



## **AIR VICE-MARSHAL JOHN HARVEY**

Air Vice-Marshal (AVM) John Harvey joined the RAAF in 1977 and conducted navigator training at East Sale before being posted to Canberra aircraft at RAAF Amberley. After a four year tour on Canberra aircraft he spent one year as the escort officer to the Minister for Defence.

After a three year flying tour of F-111's he completed the RAAF Aero systems course and returned to Australia for a three year posting in Technical Intelligence at the Joint Intelligence Organisation. He was then posted to the United States as Flight Test Director of the F-111 Avionics Update Project, initially working with the USAF on the F-111 AMP.

On return from the US he conducted a tour as Air Warfare adviser in Force Development and Analysis, and an exchange with the Ministry of Defence New

Zealand. He returned to Australia on posting as a visiting fellow at the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre and then as Director of the Air Power Studies Centre. He subsequently conducted language training before being posted to Rome as Defence Attaché Southern Europe, accredited to Italy, Israel, Greece and Turkey. On return to Australia he worked on staff at the Australian Defence College, then became Director Military Strategy in HQADF before being promoted and appointed Director General Aerospace Development. In September 2002 he was appointed as Director General New Air Combat Capability. In November 2006 he was promoted and appointed as Program Manager New Air Combat Capability in the Defence Materiel Organisation.

Air Vice-Marshal Harvey and his wife Sue have two daughters, Jo and Mary. His interests are Tae Kwon Do, swimming and backpacking.