

# AGC Weekly News

The weekly newsletter of the Auckland Gliding Club at Drury, Auckland

## Farewell Georg

As you are all aware, we have had two summer European instructors this year - Georg from Germany and Miha from Slovenia. Although the weather has not played nicely here at Drury, the impact of both of these individuals has been amazing. This is the first time I have seen the summer instructor program in action in my three years as a member. It had been talked about but to see it in action has been an eye opener. There has been a buzz about the club, the mid-week flying has been awesome. The students have all raved about the experiences they have been having. What has also been nice to see is that our ASK21 AK has been allowed out of its Drury cage and has been taken on some extended flights down passed the Twin Forests in Maramarua. Both Georg and Miha have made themselves available to do anything around the club, not just instructing. They have even cleaned club trailers! and the hangers.

Unfortunately, all good things have to come to an end and this week we said farewell to Georg. Miha is still here for another few more weeks.

A special note of thanks to Georg for the value added to the club. Georg is an extremely generous man who not only has given his time and knowledge freely but as a leaving gift for a couple of our youngest members he has offered a financial sponsorship to help our youth in their learning journey. Georg understands that the future of our sport is youth and this offer is extremely generous.

From a personal side a big thank you for your time here at AGC and hopefully we will see you next year with a real summer

Regards  
Keith



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## The Great NZ MSC Grand Prix

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This event will be held from 18-25 March. It begins this Saturday at Matamata. Committee has agreed to enter the Duo Discus, if there are sufficient pilots to fly with an instructor. Expressions of interest from both students and instructors should be immediately forwarded to [cfi@glidingauckland.co.nz](mailto:cfi@glidingauckland.co.nz) with an indication of which days you are available to fly.

It is likely that Saturday will be a no-fly day

because of weather, but the rest of the week looks good.

Further Information is here:

<https://gliding.net.nz/events/nz-grand-prix-mar-2023>

Regards,  
Russell

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## Weekend Weather Outlook

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There are plenty of Severe Weather Warnings and Watches in place for Aotearoa New Zealand for Thursday and Friday. However, the good news

for the weekend is that it will be an improving story with a brief ridge of high-pressure rebuilding to bring fine weather for many of us.

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16 March 2023

<b>Friday</b> 17 MAR		Mostly cloudy. A few showers, possibly heavy from afternoon. Northeasterlies, changing northwesterly late evening.	▲ 23°C ▼ 17°C
<b>Saturday</b> 18 MAR		Showers, clearing in the afternoon and becoming fine. Southwesterlies.	▲ 25°C ▼ 12°C
<b>Sunday</b> 19 MAR		Fine. Southwesterlies.	▲ 23°C ▼ 11°C

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## Members' Small Ads

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**PW5 KF for sale.** Current Annual until Dec 2022. Ready to fly. Approx 800 hours flying. Radio, altimeter, airspeed indicator, electric and mechanical variors. Includes open trailer. **Priced to sell at \$8,000.** Ideal for single ownership or cheap syndicate. Reason for sale is that glider is surplus to requirements. Phone Murray on 0275 875 438

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## *Roster*

	Instructor 1	Instructor 2	Tug Pilot	Duty Pilot	Winch Driver
<b>March</b>					
<b>Sat 18</b>	<b>Jonathan Cross</b>	<b>John Robertson</b>		<b>Geoff Gaddes</b>	<b>Keith Annabell</b>
<b>Sun 19</b>	<b>Russell Thorne</b>	<b>Frank Excell</b>		<b>Georgia Schofld</b>	
<b>Sat 25</b>	<b>Roy Innes</b>	<b>Graham Cochrane</b>		<b>Gerard Roberts</b>	
<b>Sun 26</b>	<b>Ross Taylor</b>	<b>Keith Macy</b>		<b>Caleb Rosvall</b>	<b>Grahame</b>
<b>Sat 1</b>					<b>Keith Annabell</b>
<b>Sun 2</b>					<b>Hugh</b>
<b>Sat 8</b>					
<b>Sun 9</b>					
<b>Sat 15</b>					<b>Bradley</b>
<b>Sun 16</b>					<b>Grahame</b>
<b>Sat 22</b>					
<b>Sun 23</b>					
<b>Sat 29</b>					<b>TBA</b>
<b>Sun 30</b>					<b>TBA</b>