



Regional Express

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MEDIA RELEASE

REX AND SHIRE OF ESPERANCE THREE YEAR PARTNERSHIP

Regional Express (Rex) and the Shire of Esperance have entered into a milestone three year partnership agreement that will see the continuation of the Rex community fare through until 30 June 2020.

The \$129.00 community fare is available between Esperance and Perth for advanced bookings of at least 60 days prior to departure subject to booking class availability, in addition to all available seats within 24 hours prior to departure.

Warrick Lodge, Rex General Manager Network Strategy & Sales said, "The Esperance community has fully embraced the \$129.00 community fare with more than 8,000 sold since the launch of the fare in May 2016, representing some 15% of tickets sold during this period. The three year partnership agreement provides Rex with airport cost certainty, which in turn allows Rex the ability to provide the Esperance community with fare affordability through the continued provision of the community fare."

Matthew Scott, Shire of Esperance Chief Executive Officer said, "The continuation of the community fare is great for the Esperance community to help provide affordable airfares. It is good for those planning a visit up to Perth in advance or for those who decide to make a last minute trip. It also encourages visitors to Esperance, which is a nice boost for tourism. The Shire is committed to continuing to work with Rex in order to minimise air travel costs to and from Esperance."

The Rex community fare (Rex Promo) is available for sales via www.rex.com.au

Regional Express (Rex) is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of more than 50 Saab 340 aircraft on some 1,500 weekly flights to 58 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the regional airline Regional Express, the **Rex Group** comprises wholly owned subsidiaries **Pel-Air Aviation** (air freight and charter operator), **Air Link** (Dubbo-based regional airline) and the **Australian Airline Pilot Academy**.



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ANNEX A

Esperance - Perth Flight Schedule

ESPERANCE - PERTH 										PERTH - ESPERANCE 										
FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	FLIGHT NO.	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	
ZL2356	6:30 am	8:05 am	●	●	●	●	●	●		ZL2357	8:15 am	9:50 am	●	●	●	●	●	●		
ZL2358	10:15 am	11:50 am	●	●	●	●	●	●		ZL2375	2:15 pm	3:50 pm	●	●	●	●	●			●
ZL2376	4:15 pm	5:50 pm	●	●	●	●	●		●	ZL2377	6:25 pm	8:00 pm	●	●	●	●	●			●

Schedules are effective 28 February 2016.

ANNEX B

Photograph (attached to email).

(L-R): Matthew Scott (Shire of Esperance Chief Executive Officer) and Warrick Lodge (Rex General Manager Network Strategy & Sales) in Esperance.