

# Newsletter

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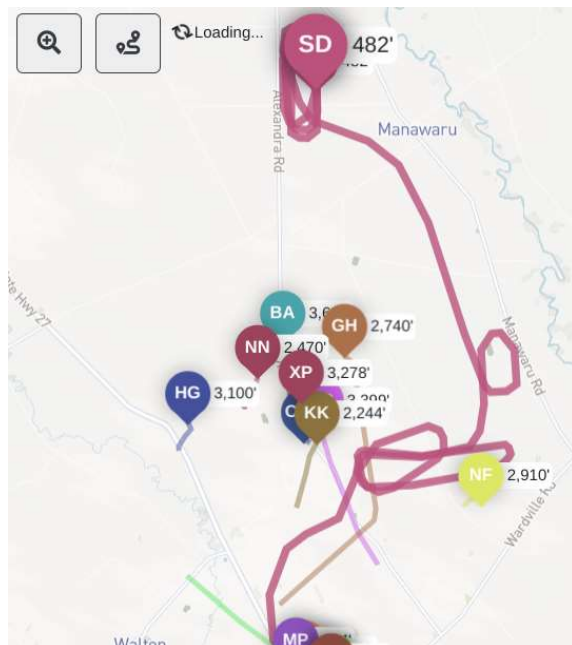
## Matamata Soaring Centre Cross-country Course

This course ran from last Saturday to Wednesday just gone. Twelve students from North Island clubs participated, with another two observers.



More on this later, but worth noting that – on the Sunday and Tuesday – 5 out of 8 single seaters landed out.

None of them did any damage to the glider or themselves, but were happy to have overcome a common barrier to cross-country.



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## **Addition of the DG-303 to the club fleet**

With the addition of Hein's glider to the fleet, we have a Discus competitor.

The flight manual is now on the club's website. CFI approval is required to fly –GLW.



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## **Air Cadets Camp 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> November**

At this stage we have 30 cadets to be flying, with others there to assist and make things as smooth as possible. This number may change by 1 or 2 but not substantially. 15 per day of flying seems like a far more achievable outcome, and with the favourable weather we've been having we shouldn't have any issues. We will have all their weights pre-done and will have our own gliding register to keep track of what is happening.

We will be there early Saturday morning 0800hrs to offload our equipment and we will be ready to help with Gliders from 0830 or the earliest that suits you and your team.

We have no time limit for the Saturday and if pilot flight hours and weather is sufficient we can continue the flying programme as late as required. We will amend our night training programme from there but it'll likely be pretty relaxed in the evening.

Same time for Sunday morning, we'll be ready to go as early as required.

We will be departing 1730 on the Sunday.

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## Tow pilot roster

Sat	31-Oct-20	am Pat Driessen/ pm Wayne Thomas
Sun	01-Nov-20	am John Bongrain/ pm Wayne Thomas
Sat	07-Nov-20	Andy Campbell
Sun	08-Nov-20	TBA

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## **Use of non certified GPS sources in connection with ADS-B installations in gliders**

Gliding New Zealand met with CAA today (14th October) to work out a path to ADS-B installation for gliders.

We met with Dave Harrison, Jason Ashworth, and Rens Molenaar. From the meeting, you may be interested in the following:

CAA intends to publish the updated Notice (NTC-091 - 258) in the next few weeks. This will give them the legal mechanism to consider approving non-TSO GPS position sources for ADS-B systems.

CAA lack the band width to assess individual systems and want to follow the notice with some document giving the generic criteria for systems to show compliance. This means manufacturers and users can be certain of what is required, and I presume also means that individual applications from manufacturers for approvals will not be required. No other details at this stage, but that's the plan, which I think is good news for those hoping to use GPS receivers based on the Aspen chip set. As always, no timescale.

I have to say the meeting was very productive, open and straightforward. A good experience.

We wait to see the outcomes.

Best regards  
Tim Hughes





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## A change in alignment

*- we're now 18 / 36 (start using it)*

### Drury Runway Designation

Members will be aware that a Drury airfield map has been available in AIP format for some years on our website.

During a recent update for subsequent publication in the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP), a survey has been carried out by Aeropath using Google Earth, the exact orientation of the runway centreline has been determined to be 017.42 degrees True, from which we must subtract local variation of 20.6 degrees to arrive at new magnetic designations of our **Runway of 18/36**.

This is not an unusual revision, as the earth's magnetic survey does change over time.

The Drury chart will be published in the AIP from 25 Feb 2021, however we need to get used of the new designations in our radio calls from now and edit the change into our manuals.

*Russell Thorne*

*CFI*

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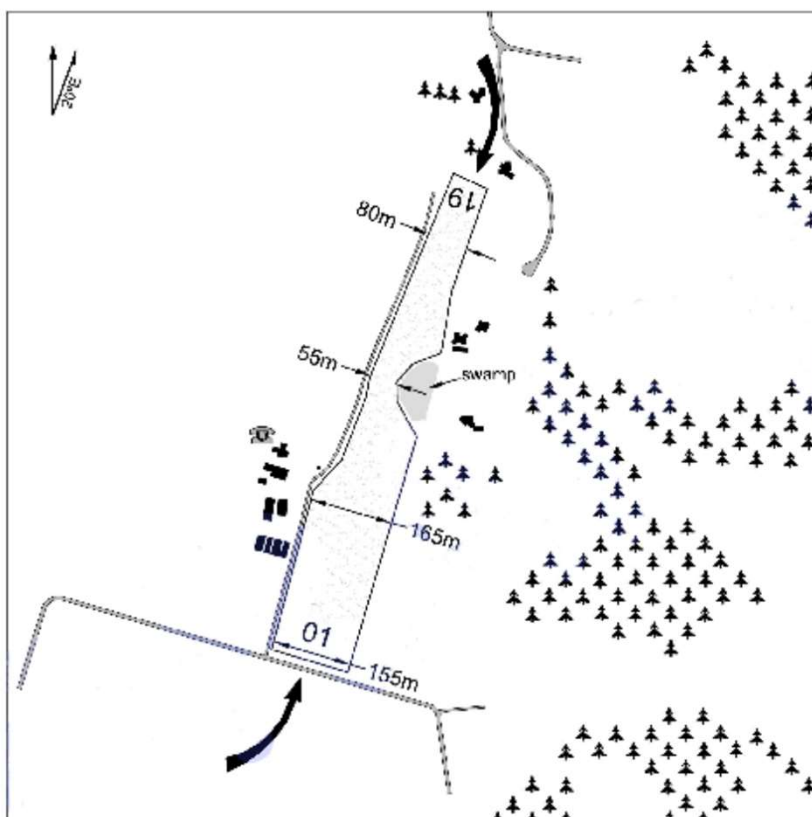
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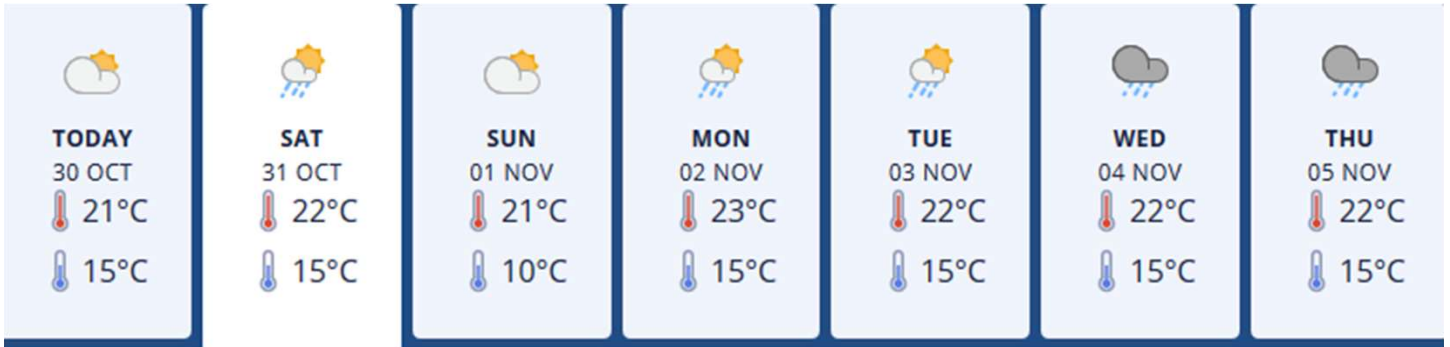
DRURY  
AERODROME  
UNATTENDED 134.45



1. Circuit Direction: RWY 01 - Left hand  
RWY 19 - Right hand  
Frequency - 134.45MHz
2. Prior approval required for visiting aircraft. No operations before 08h00 or after 18h00.
3. Intensive gliding activities take place, particularly during weekends, public holidays & Wednesdays.
4. Glider Winch Launching: Operations may take place at any time up to 2500ft AGL. Refer Danger Area D23b
5. During winter and after periods of heavy rain, the airfield surface will be soft.
6. Details on activities associated with the aerodrome can be obtained by contacting the owner:  
Auckland Gliding Club: Tel (09) 294-8881 or A/H (0276) 842-942.
7. Caution is advised during periods of winds from the easterly quarter.

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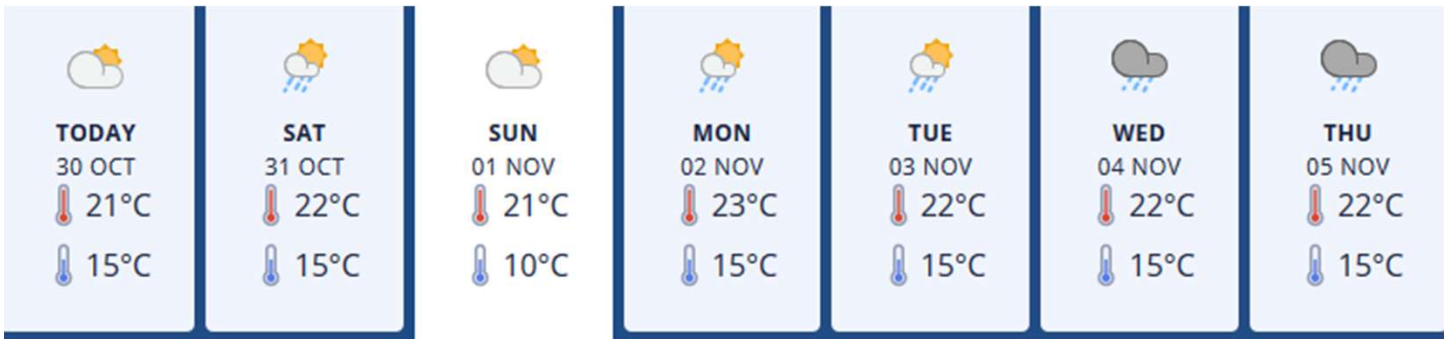
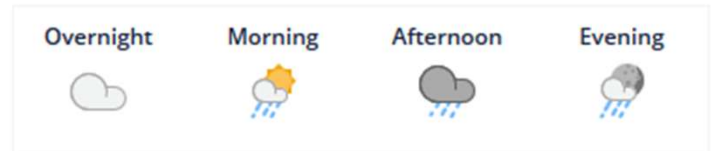


Sat 31 Oct

**SUNRISE** 06:14am **SUNSET** 07:54pm

Isolated showers becoming widespread during the afternoon and evening, some heavy and possibly thundery. Winds tend northwest in the afternoon.

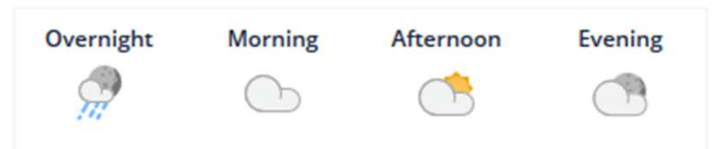
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Sun 01 Nov

**SUNRISE** 06:13am **SUNSET** 07:55pm

Cloudy periods and isolated morning showers. Westerlies dying out in the afternoon.





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## Major events forthcoming (comps)

**-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

- 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### Omarama YouthGlideNZ camp

-Thu 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 - Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020

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

-Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 - Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020

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

-Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2021 - Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021

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

-Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 - Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2021 @ Drury

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

-Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 - Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021

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## ¼ Share for Sale

### Finance available

ZK-GBF hangered at Drury is a self-launch Arcus M, 2 seater glider which allows you the opportunity for seven day week soaring. No rigging. No tow plane. No Paddock landings. LX Nav instruments front and rear.

**Easy to fly**, comfortable, handy and agile - with outstanding performance and syndicate partners:

Performance benchmarks in the Two-Seater Class have been re-defined by the **Arcus**. Whether you are aiming to achieve OLC top positions or record flights, take your friends soaring, competition results, or interesting safari flights - the **Arcus self-launching sailplane** provides the ideal means to put these ideas into practice.

Sound like you? Ph. Simon 021999893



## Hangar space for sale

With his retirement from gliding, Hein's hangar space is available for sale.

Any interested party please contact Paul Knight;  
[paul-knight@xtra.co.nz](mailto:paul-knight@xtra.co.nz)