

An Outline of Air Niugini Non Technical Skills (NTS) Training













We are Here!







This is where we really are !!!







What I am going to talk about

- > A little about myself and the CRM Team.
- > A little about Air Niugini.
- > A lot about our NTS programme and the challenges of NTS training in a different culture.
- > A little of our opinion of current NTS training.
- ➤ A little about our opinions of the future directions of NTS.



A little about me and the Air Niugini CRM Team







Air Niugini CRM Classroom Training

- Operates under both Part 121 and Part 141.
- ➤ Instructors required to hold a minimum of Australian Certificate 4 in training and assessment or recognised equivalent.
- ➤ Instructors are required to hold an approval to run specific courses from the National Training council of P.N.G.
- Minimum 3 year company experience preferred before becoming a CRM instructor.
- > Instructors are assessed on their instructional techniques on an annual basis.





Air Niugini at a Glance

- Formed as the National Carrier of Papua New Guinea in 1973. as a collaboration of Papua New Guinea Government Qantas, TAA and Ansett.
- > First Aircraft Fokker F27 and Douglass DC 3,
- ➤ Has operated Boeing 707 Fokker F28 and DeHavilland Dash 7.
- Since 1978 has been a 100% owned Business unit of PNG National Government.
- Now Flys over 1 million passengers per year.
- Now employs around 2000 people including 180 Pilots and 250 Cabin crew.





Air Niugini Current Fleet



x 8





x 3





Air Niugini at a Glance

- Operates both RPT and Charter Services in support of the Mining Industry .(All under Part 121 rules.)
- > Flys to 21 Domestic Destinations.
- Flys to 9 International Destinations including Sydney, Brisbane, Cairns, Nandi, Honiara, Manila, Singapore, Hong Kong and Tokyo.
- ➤ Also operates a Falcon 900 ex executive Jet mainly dedicated to charter to the National Government.





Air Niugini at a Glance

- ▶ Delivery of 2 more Dash 8 Q 400 in April and June 2012.
- Proposed introduction of 1 x B 737/800 and 1 x B 737/700 2nd half 2012.
- ➤ Proposed Dash 8 100/200/300 replacement programme with initially ATR 42-500 then 600.
- Scheduled deliveries of Boeing 787's as 767 replacement from December 2014.





History of Air Niugini CRM/NTS Training

- 1988/9 Air Niugini Pilots attend the Australian Airlines Air Team Management courses in Melbourne.
- ➤ 1990 a decision is made to invest in the development of a purpose built CRM course for Pilots.
- ➤ Initial 3 x 2 day CRM course for Pilots developed by Professor David Lawson from Interactive trainers of the UK and introduced in 1991.
- One Day yearly recurrent courses introduced 1995
- ➤ 1995 Initial course modified to two 3 day courses taking place over 2 years.





History of Air Niugini CRM/NTS Training

- ➤ 1995 2 day Cadet Pilot Headstart CRM programme developed and implemented.
- Specific 2 day Command upgrade CRM course introduced in 2004.
- > Initial Cabin Crew CRM courses introduced in 2007.
- 2008 combined Pilot Cabin Crew CRM recurrent training started.
- > 2008 Generic Instructional Skills (GIT) course implemented.
- > 2009 Maintenance Resource Management (MRM) commenced.





Current Air Niugini CRM/NTS Courses

Separate Initial Courses

Pilots

Cabin Crew

Combined Recurrent
Training

Pilots

Cabin Crew

Generic Instructional Skills

All Departments

Outside Agencies





Current Air Niugini CRM/NTS Courses

Maintenance Resource Management

Engineers

Now run and facilitated by Engineering Training

Head Start Programme

National Cadets

Course Currently not run





Initial Pilots Course Outline

Module 1 and 2 (3 days)

Day 1

Introduction (What CRM is for, What is TEM, Reasons Model and Legal Requirements), Statistics (Home Study), Effective Communications.

Day 2

➤ Information Management & Decision Making

Day 3

Speaking Up Effectively, The SHELL Concept, Stress and Stress Management, Exam and Review





Initial Pilots Course Outline

Module 3 (3 days)

Day 1

- ➤ Teamwork ,Rushing Interruptions and Distractions

 <u>Day 2</u>
- Conflict and Conflict Resolution, Leadership, Atmosphere. And Fatigue and Fatigue Management Day 3
- Situational Awareness, Air Niugini TEM, CFIT (Controlled Flight into Terrain) Risk Reduction and ALAR (Approach and Landing Accident Reduction.), exam and Review





Initial Cabin Crew Course Outline

(2 days)

Day 1

Introduction to CRM, Should we tell the Captain, Communications, Information Management & Decision Making, Leadership and Teamwork

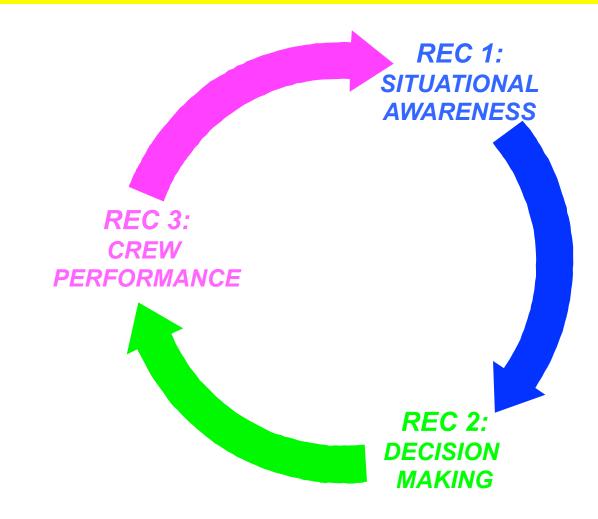
Day 2

Stress, Conflict, Atmosphere & Speaking up, Interruptions, Distractions & Rushing Situational awareness, Fatigue and Fatigue Management, Chain of Events & Error Management, Exam, CRM exercise and Review





Recurrent Training Pilots and Cabin Crew







Recurrent Training Pilots and Cabin Crew

- One Day Annual requirement.
- Basics refreshed.
- New subjects or concepts introduced each recurrent.
- Combined for most of the Day.
- Last session is Pilot Technical specific .
- Holistic Assessment.





Other Courses

Generic Instructional Skills (GIT)

- **≻**2day Course.
- Teaches skills in Lesson Planning and Delivery, Assessment and Debriefing.
- ➤ Specific third Day run for CRM, Flight or Cabin Crew Instructors by the specific department

MRM (Run by Engineering training)

- ➤ Initial course is 2 days and basically the Cabin Crew Programme with and engineering focus
- ➤ Recurrent training required every 2 years 1 day course





Other Courses

Command CRM

- **≥**2day Course.
- ➤ Specific upgrade course for Captains.
- Focus's on aspects of command particularly Leadership, Situational awareness, Teamwork and legal responsibilities.





Other Projects

Air Niugini LOSA project 2011

- Supervised and DATA analysis by the LOSA collaborative.
- Many of the CRM team were involved as flight deck auditors.
- Implementation and integration of Air Niugini LOSA data to Modify our current NTS courses during 2012.





Other Projects

Planned Introduction of CRM for Ops and Dispatch Staff 2012

- ➤ Initial course is 2 days basically following the Cabin Crew Programme with an operations focus
- ➤ Recurrent training with the Pilots and Cabin Crew

Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS)

- ➤ Involved in the development and implementation of a FRMS from the ICAO implementation guide July 2011.
- ➤ Development and implementation of a training and assessment programme for Pilots, Cabin Crew, Crewing and Operations staff.





Challenges for NTS/CRM Skills and Training at Air Niugini

- Cultural and Ethnic Differences.
- > Language Barriers
- > Lower education Base of the Cabin Crew.
- Low education base of other staff.





Challenges for NTS/CRM Skills and Training at Air Niugini

- > Poor Infrastructure.
- > Poor Communications.

- ➤ Pilots, particularly Captains expected to exercise greater level of operational control compared to other airlines.
- > Senior Management belief that CRM /NTS training is only for operational staff and not for them.





Solutions to Air Niugini's NTS training Challenges

- Plenty of Time Resource given by the company to NTS training of Pilots and Cabin Crew.
- Having the Peer Group(i.e. Pilots and Cabin Crew) as Classroom instructors and making sure that they are respected and experienced.
- Don't lose sight of the Basics of CRM/TEM.
- Ensure that the basics are refreshed and practiced in recurrent training.





Solutions to Air Niugini's NTS training Challenges

- ➤ Developing a culture of Personal Responsibility for the implementation of effective Non Technical Skills.
- Ensure that Cabin Crew and Pilots understand that non technical skills are as important as technical skills and can be practiced.
- > Give the CRM Tools so that they can be practiced.
- Have serious assessment of Non Technical Skills.





Solutions to Air Niugini's NTS training Challenges

- ➤ Promote the fact that effective NTS is not just for safety but is also to ensure that the company runs more efficiently and there is a better workplace environment.
- Show that effective NTS skills can be used outside the workplace.
- > Effective communications is the key.
- ➤ Last but not least Pilots and Cabin Crew are required to CRM current to be able to fly (i.e. must have completed CRM training during the calendar year)





The Future, what we need to do better

- ➤ A better connection still needs to be made between the classroom and what happens on the line.
- Training of Check Pilots and Check Cabin Crew in to how to assess NTS during checks
- An assessment system for NTS during route, simulator and line checks that is easy to use and is Valid Reliable and Fair.
- ➤ An assessment system for Pilots and Cabin Crew that increases the weight of use of effective NTS skills in passing a simulator, route or line checks



What we need cautious of

- ***** Too much training.
- * Jumping on the latest band wagon.
- * Forgetting the Basics of NTS. (The human condition does not change)
- ***** Losing touch with practicality.
- * Becoming an industry (or law) on to ourselves.





Are there any questions

