

The Flyer **Crash 'n' Splash**

Nelson Model Aero Club

<https://nmac.org.nz>

February 2024

President's Piece

The new year is upon us, and so are the long, hot days of summer. The flying for those who have made it to the field over the Christmas and New Year period has been, for the most part, very good. The sea breeze staying away long enough to enjoy a good morning flying and an increase in foamy flying lately on Sunday has seen some entertaining flying once this wind picks up.

Prior to Christmas, Murray and I had some good discussions with Members of the Nelson City Council staff who look after the parks and reserves. One of the discussions happened at the flying field, and they even had a go with the electric trainer. Ensuring we have a good relationship with the council helps us keep connected with their decisions and projects that involve the Wakapuaka Sandflats. It is also important that we show them what we are doing at the site and how we use it, especially given that they are trusting us with council key access. We will continue to talk to the council and keep our members updated with our progress and any issues raised, but for now, they are happy with how we manage the club and its access to the site.

The club AGM notice will be sent out soon to members. I encourage all members to come along to the meeting, especially if you have any queries or topics to discuss. As always, we are keen to hear what you have to say and are always looking for new committee members to be part of the committee. The committee meets bimonthly on Zoom, so it doesn't take up much time but allows us to cover anything needing to be discussed about the running of the club. We are also always after members who would like to add to our Facebook and newsletter contributions, so if you are keen, let me or any of the committee know.

Well done to the members who had maiden flights over the Christmas and New Year period. Jacob maiden his very nice looking Pientenpol with a 3-cylinder Saito and Greg flew his new Uglystik and foamy. Last weekend, Dan turned one of the Kmart gliders into a twin turbine rocket ship, and I'm sure there have been others, so make sure you post them on the Whatsapp group page for everyone to see.

Look forward to seeing you at the flying field.

Tristan

Photos from the field (December - January):



Gregs new Christmas toys



Dans Kmart Glider dual EDF conversion



Maiden day for Jacobs Saito 3-Cylinder powered Pietenpol



Activity in the pits on Sunday as we kick into another good year of flying.



Philip's maiden voyage and flight of the Twin Seajet at the ponds



Doug's YouTube Channel

When you get a chance checkout Doug's YouTube channel for videos he's taken at our field and from other fields around the country. <http://www.youtube.com/@RCDougNSN>



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The NMAC Committee:

Your committee members for 2023/2024:

President	Tristan Lynch		
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Committee	Greg Dyer		
Committee	Andrew Reeve		
Committee	Glen Ellicott		

CnS Editor	Glen Ellicott		
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The CnS newsletter is published every two months: Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, and Dec.

WhatsApp Group:

The WhatsApp group is growing and has become an excellent method to share information and pictures of your models and flying outings. To get connected to WhatsApp, get in touch with Murray or Phil.



Facebook:

We are on Facebook. For those Facebook users out there, look up the Nelson Model Aero Club and add a 'like' to our page.

<https://www.facebook.com/NelsonModelAeroClub>

Special offer for NMAC Members

COOL POWER – 1 Gal (US) or 3.785 litre containers \$65 each

Contact Peter Stevens.