



PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

Not a lot of flying this month as Sundays seem to be the worst day of the week.

The mid-year dinner at the Rangitikei Club was well attended and a good night was had by all. Thanks to Bruce Fryer for the work he put in to organising this event.

This month on the 22nd is the Club auction, so come along with gear to sell and your cheque book to buy.

July was a big month for me. Robin and I were to meet with friends in Scotland but I arrived at Heathrow Airport with what turned out to be blood clots on the lungs. I spent seven days in Hillingdon Hospital in the Coronary Care Unit (CCU) where they looked after me very well. When I was allowed out we did see a bit of south London. A trip to Windsor Castle and Eton was very British and a day trip to the Hendon RAF Museum was a highlight.

We had travel insurance and I would recommend that this is very important to have when travelling overseas. The Insurance Company flew a Doctor up from Kuala Lumpur to escort me home here to Palmerston North. I didn't need his services on the plane trip home but it was reassuring to know that he was there just in case.

We flew home on Emirates through Dubai/Brisbane/Auckland/Christchurch/ Auckland and Air NZ to Palmerston North. Yes, we were diverted to Christchurch as there was a Qantas aircraft blocking the runway at Auckland. This was a long flight – 36 hours. I did enjoy the flight from Heathrow to Dubai as this was on an Airbus A380. Business Class on this aircraft was very special.

Many thanks to those who sent well wishes and who have visited me. This is much appreciated.

Peter Vining

President

Palmerston North Aeroneers

Annual Club Auction

Thursday 22nd August

Senior Citizens Club

Main Street

Palmerston North

Bring along all your spare parts, surplus radio gear and motors, dormant, repairable, or never completed models and kits, modelling magazine collections, tools of all sorts, battery chargers and whatever else is in that "may be useful someday" pile but which still hasn't been used!

The auction has only two simple rules:

- All items are on a 'cash and carry' basis, with sellers being paid out by cheque within the week.
- The auctioneer's hammer fall is final.

If you've got stuff to auction please pre-register it now and yourself (and us) recording time on the night. Click link below to download registration form. Fill in your details and then either email it to Secretary Necia Parker neciap@inspire.net.nz . or post it to P. O Box 800, Palmerston North, or bring it on the night.

Registrations will also be open from 6.30 pm on the night, but these will not be able to be pre-advertised. "Reserve" sale prices may be placed on items if you wish and will not be disclosed.

CLUB CAPTAIN

Another quiet month for flying, glider was able to hold their competition. Merv had a handful of pilots take part.

Combat was the same, just a handful.

But I had a full house in my restaurant I ran out of meat patties not thinking everybody was just coming out for lunch the quickest sales I have ever had.



Conditions under foot are still firm surprisingly for this time of year we would normally be slushing around in mud.

Mid-year dinner at the Rangitikei Club was a good turnout of members.

Happy Flying

Club Captain.

Make sure you check the club calendar: <http://www.aeroneers.com/apps/calendar/>

Photos from here and there!!





Glider Report

2-metre Competition

Sunday 4th August 2013

The day started with a barely perceptible breeze from the north, though with exceptionally smooth air, so launches were typically soggy, resulting in times that were well below the target. Those conditions lasted until the end of the second round when a wind suddenly rose from the south-east. The bungee was quickly reversed and the third round flown with much improved launches and times. However, some fliers were caught out by the strengthening wind and made a final turn downwind which carried the model too far away with insufficient height to make it back to the landing circle, thereby losing valuable landing points.

Prompt retrieval of the bungee and with two stop watches running, it meant that we could get through three rounds with nine contestants quite rapidly. Thanks are due to those who did more than their fair share of bungee retrieval.

	3min. target	4min. target	5min. Target	Total
Wayne Bilham	2:20/50	2:09/50	4:27/50	686
Merv Matthews	1:52/50	3:10/50	3:35/50	667
Bruce Woodfield	2:06/50	2:55/50	4:10/-	651
Mike Randell	1:58/50	2:10/50	4:08/50	646
Peter Vining	1:56/50	3:05/50	2:20/-	541
David James	d.n.f	1:50/50	5:00/50	510
Bruce Withell	1:39/50	1:32/50	3:23/-	494
Brian Dickons	1:39/50	2:26/-	2:31/-	446
Greg Findon	1:45/-	1:22/-	3:15/-	382

GREAT DEALS on

ASP'S (last chance)



ASP .52FS \$125

ASP .52 All \$85

ASP .70FS \$150

ASP .61 All \$100

ASP .36All \$70

ASP .75 \$85

There are limited numbers of these left so first come.....first served!

Please Note: The .36 & .75 have no box!

All engines are new left over stock.

Need parts? Have heaps for most ASP sizes...ask!

Call or text Rene on 021 245 2729 now!

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Club Events

Check: <http://www.aeroneers.com/apps/calendar/>

August

Thursday 22nd Aeroneers Auction

25th Scale & Cub

29th Committee Meeting

September

6th Social Drinks @ Rose and Crown

10th Indoor at Manawatu Stadium, 23 Pascal Street, Palmerston North

Club Subs

Family \$140.00

Senior \$135.00

Junior (under 18) \$40.00

Associate \$40.00

Associate (Flying) \$80.00

Subs are per annum. Please pay to Bruce Withell (Treasurer) or any Committee Member.

The club needs to pay the Insurance Fees to the [NZMAA](#) prior to July 1st to ensure all Club Members are covered by the MFNZ Public Liability Insurance.

You need to be a paid member to fly at the Club Airfields!

CLUB DETAILS

Opinions expressed in this publication are those of each contributor only.
The Editor and Committee reserve all right in respect of submitted material.
Contributors are reminded that the deadline for publication is the 20th of each month.

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