

# WARM AIR 28 Nov 15

## Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

### THIS WEEKEND:

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Saturday

Instructing: Ivor Woodfield

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Towing: Derry Belcher

Duty Pilot: Gary Patten

Sunday

Instructing: Ivor Woodfield

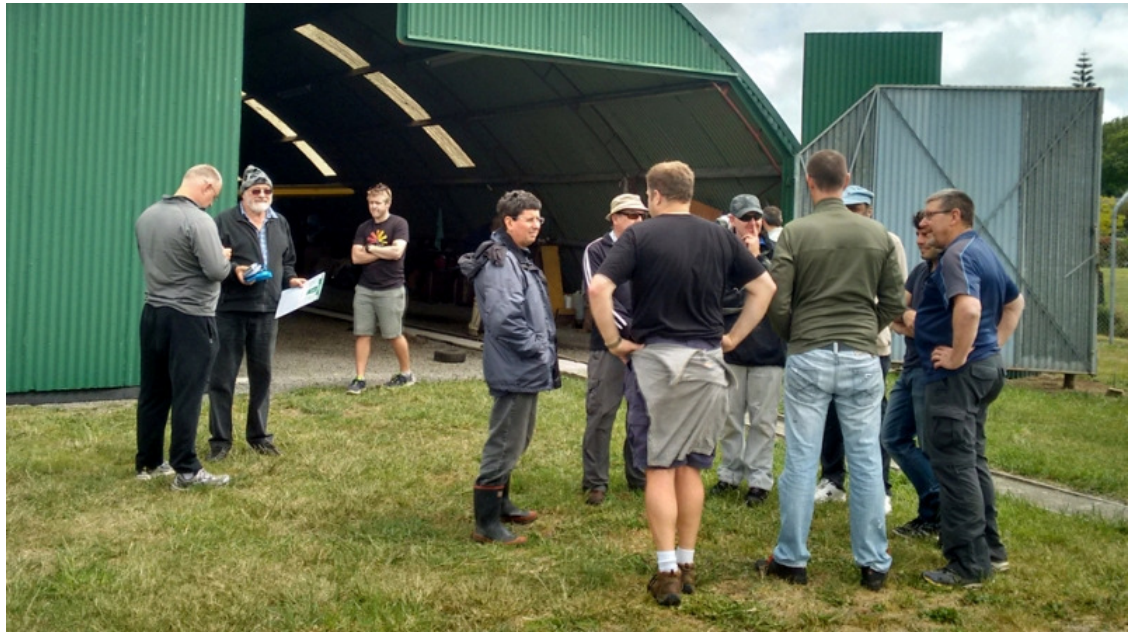
Towing: Fletcher McKenzie

Duty Pilot Sam Thomas

### MEMBERS NEWS

#### **SATURDAY** *Stand in Towie Ruan Heynike starts us off*

Jamie called me on Friday looking for a replacement for his Saturday towing shift which I agreed to, having had the Sunday shift already I was the go to man for the weekend towing. That being said I knew the forecast was pretty average and it turned out to be pretty average! I woke up Saturday to high westerly winds and low cloud, the TAF indicated deteriorating weather, no chance of flying. *Hmmm....Ruan forgot a couple of minor details....like he took the towplane over to the Power section and gave her a good wash. Well done, Ruan and thank you.*



**SUNDAY** *real Towie, Ruan Heynike gets first turn with the crayons*

*Sunday was slightly better*



*with improving conditions but the wind was fairly strong and gusty so no flying on Sunday either. Even though there weren't any flights there was still some activity at the hangar with a small crowd showing up on Sunday. A few gliders had to be packed up to head down to Matamata so we had to pull RDW and a few gliders out into the strong winds, all went smoothly though.*

*Duty Pilot Graham Lake adds*

*some details: Not a nice day but someone will want to fly, and the Libelle needs to be de-rigged anyway.*

might as well go out to the field. Turns out a number had much the same idea, especially about the de-rigging bit. Tony Prentice was heading to Matamata that day to attend the Cross Country course and was taking VF. A small team of helpers de-rigged her and loaded the trailer. Lionel Page was doing some work on ON that entailed taking advantage of the wind to check some instruments before he too de-rigged.



The SW wind created some interest in a coast run but the wind at Kariotahi was beyond the southern limit making it marginal for first timers. No Wallace to give the go ahead despite Yves being very keen. Gary Patten was considering but decided he was not in the right head space. CFI Ray Burns made the no go call, probably a good call as the wind went further south as

the day went on. At this stage towie Ruan Heynike saw his chance of flying slip away and went home.

Steve Foreman, Andy McKay and Yves Gerster are all entering the Northern regionals next week and both ON and IV needed to be de-rigged. IV is in the back of the hangar....no problem, we will just shove all the other gliders in first and see how good they are to get the Libelle out from the back. The wind made opening the western



doors a bad idea. No choice but to take her apart where she was and wriggle her out through the gaps. Lionel's ON followed suit into her trailer, much easier as she was already outside. More talking and gathering before we all decided to call it a day. Not quite everyone as Graham had to go back into the hangar to get a club parachute. There was Brendon sitting in the caravan inside the hangar sorting out his log book.

Awfully close to being locked inside the airfield. Many thanks to Rex Carswell, Tony Prentice, Jonathan Pote, Ian O'Keefe, Ray Burns, Roy Whitby, Rahul Bagchi, Rudolph Struyck, Brendan Moore, Steve Foreman, Gary Patten and Yves Gerster for their help. Even Dave Todd came out, the gliding bug is biting.

## TAILPIECE

It will be interesting to follow the Northern Regionals, four from our club have entered, Andy McKay, (KK), Lionel Page (ON), Steve Foreman (KP) and Yves Gerster (IV). A number of the big names are missing. Good luck guys.

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## Duty Roster For Nov, Dec 15, Jan 2016

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	Notes
Nov	7	B MOORE	L PAGE	R HEYNIKE	
	8	E MCPHERSON	R CARSWELL	D BELCHER	
	14	G HEALEY	I WOODFIELD	R CARSWELL	
	15	I O'KEEFE	R BURNS	C ROOK	
	21	T O'ROURKE	L PAGE	J WAGNER	-
	22	G LAKE	R CARSWELL	R HEYNIKE	-
	28	G PATTEN	I WOODFIELD	D BELCHER	
	29	S THOMAS	I WOODFIELD	F MCKENZIE	
Dec	5	K PILLAI	R CARSWELL	C ROOK	
	6	J POTE	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE	
	12	T PRENTICE	S WALLACE	R CARSWELL	
	13	R WHITBY	L PAGE	J WAGNER	
	19	J FOOT	R BURNS	R HEYNIKE	
	20	N GRAVES	R CARSWELL	D BELCHER	
Jan-16	9	K BHASHYAM	L PAGE	F MCKENZIE	
	10	S FOREMAN	R BURNS	C ROOK	
	16	D FOXCROFT	P THORPE	J WAGNER	
	17	D GREY	R CARSWELL	R HEYNIKE	
Anniversary W/E	23	B MOORE	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE	
	24	E MCPHERSON	L PAGE	R CARSWELL	
	25	G HEALEY	R BURNS	D BELCHER	
	30	I O'KEEFE	R CARSWELL	F MCKENZIE	
	31	T O'ROURKE	I WOODFIELD	C ROOK	