

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE



**1 RECRUIT TRAINING UNIT COMMENDATION**

**THIESS CONTRACTOR TEAM**

**Eric Bishop, David Moss, Alan Burns, Steve Griffith, Tim Bodel,  
Tim Gaffney, Adrian Inglis**

*This commendation is awarded to these members of the Thiess Contractor Team for their tireless efforts in delivering a first class facility to 1 Recruit Training Unit at RAAF Base Wagga during 2007 and 2008.*

*The achievement of a complex fully functioning facility within the forecast time schedule is testament to the professionalism of the team and the Unit owes them significant gratitude. The discovery of environmental waste at the commencement of the project made the completion date all the more remarkable. The team's attention to detail, ability to plan, and their customer focus have overcome the challenges of creating such a facility in the midst of a working RAAF base in spite of the climate extremes prevalent in this area.*

*It was vital that the facility be completed to functional levels in time for training to commence at the beginning of 2008. Had that not occurred, Air Force capability would have been affected to a significant extent.*

*The professionalism, dedication and commitment shown by this team to our project are above and beyond what can be expected in the modern corporate era. Their willingness to be proactive and provide workable solutions at all levels has been outstanding. These sentiments are shared by the many staff of 1 Recruit Training Unit who have been privileged to work with the Thiess team.*

*Your outstanding efforts reflect great credit upon yourselves and your company.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D.R. Ashworth', is written over a horizontal line.

22 May 2008

**D.R. ASHWORTH**  
Wing Commander  
Commanding Officer