

SEABIRD FLYING TOWARDS 'WORLD'S BEST'

In early October, Seabird Aviation began its path to implementing World's Best Practice by signing 5 key staff on to the [Improve Group's](#) Competitive Manufacturing (CM) programme. The CM programme is targeted at enabling a business to drive out the wasted activity within its processes, by first teaching participants to see the waste and then providing them the tools to eliminate it. The program is linked to business objectives and aimed at delivering real results. The CM programme is delivered in the workplace over a 12-18 month period using a methodology known as the Lean Production System born out of TOYOTA. Lean is used extensively by Boeing, Dell, Fisher & Paykel, Nokia and Ford, just to name a few.

A series of tools such as 5S (Workplace Organisation), Visual Workplace, Standard Work, Quality and many others, are taught in an easy fun environment. The major benefit of delivering the programme in the workplace is being able to immediately put the theory into practice.



"5S & Visual Workplace in action"

Throughout the programme participants are assessed on their ability to improve the workplace using the tools they have learnt. Course facilitator, Joe Crowley, uses observations, discussions, assignments and group presentations to assess the competency of those involved. The course will not only help Seabird improve its performance, but the major bonus for the staff is a Certificate IV in Competitive Manufacturing that they will earn upon course completion.

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