

WARM AIR 5 April 2025

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

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| Saturday 5 April | Instructing: Towing: Duty Pilot | A Fletcher R Heynike P Scarborough |
| Sunday 6 April | Instructing: Towing: Duty Pilot | I Woodfield R Burns E Yeoman |

MEMBERS NEWS

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

Wow, another month down, even the weather has changed.....however still some soaring to be had and never know some coast runs may be in the offering.

Kaziks picture of him and his chariot BC has proved very popular on facebook and the whole of Poland by the looks...so if you have a picture of you and machine in the air, love to see, share and post.

Upcoming Events

Easter :

The committee has decided that, for something different, we will fly from Drury for Easter weekend. We have been in contact with AGC to ask if that would be possible and they have been most welcoming.

Instructor Reports Saturday – Peter Thorpe

The weather was a light easterly and a good team were waiting at the gate, even though I was five minutes early. Tow pilot Gus and duty pilot Tony P were there along with Anton and Lev Shipov, Alex, Kazik, Phil Scarborough, and Ben and Rex Sly. There was no military activity and only one Tomahawk in the circuit although the tower came on watch for a couple of hours for controller training during the afternoon.

We set up on 08 and first off was Lev for some upper air general handling. Followed by Anton who found some lift and stayed up for 27 minutes. Ben S did a couple of flights in MP - the second got him a nice flight off a 1500ft tow. Kazik went off in BC for 2 hrs 47 and Phil flew NF solo for nearly an hour. Meanwhile Alex was practising landings in KT. Ivor appeared and was persuaded to take MP for a 49 minute jaunt. I took Lev for a second flight where he flew the take off and most of the tow for the first time. Gus made two private flights in RDW. Ben S took MP for another flight and we were all wrapped up by 4pm. A nice day with 11 glider flights.

Instructor Report Sunday – Lionel Page

Arrived early as I had a friend arriving that has been asking to go flying for ages. Alex arrived early too and we set about getting aircraft ready and taken down to 08 end.

First flight was Carl who thoroughly enjoyed his flight - and the weather gods played along with plenty of lift - I even got to practice some lazy eights.

Alex took KT for a circuit and Tony took his GBD for an airing followed by a first flight for Jack, Jonathan's grandson. (I think) (He rated it 10 out of ten - I'll take it!)

As there was plenty of lift around, Kazik, Emmerson, Ryan, Harvey and Gaelle all took to the skies and enjoyed some great soaring.

Even Izzy and Shiv appear and took GMP and GVF out for some decent flights. Izzy go low out at Waimauku but dug herself out of the hole and easily got back home (whew - no retrieves required)

The good soaring meant that Izzy and Shiv's trailer had to wait another week for maintenance. (Very sad - not)

All in all - great day with excellent conditions.



Duty Roster For Apr,May,Jun

| Month | Date | Duty Pilot | Instructor | Tow Pilot | 109 |
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| Apr | 5 | P SCARBOROUGH | A FLETCHER | R HEYNIKE | |
| | 6 | E YEOMAN | I WOODFIELD | R BURNS | |
| | 12 | A SHIPOV | I BURR | P THORPE | LP (6) |
| | 13 | B SLY | S WALLACE | G CABRE | |
| Easter | 18 | C BEST | L PAGE | R BURNS | |
| | 19 | S CHAND | I WOODFIELD | P THORPE | |
| | 20 | B GAMBARO | A FLETCHER | R BURNS | |
| | 21 | A MICHAEL | S WALLACE | P THORPE | |
| Anzac Day | 25 | G STANFIELD | L PAGE | R CARSWELL | |
| | 26 | K JASICA | I WOODFIELD | R HEYNIKE | LP (40) |
| | 27 | C HAYWARD-SLATTERY | I BURR | G CABRE | PT (40) |
| May | 3 | A NEJATI | R BURNS | T STRUGNELL | LP (40) |
| | 4 | M KUYS | P THORPE | R CARSWELL | RB (40) |
| | 10 | M WEYNA | A FLETCHER | R BURNS | IB (6) |
| | 11 | D MCGOWAN | S WALLACE | P THORPE | LP (40) |
| | 17 | K BHASHYAM | I BURR | G CABRE | |
| | 18 | I O'KEEFE | L PAGE | T STRUGNELL | PT(40) |
| | 24 | T PRENTICE | I WOODFIELD | R HEYNIKE | RB (40) |
| | 25 | R SEMMENS | R BURNS | R CARSWELL | PT(40) |
| Kings Bday | 31 | P SCARBOROUGH | P THORPE | R BURNS | |
| | 1 | E YEOMAN | A FLETCHER | T STRUGNELL | |
| | 2 | A SHIPOV | S WALLACE | G CABRE | |
| | 7 | B SLY | I BURR | P THORPE | |
| | 8 | C BEST | L PAGE | R CARSWELL | RB |

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| | 14 | S CHAND | I WOODFIELD | R HEYNIKE | |
| | 15 | B GAMBARO | A FLETCHER | T STRUGNELL | |
| | 20 | A MICHAEL | P THORPE | R BURNS | |
| | 21 | G STANFIELD | S WALLACE | G CABRE | |
| | 22 | K JASICA | I BURR | R CARSWELL | |
| | 28 | C HAYWARD-SLATTERY | R BURNS | P THORPE | |
| | 29 | A NEJATI | L PAGE | T STRUGNELL | |