



Opal Classic Flight 2019

Whiskey Tango Foxtrot
does this entail?

Since its inception in the year 2017, the **Opal Classic Flight** is already becoming a “must do” for the not so serious recreational pilot.

The concept is simple. A planned flight itinerary is published. That’s the entire organisation. The rest is up to you. You arrange your own accommodation, fuel, aircraft, meals and transport. We do try and help each other out, but essentially this flight is fully unsupported.

With a little luck, we will meet up along the way and basically do our best to ridicule each other and embellish the days flying. If you can’t keep to the plan, that’s no problem.

The conditions are simple. Each participant will be invited to join a specially developed “WhatsApp” group so we can keep in touch before the flight and en route. We don’t want any turbulence on the ground let alone the sky. If you can’t get along, then don’t come along. If you can’t fly in a responsible and courteous manner, don’t come. If you don’t have a sense of humour. Don’t come. We can’t be any clearer.

We do have room for more pilots than in the past so please pass this notice amongst your fellow aviators.

You don’t have to do the entire trip. You may choose to do just part of the Classic, but then, it wouldn’t be a true Classic, would it?



DATE	DEPART FROM	OVERNIGHT	DIST (NM)
Fri, 17 May 2019	Meet up at Cowra	COWRA	
Sat, 18 May 2019	COWRA	TOORAWEEAH	144
Sun, 19 May 2019	TOORAWEEAH	MOREE	127
Mon, 20 May 2019	MOREE	LIGHTNING RIDGE	97
Tue, 21 May 2019		LIGHTNING RIDGE	
Wed, 22 May 2019		LIGHTNING RIDGE	
Thu, 23 May 2019	LIGHTNING RIDGE	LOUTH	164
Fri, 24 May 2019	LOUTH	NYNGAN	123
Sat, 25 May 2019	NYNGAN	COWRA	156
		TOTAL nm	811

Questions?

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2018 Legends

ACCOMMODATION

Lets make it very clear from the beginning. You make your own accommodation arrangements. If you have to cancel or alter your booking, you need to do this yourself and be responsible for any loss of deposits or full payment. Obviously weather will play a huge part. Some pilots may have aircraft which are more weather limited than others. You may decide to stay longer or shorter at some locations. Others may choose to fly on.

The accommodation listings below reflect what we feel are the best options in some of the smaller towns.

COWRA

Cowra is famous for its wine, food, Japanese Gardens and War Cemetery. Also has a brilliant range of ride on lawn mowers which Roy thought were ride on Scooters for the elderly. He tried to buy one for dad to go to the local shops. Cowra has plenty of accommodation options. Our favourite is the **Cowra Van Park** with a range of cabins. www.cowravanpark.com.au **02 6342 1627**



TOORAWEEAH

According to Ray and Phil, Tooraweenah is famous for its: 3 toed jacks; Cats Eyes; 3 star jacks or Cat Heads. Some great scenic flying of the adjacent Warrumbungle Ranges. The Pub is **Mountain View Hotel**. 02 6848 1017. Or **Tooraweenah Caravan Park**. **02 6848 1133**
Accommodation is very limited so don't delay.



MOREE

The local tourism body describes the town as: *"An exquisite Art Deco town centre providing a spectacular old-world ambience."* ??? We know it for its black soil plains, cotton and Artesian bore baths which you have to pay for - unlike the superior one at Lightning Ridge. Haven't worked out the best accommodation options just yet but there is a taxi in town. We can discuss where to stay via the Opal Classic Flyers "WhatsApp" group.



LIGHTNING RIDGE

Famous for its bore baths which are better than Moree. We spend 3 nights here and will be accommodated at the World Famous Ridge Castle. Your hosts, Prince Peter and Sir Roy will be on hand to ensure you have a right Royal time. A highlight will be a tour of the newly constructed Well at the Ridge Castle. You also have the opportunity to mine and help the Toucans find their fortune.



LOUTH

We fly via Bourke to Louth along the Darling River where Paddle Steamers used to be the major transport. If Peter comes, he will no doubt want a river cruise. Louth is famous for its annual picnic race which is a fantastic event! We will miss it though.... Accommodation is at the **Shindy Inn Pub (02 68747422)**. They have just two rooms. Each sleeps 6. Haven't booked anything yet but will do so later. Sharesies. If we can't book it, then we may have to re route to Bourke,



NYNGAN

Some of you will feel right at home here as it is home of the "Bogans". (Located on the Bogan River) They even have a Bogan statue which will make a great backdrop for our team photos. Bring a Bingtang t-shirt,, a pair of thongs and a tattoo. If any of you have any hair left, please arrange in a mullet or braid it if you are so inclined. Once again, we will nominate accommodation closer to the event via Whatsapp.

