



The Flypaper

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Will and Kim tied the knot on a lovely sunny day in April. We appreciate Kim's non flying involvement in the Club as she plans on attending the upcoming OO training. A great support for Will as he furthers his gliding ambitions.

Thanks CFI Bob Gray

The session on Saturday 19/8/17 for Advanced and QGP B Cert students was well attended and the time spent by Bob Gray was greatly appreciated by all who attended and has generated some very positive feedback and ideas on how we introduce trainee pilots to the magnificent sport of soaring.



House and glider, what more do you need?

Building a sustainable membership

RECRUIT

RETAIN

REGAIN

Radio Refresher this Wednesday 30th August 6:30pm at the Clubhouse

Open to all glider pilots as an interactive radio practice and talk session on procedures. This is not a full radio lecture, and is designed for those that have the Radio Qualification already, but maybe have not used it recently. I have caused many chuckles when I have continued calling "grass 10" or "grass 28" when doing my downwind call, due to having a sealed runway and grass at Whenuapai where I started my training. At Labour Weekend when Aviation Sports Club join us, just listen for their downwind calls, most will call grass too.

The aim is to give everyone coaching in radio procedures and have the chance to talk to a simulated Christchurch Control for likely situations you'll meet flying gliders around Mata-mata. When you are in the wave and want to go above 6,000ft.



Start of Season Briefing

Saturday 30th September 2017

This is compulsory for all Piako Members. More detail to come.

Official Observer Course

Wednesday 11th October 2017 7pm

At the Club Rooms with Edouard Devenoges.

Working Bee this Sunday 3rd September 1030am to complete Bird Proofing the Hangar.

We ran out of daylight to complete the Bird Proofing last weekend, but the hangar is already noticeably quieter. A Chocolate Fish for all those who turn up with a drill or rivet gun. Lunch will be provided. To those that helped last Sunday Ralph, Iggy, Sarel, Malcolm, Godfrey, Roger, Tony and his friend Neil, David, Steven, Paul and Bill who organised the bird boxes a **HUGE THANK YOU**. We have mounted alternative accommodation for the Starlings closed the gaps in the roof with chicken wire, used bird repellent on the rafters and Ralph supplied iron which needs riveting to the last two doors. Please come have some fun and if you have any other ideas bring them too. Please text Genny 021 973167 for bird proofers free lunch



David Cleverley

Starling box no 1



More boxes



Starling box 2. Only 8 to go



Someone lying down on the job



Angry bird spotted outside the hangar

Upcoming Events

Wed 30/8/2017 6-30pm	Radio Course
Sun 2/8/2017 10-30am	Bird Proofing bottom of hangar doors
Tues 26/9/2017	Online Competition starts for new year (OLC)
Sat 30/9/2017 10am	Comp Start of Season Briefing-free lunch
Wed 11/10/2017 7pm	Official Observers rating course
21st to 23rd Oct	AASC at Mtm and Taupo 50th anniversary
6th to 11th Nov	Central Plateau Comp—Taupo
25th Nov to 2nd Dec	Northern Regional Comp Matamata
26th Dec to 5th Jan	Christmas Camp Matamata
1st to 5th Jan	MSC Cross Country Course
6th to 21st Jan	PGC Raglan camp
6th to 13th Jan	Audi Comp Drury—Poss includes NZ Club Class Nats
10th to 24th Jan	Walsh at Mtm—PGC at Raglan from the 6th
27th Jan to 10th Feb	NZ Multiclass Nationals at Matamata
17th to 24th Feb	Central Districts Comp at Waipukurau

Genny & Steve