# WARM AIR 7 April 2023

#### Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND:	www.ascglia	ling.org ASC Gliding	Facebook Bank Acct 38-9014-0625483-000
Friday 7th April	Instructing: Towing:	l Burr R Carswell	
Saturday	Duty Pilot: Instructing:	S Chand S Wallace	
8th April	Towing: Duty Pilot	P Thorpe N Vyle	
Sunday 9th April	Instructing: Towing:	I Woodfield D Belcher	m d
Monday	Duty Pilot Instructing:	D McGowan L Page	5
10th April	Towing: Duty Pilot	G Cabre C Best	

#### **MEMBERS NEWS**

In Warm Air this Week;

- Club News
- Weekend Reports
- Video Corner
- OPS Team Talking
- New Roster

Thank you for the pictures, stories and contributions from members.

#### Club News

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#### **Weekend Reports**

#### Saturday 1st April – W E Hadyah Reports

This was perhaps the best day of the soaring season. Magnificent thermals of 5 or more knots and beautiful cumulus heading North. The abnormal cross-country pilots headed North, including the PW5 and worked their way to Kaikohe and then home. Oh what a day of adventure and fun for all. The 1st of Aprill will forever be known as the best.

Footnote - Lionel Actually reports.

The weather was not conducive to flying so I went for brunch instead. Ray flew 4 sorties in the G109 so flying must have been possible.

The rain/low cloud that was there in the morning, returned in the afternoon so I feel a little vindicated.

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Andrew Fletcher Reports

The forecast for Sunday was OK, not great but OK. I kicked off with the ritual of breakfast at our local cafe Puriri, as always it was excellent. I was joined by Craig, Ray and Kazik, we opened up at 0930 and completed the required DI's. Neville Swan arrived and set up the launch point on runway 26.

Kazik had pulled out the DG300 and we rigged it for its first flight at Whenuapai, my first flight was with Marley, the conditions were reasonable so we soared for 1:16 mins. Marley thermalled well, keeping us aloft in the scratchy thermals.

I arrived back for Ben to take GNF for a 39 min sortie, well done Ben those thermals weren't the easiest to work at the best of times.

Tony Prentice launched, managing a short flight, while this was going on I launched in GBC, Kaziks recently acquired DG300. GBC was my first flight in a DG glider, they have a long canopy that exposes your feet to the sun giving a very nice view forward. GBC flew well. I soared for an hour or so, checking out the stall and general flying characteristics before my return. That was it for the day so we packed away and told tall stories before heading home.

### Video Corner – Seabreezes and Convergences

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQPulHXruqs



The Dangers of Convergence Flying?!



Air-masses Collide: Instructor Reacts! How sea breezes work.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQrOWBcCMNA

#### **Ops Team Talking**

## Good learnings for everyone to take a moment to read and ponder over.

The April 2023 edition of "Ops Team Talking" has been posted on the Gliding NZ web site. The link is:

https://gliding.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Ops-Team-Talking-April-2023.pdf

The Operations Team has provided commentary on a number of recent incident reports. Back issues from the last few years have been filed here in case you missed out on some issues:

http://gliding.co.nz/safety-bulletins/



## Have an awesome Easter!



### **Duty Roster For Apr, May, Jun**

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot
Apr	1	<del>K BHASHYAM</del>	<del>L PAGE</del>	<del>D BELCHER</del>
	<del>2</del>	T PRENTICE	A FLETCHER	G CABRE
Easter	7	S CHAND	I BURR	R CARSWELL
	8	N VYLE	S WALLACE	P THORPE
	9	D MCGOWAN	I WOODFIELD	D BELCHER
	10	C BEST	L PAGE	G CABRE
	15	R MCMILLAN	P THORPE	R HEYNIKE
	16	A MICHAEL	R BURNS	G CABRE
	22	R WHITBY	S WALLACE	R CARSWELL
	23	K JASICA	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE
Anzac Day	25	R BAGCHI	A FLETCHER	D BELCHER
	29	T O'ROURKE	R BURNS	G CABRE
	30	I O'KEEFE	S WALLACE	R HEYNIKE
May	6	K BHASHYAM	P THORPE	P EICHLER
	7	T PRENTICE	I WOODFIELD	R CARSWELL
	13	S CHAND	L PAGE	P THORPE
	14	N VYLE	A FLETCHER	D BELCHER
	20	D MCGOWAN	R BURNS	R HEYNIKE
	21	C BEST	S WALLACE	P THORPE
	27	R MCMILLAN	P THORPE	R CARSWELL
	28	A MICHAEL	I WOODFIELD	P EICHLER
Kings Birthday	3	R WHITBY	L PAGE	P THORPE
	4	K JASICA	A FLETCHER	R HEYNIKE
	5	R BAGCHI	R BURNS	R HEYNIKE
	10	T O'ROURKE	I WOODFIELD	P EICHLER

11	I O'KEEFE	L PAGE	R CARSWELL
17	K BHASHYAM	S WALLACE	D BELCHER
18	T PRENTICE	P THORPE	G CABRE
24	S CHAND	A FLETCHER	P THORPE
25	N VYLE	R BURNS	R CARSWELL