

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, QANTAS CLUB OR OTHER AIRLINE  
MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS

1985. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for the Environment

- (1) What are the full names and classifications of all officers who have Qantas Club memberships, or other Airline membership programs paid for by the taxpayer within your portfolio for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (2) What are the amounts paid for each of the officers for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (3) Will the Minister table the policy document in respect to the entitlement for an airline membership?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will the Minister provide the full names and classifications of all officers who have an entitlement to fly business class?

Dr J.M. EDWARDS replied:

Office of the Minister for the Environment, AqWest Bunbury, Busselton Water Board, Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority, Perth Zoo

(1)-(2) Not applicable

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Department of Conservation and Land Management

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| (1)-(2) | Keiran McNamara, Group 3 | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Gordon Wyre, Class 1     | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Ron Kawalilak, Level 9   | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Geoff Stoneman, Level 8  | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Jim Sharp, Class 1       | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Jay Gomboso, Level 7     | Qantas Club \$447.53 for 2001/02 and 2002/03        |
|         | Andrew Burbidge Level 9  | Qantas Club \$254.92 for 2001/02                    |
|         | Gordon Wyre, Class 1     | Ansett Golden Wing \$189.23 for 2001/02             |
|         | Ken Atkins, Level 8      | Ansett Golden Wing \$302.75 for 2001/02 and 2002/03 |
|         | Peter Mawson, Level 6    | Ansett Golden Wing \$302.75 for 2001/02 and 2002/03 |
|         | Alan Walker, Class 1     | Ansett Golden Wing \$189.23 for 2001/02             |

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- (5) As set out in the Guidelines for Official Travel by Ministers and Government Officers, Premier's Circular 14/01, 4.2 - Ministers and their Parliamentary Secretaries; Chief Executive Officers; Chairpersons of statutory bodies and government boards and committees as approved by the responsible Minister; and one additional Government officer accompanying a person listed, where this will facilitate the performance of that person's duties at the destination.

Department of Environmental Protection; Water and Rivers Commission

- (1)-(2) Please note: After the collapse of Ansett, to join Qantas a \$187.00 joining fee was required plus \$254.92 membership for one year = \$441.92.

Derek Carew-Hopkins S3

Qantas Club 2002/2003 \$441.92 - Membership commenced 6 June 2003

Roger Payne S4

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

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Peter Kent C1

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Tim McAuliffe C1

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Don McFarlane C1

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Kim Taylor C1

Qantas Club 2002/2003 \$254.92 (No joining fee was required. Renewed membership held prior to 2001-2002, membership lapsed for financial year 2001-2002).

Robert Atkins C1

Qantas Club 2002/2003 \$441.92

Fred Tromp C1

Qantas Club 2002/2003 \$254.92 (No joining fee was required. Renewed membership held prior to 2001-2002, membership lapsed for financial year 2001-2002).

Peter Skitmore L9

Qantas Club 2001/2002 \$228.00

Naomi Arrowsmith L8

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

Roderic Banyard L8

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Jeff Camkin L8

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Qantas Club 2001/2002: In March 2002, the Director Resource Management approved the Department paying for individual membership for Mr Jeff Camkin, who had a heavy travel schedule for the Australian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage Travel Fellowship.

The payment included a joining fee and one years membership. \$644.24

Qantas Club 2002/2003 \$317.24 (Renewed Membership as an individual on 6 May 2003. The next payment he will be bought in line with the corporate group).

Anthony Laws L9

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

John Ruprecht L8

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

Harry Ventriss C1

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

Greg Mueller L6

Harry Ventriss resigned and membership of the Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme for 2001/2002 was transferred to Mr Mueller for a fee of \$48.66

Susan Worley L7

Ansett Golden Wing Corporate Scheme 2001/2002 \$189.23

Qantas Club: Ms Worley did not join as part of the Corporate Group, the privilege was initially reserved for Directors. However, the A/Director Regional Operations recognised that the North West Manager

did a considerable amount of travel and that membership was warranted. Consequently Mr Worley's membership with Qantas Club commenced 1 April 2003. Ms Worley's membership was paid for 2002/2003 & 2003/2004 which is \$410.24 plus the joining fee of \$187.00, total cost is: \$597.24

Dr Ray Wallis L9

Dr Wallis was previously a gold member of the Qantas Club so the membership prior to December 2002 was complimentary due to frequent flyer points. Membership renewed from December 2002 – June 2003. Renewal was due in December 2002 to bring the membership in line with the corporate group the payment was amended to \$127.42.

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#### Office of Water Regulation

- (1)-(2) Officers of the Office of Water Regulation having Qantas Club memberships for the financial years 2001/2002 and 2002/2003 were:

Brian Martin, Group 2	2001/2002	\$317.00	2002/2003	\$317.00
Paul Kelly, Class 1	2001/2002	\$317.00	2002/2003	\$317.00

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