# WARM AIR 18 December 2021

#### **Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter**

THIS WEEKEND: www.ascgliding.org

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Saturday Instructing: Ivor Woodfield

Towing: Derry Belcher
Duty Pilot Kishan Bhashyam

Sunday Instructing: Peter Thorpe

Towing: Fletcher McKenzie
Duty Pilot Krishan Pillai

#### **MEMBERS NEWS**

In Warm Air this Week;

- Club News
- Weekend Reports
- For Sale Sailplane
- Xmas Roster

Thank you for the contributions from members.

**Club News** 

### **New XMAS Holiday Roster**

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## **CFI Corner**

It can happen that the wind changes while you are flying, and you find yourself taking off in one direction and landing in another.

Three things to consider:

- a) Keep out an ear out to what is going on around you. The clearances being given to other aircraft (including power aircraft) while you are flying are an early heads-up for change of vector if the wind changes during the day.
- b) The controller will always tell you which vector to use. If you are surprised or unsure just ask them to confirm (or "say again") the clearance.
- c) Double check the upwind wind-sock for wind direction at the start of downwind. This is a good indication if conditions have changed on the ground. It is a good habit to check both the upwind and the downwind wind socks. They don't always show the same thing and they provide useful information on what is happening on the ground.

### Weekend Reports

#### Saturday 11 Dec 2021

I got a text from Andrew on Friday afternoon to say he was stranded in Kerikeri (and a little while later, stranded in Wellington!) so I stepped in as duty instructor.

Paul was sharp and early to get re-current in RDW prior to completing his tow rating. Alas, the tower was not on watch quite as sharp and early. We got the fleet out and prepped and lined up on 26.

Emilio was first off the blocks and after a successful check flight I cleared him solo. His father was keen to witness the momentous occasion (or possibly it was so could he shoot me if I had made a bad decision - not sure......) and so there was a wee delay which we filled in with Izzy taking Logan for a blast and then Alex and I tried our hand at some cross country towing and descent on tow to finish off Paul's rating.

We found some great lift and climbed to 3500 but that was about it. An enjoyable 49 minute flight for line honours for the day.

Kazik and Tony tested Paul's shiny new tow pilot rating (Congrats Paul and thanks for joining the team) with PW5's before it became time for Emilio. As luck would have it the wind changed, and we need to change ends with it.

Emilio did a great job with a very nice landing. Congratulations Emilio!

Izzy did another three flights with Connor, James (trial) and Logan in the hottest part of the day while I sheltered under the awning. (hey, there's gotta be some benefits to this job somewhere.....).

Craig tested out MP and Alex hangar landed GVF. Lovely to finish the day with Thomas trying (and succeeding) to remember how all this flying malarkey worked.



Well Done, Emilio. A day you will never forget



Official Praise from the CFI and perhaps relief that he did not have to answer to Emilio's Dad.

Also, Well-done Paul Eichler to joining the Towing Ranks.

#### **Sunday 12 Dec 2021**

It rained and no flying was to be had.

Squadron Leader Pote (RAF Retired) appears to be in number 1 uniform. Perhaps a VIP Sortie.



We understand this is to prove to friends he can still fit into the uniform.

The bandage on the head is either to pad the head and the hat or addressing a



wound from a sortie. We are informed from unreliable sources that a band aid was applied the following day. The uniform looks good JP. Perhaps a bit formal for the rest of us.

### For Sale

#### **ROLLADEN SCHNEIDER LS4A - GKP**

# **Contact Steve Foreman**

Phone: 0211771806 Price: \$ 60,000.00



#### **More Information**

New Paint 2020 PU LX 9050

V9 Vario

LX Remote Stick

Winter Vario

Trig Transponder TT21

Trig Radio TY91

Wifi

Power Flarm

PLB

Re Wired with 2 LiFePo4 Batteries

with Charger

Wing Walker

Dolly Wheel and tow out

equipment

2 Wing Stands

Water Ballast.

Water Filling Equipment

Comet Clamshell trailer with

Fibreglass top Aluminium frame

Canopy Cover

Grid Cover Silver

National Paracute

1730 hours 1982 s/n 2182

New Annuals



# Roster

# **Duty Roster For XMAS Holiday Period**

ı	Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	Comments
	Dec	18	K BHASHYAM	I WOODFIELD	D BELCHER	
		19	K PILLAI	P THORPE	F MCKENZIE	

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot
Dec	27	AS REQD	L PAGE	P THORPE
	28	AS REQD	I WOODFIELD	R CARSWELL
	29	AS REQD	A FLETCHER	G CABRE
	30	AS REQD	S WALLACE	D BELCHER
	31	AS REQD	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE
Jan	3	AS REQD	R BURNS	D BELCHER
	4	AS REQD	P THORPE	G CABRE
	5	AS REQD	A FLETCHER	R CARSWELL
	6	AS REQD	R BURNS	P THORPE
	7	AS REQD	L PAGE	R HEYNIKE
	8	AS REQD	I WOODFIELD	G CABRE
	9	AS REQD	P THORPE	R CARSWELL

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