



The Sky's the Limit

OUTthere looks at the brand-new Rex Australian Airline Pilot Academy (AAPA) and meets one of its newest students: David Teitzel from Sydney. We will follow David's progress in upcoming issues as he studies at AAPA to become a Rex pilot. WORDS: MITCH BROOK

David Teitzel, along with a group of other aspiring pilots, is training at AAPA in Wagga Wagga, NSW, and is enjoying his new temporary home while immersing himself in study, practical exams and other training activities.

Sydney-born David has long aspired to become a pilot, but other things often stood in the way of him pursuing his dream.

"I put it off due to other employment opportunities, as well as just a lack of finance," he admits.

Now, however, David has become a part of the newest pilot training program in Australia, with one of the shortest training periods.

David was surprised to find that, from start to finish, the application process for cadet pilots was only a couple of weeks long. In that time, he progressed through an internet application to the basic testing stage – a three-hour situational awareness test.

Based on the results of the application and tests, he was given an interview so that instructors and program officials could get to know more about him and his background. ▶

