

Regional Report Quarter 2 2018



Executive Summary

Q2 was a steady quarter and followed the usual trends from previous years. There have been some staff changes which will be outlined in other sections of the report. The regional team had the Q2 meeting on the 10th Aug 2018 and the minutes can be viewed at <https://www.vatoce.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/VATOCE-Q2-2018-Meeting-Minutes.pdf>

Administrative Report

1.0 Staffing

Paul Tyquin resigned as VATOCE3 Membership Director due to time commitments. It was decided at the Q2 Regional meeting that this role was not going to be filled in the immediate future. Mr Scott Thorpe was appointed as VATPAC1 replacing Mr Tracy Shiffman who had been in the role in an acting capacity. Mr Alex Dent was appointed as the VATOCE ATO CFI.

2.0 Technical

VATPAC launched a Discord server as a trial as an alternative to TeamSpeak. VATPAC also launched a Beta Feedback System to the Board. VATNZ started the migration process to a new server. The first to move was the Divisional Forum. The complete migration is expected to be finished in Q3.

3.0 Membership

Unfortunately, membership data is not available for this quarter.

4.0 Conflict Resolution

There is nothing to report in this section.

5.0 VA/SOA

There is nothing to report in this section.

6.0 Additional Matters

NIL

Operational Report

Operational activity in the Region has remained roughly at the same level from the same quarter 2017.

1.0 Region Activity

VATNZ reported a steady period for Q2 with no trends in either direction. VATPAC also had a steady period compared to previous years.

2.0 ATC Training

VATPAC has processed a good number of training requests over the quarter and a lot more information can be seen in the attached Divisional Report. VATNZ has reported a slow down in training requests although the training team has still been very busy. Figures can be viewed in the attached Divisional Report.

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3.0 Operational Reports

Both Divisions have been working on some projects all of which can be seen in the attached Divisional Reports.

4.0 Events and Meetings

VATPAC was quiet for organised events but the team are working hard to increase the number for Q3. The Divisions social media presence is increasing, and this will help raise productivity. After some feedback VATNZ has decided to hold only 1 event every month on a Sunday night.

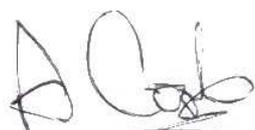
5.0 Additional Operational Matters

NIL

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DATE-15th Aug 2018

Alan Cooke

Vatsim Oceania Regional Director

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1. VATPAC Q2 2018 Report
2. VATNZ Q2 2018 Report



Q2 2018 QUARTERLY REPORT

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Information contained in this document is intended for flight simulation purposes and must not be used for any real-world aviation use.

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1 Director's Report

I was appointed Divisional Director in early May of this year and I must admit it has been quite a ride. Being with VATPAC from day 1 2001 and previously SATPAC I am honored to be in the left hand seat assisted with a truly dedicated board who feel as passionate about VATPAC as I do.

With VATPAC having been through recent rough patch I with the board are dedicated to ensuring that the future is brighter than the recent past. From my personal dealing with members the overall feedback is strong with members looking for stability and fairness not only from the Divisional Director but the board as well.

Over the coming months I will be looking to add to the new members to the board to align our Division with other Divisions across the VATSIM network and provide VATPAC with new faces and ideas while maintain the current board members who will maintain my full support. I hope to be able to announce the new members and roles in the next report.

All Directors and their staff have had a busy period as you will see in their reports below and I am encouraged continually with their efforts ideas and passion to ensuring that VATPAC can once again be a place for professionals, newbies both young and so young to enjoy mateship while having fun in this great hobby we call online flying and ATC.

Scott Thorpe

Director, Division

2 Departmental Reports

2.1 Operations

Staffing Changes:

- Daniel Johnson has been appointed to the position of Virtual Airlines Liaison Office.

During this quarter the following documents have been reviewed and minor editorial changes completed to bring them up to date:

- Incorporation of the 2400M Runway separation minima standard in the Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane Local Instructions.
- An instruction sheet for the installation and operation of the AVC client with vPilot to enable Pilot to Pilot communication in CTAF zones.

AIRAC 1806 Sector File Update included:

- 1) Changed boundary for BN-DOS sector
- 2) Upgraded ground plans for procedural airfields
- 3) Updating of ADSB & SSR radar locations
- 4) Updating of YMML ground plan to include extensions of taxiways V & Y.

Planned for AIRAC 1809 Sector File Update:

- Upgrading of ground plans for Metro D airfields.

Richard Quigley

Acting Director, Operations

2.2 ATC Training

Staffing Changes:

- Jacob Holmes – Resigned as Deputy Director, ATC Training
- Cam Tyson – Appointed to Deputy Director, ATC Training
- Peter Adamos – Senior Instructor – Left Department
- Zach Biesse-Fitton – Senior Instructor – Left Department

The Training Department has processed many training requests over the past quarter. Congratulations to everyone who has achieved a rating this past quarter, the training team thanks you for your hard work and hopes that you are enjoying your new ratings.

Cam and I have been working on a restructure for the positions in the training department. This is still in early development and awaiting approval from Scott. Please remember that if you are interested in joining the department as a mentor, email me at atc@vatpac.org expressing your interest.

The IT department continues developing our new Training Administration system which is said to be completed in the very near future. This system will be user friendly and will reduce the need for email requests. It is determined that this new system will help the training department run more efficiently.

Ryan has been working on a new mentoring program for the TMA Rating for all mentors to follow. This new program will ensure that mentors are providing consistent training services to all students and ensuring every competency is covered in mentoring. New feedback forms are currently in development for each of the courses. These forms will be made available to students that would like to provide feedback about the training process for the course they are undertaking.

Other work in the background has begun on updating Training Documentation and assessment Candidate Information and SOPs. Updating these documents will take time, however, it will ensure that the information contained in them is up to date and relevant.

Quarter 2 Statistics

Rating	Completed	Terminated	In Progress
Tower	6	0	3
TMA	5	0	7
Enroute	4	0	6

Daniel Martin

Director, ATC Training

2.3 I.T

Staff Changes:

- Tom Grozev joined the I.T Team

In the second quarter of 2018 we have made significant progress not only on the front end but also the backend. VATPAC IT launched the Discord server on the 19th of April which has proven a reliable alternative to TeamSpeak.

In the fourth week of Q2 we released the anticipated ATC Assist which has solved many of the problems associated with the previous one. Several bugs have been fixed but overall the application seems to be serving its purpose well.

Mid Q2 we welcomed Tom Grozev to the team who brings a large amount of experience with him.

Also, in Q2, for unforeseen circumstances we had to take the integrated feedback form down. In the final week of Q2 a beta of the new feedback system was distributed to the Board of Directors. It requires members to be authenticated through VATSIM Single Sign On which has many benefits. Members can expect this to be live within the first 2 weeks of Q3.

VATPAC IT plays an integral part in the events that we host due to the reliance on a website, i.e. bookings and information. Tom Grozev has been tediously working on a new GUI for both our realops and slot mania sites. There are many new projects on the horizon for Q3 including the portal and a pilot assist web application that will complement the new ATC Assist but with some pilot targeted features.

Also towards the end of Q3 we will see an upgrade of IPBoard forum software to the next version which will increase performance and add more features to our forums. Jacob Holmes has been working on making it possible for people to access the Discord and gain permissions via SSO verification. It has been an exciting Quarter for VATPAC IT and the whole team looks forward to Q3.

Harrison Scott

Director, I.T

2.4 Events

Staffing Changes:

- No Staffing Changes.

Q2 was a reasonably quiet quarter for events as we work towards building some major events to take place in Q3. The entire team has been working on a variety of different events including RealOps, Panic Stations and also looking at our next focus month. Our VFR Operations events are continuing and provide members a great opportunity to get involved in something different to flying jets.

We're working on another edition of The Scope to be released in the next month. We welcome contributions from members including photos and articles. If you wish to contribute, email events@vatpac.org.

Our social media presence is on a steady incline and it is the intention to appoint one of the event coordinators to manage the social media aspect of the portfolio. This will give everyone in the department specific tasks to achieve and help maximize productivity.

The Events department will continue to pickup throughout Q3 and we look forward to sharing a variety of events with you.

Callum Strawbridge

Director, Events & Communications

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Scott Thorpe Date: 14/07/2018

VATPAC Director, Division



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Executive Summary

Q2 was very much steady as it goes with consistent levels of participation from pilots flying in the region and ATC.

Administrative Report

1.0 Staffing

1 instructor resigned however with the current workload we aren't seeking a replacement.

2.0 Technical

Behind the scenes IT have been planning to move to our own server after numerous issues with the current provider.

The forums are the first part to migrate over and this was successfully completed. The rest of the IT functions should progressively move over during the next quarter.

A leader board for Pilots and ATC was added to the website. This is something that we had historically prior to the current website. The data had continued to be collected but not displayed.

3.0 Membership

3.1 New Members

37 New members joined VATNZ during the period

3.2 Transfers / Inactive

45 members show as having transferred out of the division or have become inactive. The majority became inactive.

3.3 Other

Current membership stands at 480.

4.0 Conflict Resolution Trends

Nothing to report



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5.0 VA/SOA Matters

Nothing to report

6.0 Additional Matters

6.1 VATNZ Board

A meeting was held in June. Items discussed are reflected in this report.

The IT Director gave a comprehensive summary of the planned IT change over.

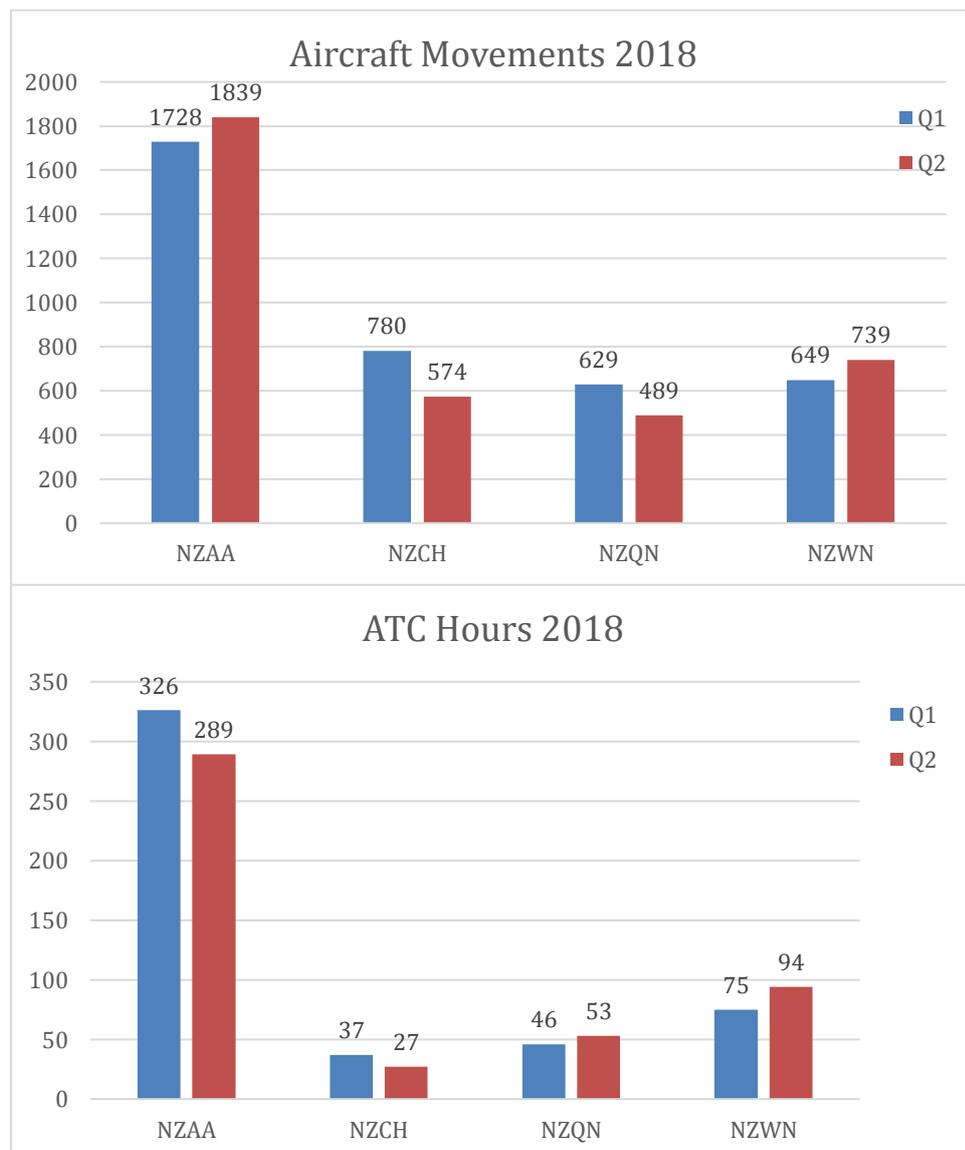
To fulfil a VATOCE requirement of having coverage, the role of Deputy Director has been resurrected. This is not an additional board position, just nominating a person to take the reins should the Division Director become unavailable. Damien Corbett is the first volunteer.

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Operational Report

1.0 Region Activity

Our regions 4 major airports are used as a measure of activity.



1.1 Q2 aircraft movements were in line with normal expectations and are still showing a slight increase overall each year.



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1.2 While the ATC hours for the main airports continued a slight downward trend, when included with data from other secondary airports the ATC hours are in line with data from 2016 / 2017.

2.0 Air Traffic Control Training

The training team have been very busy but due mainly to student availability only 2 controllers graduated from the training programme during the quarter. 1 Tower and 1 Enroute controller.

There is currently 11 controllers receiving training, 8 of these are very close to achieving their rating while 3 have just commenced training.

There has been a slowdown in controller training requests from within the division this quarter which is allowing the training department to catch up.

3.0 Events

Due to feedback it has been decided that 1 event per month will be held on a Sunday night.

A review of Wednesday Night Ops confirmed that the event won't be returning at this stage. Members have been reminded that they may post in the forums if they are planning on being online.

4.0 Additional Operational Matters

We have been receiving some negative reports about some controllers being unfriendly or unhelpful. It is hoped that this will not be an ongoing issue.

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Andrew Moseley Division Director Date: 10 July 2018
