

Civil Aviation Historical Society Inc.

OPEN DAY AT THE AIRWAYS MUSEUM

There will be an Open Day at the Airways Museum, Essendon Airport, on Saturday, 14th November 2009.

The theme of the day is the history of radio navigation aids, as used by Australian civil aviation since 1935.

There will be an extensive display of photographs and text, films, talks, and the opportunity to see inside a flight inspection aircraft.

Professor Brian O’Keeffe AO, known as “the father of FANS” (future air navigation systems) will present two talks on the day.

Essendon Airport is where a number of navigation aids were developed and first installed in Australia, including the Lorenz Radio Range (1938), the Visual Aural Range (VAR) and multi-track radar range. The world-standard instrument landing system, INTERSCAN, was installed and evaluated at nearby Melbourne Airport.

The Museum will be open from 10 am until 5 pm, and admission will be by gold coin donation. Parking is available nearby, and free tea and coffee will be available during the day.

The Airways Museum is located in the rear of the building at the corner of Wirraway Road and Shaw Court, Essendon Airport.

For further information, visit website www.airwaysmuseum.com or contact Phil Vabre 9432 9287 or Roger Meyer 9818 4950.