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Airservices technical trainees graduate in Wagga Wagga

Airservices latest group of 13 technical trainees graduated with a Diploma of Engineering at a ceremony in Wagga Wagga yesterday.

The two-year course was developed in collaboration with the TAFE NSW Riverina Institute. Graduates join the nation's air navigation service provider as technical officers working with state-of-the-art equipment and systems.

This year's Alastair Hodgson Award recipient was Shanon Klein, who will be taking a role at Canberra's Facilities Management Services. The award is presented each year to recognise technical excellence among the trainees.

Airservices Executive General Manager Projects and Engineering, Mark Rodwell said the new graduates add value to the industry as they take up permanent positions across the country and become a core component of Airservices ability to provide safe and efficient delivery of air traffic management.

"The partnership between Airservices and the TAFE NSW Riverina Institute ensures that the future of Australia's air navigation system is in good hands."

"The graduates will play a crucial role in helping to maintain safety-critical aviation equipment including instrument landing systems, radars and other air navigation aids."

This year also saw the first group of students graduate from a newly designed course with a Diploma of Engineering - Electrical. Seven will graduate from this stream while the other six students will graduate with a Diploma of Engineering - Electronics and Communications.

Airservices General Manager Learning Academy, Linda Spurr congratulated the graduates on successfully completing the Diploma.

"Over the last five years we have educated 54 new graduates from the program, the large majority of whom continue their careers with Airservices."

The group of two women and 11 men will now take up roles in Perth, Darwin, Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Mackay, Cairns and Canberra.

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