

The Flypaper

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AGM 26th Jun



New member Ross Hyndman enjoying some weak ridge lift in GYL 14th July



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More winter polishing. PC & EO are gleaming 24th July



CFI Bob Gray caught out by weak winter thermals. The paddock, just to the South of Waharoa was an outstanding choice, befitting of a CFI. 460 meters long and straight into a light wind. 24th July

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If you missed our Awards dinner, you missed a really good night. Great food, good music from a live band and some well deserved trophies handed out. It was fantastic to see so many new members turn up and some that we don't see very often. 59 places were set for dinner.

The AGM was held 26th June and attended by 26 members. Main changes to the committee are that Dave Dennison has changed his role from Treasurer to Secretary (after many years as Treasurer). Sarel Venter is our new treasurer. Patrick Lalor has stepped down as Secretary, as he has moved to a busy job in Auckland. His sterling contribution to the committee has been very much appreciated. Other highlights are that we are growing. Our membership numbers briefly hit 93 (including associate members, 15). We do have quite a few departing this year, but also have a regular influx of new members. Our new treasurer says more than 60% of subs are in, so if you are one of the one's that haven't settled yet, please do so asap. Our application for grants are not proving successful for the DG1001 club neo, so finance of this new glider remains tight. However, club finances are generally improving and the position is better than 18 months ago. If all goes well, delivery can be expected late next year.

Big welcome to new members Bob Henderson and Iain Anderson. They both have extensive previous flying under their belt, so will add considerably to our overall depth of experience. A further 2 new members joined today Rosalind Peart and Max Claxton, who is the Grandson of past member Andy Hoskins.

The last Flypaper had some info on winch hazards. Tim Bromhead pointed out that a very important part was missed i.e the wing dropping to the ground at the start of the launch. He has published a great 'youtube' video on his channel 'Pure Glide'. It is quite graphic, but drives home just how serious this hazard is. <https://youtu.be/Av1ukmZkoi0> . I guess it must be informative; or maybe he is appealing to a darker side of human nature? Anyway it has had 211K views. Well done Tim!

Our winch is temporarily out of action due to some protective rubber coming off the port drum. It isn't serious and should be back in action soon. A tally of launches since the winch refurb shows we have done 2,000 in the last 8 years. We are still on the same Dynema cable, meaning it has cost less than \$4 per launch.

Through Dave Dennison the club has signed up for a X/C program called "Proving Grounds". There will be a ladder in the clubhouse. More info in the next Flypaper.

Coming up is our "Start of Season Briefing" SOSB is scheduled for 2nd Oct at the clubhouse 9-30am. It is compulsory from all pilots and usually concludes at mid-day with a free lunch. The club has been holding these for the last 10 or 11 years as a way of getting safety thinking going at the start of the soaring season. Put it in your calendar now, so it doesn't clash with anything else.

Steve

Snippets



Polishers Team 2
24th July

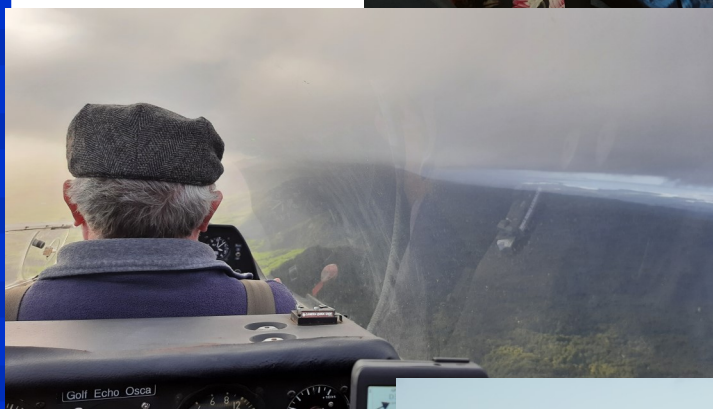


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Phil McKinnon getting re-
acquainted with the ridge.
28th July

David Johnson GRA
and Adrian Cable
from the Tauranga
Gliding Club
(standing) having a
chat after a day on
the ridge. 7th Aug



Awards



Colin Kelly receiving the Tom Martin Trophy—It is awarded to the club member who has provided outstanding friendship and service to the club in the past year.

Pedro Lang receiving the Ken Bartlett Trophy— It is awarded each year to the pilot with the most outstanding Personal Best.



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Steven Thrupp receiving the DeRenzy pot— Awarded to the most improved new pilot

Dave Dennison and Bob Gray receiving the Catlin Trophy- It is awarded each year for the fastest handicapped time around a 100km fixed course.





David Jensen receiving the Presidents Pot -Awarded for most meritorious flight. Only awarded in years where a big flight in the true sense of the word is accomplished. Although not an FAI award, David is the first person in the Piako Gliding Club to ever fly a distance of 1,000km.

He was also awarded the Bill Mace Trophy for the most OLC points from Matamata Airfield.



Tim Bromhead receiving OLC Trophy for the most cross country flying; over 12,000 kms. He also picked up the Care 200 Trophy for the fastest handicapped speed over a set 200km task. Raw speed over 160kph. In June he received the Gliding New Zealand Angus Rosebowl, so it has been a really big year of awards for him.



Not present at the dinner was Sarel Venter, who was awarded the Dave MacPherson 1 Diamond Trophy. – It is awarded each year to the pilot with the fastest handicapped speed around a 300km FAI triangle starting at Matamata Airfield or Waharoa Dairy Factory.



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It is not every day that we get a famous NZ aviator joining our club, but last month our ranks swelled with the addition of Bob Henderson. I don't know all of his background, but I have listed a couple of his past achievements below:-

*RNZAF Hercules captain
University of Auckland Lecturer
Air New Zealand Human Factors Programme Manager
President - International Gliding Commission
A320 Training Manager - Air New Zealand
Executive Director - Federation Aeronautique Internationale
Member of the Safer Surgery NZ Group - Ministry of Health
Board Member - Health Quality and Safety Commission
Associate- Centre for Leadership Innovation - University of Bedfordshire
Consultant - Henderson White and Associates
President - Federation Aeronautique Internationale based in Lausanne, Switzerland*

He is a *Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit* for services to Aviation and is the 2013 recipient of the *Lilienthal Medal*. (the highest Soaring award in the world)

His specialist areas are:-

Just Culture
Change Management
Human Factors analysis and training
Incident investigation

Despite these credentials, we recently managed to get him polishing the wings of PC. Bob Gray made sure that he did all the right steps to get current and complete his BFR. He is flying GNI, when our CFI isn't busy landing it in farmers paddocks, but has a glider of his own on its way to the airfield. A big welcome Bob and hope you get lots of enjoyment flying with team Piako.

PIAKO GLIDING CLUB CURRENT FLYING MEMBERS FAI AWARDS

JULY 2021

NAME		QGP /XC	SILVER				GOLD			Diamond			
			Height 1,000m	Duration 5hrs	Distance 50km	SILVER	Distance 300km	Height 3,000m	GOLD	Goal 300km	Height 5,000m	Distance 500km	3 DIAMONDS
Dennis Crequer	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rae Kerr	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Steven Care	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tim Bromhead	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bob Gray	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan O'Brien	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
Godfrey Larsen	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Roger Brown	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
David Johnson	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Julian Mason	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Tony Davies	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	
Ralph Gore	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
David Jensen	F	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Sarel Venter	F	X	X	X	X	X	X			X			
Robin Britton	F	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Brett Hunter	F	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Rainer Kunemeyer	F	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Dave Dennison	F	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Norman Duke	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Chris Money	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Genevieve Healey	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Malcolm Piggott	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Ian Wood	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Mark Shrimpton	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Patrick Lalor	F	X	X	X	X	X							
Derek Shipley	F	X		X									
Royden Hooker	F	X	X										
Gareth Cartwright	F	X											
Rob Munn	F	X											
Colin Kelly	F	X											
Bob Henderson													

The above shows all of the FAI (Federation Aeronautique Internationale) badge awards for those of our members that are still committing aviation. Recent new members Bob Henderson and Phil McKinnon yet to be included. Let the club know if anything here needs correcting!

LOGBOOK RATINGS AND ENDORSEMENTS

Your logbook should have recorded in it all of your ratings and endorsements. They also need to match your GNZ records <https://www.gliding.net.nz/members> It is very worthwhile checking your own records to see if the paperwork has actually been done for the ratings you have been given.

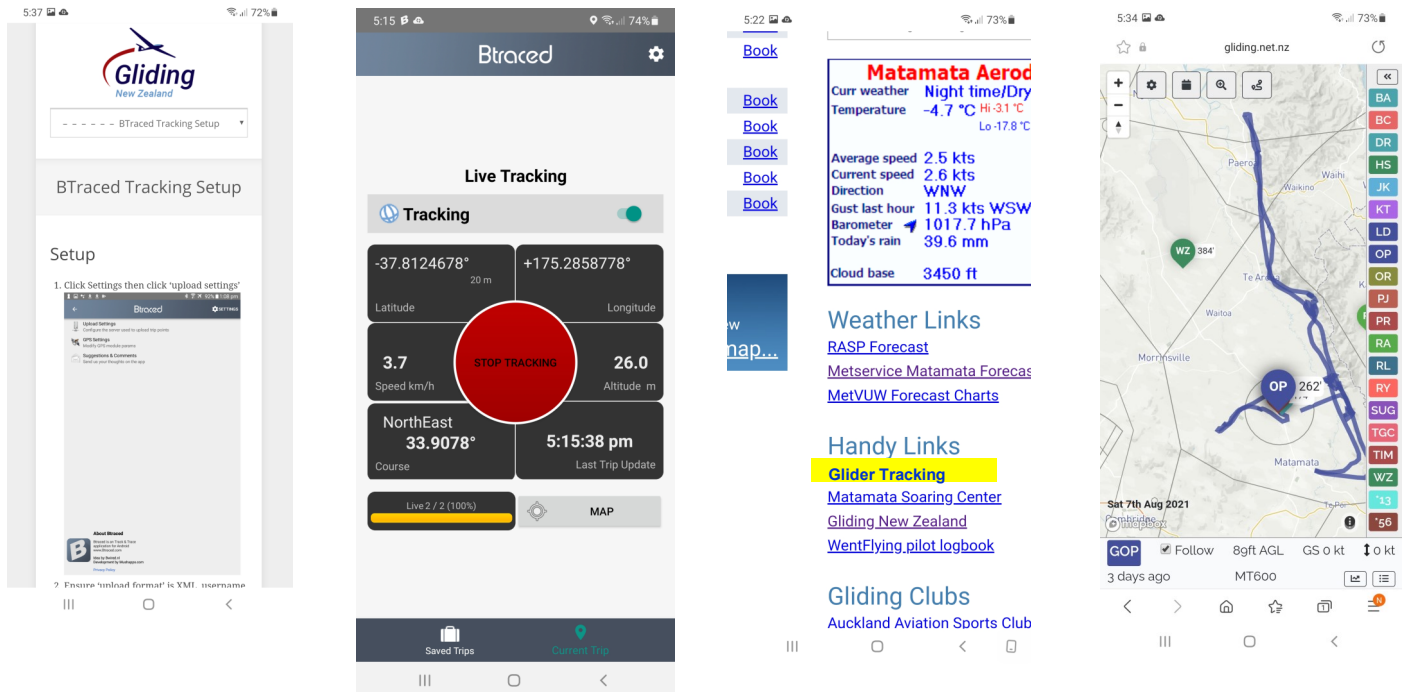
Logbook endorsements are required for launch method, DI approval, Passenger Rating, type rating, Cross-Country Pilot (XCP), powered glider endorsement, instructor ratings, aerobatic ratings, tow pilot ratings, flight in IMC, independent operation and competition finish approvals. Note that a powered glider endorsement applies to a specified type, and a further course of instruction is required for endorsement on any additional type.

Who can issue your rating, or sign an endorsement in your logbook? Usually it will be the CFI, Dep CFI or an approved Instructor Trainer, but some ratings can be endorsed by an A or B Cat instructor. Please make sure a copy of the completed OP's form is filed in the club rating register (in the cupboard with BFR's and Medicals) and any necessary forms are also forwarded to the GNZ Nthrn ROO (ie Instructor, XCP, TP or Aerobatic ratings). DI approvals are part of (Soaring Pilot) and Launch methods (Solo Pilot), so only paperwork is those parts of the syllabus to go in the cupboard.

Btraced and Overland

One of the things that Doug Hamilton of CAA brought up in our 2019 audit, was how do we track gliders going cross country or on the ridge.

Not that we have had many recent accidents (thankfully), but we now have some very easy and inexpensive technology available to keep track of our pilots. It would quite a rarity for someone these days to not have a mobile phone. If you don't, you should, because it can be a lifesaver. iPhone users can download a free app called Overland. Android phones have an app called BTraced which has a one off download cost of about \$3. It can be paid for by Credit Card or buying a Google Play card for \$10 at the local supermarket. You do need to have mobile data, but it doesn't use much (about 7mb for an average flight). Once the app is downloaded, the GNZ web site has really clear instructions on how to set it up (good on ya Tim Bromhead). Many of our club pilots are using it now, but there are still quite a few who aren't.



Club Photo Archives

If you would like to see a gallery of club photo's, go to <https://www.flickr.com/photos/piakoglidingclub/>

ON LINE COMPETITION (OLC)

Yes, we are still the number one cross country club in New Zealand. Our lead against the number 2 club (Auckland) is increasing and we are only a month and a bit from the OLC roll over date. The scoring period of the current year ends 12 days before the first Saturday in October. ie 20th Sept. For next years trophies, we will add points you gain from 31st July until then. This means any OLC flying now is still well worthwhile.

	Points		KMs	Flights	Pilots
1	59,971.29	Piako Gliding Club	59,794.33	328	16
2	52,088.01	Auckland Gliding Club	53,888.84	187	23

More Snippets



John Currie (tow pilot) owns a 1949 glider called an Eon Baby. It is still airworthy and based at our airfield. He let Roger Brown, Iggy Wood, Bob Gray and Derek Shipley have a fly. The glider has an old Cosim variometer (which wasn't working) so they had to try and stay up by just feeling the air. This proved challenging, because it was a very still day. Iggy managed to stay up the longest (17 minutes) and hence the big smile. Very Presidential. 23rd June



Charlie Irvin doing some great advertising for the club, on the cover of Raglan news. Also a big article on Charlie and our club inside.



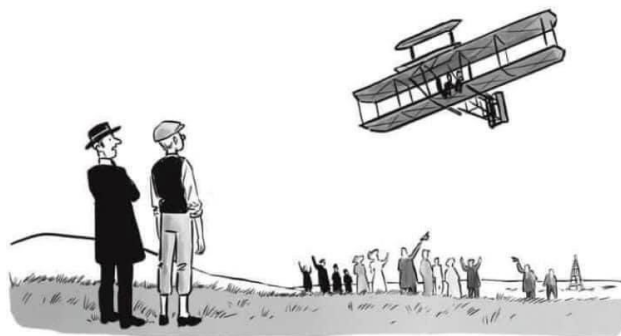
Sarel in BA landing after a day on the ridge. 7th Aug



Derek Shipley making the most of picking up his certificate from Bob Gray.



"Henry! Our party's total chaos! No one knows when to eat, where to stand, what to ... Oh, thank God! Here comes a border collie!"



"Well, what I see is my bike not getting fixed."

Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great.

~ Orison S. Marden



<https://www.facebook.com/BedeempedBrain>

BEFORE AND AFTER...



COCAINE



ALCOHOL



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UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd Oct	Start of Season briefing 9-30am (compulsory)
23rd - 27th Oct	MSC Cross Country & Coaching Course
30th Oct - 6th Nov	Central Plateau Contest
4th - 12th Dec	ATC National Cadet Gliding Course
13th - 17th Dec	Nth Island Youth Glide camp event
26th Jan - 3rd Jan	MSC Christmas Camp

PIAKO GLIDING CLUB COMMITTEE 2020/2021

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President:	Iggy Wood
Vice President:	Tim Bromhead
Secretary:	Dave Dennison
Treasurer:	Sarel Venter
Club Captain	Genevieve Healey (Jnt)
Chief Flying Instructor:	Bob Gray
Chief Tow Pilot:	Scott Montagu
Bar Manager:	Sarel Venter assisted by Derek Shipley
Committee:	Steven Care (Jnt Club Captain)
	Scott Montagu
	Colin Kelly
Maintenance Officer:	Colin Kelly
	Seconded for project purposes Gareth Cartwright