

# Curriculum Vitae

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## *Personal details*

<u>Age:</u>	64 years
<u>DOB:</u>	13 <sup>th</sup> August 1955
<u>Gender:</u>	Male
<u>Marital Status</u>	Married

## *Skills and abilities*

- Extensive experience in helicopter aviation practices
- Managerial experience
- Analytical and problem solver
- Excellent communication skills
- Highly motivated positive and creative thinker
- Commitment to succeed at any task
- Excellent health with high degree of fitness and stamina
- Hard worker
- Team focused approach
- Attention to detail with a safety and risk management conscious approach
- High standard of professionalism and presentation
- Excellent computer skills, proficient with Microsoft office and posses the ability to quickly and effectively pick up new computer skills

## *Interests*

- How things work especially the human body and new technology
- Natural Medicine and nutrition
- Cycling
- Sports including soccer, tennis, rugby league, and swimming
- Music in particular Live performances and Concerts

## *Employment History*

### August 2017 - Present

I commenced employment as a line pilot with SAR Helicopters after they won the contract to supply helicopter services to the Lifesaver Rescue helicopter service.

### October 2011 – July 2017

In October 2011, I commenced a short term full time contract with Westpac Lifesaver Helicopter in Sydney. The duties are that of a Rescue Pilot.

### November 2010 – September 2011

I have conducted casual work with Channel 7 flying their media helicopter in Sydney, In July of 2011 I was offered and accepted a permanent part time position with the Channel, working two days a week as well as covering holidays.

### November 2009 – October 2010

I decided to take a break from employment for this period and to concentrate on my private ambitions and to take a break from aviation.

## May 2008 – October 2009

### **CareFlight**

Casual Position, flying as Captain and Co Pilot initially on EMS flights for the AGL Action Rescue Helicopter (formally Energex Rescue Helicopter) this involved tours out of Sydney to either Bundaberg or Maroochydore. CareFlight's assistance to Action Rescue Helicopter was no longer required at the end of April 2009 when their first single pilot IFR BK-117 came on line.

In Jun of 2009 I commenced I commenced work with CareFlight on their ADF contract which involved providing an EMS helicopter for ADF training exercises mainly in the Northern Territory. My duties were to fly as Captain on a 2 pilot IFR BK-117 on a 2 week on 2 week off roster. This contract is only active during the dry season and goes into recess during the wet season.

I also conducted some check and training on other company pilots and some limited work on the HIRT contract in Sydney.

## October 2007 – April 2008

### **Telstra Childflight**

Casual Position flying as Captain on Neonatal and Pediatric retrievals out of their Westmead Base.

## 1988 – September 2007

### **Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter Service**

Commenced as Chief Pilot

*In this role I managed the entire aviation operation, plus I also had responsibilities for the financial and staffing functions of the business.*

During the period I achieved the following milestones and responsibilities:-

- Co-ordinated and organised the purchase of 2 helicopters. This involved travelling to the US and Japan to purchase of two BK117s helicopters (worth \$2million each)
- Responsible for budgets reflecting maintenance of our 2 aircraft, personnel and utilities.

- Manage and lead a team of 7 pilots, 10 crew, 3 engineers and 4 administration personnel. Dealing with rostering, staffing and resourcing issues, conflicts and training
- Responsible for and project managed the fit-out of the two rescue helicopters to EMS (Emergency Medical Service) and Rescue standards.
- Assisted with fundraising
- Organised many Public functions
- Public face for the organisation which included media releases, media interviews and public speaking
- Established a new base in Wollongong involving planning, design, building, construction, capital works, and fit-out,
- Negotiated contracts with Government and Rescue authorities
- Accountable to the Board of Directors including the parent company Surf Life Saving Australia, for day to day operation and financial control of the service.
- Responsible for budgets
- Personnel management
- Purchasing
- Liaised with government dept. e.g. DOH for provision of services to the NSW Health Dept. and ambulance service.
- Co-ordinate paramedics
- Acting Chief Executive Officer for stints as long as 3 months
- CO-ordinate and oversee the training of specialist doctors in aeromedical procedures
- Conduct check and training on all the service's pilots
- Quality assurance control
- Liaised with Civil aviation Authority (CAA) re Air Operations Certificate (AOC) and other approvals.
- Organised Aviation insurances
- Maintained staff rostering
- Managed staff at two bases Sydney and Wollongong
- Conducted flying operations in all facets of Rescue and EMS operations

## 1984 – 1988

### **New South Wales Police Pilot (Constable)**

- completed police academy at Goulburn
- graduated as police officer
- flew both helicopter and fixed wing aircraft in the role of police patrols and investigations
- flew reconnaissance missions
- worked with the drug squad to locate drug plantations
- worked with various other sections of the NSW Police to provide aerial surveillance and support.

## 1982 – 1984

### **Lloyds Aviation**

- helicopter pilot duties
- flew The Adelaide Westpac rescue helicopter
- flew all of the Adelaide Television helicopters i.e. channels 7, 9 and 10
- liaised with reporters and newsrooms
- flew onshore and offshore oil and mineral exploration flights
- flew for The South Australian fisheries department
- flew marine pilot transfer flights on and off Iron Ore carriers off the Western Australian coast
- coordinated refueling, accommodation and logistics for all of the flights carried out

## 1977 – 1982

### **Australian Army**

In January 1977 I commenced training at the Officer Cadet School (OCS) Portsea and graduated in December 1977 as an Officer in the Royal Australian Army with the rank of Second Lieutenant in the RAEME (Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) Corps

In 1978 I was posted to 1 Watercraft Workshop in Woolwich as the Administration Officer

In July 1978 I was posted as Officer in Charge of 1 Watercraft Workshop detachment in Middle Head. In this position I was responsible for :-

- All maintenance carried out on the vehicles of 30 Terminal Squadron which included all types of vehicles used in the loading and unloading of Military terminals including beach craft operations
- Managed sixteen workshop personnel including mechanics, electricians and other technicians
- Co-ordinated the attendance of the workshop on military exercises

In January 1979 I commenced flying training at the military flying school at the RAAF Base Point Cook, here I :-

- Learnt to fly fixed wing aircraft in the military air trainer CT4 aircraft

- Learnt all of the basic flying manoeuvres including aerobatics and formation flying
- Introduced to Instrument flying and passed a basic instrument flying test.

In July 1979 I commenced my helicopter conversion training at the Army Flying School at Oakey in Qld. Here I :-

- Conducted my helicopter flying training in a military Jetranger helicopter (Kiowa).
- Learnt all of the basic and advanced helicopter flying maneuvers including hoisting, hook line, formation, float and low level flying operations
- Conducted Instrument flying training and achieved a military Single pilot command Instrument Rating
- Conducted specific Corps and Squadron flying training
- Awarded the army Aviation Flying Wings

In January 1980 I was posted to 161 Reconnaissance Squadron at Holsworthy as a pilot. Here I :-

- Flew military Jetrangers on general reconnaissance flying duties
- Supported many other military units on exercises throughout Australia
- Conducted a Forward Air Control Course (FAC) which qualified me to direct military Gun and Bombing attacks on enemy locations
- Conducted survival courses in Jungle Snow and desert locations
- In my three years with the Squadron I conducted flying operations in all facets of military operations.

## *Referees*

Peter Yates

Chief Pilot SAR, contact on 0416241638

# Summary of Licences and Flying Experience

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## *Licences*

Flight Crew Licence No. 175399

- Commercial Pilot (Aeroplane) Licence
- Commercial Pilot (Helicopter) Licence
- All the subjects to qualify me for an (Aeroplane) Air Transport Pilots Licence (ATPL)

## *Aircraft Endorsements*

Aeroplane	Manual propeller Pitch Control
Aeroplane	Retractable Undercarriage
Aeroplane	S/E Aeroplane < 5700KG MTOW
Aeroplane	PA 34
Aeroplane	BE-76

Helicopter	Sling Load Operations
Helicopter	Float Landing Gear
Helicopter	Hoisting Operations
Helicopter	Repelling Operations
Helicopter	Bell 206
Helicopter	As 350
Helicopter	Bell 222
Helicopter	AS 355
Helicopter	BO 105
Helicopter	BK 117
Helicopter	SA 365

## *Instrument / Night VFR Rating*

	<i>Issue Date</i>	<i>Expiry Date</i>
Night VRF Helicopter	17 Jun 1982	Perpetual
Command (M/E Helicopter)	20 Dec 1991	Expired
Command (M/E Aeroplane)	21 Nov 1989	Expired

## *Flying Experience*

Total Aeronautical Experience	7238.6 Hrs
Total Helicopter	6707.6 Hrs
Total Aeroplane	531.0 Hrs
Total Pilot in Command	6676.3 Hrs
Total Command Helicopter	6300.5 Hrs
Total Command Aeroplane	375.8 Hrs
Total Turbine Hours	6713.5 Hrs
Total Multi Engine Experience	2983.0 Hrs
Total Night Flying Experience	896.1 Hrs