

WARM AIR Nov 30 2024

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND:

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Saturday 30 Nov	Instructing: I Burr Towing: R Burns Duty Pilot A Javaremi	
Sunday 1 Dec	Instructing: I Woodfield Towing: P Thorpe Duty Pilot C Hayward-Slattery	(Devonport Scouts – Early Start)

MEMBERS NEWS

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

Club News

A very busy weekend with ATC Cadet activities, member training, and private flying.

Duty Pilot Swap 7th Dec – If anyone can swap with Phil Scarborough for this date, he would be grateful. Please contact Phil directly and let us know in Warm Air to publish a updated roster.

Airfield Activities which will delay Gliding Ops

- **Saturday 23 Nov Late Start– No flying prior to 1215 pm** due to a RNZAF Quiet Period for a Graduation Parade. Suggest you gather mid-morning to prep aircraft.
- **Saturday 7th December – No flying prior to 1400hrs** due to 6 Squadron flight ops and Base Christmas Party. Base Ops to be contacted to confirm the commencement of flight ops.

Working Bee – 23rd December it is proposed to have a working bee to tidy up a few areas. So more to come, but mowers and weed eaters needed. Should not take too long.

Latest System Changes.

There are few new changes to the system in the last few weeks:

- The bank account code and bank account NAME have been added to the payment screen. **If you are not already aware, banks will soon be insisting that bank transfers include the exact account NAME as well as the account number. Some trial flights pay on the day by bank transfer and therefore you will need to be able to tell the person the account name.**
- The club calendar is available by selected ‘calendar’ from the menu.
- There is a link to GNZ flight tracking system from the main menu
- There is a very rudimentary weather option on the main menu. It will access the weather forecast from the MetService and show a variety of parameters. Note that we get billed if we go over a certain threshold so there are some brakes in the system to stop the service being hammered with refreshes.

- As mentioned at the AGM, there is a “members” function from the main menu which has everyone’s contact details. They are hyperlinked so if you click on a phone number (on a mobile phone) then it will call the number.

This system is rapidly becoming the goto location for most club information. I notice there are one or two members that have not yet registered. If you have not done so yet go to <https://ascgliding.pythonanywhere.com/> and select the “click here” to register link. Your registration will take a little time for me to approve but I will email you when it’s ready

Weekend Reports

Saturday No report

Sunday – Ray reports

Phil Rex and I picked up a takeaway coffee at the café before getting round to the gate at 0800. Tony Strugnell arrived shortly afterwards for his first day on the field with Rex. Aircraft were awoken from their slumbers and our first flight with 5 squadron cadets was away at 0909.



Unfortunately, I abandoned the second launch due to an awful noise coming from the main wheel. Thankfully, Craig was on hand with his trusty spanners and we got our second flight airborne at 1037. Cadets were finished at 1330. Tony, Craig, Alex and Ben all launched with varying degrees of success. Lev and Anton continued making progress in the twin. Ben finally launched in GMP for his first flight on type at 1454 and didn’t return until 1640 giving him the longest flight of the day (I seem to recall he did the same thing on his first flight on type in the PW5). Congrats Ben and well done.



It was great to have a visit from Karen Gillingham from the tower and we managed a pleasant half an hour admiring the scenery and discussing the various ground markers we use to delineate airspace.

Marley in VF and Ben G with another Piha mate, Kingsly finished the day, 16 launches in all.

Duty Roster For Oct,Nov,Dec

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot
Nov	30	A JAVAREMI	I BURR	R BURNS
Dec	1	C HAYWARD-SLATTERY	I WOODFIELD	P THORPE
No OPS prior to 1400hrs	7	P SCARBOROUGH	A FLETCHER	R HEYNIKE
	8	B GAMBARO	S WALLACE	G CABRE
	14	D MCGOWAN	L PAGE	R CARSWELL
	15	K BHASHYAM	P THORPE	R BURNS
	21	I O'KEEFE	R BURNS	G CABRE
	22	T PRENTICE	I BURR	R HEYNIKE