

# WARM AIR 10 June 2023

## Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

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Saturday 10th June	Instructing: Towing: Duty Pilot	I WOODFIELD P EICHLER T O'ROURKE
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Instructing: Towing: Duty Pilot	L PAGE R CARSWELL I O'KEEFE

### MEMBERS NEWS

*In Warm Air this Week;*

- **Club News**
- **Weekend Reports**
- **Roster**

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

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### Club News

*Yippee there was gliding last weekend. RDW is currently at Parakai obtaining its scheduled servicing. We are informed this is progressing well and she will be fully operational this weekend. No doubt feeling good as new after a bit of TLC. And the weather is looking promising, although cold. So, wear those funny warm hats.*

*Welcome to new member Gaille. She had a good soaring flight with Andrew last weekend.*

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### Weekend Reports

#### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Lionel Reports

Saturday was marginal from a weather perspective with lots of rain in the area. I arrived a little late as I was Run Director for my local Parkrun (a free timed 5km run event) - Sherwood Reserve Parkrun. A huge thanks to Peter and Craig for opening up and getting things sorted.

First up was myself to do a quick refresher as I had not flown for some time. Next was Ben to do his aerotow consolidation and emergency signals. A bit of boxing the tow, out-of-position recovery, and descending on tow with a final wave-off signal at 2000ft meant that he got that all signed off.

We struggled to get from the other side of the prison back home from 1800 ft as the wind was pretty strong and there really was no lift to speak of. We obviously made it back and Ben executed a great landing in good crosswind conditions.

Craig then took me up to get his Back seater rating signed off. As there were no more eager pilots we packed away - only to have a few stragglers arrive as we put the planes to bed. As the conditions were not great we collectively decided to leave them be in the hangar and retired for some cold ones. Nice to be back up and flying even though the weather was not playing nicely - it is winter after all.

#### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Andrew Reports

With the tow plane serviceable and weather at least flyable, we would be able to get some flying done.

As usual I had breakfast at the cafe with Craig, Ruan also turned up at the cafe for a coffee just after 0900 (I must be getting a reputation). I opened the gate at 0930, by 1000 a few regulars were turning up so we pulled GNF out of the hangar. Ben did the preflight while Ruan did three circuits in RDW for currency, the first flight of the day was Ben to complete his three hours solo so he can convert to the PW5, he was still 1 minute short of the required time so later in the day took a tow to 1000 feet for a circuit.

So be advised everyone GVF has a new owner in Ben Gambaro, I had a nice flight with Gaelle we soared for over 40 minutes in weak conditions. Gaelle did nearly all the flying keeping us airborne in the weak conditions, well done Gaelle! Tony decided to take Roy for a flight in GNF next, unfortunately Gaelle and I had used up the thermals for the day so a short flight was all that was on offer. I finished the day in the front seat of GNF with Craig flying from the back after being signed off for a back seat rating the day before.

That was it for the day see you next time 😊

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Ian Reports

Well, no club flying due to less-than-ideal weather. However, Ruan took RDW up to Parakai for its scheduled maintenance service this week. Peter Thorpe being the uber driver. Craig, Derry and Roy tinkered with ON. Putting more negative flaps in place we think to get more speed. And I checked on my precious machine which I had not checked on for several months. Yes still snug in the trailer.

## Duty Roster For Apr,May,Jun

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot
June	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