29-30 May 2021

# AGC Weekly News

### Weekend Roster

## Saturday

Tug Pilot: Shaun McCarthy

Instructors: Jonathan Cross, John Bongrain

**Duty Pilot: Bradley Greer** 

### Sunday

Tug Pilot: Shaun McCarthy Winch Driver: No winching today.

Instructors: Norm Duke, Anton Lawrence

Duty Pilot: Dave McIver

## Committee Feedback No. 2

Ross Gaddes

This article is a brief description of discussions at the recent committee meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> of May.

**Minutes** – The minutes to our meetings are now available on the website, which is under a big reconstruction. This will happen in due course, please be patient.

**Private Hangar Owners** – Another mention to prepare members with hangars that the rent is due for an increase.

**Working Bee –** this has had to be cancelled and will take place during June. A time will be announced later.

End of Day Security – I personally have noticed club vehicles such as the Land Boss ATV being left under the lean-to with keys in it - perfect to give an opportunist a very good time. We will organise a key safe in the hangar, but in the meantime, be diligent if you are the last to park our gear. We have had a very low occurrence of dishonesty at Drury, but we are not immune and the number of people in the area increases daily. I have seen the club #2 hangar left wide open when arriving in the morning, so please be careful and respect our collective property.

**Payment system for tow fees –** As from June 1<sup>st</sup> we will implement an invoice system for payment

of areo-tow, glider time and winch launches for members. Existing launch tickets are still valid. EFTPOS will still be used for visitors and temporary memberships (trial flights etc). The reason for this is for simplicity and clarification of records. This change comes at the request of our treasurer who is busy implementing systems that not only make his life easier, but should avoid some errors while at the same time making our records more accurate.

**Duo re-location next season –** There is already some interest, and I am populating a calendar that (at this stage) is around the times that encompass the Omarama based South Island Regionals (4<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Dec 21), the Springfield XC course (6th-12th Nov) and Springfield Soaring Championships (13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Nov). Please express an interest as soon as you can so all the details and costs can be determined well in advance. The transport to from the South Island should be covered collectively by the group of users - not the club in total, so we must determine a way that is fair but reasonable. It is even possible that we could aet collective accommodation arrangement organised. Obviously, approved instructors or rated pilots are needed but it is my objective to link the pilots together – so those not approved yet in DX should still apply.



# Working Bee

Please note that this event has been postponed due to the forecast weather for Saturday. Difficult as it is at this time of year

to predict the weather, a notice of the new date will be posted in a later Weekly News.

## An Invitation

Ross Gaddes

I want to invite all members, partners, and friends to a Mid-Winter Mushroom Risotto evening at our clubhouse on Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Under Simon Gault's direction, the quality food will be perfect for a cool winters evening at the AGC clubrooms.

\$27 per person:

This includes our annual prizegiving and will also include lots of fun.

Make a booking in your diary now!

## Another New Member!

From Greg Balle, Membership Secretary

This week we say a hearty WELCOME to Josh Maddren.

# **QGP Theory Lectures and Examination Schedule**

Russell Thorne, AGC CFI

The following is the 2021 Theory Lectures and Examination Schedule to be held at the Auckland Gliding Club beginning after Queens Birthday weekend at 09h00 on Saturdays during the Winter Season. Expressions of interest to cfi@glidingauckland.co.nz

All Glider Pilots under training should consider attending this series. The one-hour exams are multi-choice and require a 70% pass rate.

Please bring your training syllabus for exam signoff.

Apart from the GNZ online content, there is the Qualified Glider Pilot Study Notes publication available from Gliding International Bookroom at \$32.00. Most exam content is sourced from this

publication. See <a href="https://www.glidinginternational.com/books-dvds">https://www.glidinginternational.com/books-dvds</a>

#### Schedule

12 June Navigation and Airmanship- Russell Thorne

19 June Air Law- Gerard Robertson

26 Jun Exams Law and Navigation/Airmanship-Russell Thorne

3rd July Meteorology-Anton Lawrence

10th July Human Factors - Jonathan Cross

17th July Exams Meteorology and Human Factors-Russell Thorne

24th July Glider Technical - Gerard Robertson

31st July VHF Radio Theory- Russell Thorne

7th August Exams Glider Technical and Radio Theory-Russell Thorne

14th August VHF Radio Practical -Russell Thorne





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Submitted by Gerard Robertson

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Friday	-6	Cloudy at times and a period of rain around midday as	•	17°C
28 MAY	•••	northerlies change westerly, then mainly fine and a possible shower or two.	•	10°C
Saturday	-6	Periods of rain with possible thunderstorms. Rain clearing	•	17°C
29 MAY	• • •	in the evening. Northerlies, strong in exposed places, easing in the evening.	•	7°C
Sunday	-0	A few showers. Northerlies.	•	17°C
30 MAY	· · ·		•	8°C

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Thanks to all those who have contributed to this edition. If there is anything you would like to share with the members via this newsletter, text or photographs, please e-mail me. I will be grateful for any contributions, whatever they may be.

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