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CLUB NIGHT Wednesday 10th December 7.30 pm
VENUE Beerescourt Bowling Club
68 Maeroa Road - Hamilton

THEME: HMAC Xmas end of year clubnight - bring a plate for super...

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Presidents Report

Well, I can't really say I'm too pleased with the last of this Spring weather, it certainly has been windy, wet and cold. Subsequently not much flying seems to have been happening this month in our little patch of the world. On the bright side however, I have been able to put the extra weekend hours to good use with my Cessna Ag Wagon "Glider Tow Plane" progressing well towards completion. If I get it finished before Xmas that will likely make a personal record of three new aircraft in one year. Mind you, with ARF's being the way to go these days, that's not such a difficult an achievement. Thinking back however, my first ever model which was a thermal Glider took me about 12 months to construct from plans. That was model building, thank goodness now for ARF's !



Last month's Club night turned out to be remarkably entertaining, despite not actually presenting what I had planned for the theme of the night. We were to have a segment on Test Flying models and the prior preparation required, however we simply ran out of time. Therefore the test flying segment will be held over til some time next year. Instead we reviewed Jack Godfreys remarkable efforts building the full scale Bristol Scout which in turn earned Jack the Club Sportsman Trophy for the month. Frazer Briggs gave us an update on the preparations for the Nationals to be held at Matamata over New Year. Plus we had a number of large models brought along which were discussed by the owners. All in all a very enjoyable evening with lots of topics covered.

This months club night will of course be our XMAS special. With a bit of everything in the mix, it will be a good fun night. As in the past, if you would like to "bring a plate" to share for supper, that would be appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you there.

This month's Club fun fly day was to have been a combined Glider and Aero Tow day. Unfortunately the weather put paid to that idea, although Gordon and I did manage one flight each with our Radian Gliders, they were both last seen flying backwards in 15 knot winds !!! Needless to say the day was pretty much blown out.

The next weekend saw a large number of our members venture across to the Cambridge Club for their Annual invitational BBQ and Flyin. What a great day we had with near perfect weather, great hosts and some good flying. There was plenty of action and we even managed to do a bit of Aero Towing there as well, which kind of made up for the poor weather weekend prior. The Cambridge guys really did an awesome job, so from all of us, a big thank you.

This month we wrap up the flying year with two events. First off is a Float plane Day at Lake D (Kainui) this coming weekend. Hopefully the summer weather will finally show its self. Flying is from 9am.

Then our final event is our Annual Club XMAS BBQ and Fun Fly on Sunday 14th of December at our Reekers Field airstrip. Hopefully some of our friends from Cambridge will join us for the day, along with our own families. The format will be much the same as past years, with a BBQ lunch shortly after midday. The Club will be supplying meats and soft drinks, tea & coffee. If club members could please bring along a salad or dessert for a combined pot luck lunch, that would be appreciated. Anyone with a sunshade is welcome to put that up along with any extra seating and fold out tables. Hopefully we will see as many of you as can make it, it's always a fun day for all.

By the way, don't forget to get your entries in for the Nationals just after New Years, they haven't been this close in many years.

Even if you've never tried competition flying before, there's bound to be something you can have a go at. Take a look at the events and make the most of the opportunity. If you really don't want to give it a go, at least do try to make it over for a look around the sites on one of the days, you're bound to find it interesting to say

the least. Good luck to all those taking part and hopefully we have a chance at making Champion Club again.

Well, that pretty much wraps up 2014 from me and my keyboard for another year. All that remains is for me to wish each and every one of you

and your families a safe and enjoyable Xmas and a Happy New Year. A very special thanks to our hosts, the Reekers family for yet another awesome year as your guests, we really do appreciate your generosity. And finally, a thanks and best wishes for 2015 to all the farm staff.

Merry Christmas to all, Grant.



Captains Ramblings

Another month and I think we have hit the famous Waikato Spring weather which is rain and wind in that order, repeating in 15 minute cycles. Thinking positively the grass is growing and the field looks great and I have completed a few more projects. I think the drainage that was installed last year is really paying for itself now. Last club night was well attended and it really was a battle of the Giants. Gordon's impressive giant 120" Cessna Skymaster was on show and it's probably flown by now. I am sure it would be a good flyer so look forward to hearing at how the test flight went. Frazer showed the progress on his Extra 300 that he will be using in Tucson next year and it has been great to follow and see it progress to a great looking model. Another model that will be test flown in the near future was the large Spitfire with the impressive Holm engine. It will sound great and I am sure Aunty can't wait to twiddle the Spitty's sticks.. Even Brad took part in the large scale show and brought along a composite fused Harvard that might finally grace the skies after being passed around modellers for a number of years. A number of HMAC members attended the now annual Cambridge Christmas Fly in. This was as usual a great occasion, and the sausage sizzle was well received. I left before the Aero tow started but I counted 8 gliders sitting on the ground waiting for "Sels Towing Services" to arrive. I think Sel has to get the groceries but on his arrival I am sure there were a number of tows completed.

The next couple of not to be missed events are Float flying on Lake D (December 7) and of course our Xmas BBQ and funfly (December 14th). Also Another final reminder to enter online for our first local Nationals. I predict the weather to be great with no wind and Jim Hickey agrees with me (We all know how accurate he is). Anyway enter yourself in something and challenge yourself. Apart from the nationals there is a busy and full range of

events/activities, whatever you call it, coming up so keep an eye on the calendar, come out and give things a go, there should be something for everyone. This coming week is the last monthly night club meeting of the year, see you all there...

Mikey.
Club Captain



RC Pylon Racing Series.

A few braved the weather on Sunday to compete in the latest JR Airsail pylon event held at Paul Clausen's farm, Puketaha. It may have been cool and windy but the competition was far from that with, fast times in both Q500 classes. Young Jarrod Briggs was the only junior competing and showed most of the seniors the way, only our host, Paul Clausen was ahead at the end of the day. Despite the strong winds there was only one landing incident requiring repairs, the number two Viper being pressed into service for a top result and the win



Q500 Expert delivered some close racing with all three models doing sub 70 second times. Paul Clausen flew in his first Expert contest and when he got his model sorted he was mixing it with the rest. He needs to familiarize himself with the starting technique required to get these high performance engines running, once he has a system in place it will be business as usual.

Numbers were down with the electric boys so it was mostly some practice for the up coming Nationals. Neil and I also had some time to spend on the F3D model, unfortunately we had the wrong setup for the changeable conditions and only got one slow flight in, plenty of time to test before the Nats.



Checking out the Nationals pre entry so far I noted a very low F5D electric entry, this is the first Nats. where an electric pylon class has been officially added so come on guys, get your fast electrics out and have a go. I know there are plenty of them out there.

All in all a great days flying with only one shower to contend with, forcing us to all huddle under Paul's silage trailer.



RESULTS;

Q500 Sport;

- 1st Paul Clausen Viper 500/Sniper OS.46 AX 380.1
- 2nd Jarrod Briggs Viper 500 OS.46 AX 388
- 3rd Ron Stone Own design OS.46 AX 410.6
- 4th James Danby Viper 500 TT.46 Pro 414.2
- 5th Marcel Lagrand Sniper OS.46 AX 433.2
- 6th Graham Duncan Viper TT.46 Pro 441

Q500 Expert;

- 1st John Danks V-Gun Nelson LS 274
- 2nd Frazer Briggs V-Gun Nelson LS 407
- 3rd Paul Clausen V-Gun Nelson LS 413

E Sport;

1st Graham Duncan Own design ?? 439.8

2nd Brian Harris Own design ?? 486

Our next meeting will be at the JR Airsail site, 299 Native Rd., Pukekawa on the 21st December. See you all there for some exciting Racing.

Till then, fly safe.

Cheers John.

New Signage at the Feild



Important notice

Contact Hamilton Airport Tower – (December Update)

IMPORTANT NOTICE : WHEN FLYING AT REEKERS FIELD

**YOU MUST RING THE HAMILTON AIRPORT CONTROL
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THE LAST TO FLY.**

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From December a “Phone Call Register” will be required to be filled out by those making the Tower Calls noted above. The Register will be located in the Mail Box by the Tables. All call details must be recorded and the flag raised when the flying session is opened. Likewise the closing phone call must be recorded in the register and the flag must be lowered when the flying session has been closed with the Tower.

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OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES.**

**FYI: The telephone notification will be used to warn full size
Aircraft of our flying activity in the area.**

HMAC Float Plane Day

December 7th 9:00am

*Lake Kainui (D)
Lake Rd. Horsham Downs*

HMAC Annual Xmas FunFly & Lunch Dec 14th

Please mark this on your calender before
your wives fill it up with boring family
engagements and remember to bring a
salad or dessert to contribute.

See you there!



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30 October 2014

TO: All North Island Model Flying Clubs

INVITATION

TMAC extends a cordial invitation to all of your members to attend the official opening of TMAC's TECT All Terrain Park Model Flying Centre to be held on-site on Saturday 28 March 2015.

The programme will commence at 10 a.m. with the official opening of the site by the Mayors of Tauranga City and Western Bay District. This will be followed by flying demonstrations by a number of New Zealand's very best model aircraft pilots from the Aerobatic, Jet, Soaring and Helicopter SIGs.

The official programme will end at midday when the field will be available to all MFNZ members. If you have not visited our field, it comprises a North/South runway of 230 metres and an East/West runway of 150 metres. It is rapidly becoming acknowledged as an excellent model flying venue. Photos of the site are available on www.taurangamodelfly.co.nz and an aerial view of the site is available on www.tectalterrainspark.co.nz by scrolling down to and clicking on "Activity Zone" on the home page.

Please Note: TECT All Terrain Park is a forest park and in March the fire risk will be high. Accordingly only invited flyers who are providing flying demonstrations will be able to fly gas turbine powered models. All other types of model aircraft are very welcome. Sorry about that.

All MFNZ members and families are also invited to attend a dinner at the Tauranga Citizens Club commencing at 7 p.m.

The TMAC Committee has decided to issue this invitation well in advance of the event as we would like as many MFNZ members as possible to join us to celebrate the opening. Full details including dinner costs will be advised closer to the date.

Regards,

Mike Rice,
Secretary,
Tauranga Model Aircraft Club (Inc.)

Coming Events

Dec 6-7th RC Soaring Rally - Taupo MAC

Dec 7th HMAC Float Plane Day @ Lake D 9am

Dec 10th HMAC Xmas club night meeting

Dec 13th RC Pattern Precision Aerobatics @ JR Airsail Airfield, 299 Native Rd, Pukekawa

Dec 14th HMAC Xmas BBQ & FunFly

Dec 21st Pylon Racing series & Xmas BBQ @ JR Airsail Field

Jan 3-7th MFNZ National Championships - Multi Events @ Matamata Airfield, Jaggers Rd Waharoa

Feb 6th RC Pattern Precision Aerobatics @ TaupoMAC

Feb 6-8th Warbirds over Awatoto @ Model Flying Hawles Bay

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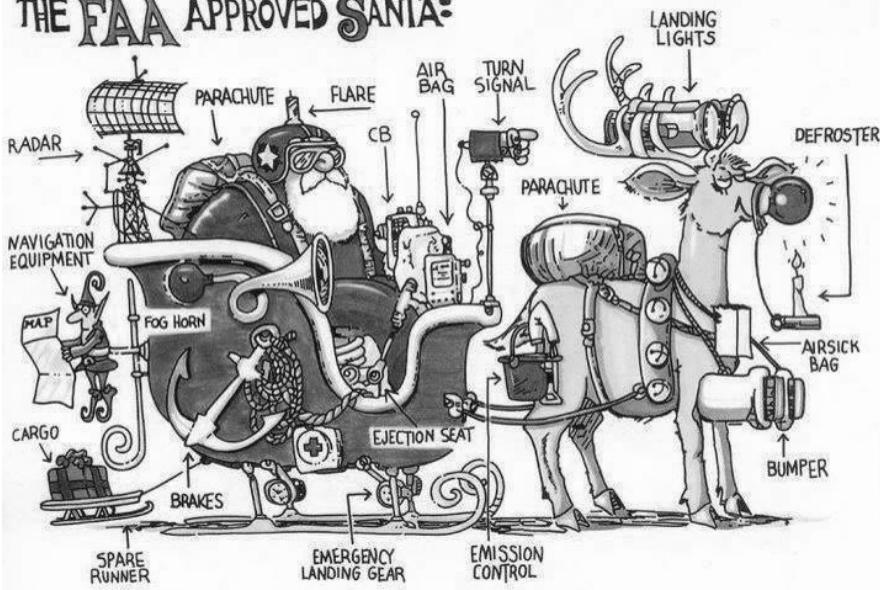
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