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for 23rd – 24th November 2019

BBQ Saturday 30th November



	Instructors	Duty Pilot / Helper	Winch	Tow pilots
Saturday 23 rd November	Jon C, Murray W	Ross T / Dave, Colin	Bradley	tba
Sunday 24 th	Dave M, Matt	Russell T / Nathan & Callum setup; Peter H pickup	Maurie	Andy, Graham

John's first land-out (with RT)



Grand Prix at Matamata on 27th Dec – 31st Dec: about dozen entries. AGC camp at Matamata 26th Dec to 3rd Jan. Seamus, Roy, Dave M, Norm will be in attendance. K21 going down

Anyone wanting to use a club aircraft must see Russell T



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Caleb Rosvall – first solo



Seamus sent Caleb solo – well done both!

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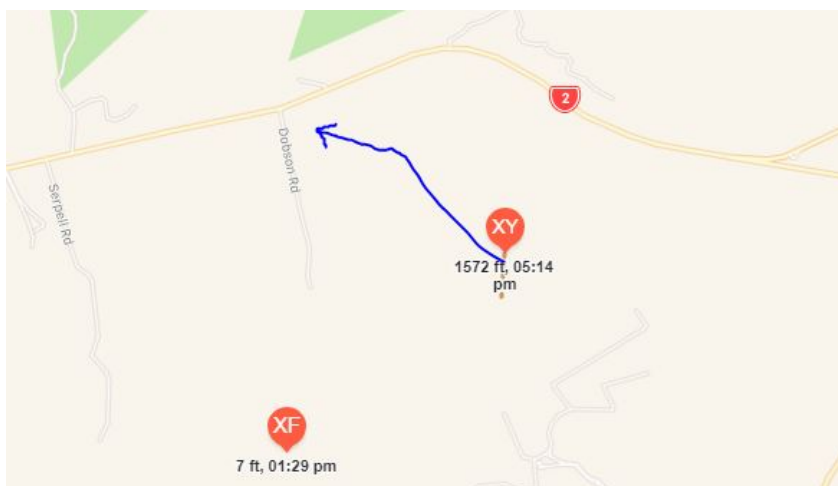
Land-out choices



These two fields from last Sunday recorded by Mercer FLARM receiver for XF and XY are excellent choices for landouts on either side of Dobson Road, just south of HWY2.

The turnoff to Lyons Road can be seen at far right.

The landowners are very understanding, the XY field is especially long and although contains some minor undulations visible at 500ft, it is otherwise free of obstructions and beside a prominent chicken raising operation, adjacent to the field.



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Gus Migrates South

,... (From The Adventures Of ZKGUS)

My (Ex) Arcus, “GUS” has migrated South. I delivered it to its new Papawai based Syndicate owners last weekend. I could have shed a tear – but I only have fond memories of our time together.

During the last 2018-2019 season we clocked up over 11,000Km of OLC Kms in 220 hours, got to fly with a couple of world class pilots, pushed the geographical boundaries with multiple adventures, flew with some old friends and introduced some new ones to cross-country flying. We made it back home to a safe landing on every flight (except one land out at Thames) and did no damage.

In our time I found out that I like 2 seat flying more than I thought I would. One day I hope we might be re-united again – but for now I have bigger fish to fly – so GUS is away to give a new group the cross-country gliding addiction. Here are some photos from my farewell weekend with GUS at Papawai.

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GUS (Murray Wardell & Grae Harrison) Papawai

GUS at Lake Wairarapa 7000ft



**Papawai Wave From 13,000ft
(Australian Bush Fire Smoke
Evident In The Wave Layer)**

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Always on the lookout for irony and to have the last word, my parting comment was,

“I hope you enjoy GUS as much as I have. I have imported 2 gliders from Australia to New Zealand, both of them [my old Std Cirrus ZK-GUP (later ZK-GCU) & GUS] from Narromine and both NOW at Papawai). I DON'T want to hear that GUS has ended up as 2 seat simulator sister ship next to ZK-GUP, your current single seat simulator ! ”.



ZK-GUP NOW Flight Simulator Cockpit At Papawai

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Forthcoming events



24th to 30th Nov Northern Regionals at Matamata

5th to 14th Dec YouthGlide Development Camp at Omarama

9th to 13th Dec Air Cadet Camp at Matamata

26th Dec to 4th Jan Matamata Christmas Camp

27th to 31st Dec Grand Prix at Matamata

4th to 11th Jan Auckland Soaring Champs at Drury

15th Jan to 15th Feb 2020 Fly with Peter Hartmann (International Coach)

2nd to 15th Feb National Champs at Taupo

15th of Feb to 21 Feb 2020 . Waipukerau airfield, camping on site, clubhouse facilities. Having fun flying is compulsory. Call Rae Kerr 0274 950 855 if wishing to attend.

22nd to 29th Feb Central Districts Comp at ???

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Matamata Airfield

December 27th - 30th (or 31st if required)

The first Grand Prix held in the North Island !

Planned to be fast and exciting racing !

Better visibility for supporters !

2 classes (to be confirmed on Day 1)

- **18 meters** (with Duo's/Arcus's allowed)
- **15-ish meters**—handicapped- i.e. tasks will be slightly longer for high handicaps.
- **Limited to 12 gliders per class** - first in etc.

The event will be during the traditional Xmas camp held on the airfield which provides some synergies and collegiality.

Questions to: David Jensen (0274 517757) or Rob Lyon (021 324232)

Try out this contest format in a shortened
and relaxed setting - no pressure (well not much).

Enter at the new GNZ Contest Site - <http://gliding.net.nz/contests>

More info to follow . . .

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WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST



Hunua

21 November 2019

Friday 22 NOV		Fine, some morning and evening cloud. Southwesterlies.	▲ 20°C ▼ 11°C
Saturday 23 NOV		Some morning and evening cloud, otherwise fine. Southwesterlies.	▲ 22°C ▼ 11°C
Sunday 24 NOV		Partly cloudy with southwesterlies, chance shower from afternoon.	▲ 23°C ▼ 14°C

CLASSIFIED ADS

1/3 Glider Share for sale. Discus B GPV, includes hangar share (& 2 very nice syndicate members, at no extra cost).

Contact Paul O'Neill-Gregory - 021 1945065

For sale:- ZK GOP Ventus CT s.n. 98 3,600hrs, engine 38hrs, prop 19 hrs. Polyurethane finish, Clear Nav vario, Oudie 2, Nano, Dittel VHF, Microair transponder, Mountain High EDS O2, Flarm, tail dolly and tow bar, wing walker, metal clad trailer, possible hangar rental,

Resident at Drury for many years, serviced by Sailplane Services.

\$95,000 neg

Contact Andy Campbell, 0272956103, andy@eastwoodortho.co.nz