

PREFACE

I hope that you will enjoy reading this book as much as I have enjoyed producing it. The idea of a book on my life was originally raised by Craig McGough some twenty years ago as he felt that I should commit my escapades to paper. I approached Tex Collins who was a professional ghost writer in England. He decided to move to South Africa and I asked him if he would help me. He said "Gladly" once he had moved the family to S.A. Sadly Tex died of a heart attack on the ski slopes in Spain whilst skiing with his son, before he got to S.A. I met Joan through Leon Baillon a master of Lister Engines a friend of mine. Joan produced a book on the history of aviation in East Africa. I was enthralled by the book and particularly with her attention to detail. Both Leon and I totally agree on that. After reading Joan's book I asked her if she would help me with mine. Thank God for Joan