



AUCKLAND REGIONAL MICROLIGHT AIRCRAFT CLUB

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MARCH 2008

CLUB NIGHT: **1930 hours TUESDAY 11th March 2008**

Preceded by Committee meeting 1830 hours

Visitors are most welcome – dinner & refreshments available at the venue

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PREZ SEZ:

Hello All,

Already a sixth of the year has gone - who knows where, and the weather has been poor the last couple of weeks.

Paul Blackmore will be giving an introduction to the Sonex aircraft that he is building for this Months meeting - so don't miss it, and afterward the usual aircraft movie and social intercourse. Make sure that you arrive early and have a meal with your friends - Less than \$10!

Now I have a full licence and can take passengers I think its time to have a ARMAc members only flyin to (.....nominate place)

- *Rule 1/ All aircraft participating will leave from Mercer airfield and return to Mercer airfield*
- *Rule 2/ There will be a BBQ Lunch or dinner at Mercer airfield (you decide)*
- *Rule 3/ Each two seater aircraft will have two persons aboard; one pilot (as usual) and 1 club member with special emphasis on club members who haven't an aircraft or for some other reason (medical - or otherwise) cant fly being in the passenger seat.*
- *Rule 4/ the trip should be scenic.*

I would like a list of Pilots/Aircraft/Members wishing to participate formalised this club meeting so will be discussing it then. Also need to choose Destination and Date which I suspect will roll forward until completed. Please be sure to come to this meeting if you are one of these members who would like to be a passenger. Also make sure you are a paid up member!!

Till next time

Regards, Kevin

Waikato Microlight Club Annual Open Day

29TH March from 10am

251 Collins Road Hamilton



Fun for all the family
Microlights, FMX Motor bikes
Model aircrafts, Aerobatic displays,
Enjoy the experience of flight

Great food entertainment and much, much more.
\$2 gold coin donation



Check the web link for more details:

<http://www.whatsonhamilton.co.nz/eventlisting.aspx?id=463>

or contact:

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If you're planning on flying in to the Waikato Club's Open Day, here are some of the details to note about the strip:

On the south of and immediately adjacent to Collins Rd about 2 miles east of VRP Templeview and 1 mile into the Control Zone. Whilst the strip is in the Control Zone, clearance is not required if at 500 ft AGL (700 ft ASML). The strip is 750 metres of grass running 05 & 23. Aircraft are to operate on 119.1

Due to the control zone and altitude limitations, there are no overhead rejoins possible.

The circuit operates to the north of the strip; left hand for 05, right hand for 23.

Contact the organisers for joining and ground movement instructions specific to the event.



Final approach to Runway 05

ARMAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Iain has already sent out notice of the AGM, but here's a further reminder: the AGM will be held at the April Club night, Tuesday 8th April 2008 from 1930 hours.

These AGM's don't take long and once the business is out of the way we can continue with the Club night – so don't feel that you have to dodge it!! :)

ARMAC SUBSCRIPTIONS / MEMBERSHIP FEES

A reminder that these are now due (as of 1st March). Please complete the membership renewal form and make payment to the Club Secretary.

406 PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS (PLB)

These will be required from 1st July 2008 for all microlights travelling more than 10Nm from their home aerodrome.

For RAAZ members, there is a discounted offer through Aviation Safety. These units are significantly cheaper with the RAAZ discounts than any other supplier I have been able to find on the internet.

Orders must be received by 30th March to be eligible for the discounted rate.

RAAZ FLY IN – WAIPUKURAU

The RAAZ Annual Fly In was held in Waipukurau on 7 – 9 March. A few ARMAC members were looking to head to that, so no doubt they will be able to be debriefed at the Club Night and regale us with an account of what the event was like.

REGULAR EVENTS

*Coromandel Airfield Every second Sunday
Club Day & BBQ lunch from 1230 hours
Contact Lisa: (07) 8662055,
Clubrooms (07) 8668638,
Email: aviatrix@wave.co.nz*

*Waikato Microlight Club 4th Sunday of every month
BBQ from 1100 hours onwards, visitors welcome*

Why airplanes are easier to live with than women: (only fifteen?)

- 1) Airplanes usually kill you quickly - a woman takes her time.
- 2) Airplanes can be turned on by a flick of a switch.
- 3) Airplanes don't get mad if you do a "touch and go."
- 4) Airplanes don't object to a pre-flight inspection.
- 5) Airplanes come with manuals to explain their operation.
- 6) Airplanes have strict weight and balance limitations.
- 7) Airplanes don't come with in-laws.
- 8) Airplanes don't care about how many other airplanes you've flown before.
- 9) Airplanes and pilots both arrive at the same time.
- 10) Airplanes don't mind if you look at other airplanes.
- 11) Airplanes don't mind if you buy airplane magazines.
- 12) Airplanes *expect* to be tied down.
- 13) Airplanes don't comment on your piloting skills.
- 14) Airplanes don't whine unless something is really wrong.
- 15) However, when airplanes go quiet, just like women, it's usually not good.