

WARM AIR 3 May 2025

Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

THIS WEEKEND:

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Weekend Roster

Saturday	Instructing:	R Burns
3 May	Towing:	T Stugnell
	Duty Pilot	A Nejati
Sunday	Instructing:	P Thorpe
4 May	Towing:	R Carswell
	Duty Pilot	M Kuys

MEMBERS NEWS

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

Hmm. Well the past long weekends have certainly not been successful weatherwise. And it has been a shocker around the country in the last 12 hours. However hopefully this weekend brings out the sun. Looking ok for it.

Weekend Reports

Friday ANZAC day – Lionel tries the burly conditions

Friday (Anzac Day) was a late start with a Sea Sprite doing fly-bys and then circuits. We were going to give it away, however Anton and his family were keen to give it a go, even though the weather was marginal.

Ray arrived and kindly offered to tow which allowed Rex to "sleep-in" (Or at least not travel from Orewa to the field). Anton's daughter chewed poor Ray's ear for a large portion of the morning while assisting him with RDW's DI. By all accounts - a very eager and attentive student. This got her a go in RDW while it taxied from 26 to 08 for the setup.

Anton's daughter was first up in GNF and she seemed to thoroughly enjoy it - poor Anton may have an expensive hobby for his daughter. Levi braved the interesting and challenging conditions after which Anton tried a few circuits. Final flight was myself to reposition GNF to the hangar. All aircraft were safely tucked in bed by about 3pm. Not a great flying day - but certainly an experience.

Saturday – Ivor keeps grounded

Saturday was forecast to have some rain, although when I opened the field at 9.30 it seemed like some flying might be possible.

A few people arrived wanting to work on various things, including Craig and Ben working on trailer stuff, and Tony wanting to rig his PW5. The sun even came out in patches and the cloud base steadily rose for a while.

However, by the time the first rain arrived early afternoon, no pilots had turned up wanting to fly, so gliding activities were cancelled and the hangar was left to the workers.

Sunday – Izzy reports it rained and she had a lovely sleep in.....

Duty Roster For Apr,May,Jun

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	109
May	3	A NEJATI	R BURNS	T STRUGNELL	LP (40)
	4	M KUYS	P THORPE	R CARSWELL	RB (40)
	10	M WEYNA	A FLETCHER	G CABRE	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	R BURNS	
	7	B SLY	I BURR	P THORPE	
	8	C BEST	L PAGE	R CARSWELL	RB
	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	