

Auckland Soar

Radio Control Soaring Club

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Committee wish all members and readers:

*Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year*



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Final Editor's Notes

On the Cover: *A Maxa flies overhead at Ambury.*

Hi everyone,

Firstly, again.... No apologies for the lack of pages in the issue. I can't make something out of nothing!

Also, given the fact that I am no longer living in Auckland and I am unable to now visit the field or the slope, I have decided to make this issue my last. There has also been little or no content available to me, but having said that, the weather recently has not been good either, which has not helped the situation!

Looking through old Newsletters, I find I've been putting it together for just over fifteen years now.

Like I say, as I'm no longer in Auckland, I feel it is time to pass the baton on to someone else.

In the last fifteen years I've seen some real changes within the club, the older members that founded the club have either moved on or become inactive and the fierce competitive nature within the club seems to have 'died' to the stage that almost everyone attending the field these days is now more interested in a 'fun fly' than any serious set contests. Those 'contests' were always the core strength of the club and it is disappointing that the attitudes have now changed. The club membership has also fallen to some very low levels in the last few years, but seems to be on the rise again with several new members coming into the club, which is good to see!

I'd like to thank all those that in the past have helped out with content, images, jokes etc. Really has made my job a lot easier over the years.

Also to the club members as a whole for their assistance, encouragement and friendship. They have all helped make AucklandSoar what it is today.

At this stage I'm looking to keep doing the website until the end of the (flying) year (March) and will update it later on in January to a more 'generic' home page. Again, once the new flying year begins, someone else will be required to pick up the web/recording/newsletters batons as well.

Anyway, that's really all from me.

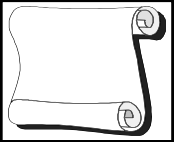
All the very best to you all!

Happy soaring,

Brett



Club Notices



FLYING AT AMBURY

As we don't want to get on the wrong side of the Rangers.... remember:

If we do get that perfect day and you feel the need to have a fly; you get to Ambury and there are no people

flying or sheep on our usual field **Do NOT** just wander in and fly.

Please, take the time to find one of the Rangers and seek their permission to fly on the field.

(See also below for a new method of contacting the farm staff)

Also do **Not** just drive onto the field without seeking permission to do so first.

(The park staff can get a bit annoyed if you just drive on in - as the field can be quite soft underfoot - especially over the winter months - and cars do cut it up a fair bit.

We have a good relationship with the Park Rangers - let's not ruin it.

Also Note - Ambury is now a non-smoking park!

Field Safety

Just remember to get another person to check that model over Before you fly, even if you have flown it last week.

Also, don't just walk a couple of paces into the field or away from the cars and just throw the model off.

Most Sunday's there are quite large numbers of people in the park including children - so you need to ensure if anything were to go wrong that you are a sufficient distance away from them for safety.

Our tenure of the site depends on our good safety record - lets not put it at risk!



AN ALTERNATE METHOD OFF CONTACTING THE FARM STAFF AT AMBURY

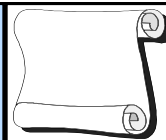
If you have been to Ambury recently, you will have seen the small hut that has been erected off the road near the fence of the field we use. This is an information centre for the park and also contains a phone link to the farm staff.

A small point is that there is No 'handle' to pick up!

We assume you use the button below the speaker?



Club Notices



Direct Links to the now updated website content can be viewed by clicking on the buttons below:
(You don't need to go to the Website homepage)

Ambury Antics Page

Slope Newz Page

Club Points Page



CLUB DVD LIBRARY



Yes, believe it or not the club does actually have a pretty
Comprehensive Soaring-based DVD / Digital Library that is available to all
members.

Quite a range of titles are available.

Just contact:

Ted Bealing ted@pl.net or Andrew Reid andrewrei@gmail.com

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Presents

SOARFEST

★ 2016 ★

Two Days of Thermal Flying

Contest format: Hybrid Premier Duration/ F3J.

Two Classes:

- * Open Class - \$20.00 Entry Fee
- * Radian ALES - \$10.00 Entry Fee

20/21 February 2016

Matamata - Field location T.B.A.

To get the Official Entry Form go to:

www.aucklandsoar.org.nz



SOARFEST 2016

20/21 February 2016 at Matamata

Official Entry Form

** Entries **Must** be received by 15-02-2016

Two Payment Options :

1. Snail-mail - with Cheque made out to AucklandSoar Inc. to:

Soarfest

36 Ripon Cres Meadowbank Auckland 1072
Email Aneil Patel (doing Matrix) at : aneilp@orcon.net.nz
or
Ted Bealing at : ted@pl.net once the entry is in the mail.

2. Pay online to the club bank account

National Bank, Onehunga. A/C No 06 0209 0085092 00
Email Aneil Patel at : aneilp@orcon.net.nz or Ted Bealing at : ted@pl.net
once the payment has been made.

Name : _____

NZMAA Number : _____

Frequency 1 : _____ Frequency 2 : _____

Open (Entry Fee \$20.00) Radian ALES (Entry Fee \$10.00)

All entries MUST BE RECEIVED and FEE/S PAID by 15 February 2016
Email entries accepted up until 8 pm on the 15th February – NO Later.

- Entries only accepted on the field if there are no frequency clashes and an available slot is left in the matrix
- Please also provide an Alternative Frequency
If you cannot change frequencies – you May Not be able to fly.
- Event to be a Hybrid of Premier Duration/F3J.

By entering this contest I agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations as set out by **AucklandSoar Inc.** the Contest Director or the Contest Protest Committee.

I agree to and accept the above conditions.

(Signature)

JR Airsail Public Day



Public Day at Airsail on the 14th November - Image Gallery

Dave Crook

Model items on offer.



Joe and Rowdy doing their DHLG thing.



Selection of F3K & F3J models.

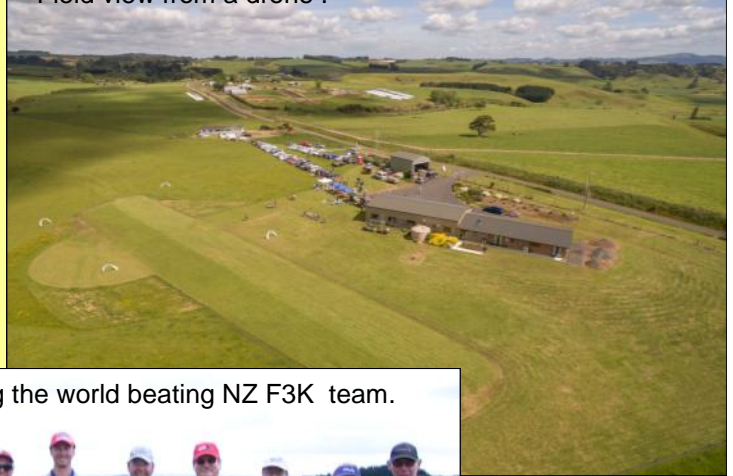
Fraser's aerobatic model.



Model shade area.—good crowd attended.



Field view from a drone .



Display pilots gathering - including the world beating NZ F3K team.



Brilliant day, nice and sunny, good crowd and an excellent air show put on by those demonstrating. Fraser Briggs did his routine that he did at Tucson last month, also flew his jet.

There were Warbirds, helicopters etc. and the Joe, Rowdy and Alex showed with their gliders. Joe had his Maxa and was constantly getting away in good air with just a hand throw!

Dave Crook