



Boomerang

Mrs Lynette Zuccoli donated the Boomerang to the Museum in May 2007, in memory of her late husband, Guido, and also the many World War 2 pilots who flew this type of aircraft. Guido Zuccoli was one of a few men who had the passion and drive to help establish the Warbird movement in Australia.

Guido acquired the airframe of CAC Boomerang A46-206 and other components, with the assistance of local enthusiasts and members of the Darling Downs Aviation Museum. He then had the fighter rebuilt in the USA in 1990. It was test flown in 1991, disassembled and shipped to Darwin where it was re-assembled and in 1992, was the first Boomerang fighter to fly over Australia since the end of World War 2.

It is interesting to note that this aircraft has flown about 280 hours, many more hours than most Boomerangs flew during their wartime service. It is also worth noting that Aerotec Queensland pilot and chief engineer, Wayne Milburn flew a total of 247 of those hours

Although the 'Milingimbi Ghost' is now a static display, the second rebuilt example of this unique aircraft is on display at the Temora Aviation Museum and regularly flies at air shows and flying days.