# WARM AIR 21, 22, 23 October 2023

#### Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

#### THIS WEEKEND:

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S Wallace Saturday Instructing: Oct 21 Towing: P Thorpe Duty Pilot C Best Sunday Instructing: A Fletcher Oct 22 Towing: R Heynike Duty Pilot S Chand Instructing: I Woodfield Monday P Thorpe Oct 23 Towing: **Duty Pilot** S Foreman

#### **MEMBERS NEWS**

In this edition of Warm Air

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Thank you for the pictures, stories and contributions from members

#### Club News

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

#### **CFI Corner**

Please remember to turn the caravan phone OFF at the end of the day. The charger is on a timer so if the phone is not switched off on a Sunday it will be dead Flat the following Saturday (as was the case).

The slides for the Pre-Season Safety Briefing is in the documents folder on the website. You can click on the hyperlinks to jump to all of the sites I mentioned in the briefing. Please contact me if you have any problems registering for sites such as IFIS.

**Matamata Compulsory Briefing** – The CFI at Matamata shall provide a briefing on airfield and air operations at 11 am on the Saturday. Please be there to receive this essential information.

It will be important as Piako have a few changes for operations around the airfield of which you must be aware. If for some reason you cannot make it, be sure to receive a briefing before you fly.

#### **Labour Weekend Matamata Camp –**

Well the weekend is only a day away. So, some important notes

- Please contact Club Captain Krish email address (<u>kishan@bhashyam.co.nz</u>) / phone number (0210645648) should you be able to assist with logistics.
- 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 know.

- The entire fleet will be heading down including MP. And many private gliders as well.
   So, lots of rigging and swearing on Friday and Saturday. So, pitch in and help out. No rushing and be patient and get it right.
- Airfield information. If you want to find out the runway direction, radio frequencies, hazards and approach paths go to <u>AIP New Zealand</u>. It is useful to download and print information for flight planning and reference when approaching near these airfields. May be handy for those flying this weekend.
- And have a splendid weekend.

#### **ASC Membership Application and Renewal**

That time of the year to fill out and complete the ASC Membership form and show us the money. We have included this form in the email or it can be found in the ASC website membership – documents – 2023-24 Membership Form. Appreciate if you can complete, pay the fees and return to <a href="mailto:lionelpnz@gmail.com">lionelpnz@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:ray.burns.ggl@gmail.com">ray.burns.ggl@gmail.com</a>

#### No Flying on the 9 Dec

The Base Children's Christmas Party is planned for 09 Dec and therefore no gliding ops as there is some helicopter operations taking place.

### **Weekend Reports**

## **Duty Instructor Ray Burns report for Saturday 14 Oct**

The day started with the AGM and pre-season briefing. Thanks to all who attended.

Then some scrummy sausies – thanks to Lionel and Kishan.

A hardy few then decided to try their hands on the fairly windy conditions. 20 knots blowing close to straight down the runway. It was just enough off about 10 degrees – to provide some drift on finals to make it interesting.

After a good team briefing we did a circuit each with Ben, Marley, Al and Mark.
All finished by 1630.



A big thanks to the team for organising the AGM and the snarlers after the meeting. There are many people in the club who contribute and fix, repair and maintain our operations, so give yourselves a pat on the back and know it is greatly appreciated.

And also, a bigger thanks to Ray our CFI who provided an excellent briefing and does so much work behind the scenes to keep all the stakeholders informed and ensuring the standards for gliding safety remain high. And thanks to Mike from Airways for participating in the session and we appreciate the support from the tower.

#### **Duty Instructor Lionel Page report for Sunday 15 Oct**

Sunday was a quiet day. Craig and Kazik picked up Kazik's trailer and headed off to North Shore to collect the glider that had been stored in a hangar there.

Christian Clarke was there early and eager to do his second flight in a glider. The conditions were a very strong westerly straight down 26. We spoke to base ops and were expecting a departure at 1pm with the tower on at 12, however I thought we'd be long finished by then as only Christian was keen.

Set up and into the blustery sky we went - it was quite turbulent which made the flying interesting but not very helpful for a new student. There was lift but it was not very useable and we were back in the circuit in short order.

On landing Gaelle arrived and wanted to do some flying, so first a thorough circuit briefing and then towed to 1500ft. Gaelle handled the aerotow amazingly considering the horrible conditions.

Again, it was fairly soon and we were back in the circuit talking to the controller, who was now on duty. I managed to get tongue-tied with the radio - a bit embarrassing, but all is well that ends well and we arrived safely back on the ground.

The other club members that had arrived were very busy pulling gliders apart and installing them in their respective trailers. I managed to time it very well having landed just as the last glider was inserted in it trailer.

A few refreshments and tales and we left at about 3 pm. A good day but not a great soaring day, unfortunately.

#### **Lecture Series**

Jonathan Pote has come across these lecture series that may be of interest. Contact Jonathan if interested in attending and perhaps carpooling.

# RNZAF Antarctica Operations lecture

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots presents:

Wing Commander Richard Beaton discussing the RNZAF's incredible Antarctica operations

Join us on: Monday, October 30 at 6:30pm

at: Air Training Corps. building, Ardmore Airport

There is no fee but please RSVP to: <a href="mailto:zaytsoffm@gmail.com">zaytsoffm@gmail.com</a>

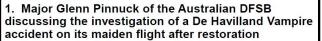
WHO SHOULD ATTEND? This event is targeted at the pilots, but everyone is welcome.





### **Accident Investigation lecture**

The NZ Society of Air Safety Investigators presents:



2. David Wiman, Airways' Sr. Operational Safety Advisor discussing a C206 accident of VFR into IMC







**SQUADRON** 

**AIRWAYS** 



Join us on: Saturday, November 4 at 11am

at: Air Training Corps. building, Ardmore Airport

There is no fee but please RSVP to: <a href="mailto:zaytsoffm@gmail.com">zaytsoffm@gmail.com</a>

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? This event is designed for the aircraft restoration community, but everyone is welcome.



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

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	109
	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	РВТ
	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	