CAC CA-6

The CAC CA-6 was a light training aircraft designed and built in Australia in the early years of World War 2. They were used for initial pilot training and later to train wireless operators. Some were later flown in civil service.

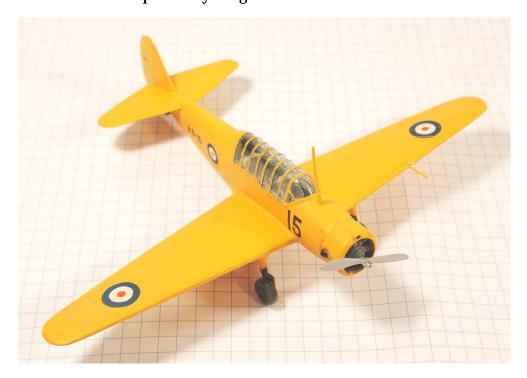
The Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation CA-6 Wackett Trainer was the first aircraft designed by that company. It was intended as an initial training aircraft for the RAAF. Design began in October 1938 but the first prototype did not fly until September 1939.

The CA-6 began entering service in March 1941 and 200 were manufactured. They were largely replaced as initial training aircraft by the cheaper and simpler deHavilland DH-82 Tiger Moth but found other uses including training wireless operators. About a third of these aircraft were written off during training accidents during the war but several dozen were later sold to civil users.

This model represents A3-15 serving with No 3 Elementary Flying Training School, RAAF, at Essendon Airport in 1941..

Data: training aircraft. Engine one Warner Scarab radial piston engine of 130kW. Wing span 11.28m. Length 7.92m. Gross weight 1,175kg. Maximum speed 185km/h. Range 684km. Crew 2.

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