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Phil Baker

MD'S COMMENTS

I recently outlined important airport projects that would be ramping up as we headed towards the New Year.

While this edition of Plane Talking contains updates on some of these projects, I thought it worth highlighting the marked progress that has already taken place in the past couple of months.

Firstly, on November 16 we received word from the Federal Minister for Transport, Anthony Albanese, that he had approved our Landside Infrastructure Project, including the multi-storey car park redevelopment, pedestrian plaza and associated roads re-alignment.

Having now cleared this significant hurdle, we expect construction works to begin in late January - early February 2011.

While this is an exciting project for AAL, all staff will have an important role to play by being aware of the impact of the project on our customers during the construction phase, and to assist in any way we can to minimise the inconvenience for travellers and visitors. Regular updates indicating what works are being undertaken will be circulated to staff during this phase.

Another maintenance program that has been quietly progressing below the radar, so to speak, has been the overlay project to resurface Adelaide Airport's runways and taxiways. This project is on schedule, and just as importantly, has barely been noticed outside the airport community.

This is a real credit to the overlay project team, which undertook a considerable amount of planning before the first batch of bitumen was produced to ensure minimal disruptions to airport operations and the surrounding community. Great work by all involved.

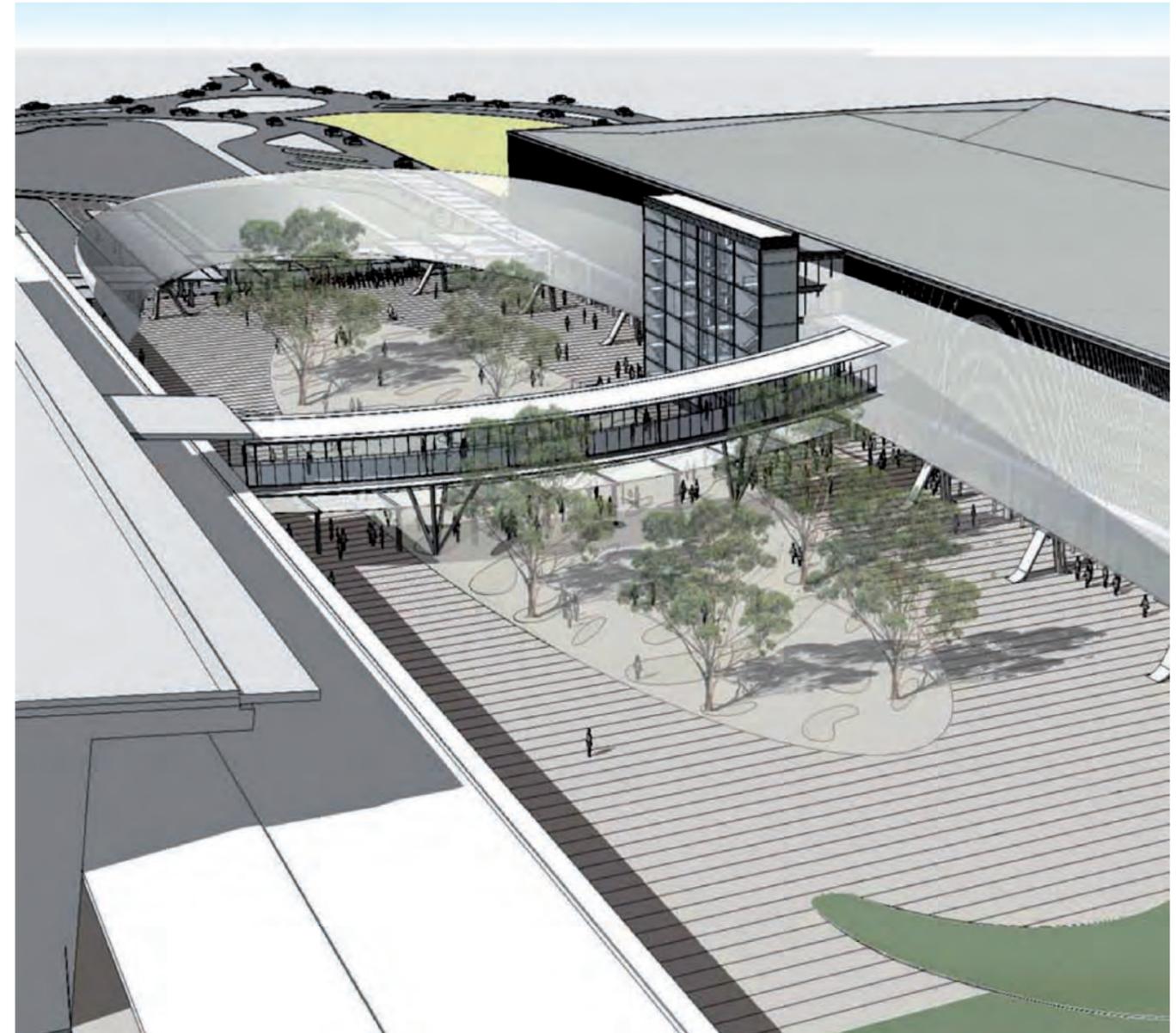
In late November, it was my pleasure to join SA's Minister for Transport and Energy, the Hon Pat Conlon, and the University of Adelaide in officially launching AAL's partnership with the Centre for Energy Technology to develop clean energy solutions for our airport.

On the local community front, I would like to congratulate West Torrens Mayor, John Trainer, and Salisbury Mayor, Gillian Aldridge, on their re-election (unopposed) as well as the election of Adelaide Lord Mayor, Stephen Yarwood, in last month's local government elections. I also look forward to working with all councillors, both new and re-elected.

In light of another successful year and record passenger numbers, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank all of the management and staff, plus our directors, shareholders, consultants, customers, regulators, border agencies and suppliers, local residents and all levels of Government for their support in 2010.

Best wishes to you and your families for a safe and happy holiday season, and a peaceful and prosperous year ahead.

MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT GETS THE GREEN LIGHT



Adelaide Airport Limited (AAL) will undergo its most significant redevelopment since the opening of the new terminal, with a multi-level car park and a pedestrian plaza planned for completion in 2012.

AAL Managing Director Phil Baker welcomed approval of the works by the Federal Minister for Transport Anthony Albanese and said it marked the start of a busy and exciting phase of significant airport infrastructure and operational projects.

The new development to the north-west

of the main terminal will include a multi-level, 2000-space car park incorporating rental car and valet parking facilities, while a landscaped pedestrian plaza will provide an appropriate link between the car park and T1.

Roads within Adelaide Airport will also be re-aligned to cater for the new development and create an alternative entry and exit point.

"Following the Minister's approval, we intend to start construction on our

new multi-deck car park, with associated new road layout and adjacent pedestrian plaza, early in the new year," Mr Baker said.

"Once the external project is completed and subject to further Ministerial approval, we will begin work on extending T1 itself, adding new departure gates and increasing international capacity. In the meantime, some airlines will have modernised their check-in arrangements and changes to international security screening procedures will be evident inside the terminal.

OVERLAY PROJECT REACHES MILESTONE

Adelaide Airport's overlay project has reached a major milestone, with resurfacing of the main runway now complete.

Work is well under way on resurfacing the cross runway, with the entire project on track for completion in April 2011.

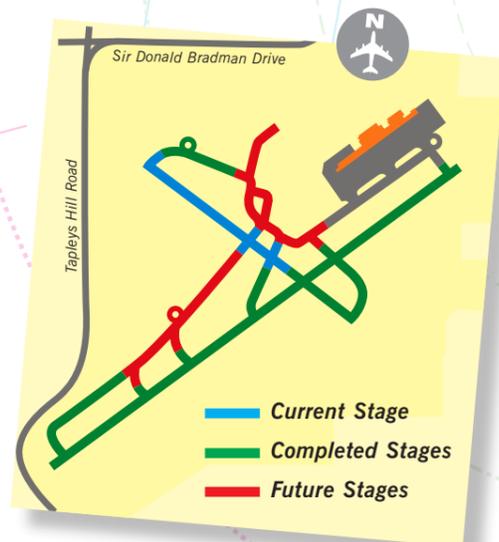
It is expected by the time the project team breaks later this month for Christmas and New Year:

- Resurfacing of the cross runway will be complete;
- Approximately 340 light fittings (out of a total of 630 lights) will have been installed; and
- Approximately 40,300 tonnes of asphalt (out of a total of 50,300 tonnes) will have been laid.

Despite having cancelled work on three occasions due to rain, the construction is currently only one day behind the project team's best case program.

The essential maintenance works, which are required to be carried out every 10 to 15 years, are part of AAL's ongoing program to provide a safe operating environment for all aircraft.

Works have mostly been carried out during the airport's curfew, between 11.00pm and 6.00am. During these times the cross runway, running south-east to north-west, has been used for the small number of freight and emergency aircraft that are permitted to operate during these hours.



MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT GETS THE GREEN LIGHT CONT



"This is an important project because more than just improving amenities, service standards and increasing the number of parking spaces, it improves pedestrian safety and commits to future complementary aviation and non-aviation development."

Mr Baker said that despite AAL's best endeavours, there may be occasions when

normal high levels of service to the public will be compromised by works associated with this project on a temporary basis.

"AAL will do everything possible to keep such disruption to a minimum and inform the public of any changes in advance," he said.

In addition to the above approved project, Adelaide Airport Limited will soon be providing advance advice to a minor variation to the project which will involve the construction of a link bridge between the new car park and the terminal. More detail will issue over the coming weeks.

VIETNAM AIRLINES CHARTER SUCCESS



Last issue we foreshadowed the planning for non-stop services by charter aircraft to Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) by Vietnam Airlines and facilitated at the Adelaide end by Bunnik Tours.

The first of these charters left Adelaide Airport on time at 1010 on Sunday

21 November 2010 with a capacity load.

Advance bookings for the remainder of the charter services indicate a similar high demand, clearly showing that there definitely is a market for this service.

An interesting side note to this first charter by Vietnam Airlines was that four of the flight

crew advised that they had fond memories of Adelaide, having done their flying training at Parafield some 15 years ago.

Meanwhile, discussions continue with China Southern for further charter operations with a view to regular scheduled services in the near future.



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RFDS WELCOMES NEW FLEET



“THE RFDS IS OUR PREFERRED PROVIDER OF FIXED WING AERO-MEDICAL SERVICES IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA...”

Two of Adelaide Airport Limited's preferred charities, Variety and the Royal Flying Doctor Service, came together recently at the dedication ceremony of one of the new fleet of RFDS aircraft.

Foxtrot-Victor-Alpha (VH-FVA), or "Alfa" as it is known to crews, commenced duties from Adelaide in July as part of the single biggest aircraft replacement program undertaken by the RFDS in Central Operations (SA/NT).

"VH-FVA is the first of five new medically-equipped Pilatus PC-12 aircraft to be introduced to the Central Operations fleet over the calendar year at a total capital expenditure of \$30 million," John Lynch, CEO of RFDS Central Operations, said at the recent official dedication ceremony of the \$6 million aircraft at Adelaide Airport.

Speaking at the launch, SA Health Minister John Hill said: "I am delighted to acknowledge the contribution of \$6 million by the State Government towards this major aircraft replacement program.

"The RFDS is our preferred provider of fixed wing aero-medical services in South Australia, and we applaud its continued high quality service in partnership with SA Ambulance Service and MedSTAR."

Mr Lynch said by completion of the \$30 million capital program, the 5 new state-of-the-art aircraft would replace existing aircraft, each of which would have conducted around 15,000 flight hours during their 15 years of service to the community.

"We rely on the support of the community to help purchase and medically-equip our replacement aircraft - and we applaud the generosity of Variety, the children's charity, for its \$600,000 grant to enable the medical fit-out of this very aircraft and its conversion to a 'flying intensive care unit'.

"The purchase of the aircraft itself has been possible due to a combination of capital grants from the Commonwealth and South Australian Governments, corporate sponsors and donations from

members of the community, and we acknowledge their generosity, commitment and support of the 'Flying Doctor'," Mr Lynch said.

"In 2009/10, more than 8300 patients were transported by RFDS aircraft in South Australia and the Northern Territory alone - almost 50 per cent more than a decade ago.

"Since July, VH-FVA alone has transferred 31 children injured or critically ill to/from all regions of the State to the Women's & Children's Hospital in Adelaide for higher levels of care, including one young child interstate in preparation for a lung transplant."

Mr Lynch added this was the second medical fit-out of a RFDS aircraft sponsored by Variety. In 2002 it granted the funds to medically-equip VH-FGT, which continues to serve the community.

Mr Lynch said the Variety SA grants acknowledge the important role that property owners and rural communities play in the success of the annual

FURTHER SUCCESS AT PROPERTY AWARDS

Adelaide Airport believes it has worked hard to make its T1 shopping and dining precinct amongst the best in Adelaide by offering great promotions and competitions, and we're not the only ones who think so.

AAL T1 Retail was ecstatic to receive the following awards at the Property Council of Australia Gala Awards 2010 in October:

- **Excellence in Marketing - Centres/Arcades up to 10000 m² Centre Integration - "Finding a Way to Retail Success"** - Accepted by Kyra Gustavsson,
- **Excellence in Marketing - Centres/Arcades up to 10000m² Marketing Campaign - "Win a Pandaventure"** - Accepted by Karen Gough
- **Excellence in Presentation - Centres/Arcades up to 10000m² Commendation Award** - Accepted by Kyra Gustavsson

This is the 5th year in a row that the airport has picked up awards from the Property Council, winning collectively 8 awards since 2006.

AAL General Manager, Property, Ken May said the Commendation Award for "Excellence in Presentation" was particularly pleasing (following on from the success last year in receiving the inaugural PCA Environmental Innovation Award) as it involved the full co-operation of all T1 Operations personnel and Facilities Management staff. Thanks in particular go to Phil Hogan and Barrie Briggs and all their staff, for the co-ordination of the various contracted cleaners and waste contractors.

Mr May said the awards were also testament to the dedication, interest and participation of all T1 retailers.



SA Variety Bash throughout South Australia and the Northern Territory.

"The RFDS remains very much dependent on the support of the community, at all levels, to assist with funding for its capital projects such as new aircraft, medical equipment and operational facilities, as well as the delivery of our preventative health programs such as the RFDS Healthy Living Program," Mr Lynch said.

RFDS is one of Adelaide Airport Limited's major charities and a permanent collection box is located under the "propeller" in the international arrivals area of the ground floor of T1.

CENTRE FOR ENERGY TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP LAUNCHED

Adelaide Airport aims to become an Australian leader in clean energy use thanks to a new three-year, \$750,000 partnership with the University of Adelaide.

Under the partnership - launched late last month by Minister for Transport and Energy, Pat Conlon, the University's Centre for Energy Technology (CET) will undertake research to develop clean energy solutions for Adelaide Airport.

Adelaide Airport Ltd (AAL) Managing Director, Phil Baker, said AAL aimed to become the most ecologically sustainable airport in Australia.

"Running a successful airport involves a great deal of energy use, which in turn results in a large amount of greenhouse gas emissions. Simply putting money into paying for carbon offsets doesn't solve the underlying issues," Mr Baker said.

"At Adelaide Airport, we want to invest in the long-term future of our operations. This is why we approached the Centre for Energy Technology at the University of Adelaide to partner with us to find cleaner, greener solutions."

In order to help reduce AAL's carbon footprint, University staff and postgraduate students will assess the airport's biggest areas of energy use and develop clean energy solutions that are specifically targeted to make the most impact.

"Usually, the biggest percentage of any large organisation's carbon footprint is the direct result of energy use, so it makes perfect sense for the Centre for Energy Technology to partner with Adelaide Airport on this major project," said the Director of CET, Professor Gus Nathan.

"We're excited by the foresight and leadership on this issue being shown by Adelaide Airport. We anticipate significant benefits from this partnership, not only for the airport but also for other public spaces, such as shopping centres and other airports overseas, in clean technology."

Specific issues to be investigated under the partnership include:

- the use of renewable energy generation both on and off site - such as wind and solar energy
- novel methods to reduce energy from heating, cooling and lighting
- alternative approaches for ground transportation
- adapting new technologies to AAL's unique facilities and requirements.

BUCK RECOVERS

After a protracted period of illness and recovery, Buck the Bear has been sighted climbing the fire-escape stairs to the Air Traffic Control Tower.

Buck has had many close calls in his lifetime commitment as the airport's mascot and it is little wonder that the pressures faced in this 24/7 responsibility sometimes warrant a break for recuperation.

He rarely speaks but has been known to show his appreciation by a discreet wave or wink of the eye to the airport Safety and Security Officers who look after his daily needs.

With Christmas just around the corner, Buck will be doing his part to ensure that Santa and his sleigh have a trouble free transit of Adelaide Airport.



NEWS IN BRIEF

AAA APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Australian Airports Association (AAA) has appointed Ms Caroline Wilkie as Executive Director, taking over from Mr Ken Keech who is retiring after almost 13 years of invaluable service.

Ms Wilkie has held the position of National Manager Airports and Transport with the Tourism and Transport Forum for the past 7 years, during which time she has developed an excellent working relationship with a number of AAA members.

VALE

Adelaide Airport Ltd would like to acknowledge the contributions of three members of the aviation community, who passed away this year:

Jeff Watson - Long-serving Singapore Airlines State Manager (SA).

Peter O'Rourke - Divisional Director (Vic) of the Australian Airports Association.

John Martin - Former ACCC Commissioner and Chairman of the International Air Services Commission.



Phil Baker with Gus Nathan and Transport & Energy Minister Pat Conlon

SEEN IN T1 - ADELAIDE AIRPORT

ENGLAND
Ashes Test Team

Bob
GELDOF

JOHN FARNHAM

Isobel
Redmond

Anna Meares

South Australian **REDBACKS**

Russell Ingall

PERTH GLORY

ADELAIDE UNITED

TRANSPORT MINISTER
Pat Conlon

SUN, SAND AND STYLE



Fashion designers can be a cocky lot. One look at your average New York or Paris fashion parade and the startling... let's call them 'original'... designs on show confirm that these trend setters have an abundance of confidence in their designs, most of which the average punter wouldn't be caught dead in walking down Hindley Street on a Saturday night.

By way of further proof, we submit the following pearls of wisdom, firstly from Coco Chanel: "I don't do fashion, I am fashion."

...and from Ralph Lauren: "I don't design clothes. I design dreams."

Google 'famous fashion quotes' and you'll see these two aren't alone in their over-stimulated levels of self-belief.

(By way of neat contrast, long-since-deceased Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw was ahead of his time with this gem: "A fashion is nothing but an induced epidemic.")

Which all makes you wonder how the cacophony created by haute couture creations on the other side of the world equates to the simple, sassy, stylish designs you'll find in the fashion retail outlets such as those in Adelaide Airport's T1.

Fortunately, Adelaide Airport can help you find the answer.

If you want to see women wearing bird-cage inspired gowns and rodent-skinned headwear (we're not making this up!), you can fly internationally from Adelaide to a European Fashion Week destination with great connections via Singapore and Hong Kong.

If you prefer your fashion more 'sane' and less 'zany' - there are some great retail options at T1 to check out before your flight.

Whether you're after a cute little party dress, boardies or bikinis for the beach, or the latest designer sunnies, T1's fashion retailers have you covered. Check out a few of the choices opposite.

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RIP CURL

Shop 4, T1 Level 2 Phone 8234 4588

Rip Curl is the ultimate surfing company and its retail stores showcase the huge variety of quality surf, snow, skate and lifestyle products the international brand manufactures.

From surfwear and swimwear to watches and travel bags to footwear and sunnies, Rip Curl has you covered.

Take some time to visit the store and explore the world of one of Australia's great brands.



SHADES

Shop 22, T1 Level 2 Phone 8234 4116

Find the latest sunglass styles from the world's most covetable design houses all in the one place. At Shades, you'll find a pair to reflect your style. Choose from Bvlgari, Prada, Gucci, Dior, Dolce & Gabbana, Versace and more. Shades also stocks many exclusive imports, along with a unique collection of men's and women's watches, jewellery and wallets from Diesel, DKNY, Emporio Armani, Michael Kors and Dolce & Gabbana.



WITCHERY

Shop 25, T1 Level 2, Phone 8234 4642

Look your best with Witchery - the modern Australian style leader. Throughout the label's range, Witchery mixes fashion-forward clothing and accessories with good value, proving an irresistible combination for those who understand style.

A visit to Witchery is ideal for the woman on the move. In the one place you'll find the pieces you want - simple, sophisticated items that coordinate to make the perfect wardrobe.

KARLA JOINS RETAIL TEAM



Karla Diment has joined AAL's T1 Retail team as Retail Marketing Assistant. She will work closely alongside Terminal Property Manager, Kyra Gustavsson.

Karla has worked in retail for about 8 years, more recently as a store manager at the retail fashion store, Kookai, and at Jetty Surf. She joined AAL four months ago as receptionist at the Management Centre, but has quickly moved into the new retail marketing role.





Lissa van Camp

PARAFIELD VERNAL POOLS



ACTING ENVIRONMENT MANAGER'S MESSAGE

More exciting times for the Environment Team since our last issue of Plane Talking. Most notably, Minister Conlon kicked off our partnership with the University of Adelaide's Centre for Energy Technology (CET) on 24 November at Gate 50 in T1. Like many businesses, we recognise that we will soon be entering a carbon constrained future where we must address the various risks associated with climate change. We've also made no secret of our commitment to reducing our carbon footprint and showcasing renewable energy technologies to all users of the airport. That is why we've partnered with CET - by working with leading researchers, we can develop novel techniques to reduce our energy

consumption in T1 and around the airport, and decrease our carbon emissions. While the projects are still being developed, the partnership has the potential to see really exciting renewable energy research and trials on site, optimisation of our existing systems so that we are as efficient as possible, as well as sustainable heating and cooling opportunities. More information on the partnership projects will follow!

With this being the last Plane Talking before Christmas, on behalf of the Environment Team, I want to wish you a happy and safe break, and look forward to hearing your tales in January.

Lissa van Camp

Vernal pools are a type of ephemeral (temporary and recurring) wetland that appears at the end of the wet season, lasting into the early months of spring. The weather and soil conditions across much of the Adelaide Plains are suitable for vernal pools, and were likely once common across the grassy plains. Their abundance in the Two Wells area is still recalled by long time residents, but the progression of agriculture and development has seen their slow decline and finally, disappearance from the region. There is, however, a handful of vernal pools left in a small pocket of Parafield Airport.

The vernal pools are seasonally flooded, have an underlying hardpan impermeable to water that enables the rainfall to pool on the surface. The hardpan is made of silicates, cemented through the action of rainwater in the soil profile. As the pools are wide and shallow, they evaporate, and often dry up and refill many times in a season.

The vernal pools are gently filled with rainwater, and rely on clear water and low nutrients to survive. All of these elements combined result in varying levels of dissolved oxygen and pH in the course of a day. The Parafield vernal pools are populated with flora and fauna that are 'vernal pool specialists', adapted to cope with the specific conditions of this wetland type, including the daily pH swing, DO fluctuations, and the wetting and drying cycles.

High levels of nutrients and soil suspended in the water, or a break in the hardpan, disturb the delicate balance of these specific conditions, allowing an opportunity for weeds to dominate the natives. If left undisturbed, however, the pools can often re-establish their natural cycles.

Vernal pool specialists are often rare and occur only within their local region. This is because genetic material isn't transported by the movement of water as with rivers and creeks, but is usually restricted to transportation via the legs of animals visiting the ponds.

There are a number of plant species of conservation significance in and around the Parafield vernal pools. Classically, vernal pools vegetation exists in distinct banding, creating colourful rings that change a little over the pool's season.

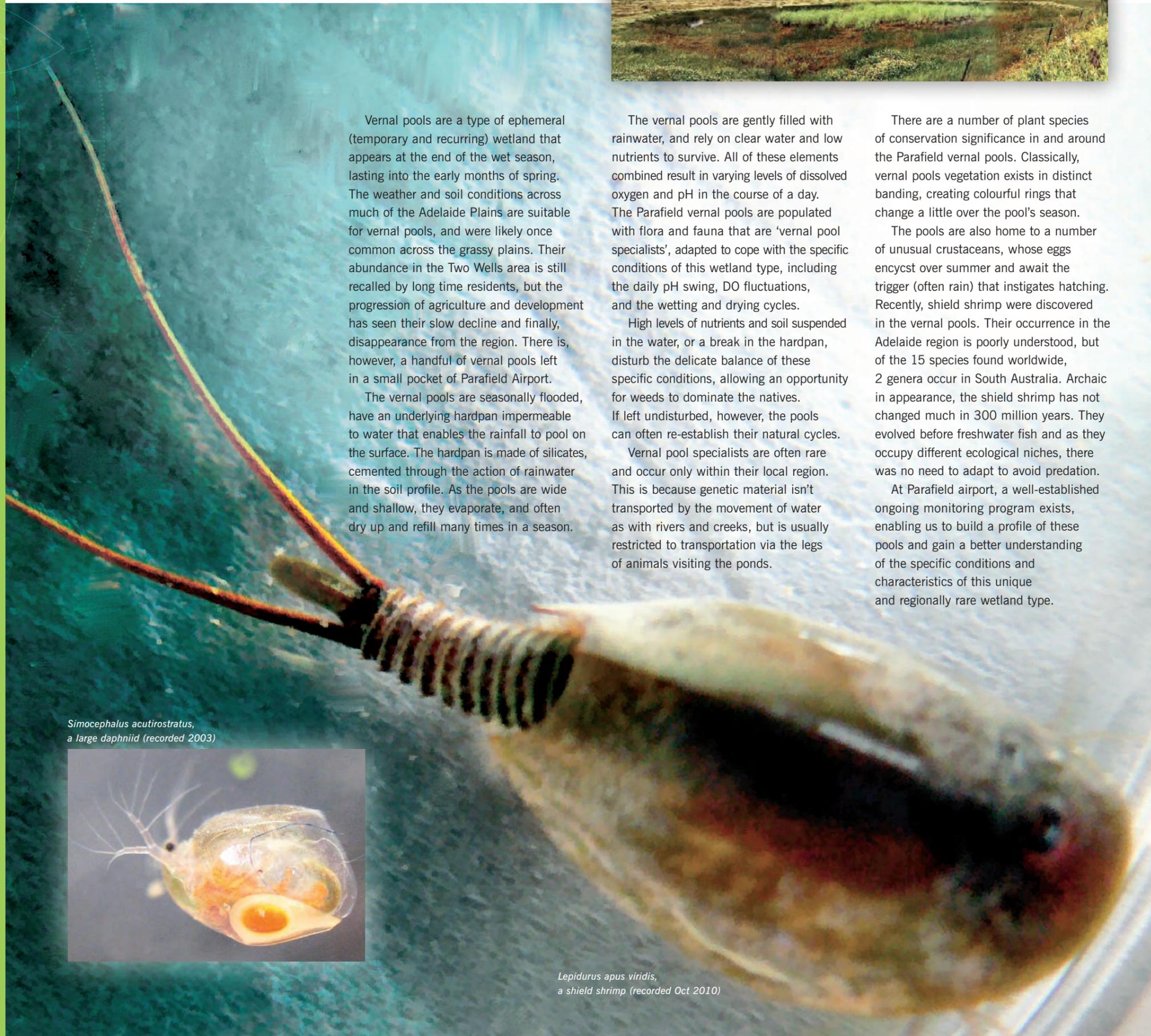
The pools are also home to a number of unusual crustaceans, whose eggs encyst over summer and await the trigger (often rain) that instigates hatching. Recently, shield shrimp were discovered in the vernal pools. Their occurrence in the Adelaide region is poorly understood, but of the 15 species found worldwide, 2 genera occur in South Australia. Archaic in appearance, the shield shrimp has not changed much in 300 million years. They evolved before freshwater fish and as they occupy different ecological niches, there was no need to adapt to avoid predation.

At Parafield airport, a well-established ongoing monitoring program exists, enabling us to build a profile of these pools and gain a better understanding of the specific conditions and characteristics of this unique and regionally rare wetland type.

Simocephalus acutirostratus, a large daphniid (recorded 2003)



Lepidurus apus viridis, a shield shrimp (recorded Oct 2010)



VIRGIN BLUE STARS

You may remember an article in the April 2009 Edition of Plane Talking which highlighted an innovative way of using recycled products in aviation. Virgin Blue staff developed the idea of making aircraft wheel chocks out of recycled plastic using a local business in Adelaide, Advanced Plastic Recycling. AAL recognised this idea and awarded Virgin Blue staff an Environment Certificate of Recognition.



As a follow up to this recognition, Les Payne one of the inventors of this product, was invited to attend the global Virgin Management's Star of the Year Virgin Global Awards dinner, held in London last month. The solution of using recycled wheel chocks was one of three finalists in the Care for our Planet (Environment) category. Although Les didn't come home with the award, he said being recognised

for this idea on a global scale was "a great experience and certainly a career highlight".

The recycled plastic chocks have now been in service with Virgin Blue for more than 18 months and feedback from staff has been valuable.

Virgin Tech team members have provided constructive

suggestions, which have been passed on to the manufacturer and this has resulted in the development of a new and improved version of the wheel chock that is lighter, stronger under compression and has a moulded base to prevent FOD (rubbish) issues.

The roll-out of the chocks is just one of a range of sustainability initiatives under way at the Virgin Blue Group of Airlines. To find out more go to - <http://www.virginblue.com.au/AboutUs/CorporateResponsibility/Sustainability/index.htm> .

THE CHOCKS WORK VERY WELL - THEY STICK LIKE GLUE TO THE APRON SURFACE

DRIVE TO SUCCESS

High risk tenants on airport are required to submit an operational environmental management plan (EMP) to Adelaide Airport Limited. An EMP is a management tool for the environment and incorporates a strategic planning approach to implement environmental measures. Implementation of these plans is then audited annually by the AAL environment team.

Thrifty Car Rental has recently joined the NRMA group of companies. A recent visit to Adelaide by NRMA Property staff, included a visit to AAL's office. Stuart Grant, Craig Smith and SA Thrifty Regional Manager Colin Gardener met with AAL Property staff to discuss upcoming changes as a result of the new Multi-Level Car Park.

Next stop was a meeting with members of the AAL Environment Team

to discuss the impressive Adelaide Airport Thrifty EMP. This particular EMP developed for the Adelaide site is now going to be used as a template to develop site specific EMP's at other NRMA and Thrifty sites across Australia. This is a great example of an airport tenant demonstrating their commitment to minimise the company's impact on the environment.



Clean stormwater drain with signage



Stormwater drain showing evidence of pollutants being discharged

HEART FOUNDATION WALK AT PAT CREEK



On the beautifully sunny Sunday of 21 November, 31 people joined a Heart Foundation fitness walk around Patawalonga Creek and the Adelaide Shores tourism and recreation precinct at West Beach.

A good time was had by all as we got fit, spotted wildlife (Sleepy Lizards, Willy Wag Tails), listened to frogs and birds, and learned about future plans for the West Beach Coast Park thanks to Carole Hutcheson and Peter Johnson from Adelaide's Living Beaches.

Heart Foundation Walking is Australia's largest network of free community-based

walking groups, led by volunteer Walk Organisers. Heart Foundation Walking makes being active easy, even for those not used to being active.

Joining or starting a Heart Foundation Walking group in your area or workplace is a great way to get active and meet people. Every walking group is different - they vary in the number of members, and levels of difficulty and meet at a variety of times and days of the week. Everyone is encouraged to walk at their own pace.

Many thanks to organisers/team leaders

for the Pat Creek & West Beach loop: Andrew and Sarah from Friends of Patawalonga Creek, Renae and Laura from Adelaide Airport Limited and Iome and Dominic from Adelaide Shores.

If you're interested in the Heart Foundation Walking program or would like to join the Adelaide Shores Walking Group please visit: www.heartfoundation.org.au/walking. If you're interested in learning more about Pat Creek Conservation Park, please visit: <http://users.sa.chariot.net.au/~littoral/pat-ck/fopc/index.htm> .

YOUNG ARTISTS OFF TO A FLYING START



Budding Picassos in the State's South East have a new outlet for expressing and expanding their talents, thanks to the recent introduction of Take a Flight into Art, a community program sponsored by Adelaide Airport Ltd (AAL).

The Mt Gambier-based Take a Flight into Art sessions are held on the first Sunday of each month and give youngsters aged between five and 10 years a chance to flex some serious artistic muscle.

Each free 90-minute session is run by Mt Gambier's Riddoch Art Gallery

and taught by local, qualified and experienced artist Suzie Clarke.

The sessions are already proving a hit with the first, held in early November, booked out two weeks in advance.

Gallery director Lucia Pilcher said the Take A Flight sessions were an important addition to its events and activity program.

"The sessions have been made possible by AAL's generous support and were organised because we want to engage with young people and help create a new generation of art lovers," she said.

Young participants get to try their hand at a range of genres and styles including experimental and still life paintings, self portraits, printmaking, expressive drawing, glass painting and clay modelling.

Sessions are being held at the Mt Gambier public library while the gallery undergoes major renovations.

AAL is doing its bit to support the South Australian community by sponsoring a wide range of creative and community activities throughout metropolitan Adelaide

and regional areas - everything from local sporting groups to world-leading events.

AAL believes participating in community activities fosters the State's reputation as a vibrant and world-class location in which to live, do business and visit.

Parent/carer supervision is required at the Take a Flight into Art and bookings are recommended. For more information contact Riddoch Art Gallery on 8721 2540 or visit admin@riddochartgallery.org.au.



The Directors, management and staff of Adelaide and Parafield Airports wish you a

*Merry Christmas
and best wishes for 2011.*

*This year Adelaide Airport Ltd
has chosen the
Royal Flying Doctor Service
as our Christmas card charity.*

