

Whangarei Flying Club



NEXT WFC MEETINGS –

→ Sat. 25th July 2015 – Committee Meeting at 11.00am; followed by \$5 Lunch about noon.

→ **Please check the Flying Club website for all upcoming events as this is constantly updated.**

{The Club Breakfast defaults to the **second** Saturday of the month, and the Committee Meeting / Lunch to the **last** Saturday of the month (unless circumstances force an alteration)}. All members are welcome to attend the Committee Meetings and Lunch.



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President's Report:

It's been a fairly quiet month with the cold weather keeping some of us indoors more. The good news is that Mark has reconnected the cabin heat in WCF so we can warm up a bit!

Just a note on that – when you first open that vent, particularly if you've turned it on while you're taxiing downwind, you might notice a bit of the exhaust fumes smell pervading the cockpit. Don't worry, you're not on fire (hopefully; though that worried me the first time); this is normal and soon dissipates. You still have the CO² monitor for visual reassurance.

A number of you may have noticed that the two Hobbs readings on the left and right displays were out of sync. I did try putting notes for pilots to use just the left hand one for consistency, but anyway again Mark has stepped up and set them to the same (left hand) reading – thank you Mark. The difference may have occurred when one pilot noted that one screen didn't immediately boot up on start-up. If this occurs again, please turn EFIS off then on again. Mark also said that the EFIS should not be turned on PRIOR to starting as shown on the check list as the starter can cause electric spikes. We will verify this at our instructors meeting (10.30am Saturday) and alter the cockpit checklist accordingly.

As I think some of you are aware, I have a number of ideas I wish to put to the club, particularly affecting all flying members. Some of these are purely cost savings, but some will affect the way we pay for our flying. No decisions will be made on Saturday as this is still a forum for discussion, but if you want to be involved and have ideas to contribute I would greatly value your input, so come along Saturday and join us!

One encouraging sign you will see in the agenda for tomorrow's meeting is the number of people asking to join or even re-join the Whangarei Flying Club. This is certainly a move in the right direction!

See you tomorrow!
Drew

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CFI News

Your three flying instructors, Neil, Bob and myself, will be holding an instructor's meeting at hangar 10 tomorrow at 10.30 immediately prior to the committee meeting at 11.00. On the agenda will be the training and appointment of our next CFI. In the meantime both John Shaw and Neil Foreman have kindly agreed to be available to talk to anybody who might have any doubts or queries about flying the club plane (for instance, you spot an oil leak or a loose wire on your pre-flight). Please feel free to contact them.

Drew

Drew's News

This is an Air Show in Cameron, a small rural town in Missouri. The pilots, bike and truck drivers and the photographers are all nuts! Hold on to your desk!

Click below:

<https://vimeo.com/100670266>

Drew's Views

It's why we fly... Views from the cockpit... Contributions welcome !!



Morning mist like cobwebs across the land... (WR to KO - June 2015)

Coming Events...

with thanks to Brian Millett and the NMC Newsletter.

Not much on just now...

- OSHKOSH 2015. July 20th – 26th . Start planning your visit now. Contact through NMC. Book early to get a seat on the DC3 flight from Chicago to Oshkosh.

If anybody hears of any up coming events on the aviation calendar that you think would be of interest to our members, please let me know, or contact Shaun to put on our web site. Ed.

HAPPY FLYING!



26th June 2015

P.S. If this newsletter seems a bit thin – please help make it fatter by sending me anything you can that's flying related...! Ed.