



MEDIA RELEASE

Howard Hughes

Australian LightWing, (Ultralight Aircraft Manufacturer) Ballina NSW Australia

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Media Statement

On Saturday, the 3rd of April 2010, the Ra-Aus (*Recreational Aviation of Australia*) awarded Howard Hughes of 'Hughes Group of Companies' in Ballina, the recognition of achievement as a ***“Recreational Aviation Pioneer 2010”***. He was acknowledged for over twenty-five years contributing to the Australian Aviation Industry. The award was presented at the National RA-Aus Temora Air show in southern NSW.

Howard (Howie) Hughes and his team have been manufacturing the Australian LightWing two and four seat aircraft range for twenty-five years. After beginning in a colourful career based in architecture, studying with Australian comedian Rob Quantock, he then included boat building (sail boats, junks, trawlers, flying dinghy's...), hang gliding, manufacturing fishing trawlers and more recently:- Australia's most aerodynamic **electric green car (“The Roadie”)**, catamarans and small business computer software into his repertoire of interests, passions and products. Howard has been involved, inspirational and eccentric and always focused on sharing his passions with fellow enthusiasts and local and international schools and university aeronautical programs.

Hughes Group is a family owned and operated company, with supporting staff who are just as involved and dedicated to their projects. Nick Hughes, Howard's son, is your 'aircraft dictionary' on aircraft repair, parts and service, after a lifetime of immersion in the company operations. Shelly Hughes, Howard's daughter, creates all things digital for the company's products, with a background in music recording (currently touring Vietnam).

We would like thank the Ra-Aus for the acknowledgement of Howard's achievements and accomplishments, and we would like to raise a toast to the next twenty five years in Australia's thriving aviation community.

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