

AGC Weekly News

The weekly newsletter of the Auckland Gliding Club at Drury, Auckland

Weekend Roster

Saturday

Tug Pilot:
Instructors: Russell Thorne
Duty Pilot: Gerard Robertson

Sunday

Tug Pilot:
Instructors: Nigel McPhee & Anton Lawrence
Duty Pilot: AJ Dudley

Thank you, Peter Wooley

Gerard Robertson

Having done an outstanding job of drafting the newsletter each week, Peter has decided it's time to pass on the newsletter role to another set of typing fingers.

The committee would like someone to take on this role. From my experience as Peter's predecessor, I think that 2 years is about the most that someone should be asked to do.

As you can see from the headings below, contributions to the newsletter come from a range of club members, so it's not a case of finding all the material yourself.

It's an important means of communication within the club, so if you'd like to give it a try, please get in touch with me at bungeegerard@gmail.com or 021 87 27 16.

Working Bees – 9am 26th November & 3rd December

James Butterworth

The clubhouse needs a tidy up in preparation for summer instructors coming from Europe and for events. Most is deferred general maintenance. We owe to the summer instructors to provide accommodation of a reasonable standard.

Event Leader: James Butterworth 027 294 4030

Tasks that have been identified so far are listed below. Some [like painting] can be started on the day but will need to be finished later. Please bring any appropriate tools you have. There will be cleaning and painting supplies available.

Anton has organised to fix the ceiling in the south bunkroom and organise gib stopping for the new gib in the clubhouse so work on the gib is not needed yet. There may be some ply sheets that

need painting prior to installing in the bunkroom ceiling.

Clubhouse & training room:

Clean bunkrooms
Waterblast and re-stain decks and outdoor furniture [already started by Kevin J]
Waterblast roof and clean the Clearlite panels.
Waterblast paths
West side windows in main lounge area – paint and putty
Re paint wheelchair ramp
Clean BBQs
General cleaning
Clean exterior walls [especially black mould on south wall kitchen exterior]
Painting new weatherboards on east side

Ablutions block :

Remove flaking paint where there is efflorescence and prime then topcoat later; repaint floor in showers and general clean tidy up "laundry room" – remove paint Shift clothes dryer from workshop to laundry General clean inside Fit a new mirror in men's toilet [existing is badly corroded] clean roof – lichen and mould

Woodshed

Shift some/all of the wood out of the wood shed and transfer the paint and other flammables from laundry and workshop doorway to that shed. There is some semi rotten wood stacked against exterior walls.

Rubbish

There will be a large skip bin available for non-hazardous waste. Hazardous items can be disposed of:
Car batteries – Repco or supercheap auto
Paint – some Resene stores take liquid paint [dried paint can go in skip]
Gas bottles – good condition to Swap'nGo. Rusty ones to Auckland Council transfer station at Henderson [may be others]

Would be good to dismantle the old wooden trailer and its contents against the fence behind the long hangar
Rubbish next to workshop into skip bin.

Equipment

We have/will have:
Cleaning equipment
Water blaster [I will bring a petrol one but can use others too]
Exterior paint 10L for weatherboards and toilet block.
Putty
White Primer
Flooring paint for wheelchair ramp
Flooring paint for showers

If you have any please bring:
Painting gear – sanding, scrapers
Ladder
Safety gear for roof work [please advise prior if you can bring this]
Here's the link to a file of photos which more than adequately illustrate the need:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1pxPi6jtcXvFSb5dH0gyxmwJTljKm3ktP?usp=share_link

New club website

Keith Macy

Keith has put an awful lot of work into the website designed by Georgia and will now make it live this weekend. Keith writes:

“After many months (well actually it has been in planning and discussion for years) AGC will launch its new website. As with most volunteer projects it is still a work in progress but has a new modern look and feel to it. It will be located at the same web address as before. [HTTPS://glidingauckland.co.nz](https://glidingauckland.co.nz).

A couple of important changes are:

A/ The members area will require a personal login username and password. The old common password

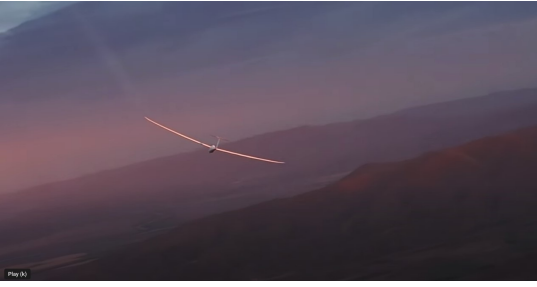
will not work. On your first visit you will need to click on the “LOGIN” button located on the top right corner and then select the “Register for access to AGC members area” button. Enter your details and choose “register” . Please be patient as the backend functions are manual at this stage. Once you have received your confirmation that your user is active you can login and view the members area. Items will continue to be added over the coming months

B/ Bookings have been separated into Members and Trial flights. We are limiting Trial Flights to a maximum of 2 per day. For member bookings please

book ahead as we will start giving priority to those that book on the website]

Feedback of a constructive nature is welcomed”.

Gerard's video picks

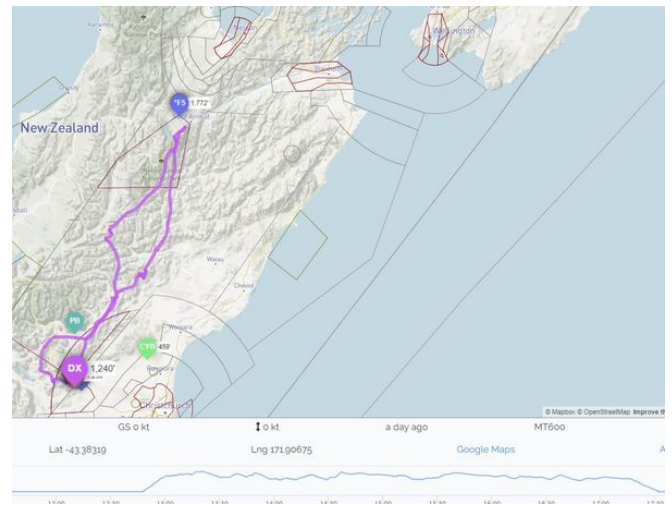


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sVPni873E0s&t=122s>

DX Down South

Kevin Johnson

DX made a 4 hour 45 minute flight up to Nelson Lakes yesterday, as noted on the club's Facebook page.



Caleb does well

Russell Thorne

Congratulations to Caleb Rosvall, who achieved a 94 minute flight in PW5 XF on 13th November, in challenging 2,000' cloud base conditions (which sounds not unlike last week's MSC competition).

Papakura Museum “Soaring” exhibition

Russell Thorne

Russell has been acting as the Club’s link to the local museum, which is putting on an exhibition as detailed below. If the weather continues as threatened (even if it doesn’t), it would be good to support the opening.



The preview at 4pm-6pm for the Museum exhibition on Wednesday 7th December requires that you RSVP to reception@papakuramuseum.org.nz for catering purposes by Saturday 3rd December. All club members and their families welcome.

Trailer owners and rentals

Keith Macy

Keith advises: “Next week I will be going around and identifying all trailers stored at the airfield. Those that do not belong to hangar owners will be charged the annual trailer storage fee. If you do not wish to pay this then please make arrangements for the storage of your trailer elsewhere”.

Roster

November	Instructor 1	Instructor 2	Tug Pilot	Duty Pilot	Winch Driver
Sat 19	Russell Thorne	Roy Innes		Gerard Robertson	Grahame Player
Sun 20	Nigel McPhee	Anton Lawrence		AJ Dudley	Bradley Greer
Sat 26	Paul O'Neill-Gregory	Graham Cochrane		Allen Prendergast	
Sun 27	Ross Taylor	John Robertson		Dylan Watson	
December					
Sat 3	Russell Thorne	John Bongrain		Geoff Gaddes	Paul Castle
Sun 4	Nigel McPhee	Anton Lawrence		Geoff Green	Hugh Warren
Sat 10	Jonathan Cross	Graham Cochrane		Georgia Schofield	
Sun 11	Ross Taylor	John Robertson		Gerard Robertson	
Sat 17	Roy Innes	John Bongrain		In Cheol Kim	Keith Annabell
Sun 18	Paul O'Neill-Gregory	Anton Lawrence		Jason Smith	Grahame Player
Sat 24	Russell Thorne	Graham Cochrane		Volunteer	
Sun 25				Volunteer	
Sat 31				Volunteer	
Jan 2023					
Sun 1				Comp	
Sat 7				Comp	
Sun 8				Comp	
Sat 14				Jonathan Ash	
Sun 15				Keith Macy	
Sat 21				Kevin Johnson	
Sun 22				Lance Feldwicke	
Sat 28				Lois Kok	
Sun 29				Matt Findlay	
February					
Sat 4				Matt Kerrigan	
Sun 5				Nathan Montano	
Sat 11				Peter Wooley	
Sun 12				Patrick Lalor	
Sat 18				Peter Himmel	
Sun 19				Tristan Harvey-S	
Sat 25				Wolfgang Schenk	
Sun 26				AJ Dudley	
March					
Sat 4				Allen Prendergast	
Sun 5				Dylan Watson	
Sat 11				Frank Excell	
Sun 12				Geoff Green	
Sat 18				Geoff Gaddes	
Sun 19				Georgia Schofield	
Sat 25				Gerard Robertson	
Sun 26				In Cheol Kim	