

WARM AIR 24 Nov 12

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND: Club Cellphone 021 745 433 www.ascgliding.org

Saturday. Instructing: Dave Todd
Towing: Peter Thorpe
Duty Pilot Ben Mawhinney

Sunday. Instructing: Lionel Page/Ivor Woodfield
Towing: Rex Carswell
Duty Pilot Enya McPherson

MEMBERS NEWS

SATURDAY

Saturday pretty much rained all day, big surprise...no flying

SUNDAY *Towie Graham Lake makes it all up*

Sunday dawned with the wind already noticeable as whitecaps on the gulf. We had learned earlier in the week we would only have two ATC cadets so pulled the start time to a more reasonable 1000hrs. Instructor Rex Carswell rang with the usual excuses...no pass and would I go get the key and Base ops briefing. We both noted the wind and wondered if we would have any coast runners.

Base Ops noted the wind at 0930 was already 22 kts gusting 30 and not forecast to slow down any time soon. Ops O Steve and I agreed it seemed unlikely we would be troubling the towplane unless we had coast runners. We really did expect a coast run to raglan but no takers. One of our youth members Nathan Graves and also an ATC cadet had earlier correctly assessed the wind strength and likely affect on flying comfort. He made a very smart call to his ATC officer and cancelled the cadets for the day. This was a very good decision from



an inexperienced pilot that showed good initiative. Well done Nathan. It took two of us to get each hangar door open against the wind.

We still had a fair turnout including Steve Foreman who was to attend the Cross Country course at Matamata

starting Monday. He was to take one of the club singles and eventually settled on MP. Our part was to teach him how to derig and secure her into the trailer. Roy Whitby, Rex Carswell, Nathan Graves, Neville Swan and Graham Lake got into this and gave excellent instruction. We are sure he will be much faster without our help. We also did a few jobs around the hangar, amended RDWs flight manual with her new LSA

Airworthiness certificate, tidied the battery chargers, cleared some rubbish from the hangar, chatted a bunch and gave it all away. Home to find the Dragon had gone shopping and I could safely park on the sofa to watch V8 Supercars at Winton without getting into trouble.



LIBELLE SHARE FOR SALE

Terry Dagnin's share in Libelle 201B GIV is up for sale. GIV has done a touch under 3000hrs and had some 1540 aerotows. There are two other partners. She has a Borgelt vario, winter vario airspeed, altimeter and compass, O2, radio and transponder and parachute.

Ill health prevents Terry flying solo again so his share is available. He is open to offers. Call him on 021 181 5664. See Graham or Ivor for more information.

See you at the field

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Best definition

There's an annual contest at the Griffiths University, Australia, calling for the most appropriate definition of a contemporary term.

This year's term was 'political correctness'.

The winning student wrote:

'Political correctness is a doctrine, fostered by a delusional, illogical minority, and rapidly promoted by mainstream media, which holds forth the proposition that it is entirely possible to pick up a piece of excrement by the clean end.'

ROSTER BELOW

DUTY ROSTER FOR NOVEMBER, DECEMBER 2012, JANUARY 2013

Month	Date	Time	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot
NOVEMBER	3	am pm	R Whitby -	R Carswell -	P Thorpe -
	4	am pm	D Foxcroft -	L Page/R Burns -	A Sunde -
	10	am pm	K Bhashyan -	P Coveney -	R Carswell -
	11	am pm	D Grey -	S Wallace -	C Rook -
	17	am pm	B Hocking -	P Thorpe/I Woodfield -	M Oliver -
	18	am pm	G Hodge -	R Carswell -	G Lake -
	24	am pm	B Mawhinney	D Todd	P Thorpe
	25	am pm	E McPherson	L Page/I Woodfield	R Carswell
DECEMBER	1	am pm	I Middlemiss	P Coveney	A Sunde
	2	am pm	L Middleton	I Woodfield/R Burns	C Rook
	8	am pm	P Neely	P Thorpe/I Woodfield	M Oliver
	9	am pm	I O'Keefe	S Wallace	G Lake
	15	am pm	T O'Rourke	R Carswell	P Thorpe
	16	am pm	G Patten	L Page/ I Woodfield	A Sunde
	22	am pm	K Pillai	P Coveney	R Carswell
	23	am pm	S Saunders	R Burns	C Rook
	29	am pm		XMAS ROSTER	
	30	am pm		XMAS ROSTER	
JANUARY 2013	5	am pm		XMAS ROSTER	
	6	am pm		XMAS ROSTER	
	12	am pm	R Struyck	P Thorpe	M Oliver
	13	am pm	R Thomson	S Wallace	G Lake
	19	am pm	J Pote	I Woodfield	P Thorpe
	20	am pm	M Belcher	R Carswell	A Sunde
AUCKLAND ANNIVERSARY	26	am pm	S Foreman	R Burns	R Carswell
	27	am pm	R Whitby	L Page	M Oliver
	28	am pm	K Bhashyan	D Todd	C Rook