

TEAM2009

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AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL AIRSHOW 2009
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EVENT PERSONNEL NEWSLETTER
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"TEAM2009 GET READY TO BLAST INTO ACTION"

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our latest newsletter for the 2009 Australian International Airshow.

I would once again like to extend a big thank you for your time, effort and energy, without which we could not make our Airshow such a success.

Many of you are long time friends of the Airshow, and for some it will be your first time experiencing the thrill of the event. We hope your tour of duty will be rewarding and highly memorable and we will do our best to ensure your Airshow experience is an enjoyable one.

Ian Honnery
CEO Airshows Downunder



DATE CHANGE

As many of you will be aware, the dates for next year's event have had to be changed due to an unexpected clash with another major event, the Australian Formula One Grand Prix.

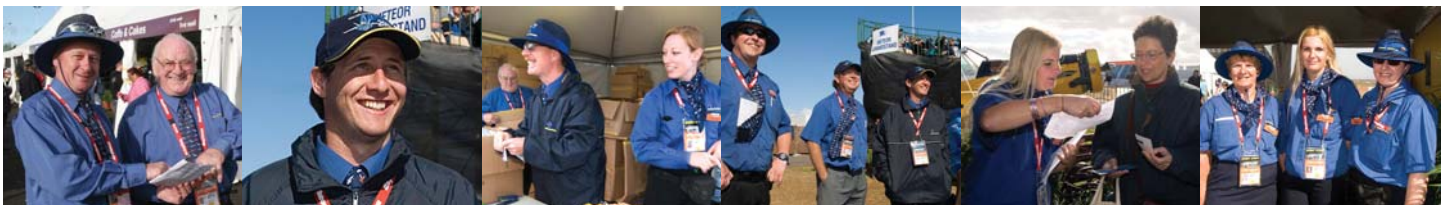
The new dates for **AVALON2009** are Tuesday 10 March to Sunday 15 March.

The exclusive industry trade only sessions will be until 2pm on the Friday, with entry to the site restricted to those with a professional or operational interest in aviation, aerospace or defence matters.

The event will open to the general public from 2pm on Friday 13 March until Sunday 15 March.

A notification about the date change has been sent out to our volunteers. If you have not already done so, please revise your availability by visiting the following website:
<http://www.airshow.net.au/avalon2009/volunteers/login.asp>

Volunteers need to enter their email address and date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) to log onto the website. The details need to match those on the volunteer registration form.



RECRUITING UNDERWAY

Recruiting for **AVALON2009** has begun and this year we are encouraging our volunteers to use our 'on-line' registration facilities. The volunteer registration form can be found by visiting www.airshow.com.au and selecting the volunteer tab.

If you don't have internet access, please contact **Karin Scott** on (03) 5282 0533 or email kscott@amda.com.au to arrange a volunteer registration form to be sent to you.

If you are interested in volunteering at **AVALON2009** and haven't yet applied, then we encourage you to do so quickly, as positions are limited.

The deadline for applications is as follows;

- **Team Members** - 15 December 2008
- **Section Leaders & Team Leaders** - 31 October 2008

SELECTION PROCESS

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Once your application has been received an acknowledgement letter will be sent to you.

Volunteers will be assessed on their expertise, skills, dates of availability and their ability to safely and efficiently carry out tasks.

We take our responsibilities with respect to Occupational Health and Safety very seriously and it is important that our

volunteers be fit and healthy and capable of undertaking their roles.

As part of our accreditation process, all volunteers undergo a national police check.

If your application is successful you will be sent a letter confirming your appointment and details of the role you have been assigned.

Comprehensive role descriptions and further information will be made available to all successful volunteers at a later date.



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Our army of volunteers is the public face of the Airshow. As with any major event there are always challenges, but your common sense, skills and cheerful nature will mean that customer service is a top priority.

Tourism Victoria classifies the Australian International Airshow as a 'Hallmark Event' so maintaining our national and international reputation is vital.

We know that you will join the Airshows Downunder team in presenting the best possible face to the general public, our Defence partners and all our participating industry and trade organisations, sponsors and stakeholders.



FAREWELL TO AN AIRSHOW FRIEND

This year saw the passing of a long term Airshows Downunder friend. Geoffrey Keene spent twenty years as a volunteer at the event and he will be sadly missed by all.

Geoff began his involvement with the Airshow in New South Wales and was a regular from that time on. We all extend our thanks for Geoff's contribution and our thoughts are with his wife Valerie, daughter Madeline and granddaughter, Kate.

Geoffrey receiving his award from Lady Fay Rowland and Ian Honnery for twenty years of service as a volunteer at the Airshow.



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