

JASPERS BRUSH AIRFIELD

Aircraft Landing Area | Helicopter Training | Drone Operations

ERSA-Style Operational Information

1. AERODROME IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF ALA	Jaspers Brush Airfield
ADDRESS	Swamp Road, Jaspers Brush NSW 2535
LOCATION (BRG & DIST)	025°M / 10 NM from Nowra (YSNW)
LAT / LONG	S34°48.10' E150°39.7' (S34.8159 E150.6617)
ELEVATION	5 FT AMSL
NEAREST TOWN	Berry Township — 7.5 km SE
REFERENCE CHART	WAC Sydney / VTC Sydney
FIR	Melbourne
TIME ZONE	UTC +10 (AEST) / UTC +11 (AEDT)
CAG REFERENCE	Listed in Country Airstrip Guide as “Jaspers Brush (Berry), NSW”
OTHER REFERENCES	OurAirports AU-0359 / Airport Guide AG17759
STATUS	Open for public use

2. AERODROME OPERATOR & CONTACT

AD OPERATOR	Mornington Waters
AD OPR NAME	Anthony Boucaut
PHONE	+61 415 787 223
AVAILABLE HOURS	HJ (daylight hours only) — HN military and government service
BOOKINGS & PPR	The airfield is open to the public. A prior call to the owner is COMPULSORY unless you hold a standing users agreement. Military and government service — no notification required. Monday to Friday a clearance from Nowra TWR is also required — refer Section 4.
EMERGENCY CTC	As above / 000 for life-threatening emergencies

3. COMMUNICATIONS

PRIMARY FREQ	118.85 MHz — Nowra TWR when ATS active; CTAF + AFRU when ATS not active
NOWRA TWR	118.85 MHz (VHF) / 267.2 MHz (UHF military)
NOWRA APP	123.5 MHz / 352.15 MHz. 118.35 MHz rebroadcasts to ATC via the Bherwerre ridge repeater where terrain shielding degrades coverage.
NOWRA SMC	135.85 MHz
NOWRA ACD	128.35 MHz
NOWRA ATIS	125.65 MHz / 280.4 MHz — check for ATS status
AREA FREQ	Melbourne Centre 121.2 MHz
RADIO	Carriage and use of VHF radio is MANDATORY . Jaspers Brush lies within Nowra military controlled airspace. Monday to Friday, contact Nowra TWR on 118.85 and obtain a clearance before entering. Outside those hours — most weekends and when the tower is closed — 118.85 operates as CTAF: broadcast all inbound, outbound and overflying intentions. Confirm ATS status on the YSNW ATIS before departure; ATS may be activated at short notice.

Frequencies sourced from Airservices Australia DAPS, Nowra (YSNW), editions 2025-SEP-04 and 2026-JUL-09, and the RAAF FIHA Nowra AD2 Supplement. Verify against current ERSAs and NOTAMs prior to flight.

4. AIRSPACE & PRIORITY

- Jaspers Brush ALA lies **within NOWRA MILITARY CONTROLLED AIRSPACE (R421A / R421B)**. R421A extends SFC to FL125 when activated by NOTAM.
- Monday to Friday the airfield operates under military control.** A clearance from Nowra TWR on 118.85 is required. Review NOTAMs and confirm R421 activation prior to arrival.
- Outside military control hours — most weekends — 118.85 operates as CTAF.** All operations self-announce.
- Drone / UAV operations, including drops from drones, are permitted only during tower-controlled periods with Nowra TWR monitoring. Outside those periods they are not permitted unless the drone operator maintains VHF communication with aircraft. All drone activity **MUST cease for inbound aircraft**.
- Active hang-gliding / para-gliding / cable tow / parachute activity possible in vicinity — see Sections 10 and 13.
- Military helicopter training OPS may be in progress — see Section 12.

5. APPROVED AIRCRAFT TYPES

Jaspers Brush ALA supports a broad range of aircraft and aviation activities, subject to PPR.

Category	Operations
Light fixed-wing aircraft	AVBL — subject to weight and strip condition.
Turbo-prop aircraft	AVBL — subject to weight and strip condition.
Ultralights (incl. RA-Aus)	AVBL — must comply with RA-Aus OPS requirements
Towed aircraft (gliders, banner tow)	AVBL — coordinate with AD OPR
Winch / cable launch aircraft	AVBL — see Section 10 Cable Tow Area
Drones / UAVs	AVBL — see Section 11 Drone Operations
Helicopters (civilian & military)	AVBL — see Section 12 Helicopter Training
Parachute operations	AVBL — see Section 13 Parachute Operations

6. RUNWAYS & LANDING AREAS

6.1 Gravel Runways

RWY	Length	Width	Surface	Remarks
13/31	1000 M	12 M	Gravel road base with sealed intersection	
05/23	850 M	12 M	Gravel road base	Windsock at intersection (unlit)

6.2 Grass Runways

RWY	Length	Width	Remarks
23 LEFT grass	350 M	20 M	
05 RIGHT grass	350 M	20 M	
13 LEFT grass	600 M	20 M	
31 RIGHT grass	600 M	20 M	After intersection

6.3 Markings, Lighting & Surface

Item	Details
Markings	NIL — no runway edge or threshold markings.
Windsock	Located at RWY intersection (S side). WINDSOCK IS NOT ILLUMINATED.
Lighting	NIL — no RWY lighting and no windsock illumination. Daylight OPS only unless PRIOR ARR with AD OPR for portable lighting.
RWY Strip Width (RWS)	Gravel runways — 12 M. Grass runways — 20 M.
Surface Condition	WARNING — GA aircraft remain on gravel surfaces only. WARNING — Gravel runway not suitable for high-speed, low-wing, small-tyred aircraft. Rock and gravel hazard. WARNING — Helicopter operations produce significant dust from gravel runways and may lead to a brownout event. WARNING — Bluestone, rock and loose gravel potentially on surface. WARNING — Surface may be unserviceable and may pose a risk to aircraft. Pilot to assess. WARNING — Grass runways may be wet, boggy and have uneven surfaces. Higher risk after rain. WARNING — Pilots to assess suitability for their aircraft prior to landing on any surface at the airfield.

7. SCHEMATIC LAYOUT



Figure 1 — Jaspers Brush ALA schematic layout (not to scale). Refer Sections 6.1 and 6.2 for published runway dimensions.

8. PARKING

- Parking available NW of intersection.
- Gravel parking RHS of RWY 13, SW corner.
- Helicopter PRKG: SW of intersection on grass adjacent to windsock; also gravel parking RHS of RWY 13 SW corner.
- Own tie-downs required to secure ACFT — seasonally strong W and S winds.
- Chocks recommended. No fuel, no GPU, no maintenance services on site.
- Overnight parking — refer Section 18 Fees.

9. NOISE ABATEMENT / FLY NEIGHBOUR FRIENDLY

- **FLY NEIGHBOUR FRIENDLY** — avoid overflight of populous areas on arrival and departure where operationally possible.
- **LIMIT CIRCUITS** — minimise CCTS count to reduce community noise impact. Consolidate training sorties where practical.
- **LIMIT OVERFLYING NEIGHBOURS** — avoid repeated overflight of adjoining properties and residences.
- Departure RWY 31: as soon as safe to do so, make early L turn and track for Shoalhaven Heads.
- Minimise low-level OPS over Berry township and nearby residential areas.
- **LIMIT EARLY MORNING AND LATE EVENING FLIGHTS** — training and circuit work should be scheduled between 0800 and 1800 local where operationally possible.

10. CABLE TOW, WINCH & GLIDER OPS

- Cable tow, winch and glider operations are conducted on the grass runways, clear of the gravel strips. Dimensions as per Section 6.2.
- Tow run alignment: approximately 130°/310° magnetic, 600 M usable tow run.
- Used for glider winch launching, paragliding tow, and sport aviation training.
- Cable tow activity ONLY conducted when fixed-wing OPS suspended, or by coordination with other users onsite — VHF ground and air required.
- Ground marshals in HI-VIS present during all cable tow activity.

11. DRONE / UAV OPERATIONS

Jaspers Brush ALA offers dedicated drone and UAV operational services, including security-controlled testing and exclusive-hire arrangements.

Service	Description
Tower Control Requirement	Drone / UAV operations are available ONLY during active tower control from Nowra TWR. Outside active tower control periods, drone and UAV operations are not available. Refer Section 4.
Test Flight Area	Dedicated UAV / drone test flight zone within ALA boundary. Suitable for commercial, experimental and R&D OPS.
Target Drops	Airfield supports drone-dropped targets and experimental payload release trials, including inert and dummy stores.
Experimental Devices	Testing of experimental UAV devices, sensors, and airborne equipment supported, subject to risk assessment.
Security Controlled Testing	Secure, access-restricted drone testing available for defence, government and commercial clients. NDAs accommodated.
Access Control	Gated access with security-controlled entry during sensitive OPS.

Refer Section 4 for drone operating restrictions relative to tower-controlled periods.

12. HELICOPTER TRAINING

Jaspers Brush ALA provides an extensive and purpose-configured helicopter training environment suitable for both military and civilian rotary-wing OPS.

12.1 Training Areas

Training Area	Description
Confined Space	Confined space available. Numerous sites on property.
Slope Landings	Multiple slope landing areas located across the airfield — contact AD OPR for locations. Gradients from 5° through to maximum cyclic limits and beyond. Single-skid and front-skid-contact-only training available.
Dust Bowl	Prepared loose-surface dust bowl for Degraded Visual Environment (DVE) / loss of visual reference during landing (brownout) training. Highly experienced pilots only, with a suitably qualified instructor. This facility is primarily suited to military operations.
Grass Paddock Landings	Open paddock landing training on rural grass surface, variable length cut.
Gravel Area Landings	Compacted gravel training area — replicates forward operating base / austere surface OPS.
Bambi Bucket Pickup	Water pickup area suitable for Bambi Bucket / firefighting bucket collection training.
Bambi Bucket Drop Zone	Treed drop area for Bambi Bucket release practice — simulates forested firefighting environment.

Training Area	Description
Live Fire Training	During approved burn season, contained live fires can be arranged on site for firefighting rotary training and aerial firefighting practice.

12.2 Operating Notes

- Military units may book the entire ALA (see Section 11).
- Gravel pads available for fuel trailers / tankers for firefighting equipment.
- Day VFR OPS standard. NVG / HN OPS by prior written arrangement, except military — no prior notification required.

13. PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

Jaspers Brush ALA supports parachute operations including sport, tandem, experimental and military training jumps. All parachute OPS require PPR.

- DZ and landing areas vary depending on wind direction.
- Parachute OPS only conducted under PPR from AD OPR.
- Fixed-wing and rotary OPS suspended or segregated during active parachute OPS.
- Military parachute training accommodated.
- Ground observer / drop zone controller in HI-VIS present during all parachute OPS.
- Tandem, experimental and cargo drop OPS supported subject to risk assessment.

14. OBSTRUCTIONS / HAZARDS

Obstruction	Location	Remarks
Tree hazard	N of RWY 13 approach	To a height of 10 M. Close proximity to approach path.
Rural fencing	Each RWY start and end	
Elevated road	Each RWY start and end	0.5 M high — caution on landing roll
Agricultural activity	Seasonal	Silage and primary production OPS may be active

15. GENERAL CAUTIONS

- **USE AT OWN RISK.** Precautionary overfly and strip inspection is **COMPULSORY** prior to landing.
- Give way to military fixed-wing and rotary.
- Unsealed surface — refer to the surface warnings at Section 6.3.
- Possible drone / hang-gliding / para-gliding / cable tow / parachute activity in the vicinity.
- Windssock is NOT illuminated — daylight OPS only unless portable lighting arranged.
- Airfield lies within Nowra military controlled airspace (R421A / R421B). Confirm R421 activation and NOTAMs prior to flight — refer Section 4.
- Make inbound intentions CLEAR before arrival. Monday to Friday obtain a clearance from Nowra TWR on 118.85; outside tower hours broadcast on 118.85 as CTAF.

16. SERVICES SUMMARY

Service	Availability
Fuel (AVGAS / Jet-A1)	NOT AVBL
Aircraft maintenance	NOT AVBL
Ground handling / marshalling	By arrangement
Fire & rescue (RFFS)	NIL on-site. RFS / NSW Fire on 000.
Weather / AWIS	NIL on-site — refer Nowra (YSNW) / BoM

Service	Availability
Accommodation / transport	NIL on-site. Berry township 7.5 km
Hangarage	Limited — by prior arrangement
Drone testing (incl. security-controlled)	AVBL — see Section 11
Helicopter training (incl. military)	AVBL — see Section 12
Parachute operations	AVBL — see Section 13
Live fire training	AVBL during burn season, subject to approval
Exclusive ALA hire	AVBL — see Section 11

17. PUBLISHED REFERENCES

Jaspers Brush ALA is recorded in the following public aviation sources. These external entries may be outdated — this document is the definitive operator record.

Reference	Source	Notes
Country Airstrip Guide (CAG)	flightace.com — published airstrips index	Listed as “Jaspers Brush (Berry), NSW”
AOPA Australia	South Coast Fly-Away event info	Grass strip min 800 M; 56 NM from Bankstown; suitable for Warrior / C172
OurAirports	AU-0359	FIR Melbourne; coordinates S34.8159 E150.6617; no runway data on file
Airport Guide	AG17759	Listed under Nowra, NSW
metar-taf.com	AU-0359	External record (may show outdated RWY designators)

18. FEES

Item	Fee
Landing — all aircraft, per visit. Includes the first touch-and-go.	\$50.00
Further touch-and-goes during the same visit	NIL
Overnight parking	\$50.00
Students under training, during instruction with an instructor	NIL

All fees are exclusive of GST. GST applies in addition.

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All operations require Prior Permission (PPR). Military traffic has right of way.

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