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CLUB NIGHT	Wednesday 12 th August	7.30 pm
VENUE	Beerescourt Bowling Club 68 Maeroa Road - Hamilton	

THEME: Jeff Hunter talks about NZ Warbirds Association

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Presidents Report

It's Spring. Wahoo...with that normally comes the wind and a chance to go to slope soaring at the weekends. I guess that wouldn't be so bad if I hadn't have lost my Tauranga Auction special Slope Soarer at Raglan a couple of weeks back. Yep, the model was heading along the hill ready to land when it went off the air and into a spiral dive down the cliff face. A couple of hours searching and it's still there somewhere. I guess that will teach me for using a second hand receiver of questionable origin and no Lost model alarm. Ah well, I'll just have to try and find a replacement on Trademe or somewhere else now. On the positive side, if you want a free Slope Soarer and you can find it, I'll let you keep it!!!



Last month's Club night saw Peter Kirby give us an interesting talk about his contract to photograph the Waikato Expressway from the air. He also talked about his recent trip to India and his visit through the Hindustan Air museum. This museum housed many Indian aircraft that we have not seen before. It was also interesting to see how many aircraft they had made under licence as well. Thanks Peter for an interesting look into aspects of aviation we don't often get to see.

This month's Club night promises to be another interesting talk with yet another guest speaker. Former club member Jeff Hunter will be coming down from Auckland to talk about his experiences flying full size Warbirds such as the Harvard and CT4 Air trainer from Ardmore. Jeff has been with the NZ Warbirds association for many years now and along with some flying he has also had the privilege of acting as their chief commentator for their Roaring Forties air shows around NZ. Jeff also acts as an Aviation tour

guide having taken groups to a number of overseas air shows such as Oshkosh in the USA. Make sure you don't miss it.



Club flying activity for this month includes a couple of events. First off this weekend we have the combined CMAC- HMAC glider day at Cambridge Model Aero Club. There will be an entry fee of a gold coin to help support the Cambridge Club guys pay for their new mower and up keep. They have also promised to have a barbecue onsite for lunch as well, so bring a little extra change for a couple of their delicious sausages from their local butcher. Also bring your other aircraft to fly in case the conditions are not that good for gliding. A couple of glider tugs will be available for aero towing as well, so weather permitting it promises to be a great day. Later in the month we have another float plane day at Lake D, so hopefully the weather will play the game. The last event we held there produced weather that was best described as one out of the bag. Fingers crossed for another one of the same. I've been told the New Plymouth boys had such a great visit last time, that they're planning to make the trip up here yet again. We do look forward to having them visit, as they certainly bring a huge lot of entertainment to the day.

By the way, a couple of people have asked about scheduling another indoor flying event. At this stage we have not set a date or booked the venue, but we will keep you posted when we do.

Last weekend a handful of us helped out at the Dirt Drag Racing fundraising event on Reekers Farm. I'd like to thank Graeme Bradley, Sel Melville, Lyndon Perry, Alan Rowson and Grant for the time they put in helping out at the event. I know your help was really appreciated by the organizers and also the family of the young lad the money was being raised to go towards. Thanks guys, well done for supporting the locals with your community spirit.

Well that's my lot for this month. Andrew tells me that the bulletins looking a bit light on content, so if you find cooking recipes or copies of pages from the Woman's Weekly magazine then you know how to remedy the situation for next month. Yes that's right, get typing because I'm sure you all have stuff you can share with your fellow club members.

And as always, remember... safe flying is no accident. Cheers
Grant



Captains Ramblings

Heading into spring I'm hoping we start to have some calm weekends on the horizon. Over the last couple of weeks I have been starting to build a peanut scale tiger moth manufactured by Gwyn Avenell on his laser cutter. It's been a great project and up until now in aero modelling I have managed to avoid building with tissue and dope. It's a satisfying way to cover and I now know why it is called dope, the smell lingers.. Apart from that I have been playing around with a few setup ideas from Auntys talk a couple of months back. I normally run lower amount of expo but I have really ramped it up and have found my flying to be much smoother and seemed to pay off at the recent pattern comp up at airail. As some of the models come out from storage make sure before you fly to give them a good check over, the following list should help. See you at the field. Safe flying.

Post winter flight checklist

- Check for warps from the cold and humid storage.
- All hinges are secure. Pull on control surfaces.
- Wheel collars are tight and wheels turn freely.
- Engine is mounted securely and there are no loose engine parts.
- All servo screws are in place and tight.
- Servo connections are secure.
- No slop in control surfaces.
- fuel tubing hasn't perished
- Check clevis' for keepers (pieces of fuel tubing work fine)
- Check condition of propeller.
- Check trim on transmitter and aircraft.
- Proper for proper direction on control surfaces.
- Cycle battery's
- Check engine for reliable idle and high end adjustment (glow .or gasoline powered models).
- Range check radio if it's been in storage for all winter.

HMAC FLOAT PLANES
SEPT 13th
LAKE D(Kainui)
9am Start

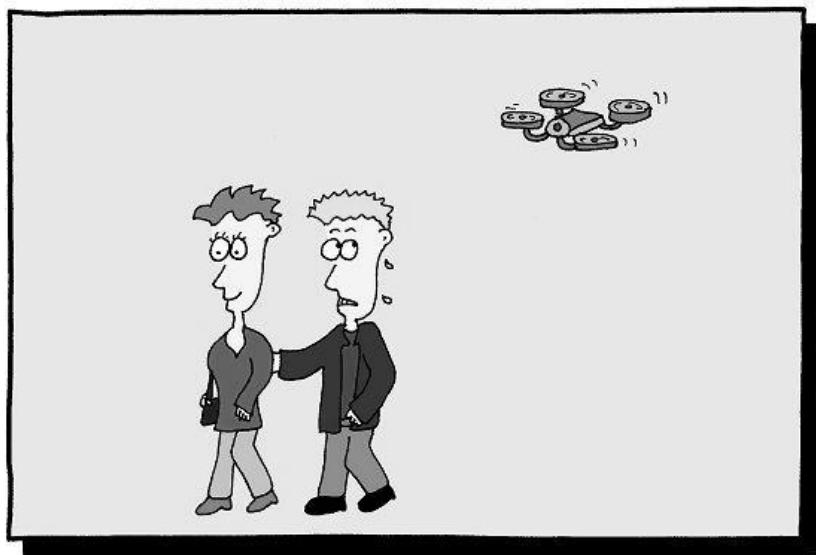


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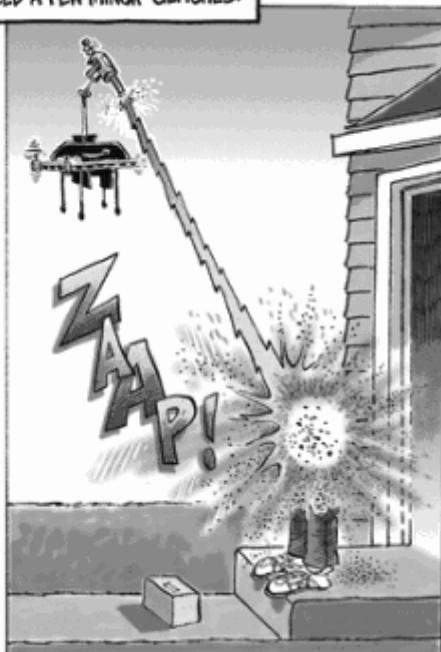
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Coming Events

Sept 6th	HMAC & CMAC combined glider day, 191 Maungakawa Rd. Gold coin entry
Sept 9th	HMAC Club Night. Jeff Hunter talks about the NZ Warbirds Association and Flying Warbirds
Sept 13th	HMAC Float Plane Day @ Lake D(Kainui) 9am
Sept 26th	MANZ Large Scale Model Rally, Tauranga, TECT All Terrain Park Model Flying Centre, Pyes Pa Road
Oct 11th	CMAC Scale Flyin \$5 Entry. 191 Maungakawa Rd
Oct 14th	HMAC Club Night – Buy Sell & Swap meet
Oct 18th	HMAC Fun Fly – Multi task fun event
Oct 24th	RC Vintage contest and Rally @ JR Airsail Airfield, 299 Native Rd, Pukekawa

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