



# HAWERA AERO CLUB NEWSLETTER

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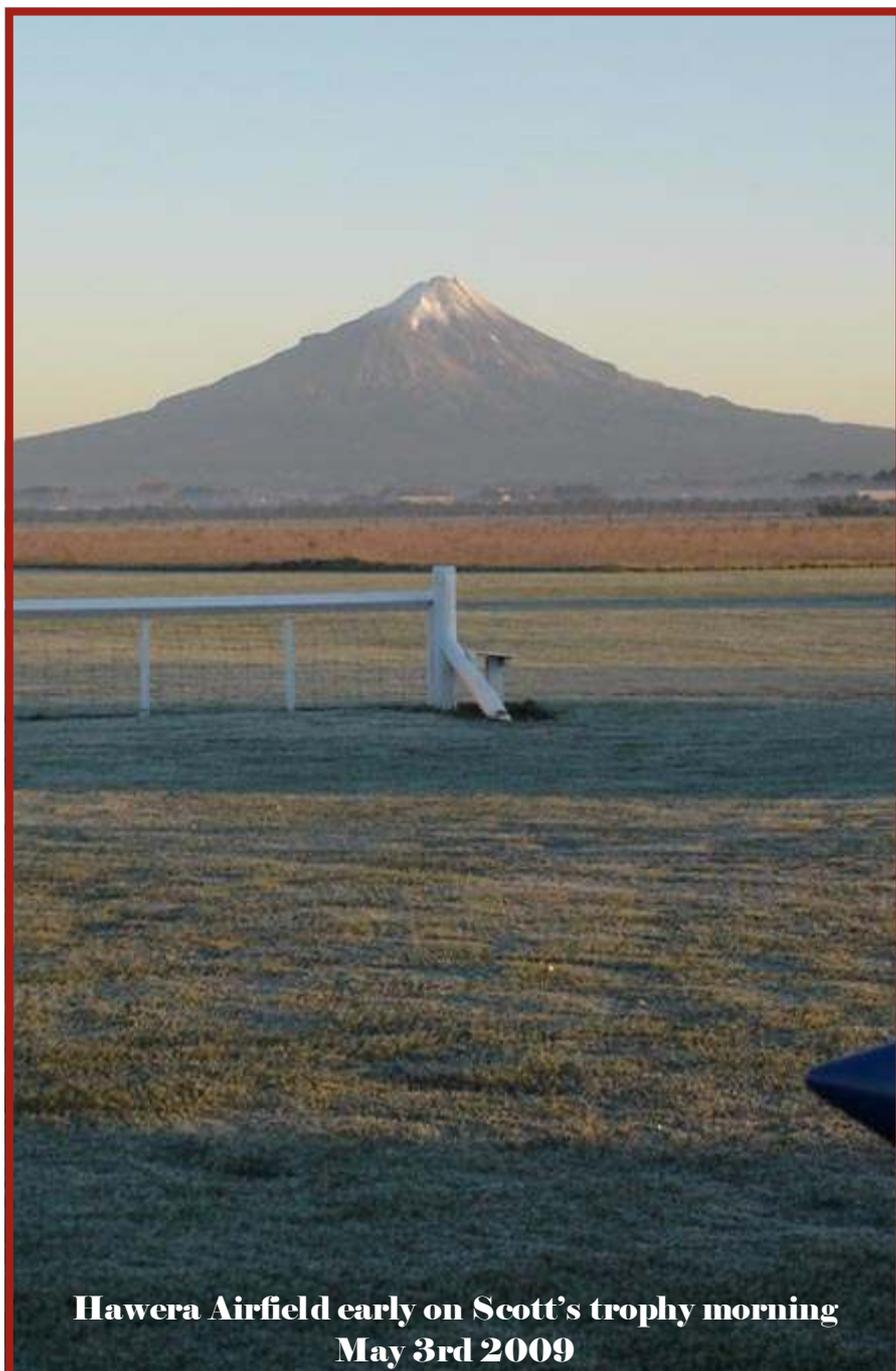
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**Hawera Airfield early on Scott's trophy morning  
May 3rd 2009**

# NEW MEMBERS

We have a couple of new members, we at Hawera Aero Club would like to welcome and introduce —

**Ross Walker**  
**Stephen Fraser**



[www.flyingnz.co.nz](http://www.flyingnz.co.nz)

See our Newsletter online on FlyingNZ website.

ARDMORE WHITIANGA NEW PLYMOUTH

QUEENSTOWN GORE INVERCARGILL OAMARU

*You are invited*

**SAFARI**

*to a*

**Safari**

*A ten day air trek around New Zealand*

2010

Departing Ardmore Aerodrome on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2010 and finishing at Queenstown on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April, just in time for the Wanaka Airshow 2010.

For more information go to [WWW.FLYINGNZ.CO.NZ](http://WWW.FLYINGNZ.CO.NZ)

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## Websites to check out

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

<http://avmet.msgs.net.nz/>  
Translates IFIS weather to plain English!

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

[www.meflight.metra.co.nz](http://www.meflight.metra.co.nz)  
General Aviation weather



## SOCIAL DRINKS

Every Friday night from 5pm at the Club

All welcome



## Scott's Trophy May 3 2009

Finally we got a chance to defend the Scott's trophy. The morning dawned the best morning we have had for a long time. The competition was hosted by Wanganui and they put on a great breakfast. The competition got underway, our team consisting of John Frew and Tad Leach (Senior) and Guy Oakley and Derek Wyllie (Junior).

While Guy won the junior landing it wasn't enough for us to retain the trophy. New

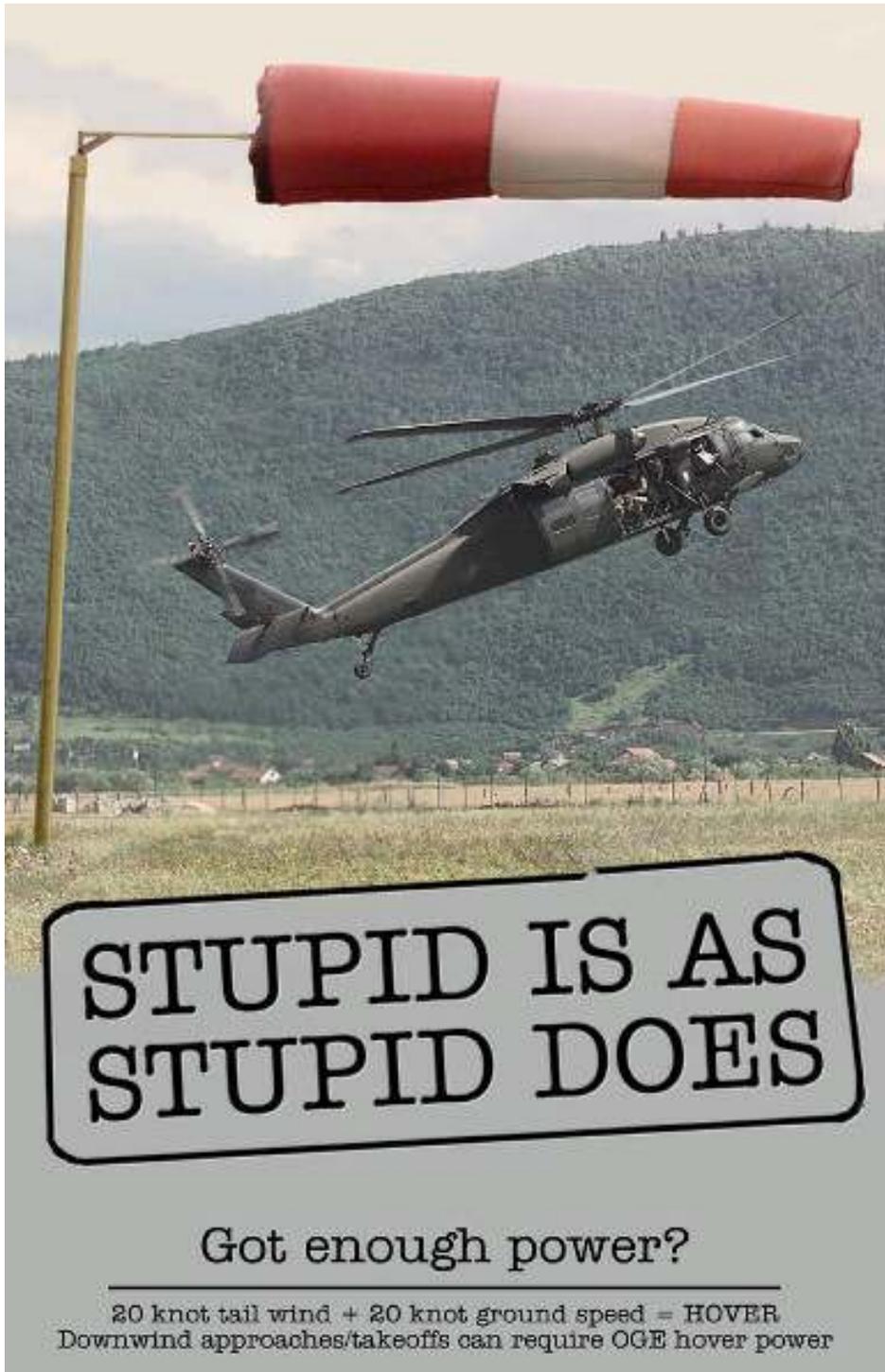
Plymouth aero club who won the trophy had to dig our finger nails out of the wood to take the trophy away.

We have a chance to reclaim the trophy on July 26th in New Plymouth. If you are keen to compete in the next Scott's trophy let me know and we can prepare and train to win!!



Photos Courtesy of Guy Oakley





STUPID IS AS  
STUPID DOES

Got enough power?

20 knot tail wind + 20 knot ground speed = HOVER  
Downwind approaches/takeoffs can require OGE hover power



**80th Anniversary  
Bucket hats and Caps**

**If you want your own anniversary hat  
you need to get in touch with me as soon as  
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**\$21 each**



## CLUB CAPTAIN'S CORNER

### What's Coming up!

**June 14**

**Dawn Raid  
Dannevirke**

**June 26-28**

**FlyingNZ Conference  
Blenheim**

**July 10**

**Winter FlyIn  
Omarama**

**July 26**

**Scott's Trophy Competition  
New Plymouth**

**July 27—August 2**

**EAA AirVenture  
Oshkosh USA**

**August 2**

**Dawn Raid  
Bridge Pa**

**September 4-6**

**Brass Monkey Fly In  
Lake Station**

**September 12**

**Tail Dragger Day  
Bridge Pa**

**Labour Weekend**

**October 24-26**

**Tiger Moth Club 40th Anniversary  
Taumarunui**

**October 31**

**Regional Competitions  
Hawera**

The weather has been against us, and we have not had any luck making it to any of the recent Fly Ins. The Scott's trophy was lucky enough to be planned on a good weather day. But as for the Waipukurau dawn raid, the weather was a shocker that weekend, with forecasted winds of 20 –50kt gusts. The decision was made to flag the event and look forward to the next one, Dannevirke!

The weekend of the Agreunion in Masterton was also on a shocker of a weekend with an impressive weather bomb, many trying and failing from Thursday to Saturday. Its too bad about the weather as this would have been a great day as the planned displays would have been very exciting.

We have decided on the 31st October 2009 for our Regional competitions here in Hawera, so now we need to get a team organized and some practicing done, it would be nice to have a few firsts at our own hosted events.

You will see from the upcoming event table that we have a confirmed date for the Nelson Aero Club's Brass Monkey fly in. Its always a good weekend, with a great meal put on, on the Saturday night and drinks are available to buy there. The accommodation are comfortable but if bunking down isn't your idea of fun, there are come local accommodation facilities that you could book (at your own expense.)

If I don't get some stories there may not be a July newsletter, as there isn't too much going on, and even less when the weather is as bad as it has been lately. I always appreciate any articles.

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Julie



**In Flight Maintenance**



## Airshow horror as biplane takes off without pilot and crashes into trees

Hundreds of visitors to an air show watched in horror as a runaway vintage biplane sped along the ground at 60mph, soared into the air and then crashed into trees.

Terrified onlookers saw the £50,000 plane 'run amok' on the airfield after it was started without a pilot in the cockpit.



**Runaway: Visitors to the air show watch on in alarm as the vintage biplane speeds around for several minutes at speeds of up to 60mph, before straightening up and taking off**

© Solent News & Photo Agency

For more than five minutes the plane sped round in circles as bystanders feared it could career their way or into other aircraft.

Eventually the two-seater Stampe plane straightened up, took off and flew about 200 metres before smashing into trees at the edge of Goodwood airfield.

Had it cleared the trees it is believed the plane, which was headed towards nearby Chichester, West Sussex, could have flown for around 150 miles on a full tank of fuel.

The small plane had just been refuelled before the incident and its pilot had spun the propeller to restart the engine before getting inside to fly it.

But the plane - a 1940 model built in the style of a Tiger Moth - began moving before the pilot had a chance to board it.

Goodwood staff sprayed the plane with foam to stop it catching fire. It is understood the aircraft lost a wing in the crash.

The Stampe was one of a number of aircraft at the airfield for the Goodwood Breakfast Club - a monthly event which displays vintage cars, motorbikes and aircraft for enthusiasts.

Malcolm Phillips, 67 of Emsworth, Hampshire, was at the event and took pictures of the plane crashing down to the ground behind the trees.

The retired aircraft engineer said: 'There were hundreds of people there watching as the plane ran amok, haring round in circles.

'We didn't know which way it was going to go and it was worrying that it could head towards the crowd, other planes or the clubhouse.

'It was doing around 60mph, going round in circles for six or seven minutes before it finally straightened up and lifted off.

'It was eerie as there was nobody on board and it looked like it was going towards Chichester.

'It flew for about 20 seconds, covering about 200 yards before it hit the trees.

'Otherwise it could have gone on until it ran out of fuel which might have been 150 miles or so.'

Mr Phillips said he thought there were about 400 people watching when the plane took off at 11am on Sunday.

He added: 'Normally the idea is that you swing the propellers and have the handbrake on and chocks under the wheels.

'You also need to make sure the throttle is only set at low revs.

'Something clearly went wrong and it jumped over the chocks - I suspect what might have happened is that the throttle became loose.'

Chris Rollings, who owns four Stampe aircraft, told the Daily Mirror: 'It's not that unusual for these things to start racing around with their pilots galloping after them.

'But it's extremely unusual for them to take off without a pilot.'

Goodwood Breakfast Club events take place on the first Sunday of the month and are a meeting for fans of classic cars and motorbikes.

Aircraft occasionally also feature in organised displays. The theme of Sunday's event was Fabulous Family Favourites and featured collectors' four-seater family cars as well as fixed gear aircraft.

By Daily Mail Reporter



**Lucky escape: The £50,000 plane flew for around 200 metres before crashing into trees on the edge of Goodwood airfield. If it had cleared the trees, the aircraft was heading towards nearby Chichester**





nelson aero club

# BRASS MONKEY 2009



Nelson Aero Club presents the annual Brass Monkey Fly-in  
Lake Station Aerodrome (NZLE) Nelson Lakes National Park  
All Clubs, Flying Schools and Pilots are invited to attend

## 4th - 6th September 2009

Get your registration forms in early to guarantee your spot  
For more information see [www.nelsonaeroclub.co.nz](http://www.nelsonaeroclub.co.nz)  
Or contact Tim - 021 0400916



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