



FORM FOR CONFIRMATION OF DETAILS OF ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHTS

(if you have made more than one flight, please complete a form for each one. Yes, it's a nuisance, but one you should be proud of!!)

Pilot(s) name(s)

First name: **Pieter** Surname: **Nel**

Nationality: **South Africa**

Other crew/passengers who completed the full circumnavigation:

First name: Surname:

Nationality:

Other people who may have flown part of the journey:

First name: Surname: Leg(s) flown:

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Nation:

Class of Aircraft: (single, twin, NTAC (*), helicopter, ultra light, balloon...)

Brand: (i.e.: *Beechcraft*): **Mooney**

Model: (i.e.: *Bonanza*): **M20K**

Type: (i.e. *A35*): **231**

Name of aircraft if any (ie. *Spirit of the Wind*, or whatever):

Registration: **N5810T**

Route (Eastbound, Westbound, via the Poles): **West**

How did you cross the Atlantic Ocean (North, Centre, South)? **North**

How did you cross the Pacific Ocean (North, Centre, South)? **North**

Date of departure: **22 July 2024**

Point of departure: **KBLM – Monmouth Executive Airport, New Jersey, USA**

Date of return to point of departure: **15 September 2024**

Point of return: **KBLM**

Duration: (days): **55**

Duration: (flying hours): **167**

Distance flown: **19870 nm**

Itinerary: KBLM, KMBS, KALO, KFAR, CYYC, PAKT, PAMR, PACD, PADK, RJCC, RJCO, RJOY, ROAH, RPLC, WSSL, VTBD, VANP, OMAL, HEGN, LGIR, LFKC, LFQB, EGPD, BIRK, BGSF, CYFB, CYHU, KBTW, KBLM

How many overnight stops did you make? : **24**

How many any additional refuelling stops, if any? : **3**

How many countries did you visit (count only where overnighted)? : **13**

Means of communication used: HF Radio, sat telephone, e-mail by HF radio, other? : **HF RADIO, IRIDIUM GO EXEC**

Did you use any satellite tracking system? Which one? **Garmin Inreach**

Flight clearances: did you obtain them all, or part of them, yourself? : **NO**

If not, which company did you use?: **White Rose, Peter Steeger (for Japan)**

Which insurance company did you use? : **Global Aerospace**

Which was the easiest country or region that you flew through? : **Japan**

Which was the most difficult? : **Philippines**

Which was the best airport you landed at? : **Al Ain - OMAL**

Which was the worst? : **Clark, Philippines - RPLC**

Have you applied for the FAI Circumnavigator Badge/Are you thinking of doing so? : **Yes**

Have you set or broken any records during your RTW? : **first South African solo circumnavigation**

Did you create a Website of your RTW? If so, what is the URL? **www.pieternel.net/rtw**

General remarks about your flight: **Mooney performed flawlessly – weather in SE Asia is tough**

Advice to other pilots: **Specifically for solo pilots - have an experienced (airline/military) pilot who can help weather plan, bounce ideas off, and follow along on the ground and communicate weather updates via sat message esp. on the long overwater routes.**

Please indicate here if you agree that we may use the information contained here on the Earthrounders website. **YES**

Thank you for completing the form. Please return it to the webmaster and if your aircraft has not been featured on the site as "Photo of the month" and you would like to see it there some time, please include a digital photo (horizontal not vertical) of not less than 500 pixels wide.

(*)NTAC means 'Non Type Certificated Aircraft' such as an amateur-built aircraft,

a kit aircraft assembled by an amateur,
a kit aircraft assembled in a factory,
as opposed to a 'Type Certified aircraft' such as a Beech Bonanza or a Cessna C210.