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Community Bulletin

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The Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) will be conducting a training exercise from Friday 16 to Thursday 29 March 2012 in the Jervis Bay area.

This exercise will include the use of loud explosives, particularly over the weekend 23-25 March. These noises are a normal part of such exercises.

Some animals may be frightened by the explosives and we ask that you take steps to make your pets feel safe and secure. The RSPCA suggests providing somewhere for your pet to hide and encourages owners not to react to their pets' fearful behaviour unless they seem likely to harm themselves.

There will also be a number of military vehicles on Territory roads during the exercise and we ask all drivers to take extra care.

The RAAF has provided advice for residents and contact numbers for any further enquiries, which are printed overleaf.

You can also contact Jervis Bay Territory Administration Office during office hours on 4442 1217.



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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE
No 381 Expeditionary Combat Support Squadron

RAAF Base Williamtown, WILLIAMTOWN NSW 2314

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Dear Resident

Please be advised that 381 Expeditionary Combat Support Squadron from RAAF Base Williamtown will be conducting a training exercise in the vicinity of HMAS Albatross (NAS NOWRA) during the period 16 – 29 Mar 12. This activity will be conducted in the immediate area of the Jervis Bay Airfield, abounding Jervis Bay Road and Wreck Bay Road. Battlefield Effects Simulation (BES) will be utilised during the exercise which may result in loud explosive noises. The aim of this exercise is to train Air Force personnel to support Australian Defence Force Operations.

Please be assured that the Royal Australian Air Force is committed to ensuring public disturbance generated from military exercises is minimised. At the same time I am sure that you will appreciate that complex training is essential to enable our military personnel to gain and maintain the high level of skills needed to defend our national interests.

I expect there to be minimal impact on you as a result of my unit's training activity. I can assure you that every effort will continue to be made to ensure that we remain good neighbours with the local community and we appreciate your ongoing support.

For any further enquiries please contact the 381ECSS Operations Cell on (02) 4034 9599 and for after hours enquiries please contact RAAF Williamtown Air Base Command Post on 1800 033 200.

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