



HAWERA AERO CLUB NEWSLETTER

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From the President

Looking back over another year that has nearly passed I would say that the club has had a good year. Not without its challenges of course and we don't know what's around the corner but do look forward to continuing good times. Talking of challenges, it was a sad day recently when BP came and pumped out the remaining fuel in the tank and removed the pump. That has left the Club in a difficult position and we are looking at alternatives, but the options are very very limited. A trailer tanker seems the best option so far and at over \$20,000:00 for a 1500 litre tanker it is not cheap. What in aviation is? In the mean time thanks to Craig for filling up our fuel containers on his way past Stratford.

Our members did well at the regional competitions in Tauranga, getting third in the Wigram cup was a good result which just put us ahead of New Plymouth. Please don't think I'm gloating about that, well not much anyway. We were very happy to see the twin that has been parked out the front of the club house fly away recently, having been there since February and beginning to look very derelict. The birds will be sorry to see it go as it was their favourite nesting place, so the engineers spent a good deal of time getting rid of all the straw and eggs from all the nooks and cranny's before they could put the motors back in and prepare it for flight.

All the best for Christmas and the new year and enjoy your flying. Mike, we are all looking forward to seeing your Cobra arrow flying after all your hard work along with your loyal helper Ray. What a team.

Ralph Gibson



NEW MEMBERS

We have a number of new members in the last two months. We at Hawera Aero Club would like to welcome and introduce –

Nardeen Lehaavre

Zoe Zimmerman

Peter Williams



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See our Newsletter online on FlyingNZ website.

Instructors Insight

Hello Again Everyone,

Well I'll be much briefer than last month, just a couple of things to mention.

First I'd like to say how great it was to be with the team that went to Tauranga to compete at Regionals over the weekend of the 15th. The results were very credible as you will read elsewhere in the newsletter, but that was not the only success of the weekend. The team was made up of a good balance of experienced PPL's and student "first timers", all of whom will have gained valuable experience. We did have to turn around at the White Cliffs and go back to New Plymouth for an hour, but still got to our destination once the weather had cleared.

Next year Regionals are here at Hawera, so there is no excuse not to have a full team with all the competitions covered with someone from here!

Speaking of clearing weather and cross

countries, it is time for you PPL's to dust off your licences and get some cross country flying in. If you haven't flown for a while, and want to brush up or get current, just make a booking and do it. If you want to make a dual as you don't feel confident in some part of your flying, (crosswind landings perhaps?), please do it as you will feel much more confident to go away on a trip knowing you have all the skills required again. If you are planning a trip and you have any queries about the trip, want to go over it or even fly a short one dual, just to refresh yourself, please feel free to talk it over with me.

There are also plenty of cross country checklists here at the club, just to make sure you have everything covered before you leave.

I am now able to instruct in the Tecnam, so get your bookings in!

Well that's it from me this month, Happy flying, Craig.

Websites to check out

<http://www.takeabreak.co.nz/new-zealand-webcams.asp>
Up to date webcam photos

<http://www.flycalc.co.nz>
Calculation of flight plan data

<http://www.ifis.airways.co.nz/>
Get your Weather and NOTAMS for your non commercial flying here

www.metflight.metra.co.nz
General Aviation weather

SOCIAL DRINKS

Every Friday night from 5pm at the



Club

All welcome



ANNIVERSARY 80th



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21st - 22nd March 2009

Watch this space for more details

First Solo

We have had another couple of students to achieve their first solo flight, Matt Morgan and Guy Oakley. Saturday November the 8th was the day. Our wonderful instructor Craig organised for a "B" Cat Instructor (Mark Klenner) to stop on the ground while he passing through during a cross country with a student. Mark took Matt for the first few circuits and the Guy all while his student waited patiently in the clubhouse. Matt Morgan lives in Waverley and works at Fonterra in Hawera, he began flying less than a year ago.

Guy Oakley is a Veterinarian working out of Kaponga and has been learning to fly for some time, being a vet takes up a few of the available flying weekends but he has put in the effort and achieved his solo.

Both Matt and Guy are making a good dent in their Solo Consolidation even though weather hasn't been the best. They have done some solo circuits in some very windy conditions.

Well done to you both, **CONGRATULATIONS**



FIRST SOLO

L-R Mark Klenner, Guy Oakley, Matt Morgan, Craig Nairn

The first very light jet to suffer major damage, Cessna Mustang S/N 049, returned to service on February 29 after enduring the collapse of its left fuel tank and two broken wing spars on a ferry flight. The crew heard a bang at 18,000 feet during the descent into AGC, which was followed by a left engine low fuel pressure warning. They then noticed distortion on top of the left wing and heard a second bang. The crew continued the descent and landed safely. FAA inspectors found that Cessna workers inadvertently blocked the left fuel tank vent with temporary registration numbers made from adhesive vinyl! This blockage prevented the inflow of air to replace fuel drawn from the tank by the engines, and the tank deformed.



Regionals in Tauranga

When you organise a fly away, there is one very important element that is pretty much essential.... If you guessed an aircraft, then you were right. So what happens as the date for our regionals draws closer, well obviously one of our planes requires maintenance, that's not the end of the story. The 172 was due to be brought home from Wanganui on Thursday, but during the day we had a phone call saying that it had been damaged and could not be fixed until after the weekend. Oh no, no 172 for the regionals, but Ralph explained our situation and by Friday the brilliant people in the Engineering department had fixed the issue and we went down to pick it up.

So on the morning of Saturday 15th November our team was ready to fly off to Tauranga. Graeme Bycroft and Derek Wyllie had already left for Tauranga the afternoon before, with good weather. We had, marginal weather so Tony Muller and instructor Craig Nairn left in C-172 and Daniel Buhler and I in the Tecnam. The weather over Stratford and north was very hazy but flyable, so onward we went. There was other traffic on the radio, one of which was a New Plymouth 152 almost at Raglan that decided the weather wasn't going to clear and turned back to New Plymouth. This was a sign, so we both headed to New Plymouth and waited for the weather to clear.

While we waited we were getting nervous texts from Derek at Tauranga hoping we would make it as he didn't have a ride home!

We eventually set off and arrived in Tauranga just in time for lunch. Over the day our team competed in various competitions. Derek Wyllie - Bombing, Les Worsley - Low Flying, Tony Muller - Forced Landings without power & Non Instrument circuits, Graeme Bycroft - Precision circuits and landings & Instrument flying, Daniel Buhler - Junior Landings, myself in Precision circuits and landings & Senior landings.



View of the Planes from the club

By the end of the day Derek had made himself comfortable so decided to stay for the prize giving and return the next day with me in the Tecnam. Craig, Tony and Daniel headed off in the 172 back home. Graeme to Hastings for their 80th in 152.

The prize giving was held at the club with a yummy catered spit roast. Most of the prizes went to Taumaranui so congratulations to them. They will be busy in March by hosting the Nationals and competing in most of them. But the most exciting news is that we as a team came third in the Wigram challenge cup!!

The Sunday morning we preflighted LJW and headed back to Hawera, hearing the Stratford crew heading to Turangi and trying to encourage us to follow them, but it was time to be home. The weather on the flight was very nice, much improvement on the previous day until of course we got to Hawera where we had a nasty wind!

Great weekend, great result!

Julie Ingram

To see the official results log onto www.flyingnz.co.nz Central area rally.



Our three aircraft ready for action.



What's Coming up!

New Years Day Holidays

January 1

**Athbey Farm
New Years Day Fly In—Woodville**

January 2

**New Year Party
Pauanui**

January 17-18

**Wings over Wairarapa 2009
Masterton**

January 24-26

**Great Northern Air Race
As north as Kaitaia— as south as Taupo**

January 31 - February 1

Master's Games Wanganui

Waitangi Weekend

February 5-8

**Great Plains Fly In
Ashburton**

February 6-8

**Annual Tiger Moth AGM & Fly In
Gisborne**

March 5-8

**Nationals Competitions
Taumarurunui**

March 12-15

**RAANZ Rally
Motueka**

March 21-22

**80th Anniversary Celebrations
Hawera Aero Club**

CLUB CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Its been a very busy few months, with almost something on every weekend, and now that we can feel summer coming its not going to get any quieter. There are always lots of great places to fly to over summer, but this year looks even better, with Wings over Wairarapa, SAA fly In in Ashburton, Tiger Moth Fly In in Gisborne and many more mentioned on the back of the latest Vector Magazine if you don't receive the vector you can view it online at www.ca.govt.nz/safety_info/vector.htm

I recently flew to Hastings for their flyIn to help celebrate their 80th anniversary. There was a good turn out of aircraft but then they have a lot of planes on the field already. Manie Really enjoyed himself taking lots of photos and chatting to lots of other aviators.

Next year is Hawera Aero Clubs 80th anniversary so we are starting preparations to have a gathering of anyone interested in attending, including past and present members. We have decided the weekend of the 21st/22nd of March is the best possible date, with a dinner on the Saturday night. If anyone comes from afar they could camp on the field, if they wish.

If you would like to suggest a club trip or if there's something in the upcoming calendar you'd like to attend I'm always open to talk to or you could even text me.

If you would like to contact me, you can email or ring me.

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Julie

The Regional Results

TROPHY		PILOTS	RESULTS
New man Cup	Precision circuits & landings	Julie Ingram	3 rd

WIGRAM CHALLENGE CUP		
Non Instrument Circuits	Tony Muller	3 rd
Instrument Flying	Graeme Bycroft	3 rd
Overall Result	Tony Muller Graeme Bycroft Julie Ingram Daniel Buhler	3rd



Open Day and Fly In

Sunday November 23rd Hawera Aero Club hosted a Open day and Fly In to a great success. We had many members from the club come down to help out with everything from the BBQ to the judging the spot and to welcome the visitors. We had a total of 11 aircraft turn up with many more pilots and a good turn out of the public too.

The awards we gave out were not the "usual" bottle of wine but chocolate bars, huge Toblerone's. They were awarded for the furthest travelled, won by the crew from Wellington, Spot landing won by the Cessna 180 from Dannevirke CHL and the third Toblerone went to Gary Hann of Stratford in RVH for his overhead rejoin. We also awarded the RVT family some chocolate for all making the trip to Hawera.

Of the 11 aircraft that arrived we had three from Dannevirke, one from Wellington, one from Bulls, two from Wanganui and four from Stratford, including the Cresco. That Cresco is a cool machine, and it smells good too.

Thank you to all that helped out and come and supported us.



New Maps

The new maps that came into use on the 20th October 2008 have a few changes, one main one that will affect us here in Hawera a lot more than some of the other changes. There is a new Common Frequencies Zone (CFZ) to the south and south west of Hawera and runs around the coast encompassing all the oil fields and their traffic.

The CFZ is depicted by blue diamonds and is replacing the MBZ that used to be in place around Maui A & B.

There is a new frequency that you will need to use if you are to be flying in the area 5,500 feet or below.

Make sure if you are training in the area to program in **133.65** into the radio and listen out.



Boeing 757-236

Photographed in Budapest
Ferihegy Hungry

Photographer: Adam
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Date: June 15 2004

This looks a very scary
thought for any pilot. Few
forms to fill in if he hits one
too I guess.

Car at Taupo

Dave Larsen from the
Dannevirke aero club has kindly



let the members of the Hawera
Aero Club have the use of his Car
that is based at the Taupo airfield.
If you would like to use it, you
will need to ring Dave to check
the availability. We have the keys
at the club and I can get you
those.

Home 06 374 8783
Dave 021 185 9123
Rae 021 172 7141



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