



AUCKLAND REGIONAL MICROLIGHT AIRCRAFT CLUB

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CLUB NIGHT: 1930 hours Wednesday 14th February 2007

Preceded by Committee meeting 1830 hours

Visitors are most welcome - refreshments available

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PREZ SEZ:

I hope most of you were able to get out and do some serious flying over the holidays; I have just got back from the Hang Gliding nationals held in Nelson. Mike Bennet and I were the tug pilots along with an American import. Over the course of eight days I was able to clock up 16 hours, in the past I've done less than that in a year. Part of the flying included flying down the Motueka valley to Tapawera and then from Tapawera to Murchison and back. The flight to Murchison required a climb to 6000' to pass over the side of Mt Owen. I have included some photos for you to envy over.

While in the South Island the trikes were hangered in a very interesting and cost effective temporary hanger, I have included some photos of this also. These may well be a good option for Mercer as they are completely re-locatable and very easy to erect, doors are also an option, we can discuss them further at the meeting.

At our last meeting we were told we may need to find a new venue, for this meeting we will still be at the Newmarket Club but I have found an alternative for future meetings if required.

The long planned flight over the Manukau was blown out but a few still went down to Mercer and had a BBQ lunch, good on you.

Logan's Fly In at Parakai is on again on the 17th Feb, a few flew up last year and we should do the same again.

The following weekend is the RAANZ national fly-in at Waihi, I would like to see us fly over in convoy, I'll even get the trike out for this.

Please all remember that the following meeting will be the AGM, if you feel you can help the club or offer some input think about tasking up a committee type job. I will be stepping down as president with no comebacks this year; I just have too much on my plate.

At the next meeting I'll do a bit of a slide show from the HG Nats.

See you all soon,

Anton Lawrence

UPCOMING EVENTS

ARMAC Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 14th March 2007 @ 1930 hours

LOGANS FLYIN - PARAKAI - February 17 - 18th 2007.

- *Microlights, Home/Amateur built, Gyrocopter, Vintage, General Aviation.*
- *Trade and static displays. Handling demonstrations and model flying display.*
- *Food, shower, campsites, and limited accommodation available. Bunk room: \$10 per person. Campsite: \$10 per tent or caravan.*
- *Landing fee: Special rate for the event - reduced to \$5 per day.*

Source: <http://homepages.paradise.net.nz/skypilot/events.html>

RAANZ Fly In **Waihi Beach**

1. *Dates - 24th & 25th February 2007*
2. *Location - Waihi Beach - 19 miles north of Tauranga*
3. *\$15.00 entry fee per plane*
4. *BYO Food & Drink*
5. *Camping is permitted on the airfield*
6. *Other Accommodation options listed below*
7. *Fuel options listed below*
8. *Aircraft Parking at own care & risk*
9. *Mystery prizes through out the weekend*

Giddy guys, The BOP Microlight Assn. Would like to make the RAANZ 2007 annual flyin a very laid back affair so you can just arrive, catch up with all your mates, have a fantastic barbecue on the Sat night and generally relax.

Below I will outline some useful information for you on how to find Waihi Beach, some local knowledge of the approaches & what you could come across and some other basic information.

Where is Waihi Beach

Waihi Beach airfield is located 19 nm north of Tauranga on the coast. [Click Here](#) for the AIP or you use the IFR (I follow Roads) system for navigation, [Click Here for a road map](#)

Frequency – 119.1

Runways – 13 to the south & 31 to the north

Joining Waihi Beach

We join overhead & let down on the seaward side (eastern) of the airfield then join overhead for either a left hand downwind for 31 or a right hand downwind for 13. If you are approaching on runway 13, please be aware sometimes there is quite major sink on the approach so be ready with the throttle. If you are approaching on 31, please be aware there is a small hill with houses on it just to the south of the field. For the slower microlights, we can easily approach between the hill & the runway. For the faster microlights, you may find it easier to approach over the hill. There is normally always a cross wind too. So please keep a good look out & welcome to Waihi Beach.

Aircraft Parking

There is quite a large area to park off to the side of the runway. We ask you to please use common sense & park in rows allowing room for other aircraft.

Getting Fuel

There is a Service Station near by in which we will be providing a vehicle to go & collect fuel for you during the days. It would pay to put your names on your containers. Also we WILL NOT be putting oil in any containers so the lubrication is up to you.

Accommodation

We can camp under our wings on the airfield. Below I have also listed other accommodation options you may be interested in. (AWAITING INFO FROM BOB)

The all important FOOD

Waihi Beach airfield also has a very nice café, restaurant attached to the airfield so you can buy really nice food at reasonable prices.

Source: <http://www.bopmicrolight.co.nz/>





