# WARM AIR 14th October 2023

### Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

#### THIS WEEKEND:

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Saturday Instructing: R Burns
Oct 14 Towing: G Cabre

Sunday Duty Pilot R Whitby
Instructing: L Page
Oct 15 Towing: P Thorpe
Duty Pilot R Bagchi

#### **MEMBERS NEWS**

In this edition of Warm Air

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Thank you for the pictures, stories and contributions from members

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### **Club News**

Well, a big weekend ahead of decisions, cunning plans, voting and bringing those meaningful questions to those in charge. Yes, you guessed it, it is the AGM and the time to get answers to your questions, and those answers being "Yes if we had the money". Seems very similar to another event taking place on Saturday, but far more cordial and better company. Any how please turn up at 10am on Saturday for the AGM, the Safety Briefing and a sausage or two.

#### **Upcoming Events and reminders**

- Annual General Meeting and Pre-Season Soaring Safety Brief. This will occur on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October at 10am at our Skyline Garage. It is a mandatory requirement to attend this Safety briefing or receive it from the Duty Instructor prior to any flying this season!!
- Labour Weekend Matamata Camp the pilgrimage to Matamata on the 21, 22, & 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.
  - Please contact Club Captain Krish email address (<u>kishan@bhashyam.co.nz</u>) / phone number (0210645648) to indicate if you will be attending and whether you are able to assist with taking the club gliders down or back.
  - Meals Craig has spoken to the wonderful Marion with regard to catering over Labour weekend and she is happy to cater for us as per normal. Availably dinner Friday night. Breakfast \$10 Lunch \$10 Dinner \$20 through to the end of the cross country course which is the filling weekend. Would be good to get the numbers to Marion early, please let Kishan.
  - We hear accommodation is scarce, so plan now. Check this link for options http://msc.gliding.co.nz/accommodation/

# **Weekend Reports**

No flying last weekend. Well the CFI took RDW for a spin one day, building up those hours for a tow rating.

#### **Duty Instructor Peter Thorpe report for Sunday 8 Oct**

The forecast was for thunderstorms in the afternoon, but it was looking OK when I got to the gate 10 minutes late to find only two pilot Paul Eichler waiting. Gradually a team of the old and bold gathered but no young thrusters. Present were Neville Swan, Tony Prentice, Roy Whitby, Jonathan Pote, Ray Burns and Craig Best but none of them were keen on flying. Craig's excuse was that he was saving his pennies for Labour Weekend. There was an awful lot of talking done around the caravan while we watched a very active sky full of broken Cu that looked eminently flyable but there were no takers.

Ray decided to take Jonathan's grandson for a fly in the tow plane so they disappeared for an hour while the talking went on, and on, and on. Finally Ray returned and we put RDW to bed and all went home. As I drove up the bridge at around 1415, I went through a very heavy rain squall which followed me home and just after I entered the house a most violent hailstorm struck. All the grounds were white and thick with hail that lasted for several hours. Perhaps it was just as well there were no gliders airborne at that time. For once the forecast was accurate.

## **Duty Roster For Oct, Nov, Dec**

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	109
Oct	14	R WHITBY	R BURNS	G CABRE	
	15	R BAGCHI	L PAGE	P THORPE	-
	21	C BEST	S WALLACE	P THORPE	
Labour Weekend	22	S CHAND	A FLETCHER	R HEYNIKE	
	23	S FOREMAN	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE	
	28	B HINDS	I BURR	R CARSWELL	PBT
	29	B GAMBARO	R BURNS	P EICHLER	LP
Nov	4	K JASICA	P THORPE	R HEYNIKE	LP
	5	I KHRIPUNOV	L PAGE	D BELCHER	RB
	11	D MCGOWAN	S WALLACE	G CABRE	RB/LP

	12	R MCMILLAN	A FLETCHER	P THORPE	RB
	18	N VYLE	I WOODFIELD	R CARSWELL	
	19	K BHASHYAM	R BURNS	P EICHLER	
	25	I O'KEEFE	P THORPE	R HEYNIKE	РВТ
	26	T O'ROURKE	L PAGE	D BELCHER	RB
Dec	2	T PRENTICE	I BURR	G CABRE	
	3	R WHITBY	S WALLACE	P THORPE	
	9	R BAGCHI	A FLETCHER	R CARSWELL	
	10	C BEST	I WOODFIELD	D BELCHER	
	16	S CHAND	R BURNS	R HEYNIKE	
	17	S FOREMAN	P THORPE	D BELCHER	