

WARM AIR 19 Oct 13

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND:	Club Cellphone 021 745 433	www.ascgliding.org
Saturday.	Instructing: Andy McKay	Bank Acct 38-9014-0625483-000
	Towing: Peter Thorpe	
	Duty Pilot: Nathan Graves	
Sunday.	Instructing: Lionel Page	
	Towing: Derry Belcher	
	Duty Pilot: David Grey	

MEMBERS NEWS

SATURDAY *Unsympathetic Ray Burns starts us off....though he did not actually do anything*

Weekend reports he asked for. Hah! He had the (man) flu. Yeah right - wringing sympathy from his dearest beloved to deliver hot drinks and the like while he sat and watched the racing more likely. *All lies, I tell you. She who must be obeyed would not bring me hot drinks, I had to get my own...sniff.....and..... I did not watch Bathurst on Saturday. Sunday was a whole different story. Still had to get my own drinks and snacks, Lemsip, and rum, Appletons of course, just to sweeten you understand.*

Of course some of us get up at the appointed hour and drag ourselves off to the field. Sit in the car for fear of the door blowing off should we try to open it. Eventually the truly hardy, the truly committed turned up to work on gliders. So the key was drawn, two hours was spent fiddling with KP electronics and great deal of time was spent in the lee of the hangar. To carelessly wander either side was to invite the wrath of the gale. Eventually, after it was decided that Borgelt and LXNav really were never going to talk to each other we went home.

Towie Craig Rook was first in to take over the ailing Warm Air's towing day. The Coasters advised on Friday evening that the weather looked too wet and that they would be sleeping in. Everybody else got blown away, with 40 knots at 2000ft - No flying for the day.

SUNDAY *Towie Ivor Woodfield gives Sunday's effort, the ailing Warm Air watched V8 Supercars Bathurst 1000 race.....and a Ford won woohooo.*

The day did not look so bad as I headed out to the field on Sunday morning, although the clouds were certainly moving overhead rapidly. Standing in Base Ops while collecting the radio I could see indicated winds of 30Kts at 230, which did not sound so good for local flying.

The tower was going to be on all day due to a couple of movements and some Seasprite testing, although it did not appear that there would be that much actual activity.

I arrived at the field, and had only just opened up when Rex arrived. We decided that it would be too windy to get anything out of the hanger at that stage, although as the wind was forecast to ease later in the day, we were hoping for some flying eventually.

Over the next little while a small group assembled, including Steve Foreman, Roy, Ray, Jonathan and Karl, and we discussed a lot of flying stuff while watching the wind trying to rip down the base windsock. Then Ray got a call from Jill McCaw, asking if we were at the field as she would like to pay a visit. Jill duly arrived and after

a good look around the hanger, it still being very windy, we all moved to the Whenuapai café for coffee and cake, and a little more story telling.

Coffees and doughnuts finished, and with the group slowly reducing, we said our farewell's to Jill and heading back to the field. It was now into the afternoon, and the expected drop in wind strength was clearly not happening, so after a lot of discussion about padlocks, and a final check of all possible weather apps, we gave the day away and went home.

HANDS TO DERIG

We will need many willing hands to help get ready for Matamata the following weekend. Gliders to derig and stuff in trailers, gear to prepare and be ready to decamp to the climes of the Waikato. Later in the day if the weather is good and earlier if the weather is not good

MATAMATA FOR LABOUR WEEKEND AND CHRISTMAS

Booked your accommodation for Labour weekend? Volunteered to take a trailer down and/or back, They all have flash new WOF thanks to Ray Burns. Time is a running out, we are October already and there are two weekends to go. Will Derry and Sailplane Services finish the mighty Libelle in time? *Not looking good*

If you wish to stay for the weekend there are some nice but somewhat basic cabins and a good camp ground on the airfield. Cabin bookings to Ralph Gore Gore.Family@xtra.co.nz. Check the Matamata Soaring Centre website for the cabin sizes and layout. Those staying in the cabins or camp ground will need to register with the camp supervisor in the house just inside the airfield entry gate. Cabin occupants will need sheets and pillow cases but there are duvets on each bed. The Piako club now have a winch so it will be a good opportunity to get winch ratings or renewals.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Tuesday 22 Oct.....dont forget.

Our AGM is scheduled for Tuesday 22 October in the Base Headquarters Lunchroom starting at 1900.

A review of our finances for the past year indicate a need for a fee increase either the flying fee or the tow rates. A heads up with more information to come.

Volunteers for the committee are also sought please, usual positions, President, club captain, secretary, treasurer, tugmaster, committee members please

TAILPIECE

It is getting close to Labour Weekend, only one more weekend to go. Booked your accommodation at Matamata? Organised transport, food etc. Think about the club stuff we need to take from the hangar and caravan to support our operation from the hangar. We should take the wing fold cradle and tools for the towplane as well as making sure we have all of the bits required for to carry MW. We will need plenty of pickets. Club Capitaine, Ray Burns has been making lists, (hope I am not on the naughty one) and we should get everything ready on Sunday.

Looking forward to the start of the soaring season and to see our members extend their legs as many did last summer

WARM AIR

ROSTER BELOW

DUTY ROSTER FOR AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER 2013

Month	Date	Time	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	Notes
AUG	3	am	D Grey	P Coveney	C Rook	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	4	am	C Hall	I Woodfield	G Lake	Youth Glide-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	10	am	G Healey	R Carswell	P Thorpe	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	11	am	B Hocking	D Todd	D Belcher	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	17	am	A Mackay	L Page	R Carswell	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	18	am	B Mawhinney	P Thorpe	D Belcher	5 Sqn ATC-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	24	am	E McPherson	S Wallace	P Thorpe	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	25	am	I O'Keefe	R Burns	D Belcher	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	31	am	T O'Rourke	Ray Burns	C Rook	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
SEP	1	am	K Pillai	I Woodfield	R Carswell	Youth Glide-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	7	am	R Pitt	L Page	P Thorpe	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	8	am	J Pote	R Carswell	D Belcher	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	14	am	T Prentice	S Wallace	C Rook	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	15	am	G Rosenfeldt	D Todd	R Brookes	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	21	am	J Rosenfeldt	R Burns	G Lake	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	22	am	R Struyck	P Thorpe	R Carswell	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	28	am	R Thomson	P Coveney	P Thorpe	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	29	am	M Belcher	I Woodfield	D Belcher	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
OCT	5	am	K Bhashyam	R Carswell	C Rook	-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	6	am	K Boyes	S Wallace	R Brookes	Youth Glide-
	-	pm	-	-	-	-
	12	am	S Foreman	R Burns	G Lake	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	13	am	D Foxcroft	D Todd	R Carswell	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	19	am	N Graves	A McKay	P Thorpe	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	20	am	D Grey	L Page	D Belcher	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
LABOUR WEEKEND	26	am	C Hall	P Thorpe	G Lake	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	27	am	G Patten	R Carswell	R Brookes	
	-	pm	-	-	-	
	28	am	G Healey	I Woodfield	G Lake	
	-	pm	-	-	-	