

Recreational Pilot e-zine

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RAANZ 2014 North Island roadshow

Colin Alexander (RAANZ TECH) and Bill Penman (RAANZ OPS) on-

- Presenting your aircraft for annual inspection
- General technical issues and discussion
- Presenting yourself for flight test/renewals
- General operational issues and discussion

All are welcome

| Sat 06 Dec | <mark>0900-1230</mark> | Matamata Aero Club | , I | <mark>Matamata airfield</mark> |
|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Sun 07 Dec | <mark>0900-1200</mark> | Whangarei Flying Club | <u> </u> | Whangarei Airport |
| Sun 07 Dec | <mark>1400-1700</mark> | Auckland Regional Micro | olight Club | <mark>Parakai airfield</mark> |

RAANZ 2015 national fly-in

Hosted by Central Hawkes Bay Aero Club
Waipukurau Airfield
March 7-8 2015

Advance notice- more details on our website as planning progresses

RAANZ website changes

The website has been moved to a new host, and most services are now up and running. You should see faster access and downloads as it is no longer choked by the rather slow rural broadband internet service our server was using.

If you discover something broken, please let me know.

AGM 2014

The AGM2014 was hosted by CRAC at Rangiora Airfield- thanks guys!

- Minutes and reports are posted on the website.
- Welcome to new exec members
 - **Easwaran Krishnaswamy** (aka Iceman) following a 1 year secondment.
 - Deane Philip (aka Deano).
- The full directory of current Exec and Senior Persons is on the website.
- Membership remains at \$70.00 per year, which covers ALL RAANZ services- you won't find a better deal in town.
- Good feedback from the NI roadshow currently under way, with an ATO weekend on the books for 2015

RV3B project

Chris Schadler/Whakatane

Chris is currently building an RV3B which is his 6th build, having previously built a Terrier, then **four** Storms.



This latest project to hit the scene will be fully aerobatic rated at +6g and -6g capable of flying inverted and will have smoke on. The power plant is a fully reconditioned Continental 0320 rated at 160 HP. I believe that to this day there are currently about three of these models flying in NZ.

Chris started on this current project about mid July of this year and so far all of the tail empennage has been completed and work on the main fuselage is well on the way with most of the instruments fitted, motor mounted, undercarriage assembled.



Much thought has been given to the lay out of the rather small cockpit but to me looks very well designed and should work very well. All skins have been painstakingly flush riveted- a very long and at times tedious job but ably helped by Chris's son who was chosen as he was the most suitable to be able to crawl into the most confined spaces.

At present Chris is working on the cockpit canopy which is hinged to on side on this model. Quite a number of parts had to be made by Chris to suit his requirements as in all kits some parts need to be fine tuned. As yet the colour scheme has not been

decided on and to date the main wings need to be started.

Completion date is around about May or June next year. We are eagerly awaiting launch day!

Membership changes

| Cheryl Davidson | Geraldine Flying Group | Advanced National | Upgrade |
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| Mark Saunders | Canterbury Recreational Aircraft Club | Advanced National | Upgrade |
| David Watmuff | Associate- no club affiliation | Novice | Joined |
| Nicola Little | Wairarapa Ruahine Aero Club | Novice | Joined |
| Abdullah Gull | Gore Aero Club | Novice | Joined |
| Robert Johnston | Canterbury Recreational Aircraft Club | Novice | Joined |
| Alistair Evans | Fiordland Aero Club | Novice | Joined |
| Volkmar Wollenweber | Canterbury Recreational Aircraft Club | Novice | Joined |
| Paul Devenport | Gyrate Flying Club | Novice | Joined |
| Glen Ludkin | Gyrate Flying Club | Novice | Joined |

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Black Sands 2014

10th

Anniversary!

The Waikato Thames Valley Chapter
of the Sport Aircraft Association of NZ
invites all recreational aviators to attend the annual
"Black Sands Fly – In"

Raglan Airfield November 8th and 9th

An Informal, fun get – together for flyers of all types

Barbeque lunches both days

Flying Activities

Plenty of fun for families and non – aviators

Accommodation on Site

Plenty of great dinner options

Some of New Zealand's best flying scenery

What more could you want?...

More Information will be posted at www.saa.org.nz from late September.



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Book your accommodation now at www.raglanholidavpark.co.nz (please support our hosts)

