



## RAANZ AGM24 CEO Report

This has been a busy year. My thanks to the committee and officers for all their work this year. I am pleased to see some new hands going up to help for this year.

We have made good progress on moving our various systems to standard platforms.

Our new Incident Management system has been accepted by CAA as the primary RAANZ reporting system (i.e. you should report both Incidents and Accidents directly to RAANZ).

It is now 18 months since we released the new Learning Management System. There have been some teething issues, but with 100's of exams now completed, the system is running well. This has improved our credibility with both CAA and our other aviation colleagues.

The web site update is progressing more slowly than I would have liked, but in the next few months we are hoping to move to a new system and eliminate some of the reliability issues that we have had. This will also improve our security and privacy compliance.

The new constitution has been a long process, and hopefully will be in place following the AGM. A sub-committee of the executive committee has been working on a new Exposition as well. This is planned to go into effect following our CAA Re-entry audit in the first half of next year.

Our interactions with CAA over the last year have generally been good. We have regular meetings with CAA in the bi-monthly Part 149 meetings in Wellington. Progress in some areas is much slower than we would have liked.

RAANZ is also an active member of the NZ Aviation Federation. This group of organisations meets regularly and organises things such as our booth at Wanaka (and coming up in Omaka next Easter). It also provides us with a great opportunity to meet with representatives from the other groups to discuss common issues and concerns.

RAANZ has made multiple submissions in the last year. To CAA this has included proposed rule changes (where CAA reversed the proposed restrictions on Cost Sharing) and the CAA pricing document. While we would like to make more submissions, we are limited in resource and have a primary focus on licensing and certification.

The team has also had to deal with numerous issues with our membership this year. I understand that sometimes the rules can be frustrating but ignoring them can be disastrous if something happens to go wrong. We have seen insurance companies denying claims, and detailed investigations by CAA. A reminder to everyone that you must have a current BFR, medical and RAANZ membership to exercise the rights of your certificate. You should know the rules that apply, including our Exposition and your obligation as an aircraft owner.

As we come into summer, I encourage you all to fly safe, and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our fly-in next April.

Scott James (RAANZ CEO)