKERS

AEROBATIC TEAM
FOR AIR YUGIMI

Information reaching us by direct satellite telecast, indicates that Air Yugimi, the World's most beautiful airline, is shortly to inaugurate its own aerobatic display team.

This team is to be known as the "Red Herrings" and at this early date it is expected that aviation personality, and one loved by all, will be team manager. None other than your friend and mine, Peter Evans - the only man to have a signature with a thousand feet a minute rate of climb!

The team, probably headed by Roger Ramjet will feature other great aviators who will be flying the new Silver Sardine Can Mk VI. Amongst those mooted will be Fish Fisher and probably R.Mullett. As **both** sardines, herrings are also packed in oil, and this oil will be used to pour on troubled waters in case of any industrial troubles.

As the media is being bombarded with many reports of sightings of U.F.O.'s (unionised First Officers) readers are asked not to report in if they should sight any unexplained phenomena in the skies, as it will, in all probability, be the "Red Herrings" practising.

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SINGAPORE NEWS

Stockbrokers here are reporting an unusual run of brewery shares, with some entrepreneurs buying up large parcels of shares. This panic buying on the bullish side of the market is believed to be the end result of a premature announcement that the famed "Red Herrings" team would be doing some of their training at this city. Our financial advisor recommends that, at this stage, the market fluctuation should be ignored.

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COMINGS AND GOINGS.

Our resident reporter situated at the great "TEMPLE of AEROS" notated the return recently of those two aviation characters; Graham Syphers and Ray Feltman, both now with that great overseas Airline: Norfolk Island Airways. It appears that it is very hard for these blocks to give the place away completely, and we are led to believe that the main reason for their return was to sample a few "Rip Top" SP's. Welcome Back fellas!

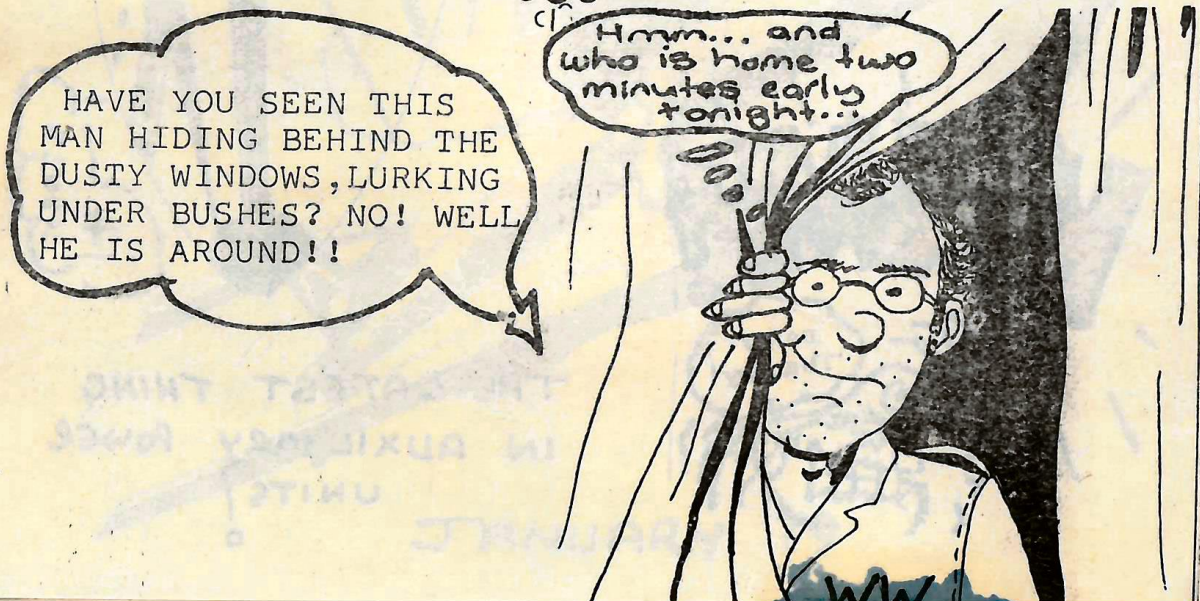
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One of the bigger figures in Air Traffic Control- Eric (Kiwi) Young is leaving the place shortly to wreck havoc on the blue skies around Sydney. Good to see that Eric has not forgotten all of us at SKYLAND NEWS, and in fact he has put on a really great evening for all the staff at the "TEMPLE". We really appreciate your fine gesture Eric! and we wish you all the best.

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It appears that wedding bells, or maybe a string of Chinese crackers will shortly be heard, as it has been found out the last year's winner of the "Bent Screwdriver Award" is about to tie the knot somewhere to the north of here. We also await the fine gesture of a couple of hogshead containing the amber fluid!! Come on Rod!

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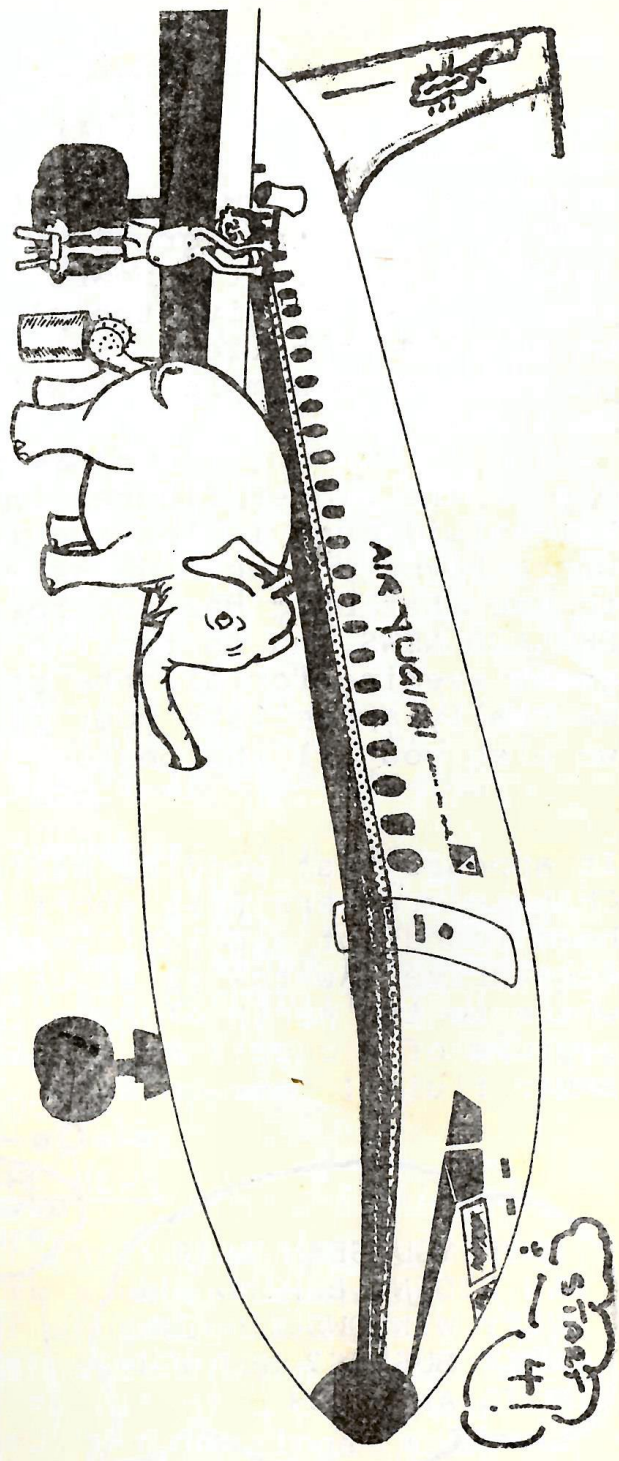


LET'S SEE... TRICKY
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 ICY RUNWAY....
 GUSTY WINDS...
 CAN'T FOOL
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