

# WARM AIR 4 October 2025

## Aviation Sports Club Gliding Newsletter

### THIS WEEKEND:

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### Weekend Roster

Saturday  
4 Oct

Instructing:  
Towing:  
Duty Pilot

No Flying this weekend

Sunday  
5 Oct

Instructing:  
Towing:  
Duty Pilot

### MEMBERS NEWS

#### *In this edition of Warm Air*

*Club News*

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

### News / Events

**RDW is out of action due to an issue.** Regrettably unable to be serviceable this coming weekend. Repairs should be completed by the weekend of the 11<sup>th</sup> October. So, take the time to obtain your brownie points with chores and cash in the next fine weekend.

The Grob 109 however will be operating during the weekend for cadets.

### Weekend Reports

#### Saturday – Dave Todd Reports

Where were you! For the first half of Saturday there was great lift, but not many takers. Tony got the best lift of the day and the longest flight of around 90 minutes - he could have stayed up longer but mother nature was calling and he landed with relief .

Emerson after a quick check flight converted to the PW5 but by the time his proud Dad came out to watch the lift was starting to get too far away from the field. Both flights had nice take's and landings. Well done Emerson!

Ryan was keen to get spinning and spiral dives signed off which he did. We also managed some zero sink light thermalling practice extending the flight but not really going up. He then went for a second solo flight in NF into a what look like a dead sky but again managed to extend the flight circling under the only thing sort of resembling a cloud in the area.





*Old time PW5 pilot checking in on new PW5 pilot...I think the landing got his approval.*

## **Sunday**

And Ryan Semmens also got to covert to the PW5 Single seater mode. Well done and good timing coming into the season to really get some hours under your belt.



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## New Glider Fund

**If you can contribute, even a small amount, the Club is fundraising for a new two-seater. If you win lotto you may wish to contribute a slightly bigger amount.....**

We're looking to replace our training glider, Twin Astir GNF, for something newer and better that will last us many years into the future. To do this, we have recently set up an incorporated society, North Auckland Gliding Club, to make it easier for ASC Gliding to acquire new aircraft.

We're budgeting around 150k for a replacement glider. While we'll target funding from GNZ, the reality is that we'll still need to fundraise about \$75k ourselves.

Full details will be explained in due course at our Annual General Meeting in October.

For now, we just wanted to let you know that we finally have a bank account in place and that we've already raised \$4659!

Yes, we're accepting donations! You can donate via bank transfer to:

**North Auckland Gliding Club**  
**Account number: 38 9027 0013160 00**

The club would also like to hear from anybody interested in making a debenture pledge. Please contact Lionel for more information: ✉ [lionelpnz@gmail.com](mailto:lionelpnz@gmail.com) | ☎ 021 534 103

Getting a replacement twin will be a big project for the club and the only way we'll get there is with your help. So let's make it happen!

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## Duty Roster For Oct,Nov,Dec

Month	Date	Duty Pilot	Instructor	Tow Pilot	G109
Oct	4	E YEOMAN	P THORPE	G CABRE	5 SQN RB
	5	A SHIPOV	S WALLACE	R BURNS	5 SQN LP
	11	B SLY	I BURR	R HEYNIKE	
	12	G STANFIELD	I WOODFIELD	T STRUGNELL	6 SQN IB
	18	K JASICA	L PAGE	P THORPE	5 Sqn RB

	19	C HAYWARD-SLATTERY	D TODD	R BURNS	40 SQN LP
Labour Weekend	25	A NEJATI	P THORPE	T STRUGNELL	
	26	M KUYS	S WALLACE	R HEYNIKE	
	27		I WOODFIELD	T STRUGNELL	
Nov	1	B GAMBARO	A FLETCHER	R CARSWELL	5 Sqn IB
	2	S CHAND	R BURNS	G CABRE	
	8	M WEYNA	I BURR	P THORPE	6 SQN LP
	9	K BHASHYAM	L PAGE	R BURNS	
	15		P THORPE	R HEYNIKE	5 SQN RB
	16	T PRENTICE	S WALLACE	T STRUGNELL	6 SQN IB
	22	R SEMMENS	I WOODFIELD	R CARSWELL	
	23	P SCARBOROUGH	A FLETCHER	G CABRE	
	29	E YEOMAN	R BURNS	T STRUGNELL	
	30	A SHIPOV	I BURR	P THORPE	40SQN RB
Dec	6	B SLY	L PAGE	R BURNS	
	7	G STANFIELD	S WALLACE	R HEYNIKE	40 SQN LP
	13	K JASICA	P THORPE	R CARSWELL	5 SQN LP
	14	C HAYWARD-SLATTERY	I WOODFIELD	G CABRE	
	20	A NEJATI	D TODD	T STRUGNELL	5 SQN RB
	21	M KUYS	A FLETCHER	P THORPE	