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Tiger Rag



John and Gloria Pheasant formate Tiger Moth ZK -AIA over the countryside south-east of Taumarunui Aerodrome during the N.Z. Tiger Moth Club's recent fly-in. The aeroplane was manufactured in 1938; its current colour scheme is based on that of the English garden Tiger Moth (scientific name *Arctia caja*). This Tiger has more than 11,000 hours logged and is thought to be the only aircraft in New Zealand to have served continuously since before WW II. John has given hundreds of passengers of all ages "a ride in a Tiger Moth" and often fulfilled the long-held wishes of some. Camera photo plane for this shoot was John Pheasant's new mount, Tiger Moth ZK-BFF. It was flown by a lucky Sam Higgins.

Ken Somerfield photo



The delivery crew upon arrival in Auckland on October 29. L to R: Mark Mullins; Training Manager B777, David Morgan; General Manager Operations, Standards and Safety, David Allard; Fleet Manager B777, Gerry Dunn; Fleet Manager International Airline.

ANZ deliver 1st 777-200ER

Peter Clark photo and report

Handover of the first of the Air New Zealand Boeing 777-200ER fleet took place on October 28, New Zealand time, at Boeing's Everett Seattle premises.

ZK-OKA is the first of eight 777s to be delivered to the airline with the second aircraft joining the fleet on November 8. Initially these aircraft will introduce crews to scheduled flights on trans Tasman routes and from mid November will ply routes Auckland - San Francisco and Auckland - Singapore. The aircraft will also be suitable for a direct Auckland - Shanghai route for which the airline has made application to fly.

The new aircraft add further capacity to the airline's long haul capabilities. By early 2007 fleet composition is expected to be eight 777-200ERs, eight 747-400 and five 767-300 aircraft. Interior cabin fit of the new 777 fleet is the same as the product being currently fitted to the 747 fleet. Capital cost for the 777 fleet is spread between the airline and International Lease Finance Corporation (ILFC).

Rolls-Royce Trent 800 series engines power the new 777 fleet. The airline will also use the new generation Trent 1000 for its next type delivery, the Boeing 787. Four aircraft of this type have been ordered to enter service in 2010 and 2011.

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