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A trio of Earthrounders are visiting the region at present circumnavigation the planet individually in an easterly direction, the most common track to maximise the westerly winds for the long over water sections of their respective journeys.

Piper Malibu Meridian **D-EGAC** started the ball rolling turning up at Darwin 03 August from Singapore/Seletar via a quick call into Kupang. It flew onto Broome 06 August then to Ayers Rock two days later. 10 August saw the Meridian fly across to Broken Hill and Sydney/Bankstown. From there it flew to the Gold Coast 12 August before continuing to Gladstone and Cairns 17 August. From Cairns the Malibu is planned to backtrack to Darwin via Normanton 23 August. Onto Kupang 24 August.

Piper Malibu **N662TC** was the second globetrotter to turn up in the region and this German based machine arrived in Darwin 15 August from Bali. It then flew onto Townsville 16 August before tracking south to Brisbane/Archerfield 17 August. The Malibu pilots intend taking the less traveled southerly route across the Pacific Ocean remaining south of the Equator and flying from Brisbane to Norfolk Island-American Samoa-Cook Islands-Tahiti-Easter Island-Robinson Crusoe Island-Chile.

The Malibu flew from Archerfield to Lord Howe Island and Norfolk Island 22 August and from there flew direct to Rarotonga 24 August so obviously no longer visiting Samoa.

http://www.zahorsky.net/blog/

Beechcraft A36 Bonanza **N364ER** arrived in Darwin on the evening of 17 August from Bali. Her route across the Pacific will take the traditional Noumea-Fiji-America Samoa-Hawaii-USA West Coast. N364ER made the journey from Darwin to Cairns 19 August then to Noumea/Magenta 22 August then to Nadi 24 August.

http://dreamssoar.org/

And thanks to the every helpful

website <u>http://www.earthrounders.com/</u> we learn six high performance aircraft due into the region in early September. Sadly New Zealand is not on their itinerary.

Check out <u>https://australiaaj17.blogspot.co.nz/</u> for comprehensive details including the aircraft participating.

Pilatus PC12 N12DZ, TBM700's N924CJ and C-FHTH, Citationjet CJ3's N420CH and N510CZ along with Citation Mustang C-GRRD all arrived into Anchorage 21 August and as this post goes to air this morning they will be preparing to depart for Anadyr, Russia (UHMA/DYR).