Valuable Safety Messages in Civil Aviation Authority Magazine

The March/April 2004 edition of the CAA’s safety magazine Vector/CAA News contains valuable safety information for pilots and other participants in the aviation community.

Vector/CAA News is the CAA’s flagship safety publication, and is issued free to 14,500 aviation document holders – pilots, maintenance engineers, air traffic controllers, and aviation companies. Vector focuses on aviation safety issues, while CAA News examines items of interest to the aviation community.

This edition of Vector focuses on flying safely in and out of Wanaka for the Warbirds Over Wanaka Airshow at Easter. Aircraft from around the country fly in to the airshow though mountainous terrain. The article discusses several safety issues pilots should consider when planning and making the trip.

Another article outlines some considerations for pilots when flying over wilderness areas, while another looks at some of the hazards inherent in high altitude helicopter operations.

CAA News profiles the new General Manager of the Airlines Group, Tim Allen. In another article, pilots are encouraged to report occurrences. Safety lessons can be learnt from investigation and analysis of these occurrences. The magazine also updates pilots on work to be carried out on the Auckland Airport runway, and the dangers inherent in volcanic activity.

It also reports on the upcoming Asia Pacific region Bilateral Partners meeting to be hosted by the CAA in Wellington from 30 March to 1 April, and includes a call for nominations for the annual Director of Civil Aviation Safety Awards.

Note to reporters:

Vector/CAA News is not a new publication. This media release is to highlight issues the media might be interested in. Vector/CAA News can be viewed on the CAA web site, www.caa.govt.nz, under “Safety Information – Publications”.

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