

RAANZ Technical Officers report 2020-2021

Hi,

For those that haven't met me I'm Stan Hyde, RAANZ Technical Officer, I/A and Engine on condition I/A.

I took over from Colin Alexander as Technical Officer just over a year ago allowing Colin to have a well-deserved break.

Colin still holds the modification part of the job so please contact him with these and me for any other technical enquiries.

Well, what did RAANZ achieve last financial year as far as the Tech side goes.

It was a busy year with eight roadshows from Manapouri to Kerikeri.

My part of the roadshow was the on-condition program for our engines and engine components.

A subject that is still thought by some as to hard basket but its not. I hope we helped to clear this up.

These roadshows were well received and a great way for me to catch up with other members and I/As.

General enquires and phone calls have also kept me busy with most outcomes being very positive.

As You all know, RAANZ has purchased SAC.

This for me as Technical Officer this means approximately seventy more I/As to catch up with.

SAC and other pilots were also invited to our Roadshows, and I have already put faces to names with quite a few I/As as we travelled around the country.

What is ahead for next year.

More road shows, covering areas not yet visited keeping everyone up to date with changes as they arise.

Over the next year as Technical Officer, I would like to catch up with the extra I/As. Once again, faces to names.

RAANZ has passed 122 engines to be on condition and this program is working well. There will be more in the coming year, and I would like to catch up with the SAC engine I/As to ensure we are on the same page.

From the roadshow feedback sheets and comments, I sure we are but this program is still an exemption to the rule 103.217b so best we are talking the same language.

Our Microlight community has a lot of very skilled members.

As Technical Officer, I confess I don't know it all and are still learning.

By catching up and getting to know the I/As and owners, we build a large pool of Knowledge that can be called upon when required.

Helping and supporting each other makes light work for all.

Call or email me any time if you have any problems. If I can't solve them, we will find out how and get back to you.

I've been microlighting for over twenty years and have enjoyed not only the flying but the comradery and picking up a lot of new friends' country wide. Thank you to all our members that do their bit to keep our sport alive. Helping and supporting each other is the key.

Thank you all for your support in my first year as Technical Officer and looking forward to meeting you all next year.

Stan Hyde