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AGC NEWSLETTER

FROM THE CFI

Some of you may know we had a fence incursion last Saturday. Fortunately, there was no human damage apart from pride, but the glider did sustain some damage.

This all came about by trying to land long to be close to the car.

It's a good time to remind everyone that a long float length of half the strip or more is not a good way to practice landings.

One should always be practicing for an out landing. On that basis, pick your aiming point and set up a half effective brake approach and round out on the aiming point, hold off and land.

For XCP pilots and above you can close the brakes and taxi off, just don't cross the drive. For solo and soaring pilots land

straight, get out of the glider and push it off asap.

The weather for Saturday is looking a little unsettled in the morning but improving in the afternoon with around 10kt SW winds.

Sunday looks similar with slightly less wind. There may be large areas of cloud cover of Stratocumulus on both days.

Soaring should still be on the cards, but XC will be limited.

Regards,

Anton Lawrence

WORKING BEE / BBQ SATURDAY 20th DEC

Just a quick reminder of our working bee and BBQ this Saturday! We'll start around 8:30 and finish at 12, with plenty of time for flying afterwards if weather permits. After

flying, we will end the day with a BBQ. If you've got a few spare hours that morning or are planning to fly that day, your help will be much appreciated!!

AROUND THE CLUB – Allen Pendergrast

Our Magnificent Men in Their Winching Machines

If you've ever tried to back the winch into its shed with the winch vehicle, you'll begin to understand the meaning of the word "impossible".

It's equivalent to flying blind. And a guaranteed 10 out of 10 on the frustration meter.



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So be kind to our winch drivers and be sure to make the Landboss is readily available to them (not locked away in the hangar and the team retired to the bar) and even give them a guiding hand as they

manoeuvre the yellow beast into its resting place.

Their gratitude will know no bounds.

YOUTHGLIDE MATAMATA

Two of our youth members Luke and Jasmine are at Matamata this week for

Youthglide. From the photos it looks like they're having loads of fun!!





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DUTY PILOT ROSTER

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| 20 th Dec – Geof Gaddes | 21 st Dec – Geof Green |
| 27 th Dec – Gerard Robertson | 28 th Dec – Ian England |

INSTRUCTOR ROSTER

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| 20 th Dec | Dion Manktelow | Anton Lawrence |
| 21 st Dec | John Bongrain | Jonathan Cross |
| 27 th Dec | Keith Macy | Roy Innes |
| 28 th Dec | Dion Manktelow | Nigel McPhee |

EVENTS

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| 2 nd – 10 th Jan | Club Class Nationals and Auckland Enterprise Competition |
| 31 st Jan – 8 th Feb | Multiclass Nationals |
| 14 th – 23 rd Feb | Central Districts Competition |
| 7 th – 15 th Mar | Grand Prix |

Got something to add? Please send through any contributions, comments or photos to angelie.v.madsen@gmail.com :)



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CLASSIFIED ADVERTS

Glasflugel Libelle 201b GIB For Sale

Ph Jason 0211579278

Libelle 201b:

- 1800 hrs
- 774 starts
- LX nav s100 flight computer
- ASI
- Winter mech vario
- Becker radio
- Compass
- Flarm mouse
- Tracker
- New belts
- Covered trailer
- Wing walker and tow out gear

Good condition classic glider





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For Sale PW5 ZK-GAT Ph Murray 0275 875 438

Ready to fly. Approx 650 hours with 211 starts. Will have annuals up to Sept 2026.

\$20,000 (Priced to sell) The Works (Everything for airspace, competitions, records)

No Accident History.

Glider, covered trailer, instruments (ASI, Altimeter, Mechanical Vario, Radio (Becker), Compass).

- Trig Transponder TY22,
- ADSB In & Out,
- S100 Vario, (IGC Approved Flight Recorder up to World Records)
- Power Flarm,
- Easy one-man-rig trailer fittings,
- Wing walker,
- Tow out gear,
- Parachute,
- Oudie IGC.

Covered Trailer with friendly fittings

Suspension rubbers replaced Dec 2024.

The PW-5 glider has given me many great flights over the years chasing 13.5m records (I've left a few for the new owner) – but it's time for me to move on to other adventures.





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For Sale Hangars x 2 Ph Murray 0275 875 438

Available NOW!

2 adjacent hangars to be sold at the same time.

Access via southern door in hangar # 1.

Buying both hangar spaces gives exclusive access to one end of the hangar (i.e. no-one has to move your glider, and you don't have to move anyone else's glider).

Hangar # 1 (the first one you see when you come into the airfield) is the one pictured behind the PW-5 canopy.

Power in hangar.

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