

WARM AIR 10 Oct 15

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND:

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Saturday

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Towing: Ruan Heynike

Duty Pilot: Jonathan Pote

Sunday

Instructing: Steve Wallace

Towing: Jamie Wagner

Duty Pilot Tony Prentice

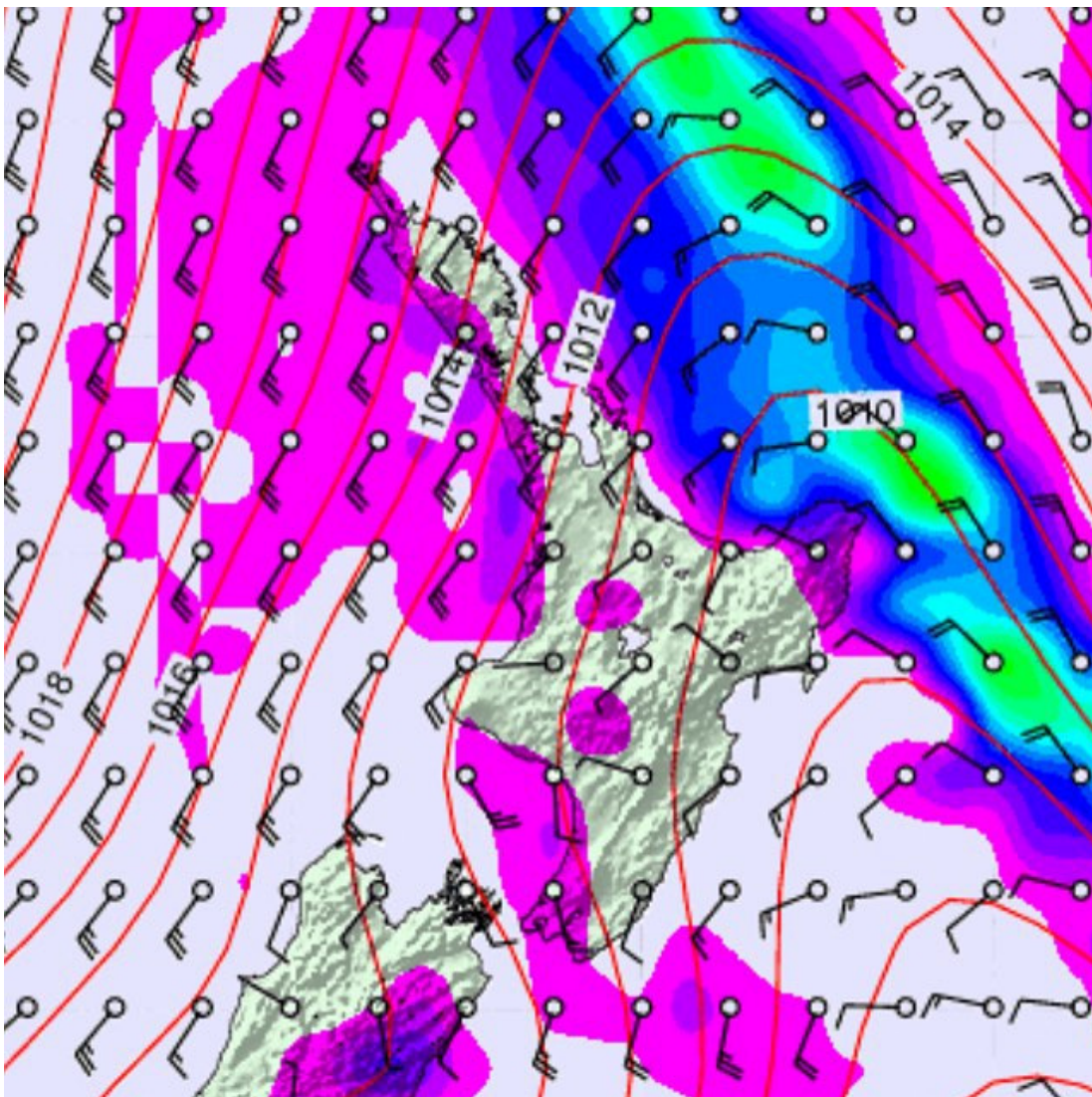
START OF SEASON BRIEFING NOW SAT 17 OCT START 1000. APARENTLY THERE IS A RUGBY GAME OF SOME INTEREST ON SUNDAY MORNING....(ITS ALSO BATHURST WEEKEND)

NEWSFLASH - THE AIR FORCE ARE PLANNING PARACHUTE OPS ALL DAY SATURDAY. SORRY NO GLIDING IF THIS GOES AHEAD....CHECK WITH THE INSTRUCTOR ON THE DAY

MEMBERS NEWS

SATURDAY

Weather not very good, Towie Fletcher sent in this weather map...he was not happy



Instructor Peter Thorpe adds some detail: The forecast for Saturday was to clear in the afternoon but it was overcast and rainy in the morning so I went out to the field and waited in the car park to see if anyone else would turn up. At about 1030 our visitor from Switzerland Yves arrived on his skate board so we went and drew the keys and opened the gate so that Graham could drive in and replace the wheel on his trailer. Roy turned up and so did our tow pilot Fletcher in his very nice new Alfa Romeo which we duly admired. Fletch had his two daughters in the back and he said they did not like it when he selected 'sports mode' because it was noisy and they got thrown around in the back seat. It rained a bit and nobody turned up so Fletch and Roy went home while Graham briefed Yves on the intricacies of flying the Libelle. At 1300 we packed up and went home after which the weather did indeed improve.

SUNDAY *Ray Burns thought he might do something:*

The day started with a 8 octa cover. That didn't matter too much as there were much higher priority items at the start of the day (Aus Vs Eng). This resulted me in being marginally late collecting the keys. Kris Pillai and Jonathan Pote were waiting for me at the gate and Towie, Craig Rook arrived shortly thereafter. There was enough interest to haul out GMP, GMW, GLX, and GIV which were all given an airing. Kris and Kishan Bhashyam were both keen to get some short landing practice in prior to Matamata. Great to see you guys getting out and practicing. Jack Foot took to the skies for a solo flight and executed a perfect landing to demonstrate to all how to should be done. Yves' Gerster's paperwork came through during the week. Graham Lake picked him up from the bus station and got him all setup to try out IV. Yves then went on to show how you can manage to stay airborne for an hour under a very poor sky indeed. 7 Launches for the day and all finished by about 1500. Well done Yves. Turns out he is also an instructor....in cross country flying.



Towie Craig Rook found some words:



0800 Sunday morning visual inspection of WP and surrounds from home didn't look very appealing with 8/8 cloud cover, 1800ft cloud base and haze, and the Waitakere hills just visible.

0830 Go home & watch England lose the rugby.

1000 Look out the window, no improvement to Wx, but head out to field before I get told there are chores to be done around the house!!

1015 Depart too quickly & break wing mirror off car - bummer.

1030 Arrive at field to find keen pilots to go flying, looks like a circuit day.

1148 - 1230 Krishna completes 2 circuits in MP followed by Kishan who

managed 16 mins off a 1000ft tow.

1236 - 1300 Jack takes MW solo up to 2000ft cloud base, followed by Rays only flight with Brendon for a 1000ft circuit.

1316 - 1324 Yves takes IV and Jonathan P takes LX up to 2000ft, excellent climb rates 1000ft/min, maybe some lift about after all.

1341 Not much lift, JP returns (17mins)

1414 Yves returns for the longest flight of the day 58 mins. How is this possible, a foreign pilot in a far-away land, and in IV?

Conclusion of the year: The ole saying goes a person should never blame their tools for a bad job; we all now know that there is absolutely nothing wrong with GIV (you mean you have only just realised about the mighty Libelle). Well done Yves.

START OF SEASON BRIEFING (SOSB) SATURDAY 17 OCT Note, not Sunday as originally planned....someone (Ray) forgot there is a rugby game being played Sunday morning

You will have seen other comments in Warm Air regarding the Start of Season Briefing. I strongly urge you to attend. The date is the 18 October. Current plan is to hold this in the hangar. If you want to sit during the briefing, can I suggest you bring along a deck chair (unless you enjoy the prospect of sitting on someone's knee and are light enough not to collapse the chair). Can we please aim for an early-ish start so can get the a/c out of the Hangar and make some room.

- Aviation & Ground Safety
- X-country & Badge flights
- West Coast and Matamata Ridge procedures
- Club Rules and etiquette

We will have food and coffee etc to keep you energized and focused. We will follow this with everyone taking a glider of their choice and undertaking some paddock landing practice.

COAST FLYING

If you are rated to fly on the coast, please be aware that the club rules say that your log book must endorsed as such. Due to the fluid nature of the early development of the procedures, I am led to believe that not all of us have completed this sign off. Steve will be at the SOSB so please take this opportunity to bring along your log book and get Steve to sign it off.

NEW SOP (STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE)

As we suggested when the SOP's were published earlier in the year, we have reviewed the SOP's and made some small changes. A hard copy is in the caravan and a PDF is available on the members area of the web site. Please remember, that your membership form states that you have read and accepted the club rules.

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Membership runs from 1/Oct to 30/Sep each year. This may come as a surprise to you; you can't fly if you are not a member. If you have not sent in your form by the SOSB please bring it along with you.

SPORTING CODE

The new sporting code is finally complete. This can be found at

http://www.fai.org/downloads/igc/SC3_2015b for the code and

<http://www.fai.org/downloads/igc/annexc2015> for Annex C. Both of these documents are required.

As I have said before, if you plan on doing badge flying you should read and understand these documents (they are not very big). Do not leave it up to the OO. Be prepared.

There are a number of changes over the previous version. The things that will affect Silver C's mainly are :

- 50km distance. This must be 50km away from the point of RELEASE. This is most important. This means you cannot tow to the ridge, scoot down to the golf ball and then start your 50km from there heading north along the ridge (e.g. using Tirohia as a turnpoint). As always, you must declare your finish point.
- Height Gain. You will need to have a declaration in the recorder. This is important. It can be anywhere (that you can achieve).
- 5 Hours. If you plan to use continued observation, the OO must witness both the takeoff and LANDING.

Addendum to notes on the sporting code. *Ray does a wee update*

In my earlier piece I said that it was important to have a task loaded in your FR for 50km and a height Gain. I stand corrected. This is not the case. It is important to have a declaration, but that declaration need not contain a task.

For a 50km task it is possible to nominate a post flight remote finish point.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our AGM will be on Tuesday 20 October 2015. Notices of Motion should be with the Secretary, Ivor Woodfield by 20 September. Nominations are also sought for the committee.

MATAMATA

We intend our annual deployment to Matamata for Labour Weekend. For those who have not been before this offers great flying, the possibility of ridge flying on the Kaimais, maybe wave, good thermals and opportunities for cross country with endless easy landout spots. The airfield has good accommodation in the form of inexpensive cabins (book through the Matamata Soaring centre web site <mailto:Gore.Family@xtra.co.nz>) or there are good motels in the local area.

Naturally everything has to get there and get back. We will need volunteers to tow trailers down and back, someone or two to help fly the twin down and back, (cross country tow sign off). Matamata - Thames is a great 50km.

If you can take a glider trailer to Matamata or bring one back...or both please let Ian O'Keefe know

TAILPIECE

Our Matamata deployment is just three weekends away. Time to organise accomodation and plan your trip. Give El Zorro (Ian OKeefe) a call or email if you can help out, especially towing a trailer.

Came across this photo of two Libelles at the Biscester Gliding club in UK. Well worth sharing. Their caravan looks bigger than ours.



Duty Roster For Aug, Sep, Oct

| | | DUTY PILOT | DUTY INSTRUCTOR | DUTY TOWPILOT | NOTES |
|------------|----|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| Aug | 1 | S THOMAS | I WOODFIELD | D BELCHER | |
| | 2 | T PRENTICE | S WALLACE | P THORPE | |
| | 8 | J POTE | L PAGE | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 9 | G LAKE | R BURNS | J WAGNER | |
| | 15 | R WHITBY | I WOODFIELD | D BELCHER | |
| | 16 | J FOOT | P THORPE | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 22 | N GRAVES | S WALLACE | C ROOK | |
| | 23 | K BHASHYAM | L PAGE | D BELCHER | |
| | 29 | S FOREMAN | R BURNS | P THORPE | |
| | 30 | D FOXCROFT | I WOODFIELD | F MCKENZIE | |
| Sep | 5 | D GREY | P THORPE | C ROOK | |
| | 6 | B MOORE | I WOODFIELD | J WAGNER | |
| | 12 | E MCPHERSON | L PAGE | D BELCHER | |
| | 13 | G HEALEY | R BURNS | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 19 | I O'KEEFE | I WOODFIELD | C ROOK | |
| | 20 | T O'ROURKE | P THORPE | J WAGNER | |
| | 26 | G LAKE | S WALLACE | P THORPE | |
| | 27 | G PATTEN | I WOODFIELD | D BELCHER | |
| Oct | 3 | S THOMAS | P THORPE | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 4 | K PILLAI | R BURNS | C ROOK | |
| | 10 | J POTE | L PAGE | R HEYNIKE | |
| | 11 | T PRENTICE | S WALLACE | J WAGNER | |
| | 17 | R WHITBY | P THORPE | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 18 | J FOOT | L PAGE | D BELCHER | |
| Labour W/E | 24 | N GRAVES | R CARSWELL | F MCKENZIE | |
| | 25 | K BHASHYAM | I WOODFIELD | R HEYNIKE | |
| | 26 | S FOREMAN | P THORPE | J WAGNER | |
| | 31 | D FOXCROFT | R BURNS | R CARSWELL | |
| Nov | 1 | D GREY | S WALLACE | P THORPE | |