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Airfield closed

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Major events forthcoming (club)

Gliding Instructor Course Begins (5 Weeks on Wednesdays)

-Wednesday 19th August at 7.30pm (Venue TBA)

GNZ Training Presentation followed by Mid Winter Dinner

-Sat 29th August @ 5pm @ Drury

Auckland Gliding Club AGM

-Sunday 20th Sept @ 9.30am @ Drury

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Major events forthcoming (comps)

[Matamata Cross Country Course](#)

-Sat 24th Oct 2020 - Wed 28th Oct 2020

[Taupo Central Plateau \(practice 31 Oct + 7 comp days 1 to 7 Nov\)](#)

-Sat 31st Oct 2020 - Sat 7th Nov 2020

[Omarama South Island Regionals \(TBC\)](#)

-Sat 14th Nov 2020 - Sat 21st Nov 2020

[Matamata Northern Regionals](#)

[-\(practice 28 Nov + 7 comp days 29 Nov to 5 Dec\)](#)

[Springfield Soaring Championships](#)

-Sat 28th Nov 2020 - Sat 5th Dec 2020

For further info see

<https://gliding.net.nz/events/?gnz=true&other=true&type=all&timerange=future&pageView=summary>

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Major events forthcoming (comps / events)

Matamata Air Cadet Camp

-7th-11th December 2020

[Omarama YouthGlideNZ camp](#)

-Thu 10th Dec 2020 - Sat 19th Dec 2020

[Matamata Sailplane Grand Prix \(4 comp days 27 to 30 Dec\)](#)

-Sun 27th Dec 2020 - Wed 30th Dec 2020

[Omarama Nationals \(practice day 01 Jan + 9 comp days 02 to 10 Jan inclusive\)](#)

-Fri 1st Jan 2021 - Sun 10th Jan 2021

[Auckland Enterprise \(practice day 16 Jan + 7 comp days 17 to 23 Jan inclusive\)](#)

-Sat 16th Jan 2021 - Sat 23rd Jan 2021 @ Drury

[Matamata Club Class and MSC \(practice day Fri 29 Jan + 9 comp days 30 Jan to 7 Feb\)](#)

-Fri 29th Jan 2021 - Sun 7th Feb 2021

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QGP lecture schedule

QGP Human Factors Lecture

-Sat 25th July 2020 9am @ Drury

QGP Exams Meteorology and Glider Tech

-1st August 2020 @ 9am @ Drury

QGP Radio Procedures Lecture

-8th August 2020 @ 9am @ Drury

QGP Exams Human Factors and Radio Procedures Theory

-Sat 15th August 2020 @ 9am @ Drury

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Something to watch in winter

Soaring in Heaven - What Gliding Really is About

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1uaQK34JyyE>

And

GERMAN RECORD FLIGHT?! | 1028 km Triangle by Glider (Part 1)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwdQV5e5tQA>

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Club trailer damage prevention



During the weekend when most club gliders were trailered, it was noted that both ASK21 and Duo Discus Cobra trailers had suffered damage in the same tail fin area, suggesting that lack of knowledge of how the gliders can be prone to damage, if not placed correctly in the Cobra trailers prior to travel.

Trailer repairs are expensive and can be avoided with attention and care for our valuable club assets, not to mention any damage to the gliders themselves.

All Cobra trailers have a red nose cone towards the front of the trailer and a rearward formed cavity where the tailwheel must be secured with a fuselage strap for safe travel.

If the nose of the glider is not correctly placed in the cone, or the tailwheel is not properly in the cavity, the glider **will sustain damage** either on closing the clamshell, or in subsequent travel because **the glider is not secure**.

The clue is that the clamshell will not close easily with equal pressure on the rear outside handles.

Things to check

1. Both glider nose and tailwheel are firmly in place (check cradle height)
2. The glider fin is vertical in the trailer.
3. The fuselage strap is tied down, so the tail will not bounce causing trailer fin damage.
4. Canopies closed, locked and no loose objects.

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Club trailer - photos

Accidents happen. Events not being reported are also not uncommon. The real offence is to cause damage to something and endeavour to conceal the fact.

