

July 2015



## SOARING WORDS

### From the Club Secretary July 2015

Welcome to all new members. The club has a rich history and there are many things to learn about the club. If you have any queries, please feel free to ask.

Have you visited the club web site at [www.glidinghbw.co.nz](http://www.glidinghbw.co.nz)? This site contains various information on the club. If you have any photos or news etc at any time to add to this, please e-mail details to me at [info@glidinghbw.co.nz](mailto:info@glidinghbw.co.nz).

If you want to contribute to the Club News section in the Soaring NZ magazine at any time with any information or photos, please also e-mail these to me at [info@glidinghbw.co.nz](mailto:info@glidinghbw.co.nz) for editing and submission. Note the deadlines stated in each Soaring magazine for the next edition. Or if you have a great flying experience to write about, Jill McCaw, the Soaring NZ editor, is happy to accept complete articles and photos.

The Soaring NZ magazine is mailed direct to Gliding New Zealand (GNZ) members with mailing details from the GNZ database. You can view and edit your own details via the GNZ web site at <http://members.gliding.co.nz/index.php?r=site/login>. You need your GNZ number (if you are new and or don't know this, click on Trouble logging in? and Search for it or ask me and I can e-mail it to you) and a password. If you are new and or don't know this, click on "Trouble logging in?", enter your GNZ number and a password will be e-mailed to the address GNZ have on file. If you have any further problems, contact me for assistance.

Remember also if any of your details change (mailing address, e-mail address, cell phone or phone number), please **advise me** so the club membership and contact list can be kept up to date.

The club offers trial flights to prospective new members as detailed on our web site. Recommend these to your family and friends as ideal gifts and rewards. At the moment, Youth Trial flights are available for just \$60 (normally \$125) for a 2,000ft launch as they are being subsidised by a donation from the Eastern & Central Community Trust to promote youth flying.

Hopefully we get some more great soaring days before winter ends. Enjoy your flying!

Jason Kelly

Club Secretary

## **And here is a message from our Treasurer, John**

Towing Account - I'd like to remind all members to keep their tow account in credit thereby helping the club to maintain a healthy bank balance. An overview of your tows, times and account balance spread sheet will be posted in the caravan on a regular basis and the actual Tow/Engine Time Register (record of all tow times and balances) is available for checking each flying Sunday I attend.

→ Remember to put your name on the blackboard when you arrive if you intend to have a fly that day so no-one misses out and everyone has a fair flight

## **Events Coming Up**

- Gliding Hawkes Bay & Waipukurau blind circuit & spot landing competitions - dates to be confirmed
- Gliding Hawkes Bay & Waipukurau AGM - date to be set - probably in September
- Central Plateau Gliding Contest at Taupo - Saturday 31st October - Saturday 7th November 2015
- Omarama Youth Glide Camp in December - dates yet to be confirmed.
- Central Districts Gliding Competition at Waipukurau - Saturday 13th February 2016 - Saturday 20th February 2016

## **Duty Roster for July-September**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Instructor</b>	<b>Duty Pilot</b>	<b>Tow Pilot</b>
12-Jul	Grant Jarden	Allie Thompson	Sean Husheer
19-Jul	Jason Kelly	Shelly Keogh	Mads Slivsgaard
26-Jul	John McConville	Ryan Maney	Phil Gray
2-Aug	James Foreman	Craig Hunter	Neil Faulknor
9-Aug	Grant Jarden	Richard Keir	Rod Wellwood
16-Aug	Jason Kelly	Mike Moloney	Sean or Stand In
23-Aug	John McConville	Brian Malcolm	Mads Slivsgaard
30-Aug	James Foreman	Allie Thompson	Phil Gray

6-Sep	Grant Jarden	Shelly Keogh	Neil Faulknor
13-Sep	Jason Kelly	Ryan Maney	Rod Wellwood
20-Sep	John McConville	Craig Hunter	Sean or Stand In
27-Sep	James Foreman	Richard Keir	Mads Slivsgaard

## Weather

Did you know, not only are there are number of websites available to us to determine our flying conditions but there are also a number of web camera links to various fields/gliding clubs throughout NZ? Check them out here....

<http://gliding.co.nz/weather/>

## GNZ Volunteers Needed

Below is an excerpt from Karen Morgan, President of GNZ's, Annual Report dated June 2015. In it she reflects on how much we as clubs, rely on volunteers and how "Volunteers like to be thanked, to have their skills appreciated. Your volunteers are the centre of your clubs so please treat them with courtesy, train them well and most importantly RETAIN them."

Karen goes on to comment "Naturally, we need more volunteers to keep the work going. The Publicity and Operations areas are in particular need at present so I ask you to search your consciences (or your club). Do you have the skills that GNZ needs, or can you free someone else up at your club so that they may do a job for all of us? We have moved beyond pure volunteerism these days, so if the right person needs reimbursement or appropriate payment, we can do."

Are you that person, or do you know a person, that could have the time and/or skills to assist GNZ in the Publicity and Operations area? If so, please contact GNZ.

On that note I would just like to say



If you have anything to add or suggest for the next newsletter, please email me. Thanks! Allie.