

TIGER RAG

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Kaikohe here we come

Another year has raced by and preparations are well underway for our AGM in Kaikohe on the weekend of the 6th March. Woody gives you the lowdown on what to expect and please get your registration form to Eddie Doherty and deposit your registration fee as soon as possible. While you are at it, remember subs are due for 2015 now too.

Our run of bad luck with weather lately was extended to Taumarunui however persistence paid off and most competitions were completed and trophies duly awarded. It was a good turnout and Jim Lawson's summary of the weekend is as always a good read.

Elsewhere in this edition of the rag, John Pheasant's account of his busy October will make many jealous, and it is great to hear of another Tiger returning to airworthiness in Wayne Greaves' contribution. Meanwhile the club has again made its presence felt at the Walsh Memorial Flying School in Matamata, introducing another 30 young aviators to the joys to be had in our sort of aviation.

A many thanks to all who have contributed to this Tiger Rag. Please keep the photos and stories coming so your newsletter remains interesting. Happy summer flying folks and see you all at Kaikohe.



Photo: Rupert MacLachlan



Tigers at Walsh again

Photo: Paul Doherty

For clubs such as ours to survive we have to stay relevant. Getting new members involved by encouraging them, rewarding them and challenging them to make the most of what the club can offer. In the past, our members have come well prepared with a pre-established love of Tiger Moths and there has been a depth of experienced pilots ready to share, but keeping the club vibrant into the future means we need to keep encouraging young people to get involved, and we need to develop the pilots who will pass on the skills in the future.

To achieve this we have initiated the Moth Scholarship to give talented young aviators who show sufficient passion the opportunity to get an introduction to Tiger Moths and we have gained some great new members as a result.

To keep this interest going the club sent 3 Tiger Moths to the Walsh Memorial Flying School in Matamata last year and gave 30 returning (second or more year) students an introductory flight. The response was overwhelming. Everyone had a great time, and for some it was their highlight from the school. The pilots had a good time too.

This year word had got around. Many students were asking, “Are the Tiger Moths coming back?” How could we disappoint them. On a glorious Sunday on 18th January we had three aircraft with John Pheasant (BFF) again leading the sorties with Wayne Edwards (BEC) returning for another shot as well. This year Team Welcome (Phil & Matthew in BJQ) joined the crew and Jim Lawson, Grant Wilson and Paul Doherty helped out on the ground so another 30 young people had the chance to experience real stick and rudder flying and by the looks on the faces at the end of each flight, we have 30 more open cockpit junkies – mission accomplished!

Next year is the 50th Walsh and you can be sure your club will be back doing it again.

Paul Doherty



Photo: Jim Lawson

RETURN TO SERVICE ZK-ANL

After 2 years left in the corner of SVAS's hanger in Masterton a 1 year long major intensified ARA was carried out.

On getting it to Chief LAME Wattie Soloman of HB Aviation Ltd much neglected maintenance was carried out by me, LAME John Pheasant, Kim Thompson, Gary Martin, LAME John Hart, Steve Lilly Avionics HB Ltd & Field Air Holdings Ltd who sponsored & did the major Avionics upgrade. Many thanks go to those so skilled people, it must be said, in saving the only one left, very historic & precious, AG Spraying Tiger Moth in the World.

Only a limited approved instructors & commercial pilots, three approved rated spray pilots, Jim Frogley of Astro Air Ltd, Gary Yardley of Yardley Aviation Ltd & John Bargh of Bargh, Gardner Aviation Ltd will be allowed to demonstrate ANL in spraying action, the first at Wings Over Wairarapa in January in the hands of Gary Yardley.

ZK- ANL now known as "ASTRO" the space dog from the comic series "The Jetsons" that went around peeing on everything is in Astro Air Ltd & FieldAir Ltd Livery, in memory of Hap Neville, his long time spray pilot, Richard Wylie his devoted owner & Sir Lawson Field whom I worked for that gave me the spare parts. All have now passed away. ASTRO is looking beautiful, a dream to fly, nice & light in the controls & his engine is strong & smooth.

ASTRO started his career as construction number 82512 for the RAF, then as N9458, but sold to the RNZAF assembled as NZ861, 15th February 1940. Then purchased by J.R. Franklin, CFI Waipukurau Aero Club as NZ861, 15th March 1947, it was their first Tiger. It was then registered as ZK-ANL in April 1957.

It was sold to Marshall & Neville, ASTRO AIR LTD 2nd January 1960, it was Hap Neville's kite, BBG was Pete Marshall's. Pete pranged BBG & retired. It was sold and went to Australia, rebuilt and currently flying today there. Hap carried on in ANL by himself till 1987. He had one very big fright when he hit power wires and reduced the size of the prop & shortened the wings some. Temple Martin said he didn't know how it managed to keep flying, the engine was close to shaking itself out of the mounts but got Hap home with not a scratch.

Sold to Rick Graham in 1987 then Trevor Griffin in 1999 then Richard Wylie. Richard died & Penn his wife left it unmaintained at SVAS Masterton for 2 years. SVAS tried to syndicate it but that failed. I rang Penn Wylie on its status. She said it was Richards dream & they made a coffin look alike of ANL for him. To cut the long story short she asked me to come take a look for her with the idea I might take over the care & operation and later buy her interest out. To have such a historic Tiger as this one Shane & I just had to take it on and not let it become a pile of junk, a mate for AQC & of course now syndicated BAL.

A gem to be well cared for now.

Cheers

Wayne (Biggles)



Photo: Paul Corrin

KAIKOHE FLY-IN & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING .

The highlight event of the Club year is set to be held at Kaikohe on the weekend of March 6th to 8th, 2015. With organisational help from Club members Mesa and Debbie Land, who reside in Kaikohe, this promises to be a brilliant weekend. Following an article on the event in the local newspaper, the local enthusiasts are anxious to see us arrive there, and have offered full support. These include the airport owners (Far North District Council), Northern Advocate newspaper, Mid North Motor Inn, Kaikohe RSA, and the Gliding Club who will not be operating on the Saturday.

It is a great opportunity for members and visitors to join us in the Far North, and see the beautiful sights of the Bay of Islands, Hokianga Harbour, and other famous landmarks in the area.

Friday Night BBQ

Debbie and Mesa Land will host a BBQ and drinks at the airfield from 6.30 pm. There is a charge of \$20 for the BBQ, and donation required for drinks.

Lunches

Lunches, tea and coffee, will be available both Saturday and Sunday at the airfield.

Dinner.

The Saturday night dinner will be held at the Kaikohe RSA, commencing at 7.00pm. Bar will be open.

Accommodation.

The Mid North Motor Inn is situated next to the RSA, and has some rooms left at \$120 per night for a room with 1 double and 1 single bed. I am holding a booking sheet. Call me on 027 2932318 if you require a room there. Also there is nice accommodation at the Newhaven Motel, a short walk away. Ph 09 401 1759.

Competitions.

All competitions will be held on Sat. 7th March, commencing with a briefing at Mesa Land's hangar at 9.00am sharp. The aerobatic competition was not held in 2014, due to weather restraints, but will be contested at Kaikohe.

Transport.

The club will provide a minivan for transport to and from the airport, a distance of approx 6 km. A small fee to cover the cost of this will be expected from those who avail themselves of this service.

Registration.

A registration form is attached, and the cost of this has been held to \$50. Please get this back to Treasurer Eddy Doherty promptly.

Fuel

The club will have mogas available at Kaikohe airfield. Aircraft requiring 100 octane can obtain this at Kerikeri airport which is 12 miles to the north

Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting will be held Sunday 8th March 2015 at the Kaikohe RSA at 9 am. The agenda and Notice of Meeting are attached.

Safe Flying!

Woodsy



Annual Club Competitions

The Tiger Moth Club of New Zealand intend to hold its Annual Club Competitions at Kaikohe Aerodrome on Sunday 7th March, 2015.

The aerobatics will be held first, first thing, with an anticipated kick off around 0830 with briefing at 0800 NZDT, sharp for those participating in the aerobatics competition. There will be a further briefing around 0900 for the rest of the competitions. Latecomers, however, will have to ensure they are fully briefed before taking part in any competitions or local flying.

For the benefit of new members and visitors, plus those who need to be reminded, the following competitions make up the major flying activity of the Tiger Moth Club at its annual event. Any club member may (and in fact should) compete, although there are aircraft type restrictions on some events — and no trophies may leave these shores. In alphabetical order they are:

- **Aerobatics**, for Tiger Moths and Chipmunks only, with separate trophies. Current CAA rules, which will be strictly enforced, state that the minimum height during aerobatics is 1500 feet AGL for the holder of an aerobatic rating; otherwise 3000 feet. No passengers may be carried, and anybody wanting to compete down to 1500 feet will have to produce documentary proof of a rating. And remember that transgressing the height restriction will result in disqualification. The aerobatics routine may be found somewhere nearby in this newsletter.
- **Air race**, or more accurately time trial with staggered starts, to avoid over-eager pilots getting in one other's way. Again officially for Tiger Moths only, although other speedy types sometimes compete on an informal basis, and run on a shortish (Five minutes or less) route within sight of the airfield, yet to be laid out. All those who think they have speedy Tiger Moths should present themselves and their aeroplanes early at the briefing.
- **Bombing**. Two bombs, Pheasant Mk IV, wooden, yellow, for the dropping of, are carried and dropped from a height of not less than 250 feet. The closest to the target wins (fluke over consistency), with the other closest being a decider in the unlikely event of a tie. Remember — hitting anything valuable or flying too low on the bombing run results in disqualification for that bomb.

• **Non-instrument circuit**. The only flying competition to carry an air judge, this one is normally restricted to Tigers and Chipmunks for reasons of practicality in covering vital instruments with pieces of cardboard but still letting the judge see something. Aircraft balance, that vital aspect of our sort of flying, is incorporated in the judging.

• **Perfect loop**. What it says — the least egg- (or pear-) shaped track in the sky wins. It may be flown in anything aerobatically suitable by any member likewise capable, and can be flown as part of the normal aerobatic routine by competitors in that sequence which, some may have noticed, does incorporate a loop.

• **Spot landing**. Run under the rules we have devised after many years of experience, this is a true spot landing and so allows the use of engine and other cheating devices right down to (but not into) the ground. Two landings are made, the first a touch-and-go, with the lowest total distance deciding the winner (consistency over fluke). Landings must be three-pointers in our type of aeroplane, and anybody rendering an aeroplane incapable of immediate further flight because of landing technique will be disqualified. That's the flying. In addition we have a number of other trophies which are judged, discussed among committee members and awarded on the day:

• **John Crosbie Trophy** for the pilot who has the most interesting time getting to the annual fly-in, in the spirit of the late John Crosbie who never left flying become dull.

• **EF Harvie Memorial Mug** for the most helpful member during the past year.

• **Murray Neich Memorial Trophy** for the youngest member competing on the day.

• **Scott Greaves Memorial Trophy** for best recent Tiger Moth restoration.

• **Loretta McGarry Rose Bowl** for the best non-Moth vintage aeroplane. For some reason the main object of this one seems to have been forgotten and so it's repeated

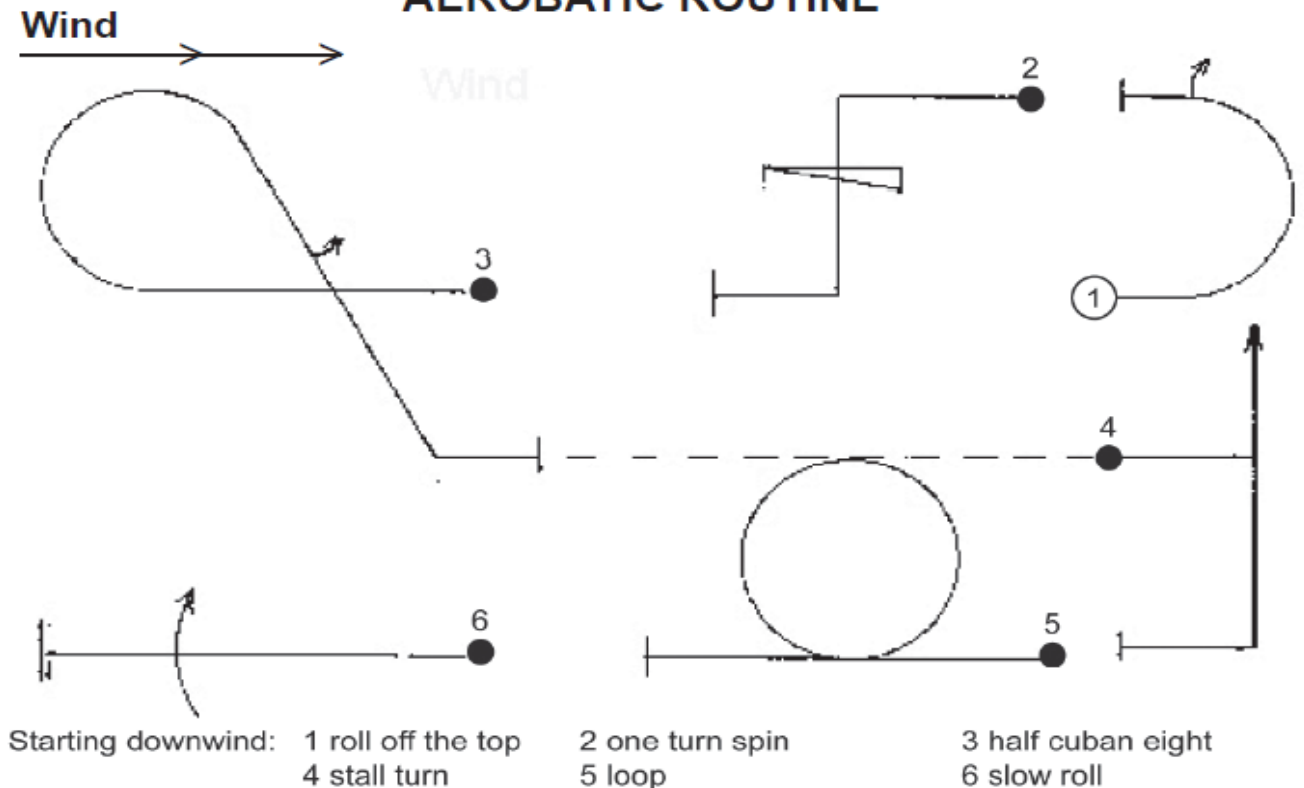
— the Loretta McGarry Rose Bowl is awarded for the best aeroplane that doesn't have a Moth in its name. Tigers, Gipsies, Leopards (we wish) and other Moths have their own trophy and are not eligible for this one.

• **Most Magnificent Moth** is the best aeroplane bearing a Moth in its name (see above).

• **Most Original Tiger Moth** is pretty much what it says.

These last four aircraft condition trophies are judged by different people each year, and because not everybody has the same ideas of perfection or originality there's usually no monopoly on the silverware.

AEROBATIC ROUTINE



Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is given that the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Tiger Moth Club of New Zealand will be held at the Kaikohe RSA on Sunday March 8th 2015, commencing at 0900

Agenda.

- Apologies
- Minutes of 2014 AGM held at Mandeville Feb 23rd.
- Matters Arising.
- Presidents Report
- Treasurers Report
- Election of Committee.
- 2016 Annual Fly-in and AGM location.
- General Business.

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*There once was an engineer named Jim
Who could take to the air on a whim
If he had to choose, a Chipmunk he'd use
And his return to work would be slim.*

Loretta McGarry

Gypsy Major looking for a home

Hi All,

I've got the chance to get a few spares – actually a complete Auster – I don't need the engine which is a 130hp gypsy major with about 700hrs to run. Logs, recent work etc – wooden propeller also...

My plan is to find a home for the engine and propeller to offset the cost – I would be grateful (or is that grateful :-)) if anybody were able to point this australian in the direction of a willing buyer..

Best all and looking forward to catching up at the Classic Fighters show next year!

Regards
Roger van der Zanden

EMAIL: rogerzz@syndynamics.com

2014 Safari DVD

Angus Edwards has put together a DVD featuring a lot of stills and some movies of various sections of the flight.

These he is selling for \$10.00 plus post and packaging.

Please place all orders with Angus at the email address:
mtonion@xtra.co.nz



Photo: Jerry Chisum

Members will be saddened to hear of the passing of Trevor Thomas (TT) Bland on 20th December 2014. Trevor was a great supporter of the club and I was honoured to have the opportunity to fly with him.
Paul Doherty



45 YEARS.

I would like to thank, once again, Jim Lawson and the Committee, for all the work they have done to keep this Club going. Also to the members who attend our fly ins, I wish more of you would bring your wonderful aircraft along. When I helped to start the Club in 1969, I had no idea that it would be still going forty five years later, I'm very proud of it indeed.

Co-Founder, Bob McGarry, of Christchurch, sends his regards to the Club and is sorry he was unable to attend the fly in.

My thanks also go to the Taumarunui Aero Club members for once again inviting us to hold our fly in at their airfield. We always get a warm welcome and they make sure that we are all fed and refuelled.

The flight organised, on the Sunday, to fly into the old Echolands airfield, South of the Township, really was an historic occasion.

Regards,

Loretta McGarry,
Co-Founder and Archivist.

The 20th Anniversary of our return to the Roots of the NZ Tiger Moth Club

With some trepidation I watched the 6.00 PM weather reports in the week leading up to this special weekend, it was not good, but as usual the Weather Gods were kind to us. The Weather Gods being, Jim and Karen on NZBC 1, they arranged enough clear spaces for us to get there. I had it easy, weather wise, I drove to Taumarunui, not something I liked doing, but needs must when you don't have an aeroplane to get you there.

Apart from being the 20th anniversary of our return to Taumarunui, this October fly in was to be a busy one. What with competitions that we could not run at the Mandeville AGM, due to high winds and latterly rain, there was also, the Hikurangi Trophy, for spot landing and bombing, which we vied for every year, to be competed for, with the Taumarunui Aero Club. (TAC)

I was beaten to the first arrival spot by John Pheasant in BFF, the reason for his early arrival was that he had another agenda, which we will talk about later. One by one, two by two the boys and girls started to arrive and by early afternoon we had enough keen aeroplane drivers to start the competitions. An easy one to get out of the way was the perfect loop, the cloud base was high enough, so we lined up the judges and got started. While all this was going on we had more arrivals, all with stories to tell about the weather they had experienced on the way.



Jerry Chisum

By the end of the flying day, we had a good attendance, the perfect loop competition was finished and it was time to have the usual beverages supplied by the TAC. As ever, the organisation of the TAC was making itself felt, their hangar was opened up to take the two folding wing aircraft, the Fox Moth and the DH 60, a very tidy way to save space. Then the van arrived to take the pilots and crew to the High School Hostel, where most people were to stay and to enjoy the barbeque that the TAC Committee were busily preparing for us.



Jim Lawson

The next day, Saturday, the weather was down on the deck, a relief for some people who dreaded the 9.00AM briefing, having stayed up too late at the barbeque. But the cloud base was lifting and when it reached 500 feet we got started on the bombing and spot landing competitions. We had the odd stoppage due to very light showers passing through but this was a good opportunity to have morning smoko and later, lunch, from the caterers arranged by the TAC. By the end of the flying day we had completed the bombing and spot landing, the non- instrument circuit and the time trial competitions. This left only the aerobatic competition to be held, for which we needed 3,000 feet, but there was another day tomorrow.

Dave Phillips was keen to enter for the aerobatic competition, but the weather prevented him from flying down in his Tiger, so he drove. That did not stop him from borrowing BMY from Des Strong and putting on his usual breath taking aerobatic display, in the last light of the day, much to everyone’s amazement and enjoyment. Truly a Master at his craft.

As usual, we had to hurry along to get ourselves ready for the evening dinner and prize giving, which, this year was being held in the Golf Club Rooms, very near the High School Hostel. For those of us that got there at 7.00PM we enjoyed plates of “nibbles” which a group of youngsters from the High School had prepared, prior to the evening meal that they and their parents had also prepared. In the past we have been catered for by similar groups of students, fund raising, to enable them to travel overseas and further their education. It was another lesson learned for them in doing this and we certainly enjoyed the results of their efforts.

The President of the Taumarunui Aero Club, Kevin Vile, opened the proceedings with a speech of welcome and said how pleased they were to see us back again and long may the visits continue.



Jim Lawson



Jim Lawson



Jerry Chisum



Jim Lawson



Jim Lawson



Pete McCombe

Just before dinner was served, the sound of bag pipes could be heard, you would have to be deaf if you didn't hear them and in marched a piper followed by a motley group of kilted and similarly attired ruffians. Being Scottish it did not take me long to realise that I was the target of their ploy. The head of the clan suitably attired in a kilt, with a placard at the front saying "YES" and one on his back, saying "NO" carrying a tray, on which was a haggis a knife, a bottle of whiskey and a glass, marched around the room and stopped in front of me. From there I was harangued about the virtues of



Photo Jerry Chisum

voting yes or no to the Scottish referendum, I had no option but to vote yes, whereupon a nip of whiskey was poured, which I very quickly downed, much to the cheers and clapping of the assembled clan. What a great way to start a dinner, thanks to Ace the clan chief and Bryan Stokes and Pete McCombe the two ruffians.

*There once was a pilot named Pheasant
Who did something rather unpleasant
His Tiger tailskid connected
With something he'd perfected
That can't be fixed with a screwdriver or crescent*

Loretta McGarry



Photo: Jerry Chisum

After dinner we got down to the serious bit of the evening, presenting the trophies, this was not without brief interludes of hilarity and Mickey taking. Phil Welcome won the perfect loop, closely followed by Jerry Chisum, 3rd equal was Mathew Welcome and Wayne Edwards. Mathew at 14 years of age, is by far our youngest competitor and is performing well in all aspects of Tiger flying under the tutelage of his father, Phil. Jerry Chisum won the time trial in a close run event. The bombing was won by Graeme Wood, (Woodsy), in second place was John Pheasant, (The Fez) and third was Martin Burdan. Welcome back to the activities of the Tiger Moth Club, Martin. At this point, the Fez was asked to step up for a special presentation. As we all know, the Fez is the bomb specialist, he designed the bombs and tested various marks and we ended up with a very sophisticated piece of armoury. At our pre-competition briefings he lectures on the various aspects of how the bombs can be carried safely in the cockpit and how they should be positioned before the drop, so you see the Fez is the expert.

Back to the presentation, which was very ably carried out by Jan Crossan and took the form of a bag which contained the smashed remnants of a bomb which the Fez had run over with his tail skid, down at the bomb site. The bomb maker himself had his roles reversed and was now the bomb fixer. Jan was one of the judges that spent all day down at the spot landing and bomb site.

Another interesting presentation was that made by our Archivist, Loretta McGarry, to Rupert MacLachlan in the form of a book about Tiger Moths. Loretta spoke of the need for young people to join

our ranks and how gratifying it was to see Rupert and others becoming involved. I might add that Rupert was one of the successful applicants to the Tiger Moth Club's flying scholarships. He worked very hard under the guidance of



Photo: Jim Lawson

Jerry Chisum and was granted his Tiger Moth rating in very short order. Rupert must also be a very fast talker, he was so keen to enter for the aerobatic competition, that he talked his wife of two weeks, into letting him come up to Taumarunui to compete. Good on you Suz. Rupert did not go away empty handed, he won the non-instrument circuit trophy, (flown on Sunday morning) and also the Ross Duncan Memorial trophy for his enthusiasm and success in his endeavours with our type of flying.

Yet another interesting presentation was made, this time by Dave Phillips, to the writer. After a dissertation about the merits and demerits of the position of a President, a bottle of twelve year old Johnny Walkers Black Label was handed over, which quite took me aback. I am still looking at the label for the directions on how to use it, in the mean time it seems to be evaporating. Thank you Dave.



Photo: Jerry Chisum



Photo: Jerry Chisum



Photo: Jerry Chisum

Bill Henwood took the floor and talked about how he was pleased to see a lot more young people becoming involved in our type of aviation. In particular some of the Cub pilots who were well placed in the Piper Cub spot landing competition. The Trophy was won by Olivia Henwood and Kevin Paulsen who were first equal.

The dinner over, it was time for coffee and tea and at this point the young members of the High School who had prepared the meal, were assembled in the dining room to be thanked by Jeanette Lei, the Secretary of the Taumarunui Aero Club, for their efforts with the lovely meal that we had just demolished. Well done to the temporary chefs.

Now back to John Pheasant and his early arrival at Taumarunui. 51 years ago, when John was a rookie Tiger Moth pilot, he flew into Echolands, the original air field on the South side of Taumarunui and he thought it would be fitting, that, if possible, he could make another landing on the anniversary of his first one, into Echolands. I might add that Echolands had been closed as an airfield for many years and had been used for mixed farming. When John approached the owners, they were only too pleased to oblige and they went out of their way to make the whole event as simple and safe as possible. John then measured the length of the strip and drove along it at 60 kilometres an hour to check for usability for Tiger Moths. He then checked out the approach and overshoot and arranged with the owners to put markers along the boundary fence, at the approach end, to indicate the commencement of the runway. With all this in place, it was now only a question of the weather and how it would look on Sunday morning.

Sunday morning weather was flyable, but with a low ceiling, so we decided to hold the non-instrument circuit competition. The weather was improving all the time and by the time the competition was finished, the sun was shining, typical Taumarunui weather and John was rearing to go on the excursion into Echolands. A briefing was held, ably conducted by John and we were ready to go.



Photo: Jim Lawson

A whole bunch of us who were not flying, drove over to Echolands to watch the arrival of the “squadron,” and it wasn’t too long before the first formation of three Tigers flew over the field, then down wind for the landing. This was followed by a formation of three more Tigers with a DH60 in the box. Close on their tails was two Piper Cubs and a Cessna 180. All the landings were executed with the usual skills, despite the fact that this was a totally unknown air strip. When all the aircraft were parked there was an adjoining hill that some great pictures could be taken from for the venturesome few who were fit enough to climb to the top. The land owners were very pleased to see us, as were some of their neighbours who were aware of the event and turned out in force.

But it was time to go, some of the pilots had a long way to go, to get back home and although the weather was CAVU no-one knew how long it would last. Engines were started, crews were aboard and they taxied down to the holding point. The strip was so wide that formation take offs were carried out, first three, then four, what a great sight. The Taumarunui towns folk were also treated to the sight of the formation as they flew back over the town to TM. The good thing about all this was the experience for all concerned and in particular we have been invited back, next time for a barbeque.

After the de-briefing and a bite to eat it was time to depart Taumarunui. Despite the odd shower or two, the weekend was a great success, made possible by the Taumarunui Aero Club with their very active and enthusiastic Committee and their team of helpers. I take this opportunity, on behalf of the Tiger Moth Club, to again thank them for their invitation to hold the fly in at their excellent airfield and being such good Hosts. I also must thank my Committee for their efforts and the work they put in to make the weekend run smoothly. Most of all thank you to all the volunteers, despite the weather, who came forward to help, you did a great job. To the girls who usually turned up and didn’t, for one reason or another, we missed you.

Jim Lawson.
President.



Photo: Jim Lawson

THE TIGER MOTH CLUB'S 45th BIRTHDAY 17th-19th OCTOBER 2014

TAUMARUNUI ARRIVALS

REGOS	AIRCRAFT	PIC	PAX	HOME BASE
Friday				
BFF	DH82	John Pheasant		Tauranga
BEC	DH82	Wayne Edwards	Angus Edwards	Puni
BLI	DH82	Peter Bradfield		Ardmore
BJQ	DH82	Phil Welcome	Mathew Welcome	Ardmore
ALK	DH82	Grant Wilson		Ardmore
APT	DH82	Graeme Wood	Anna	Ardmore
CKH	DHC2	ACE Edwards	Jeannie, Ed Doherty, John Baynes.	Ardmore
CNL	CAR	Jim Lawson		Ardmore
RFS	DHC1	Bryan Stokes	Sandy Stokes	Ardmore
JDJ	TANK	Grant Drinkrow	Karen Drinkrow	Ardmore
DH82	CAR	Loretta McGarry		Conifer Grove
	CAR	Barry Kane	Jan Crossan	Wanganui
ARR	FOXBAT	Peter Beer	Jon Farmer	North Shore
BKW	PIPER CUB	Kevin Paulsen	Leanne Paulsen	Ardmore
BMV	DH82	Jan Chisum	Des Strong	Bridge Pa
	TRUCK	Les Marshall		Conifer Grove
ADT	DH60	Rupert MacLoughlan	Jerry Chisum	Bridge Pa
BQV	PIPER CUB	Neroli Henwood	Bill Henwood	Te Kowhai
	CAR	Alan Land		Taupo
	CAR	Lorraine Strong		Bainesse
ATS	AUSTER	Des Grant		North Shore
MTZ	DIAMOND	Dion Manktelow	Simone	Ardmore
	CAR	Bill Lambeth		Tangiteroria
EVG	Tomahawk	Alan Butler		Ardmore
TAC	CARS	Jeanette and Erik Lei, Kevin Vile, Paul and Pat Gelately		Taumarunui
BQY	PIPER CUB	John Geary	Max Vodane	Ardmore
	CAR	Tony Hogg		Whakatane
JDP	RANS 56	Wendy Milne	Ross Macdonald	Waipukerau
	CAR	Mesa Land	Debbie Land	Kaikohe
	BUS	Mike Feeny	Janet Feeny	Hamilton
	CAR	Paul Doherty		Ardmore
Saturday				
	CAR	Wendy Edwards	Holly Edwards	Puni
	CAR	Ross Shearer		Putaruru
	CAR	David Phillips		Ardmore
	CAR	Martin Burdan		Wellington
Sunday				
EEJ	Cessna 180	Graham Prankhard	Neville Worsley, Les Worsley	Stratford
		Terry Smith		Te Awanga

TAUMARUNUI 2014 COMPETITION RESULTS

	SPOT LAND		AVE	PLACE	BOMBING		PLACE	TIME TRIAL Mins	PLACE	NO INST CIRCUIT	PLACE	PERFECT LOOP	PLACE	CUB SPOT LAND		AVE	PLACE
	No 1	No 2			No 1	No 2								No 1	No 2		
Rupert MacLachlan		20			16	17				95	1st	39.33					
Jerry Chisum					28	14	3rd EQ	5.11	1st	89	2nd EQ	44.33	2nd				
Jan chisum	15	50	33		18	32				89	2nd EQ	37					
John Pheasant					18	7	1st	5.56	2nd								
Phil Welcome	20	30	25	3rd EQ	24	49		6.28				44.66	1st				
Mathew Welcome					40	55						42	3rd EQ				
John Geary	40	50	45			35											
Max Vodane					58	59											
Wayne Edwards	40	40	40		15	21		6.44		85	3rd	42	3rd EQ				
ACE/Angus Edwards					15	14	3rd EQ					30					
Grant Wilson						33		6.14	3rd								
Kevin Paulsen					28	55								10	20	15	1st EQ
Leanne Paulsen					34	25											
Alan Butler					20	17								20	45	33	
John Baynes	30	30	30		35	24						34.33					
Graeme Wood	25	20	23	2nd	8	29	2nd					40.66					
Peter Bradfield	30	10	20	1st EQ	26	29		6.42				38					
Bryan Stokes	20	30	25	3rd EQ								32					
Bill Henwood					22	55								20	40	30	
Neroli Henwood																	
Olivia Henwood					65	65								20	10	15	1st EQ
Dion Manktelow					37	35								45	30	38	
Nathan Manktelow					26	21								15	35	25	3 rd
Martin Burdan	20	50	35														
Dave Phillips	40	45	43		46	19											
Jeanette Lei	10	30	20	1st EQ	29	14	3rd EQ										
Kevin Vile	40	50	45		27	23											
Tony Hogg	20	50	35		33	20											
Peter McCombe	10	50	30		40	18						37.33					
Sandy Stokes												31					

Bill Shaw getting current in BEF
with Ross MacDonald





Ryan Southam is coordinating the gathering of vintage and classic aeroplanes at the Classic Fighters airshow at Omaka, Blenheim, during Easter weekend.

"I have discussed with Graham Orphan and the airshow committee, and there is a definite push to try and have as big a representation of vintage and classic aircraft as we can muster for this event," says Ryan.

"We are to have a concours d'elegance of sorts with an award for Best Presented Vintage Aircraft and we are also encouraging owners, pilots, friends and family to dress in period costume to suit their aeroplane, who knows we may also have a prize for that"

"I encourage owners to get in contact so we can discuss ways to assist in bringing their vintage aeroplanes to the event"

Registrations of intended participation can be made to Ryan at

info@criticalangle.co.nz

TAUMARUNUI TROPHIES.

Date Presented. 18th October 2014

John & Vel Hainsworth,
Hikurangi Challenge Trophy.
Ross Duncan Red Tiger Trophy.
Ross Duncan Memorial Cup.

Bombing and spot landing.
Tiger Moth spot landing.
Committee decision.

First equal. Jeanette Lei (TAC) &
Peter Bradfield (TMC)
Graeme Wood
Rupert MacLauchlan

Piper Cub Spot Landing Trophy.

First equal, Olivia Henwood & Kevin Paulsen.

AGM TROPHIES.

Date Presented. 18th October 2014

Place. TAUMARUNUI

Trophy Name.

Presented For.

Presented To.

Ross Duncan Memorial Cup.
Murray Neich Memorial Trophy.
Loretta McGarry Rose Bowl.
E.F. Harvie Memorial Mug.
John Crosbie Trophy.
Dudley Payne Cup
Temple Martin Memorial Cup
Noya Smith Tankard.
Stan White Memorial Cup.
Simon Spencer-Bower Cup.
E.J Schaeffer
John Mackie Memorial Trophy
Brodie Trophy.
J.&AC.Lawson Trophy.
Scott Greaves Memorial Trophy.

Committee decision.
Youngest competing member.
Best vintage aeroplane.
Most helpful member.
Most interesting flight to fly in.
Most magnificent Moth.
Most original Tiger Moth.
Bombing.
Perfect Loop.
Tiger Moth Aerobatics.
Non instrument circuit.
Spot Landing.
Air race/time trial.
Non Tiger Moth Aerobatics.
Best return to service.

Graeme Wood
Phil Welcome.

Rupert MacLachlan

Jerry Chisum

NOTE. Because of bad weather at Mandeville the competitions for the above trophies could not be held and were carried forward to this Taumarunui weekend. The aerobatic competition was cancelled for the same reason at Taumarunui.



What a great month

From John Pheasant

It all started with a call from Woodsy, "how would you like to join a formation over Auckland City on the 27 September". Put me down for that! An engineering friend, Peter Ryan, had recently done a major job of repairing the exhaust manifold for BFF, so I asked him to join me for the day. We flew from TG to overhead Puni in time for Wayne in his nordo tiger to crank up and tuck in behind for the arrival into Ardmore for a briefing at 0930.



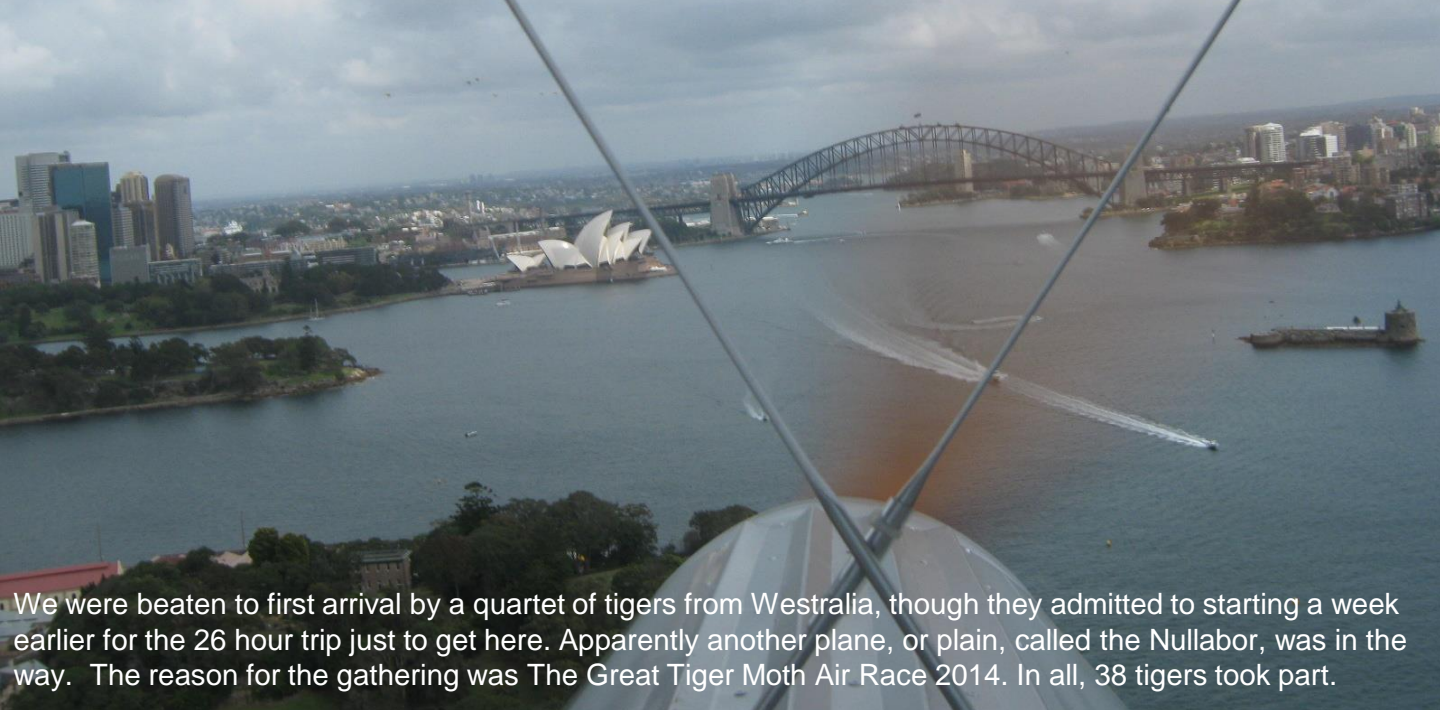
Then at 1030, led by Woodsy in Foxmoth APT, tigers ALK, BEC and BFF departed in stream, to form up enroute for the city, being called in by a hand-held on the ground, to over-fly the Princes wharf where a parade to commemorate the departure of the first troops from Auckland to WW1 in 1914 was being staged.

I cannot understand why WW1 is so often labelled "the Great War". I have never read anything Great about it. But to continue, we formed for 20 minutes in box 4 and echelon, till told to go away so the speeches could begin below, whereupon I broke formation and headed west over the harbour bridge and Motat, and via Cornwallis to south Auckland and a landing at Cliff and Cushla Bellinghams' farm strip, where I spent so many good years flying AIA. Then home to Tauranga.

Four days later, I am in section E, row 84, lower deck on an A380 over the big ditch to Brisbane. Not impressed with the biggest plane in commercial service. Only 1 day to catch up with 2 sons and their families, then a short drive south to Boonah, where Bill and Jenny Finlen have to put up with living right beside a grass field nearly as good as Taumarunui. Next morning we load up Tiger VH-UYE, (Bill also owns Beech V tail Bonanza TYE), and joined by Nigel Arnott and owner Ross Skermer in tiger BCI, we head across the state line to Lismore in NSW for fuel and meet another 2 tigers from Caboolture.

The local Air BP man and his wife like Tiger Moths also, and laid on fresh sandwiches and scones laden with cream and jam. Now that is something we don't get here from Air BP. Onwards to Kempesie and more fuel and more scones, then to the fabled field of Luskintyre.





We were beaten to first arrival by a quartet of tigers from Westralia, though they admitted to starting a week earlier for the 26 hour trip just to get here. Apparently another plane, or plain, called the Nullabor, was in the way. The reason for the gathering was The Great Tiger Moth Air Race 2014. In all, 38 tigers took part.

First stage was a commemorative flight over that other Harbour Bridge. Sat 4 Oct. We departed at 15 second intervals and in groups and gaggles, east to the coast north of Newcastle, coastal AT 500 feet to North Head, into Sydney Harbour and past the Opera House at 500 ft and under threat of dire consequences, NOT under the bridge, but south of the South Pylon, thence single file up the winding Parramatta River, steep turning to remain clear of property, and to Camden for lunch.

The actual race started from there, back to Luskintyre, and next day to Taree and back via various designated points with secret letters on ground to be recorded to ensure no short-cuts. Every aircraft was equipped with the latest hi-tech gismos with OZ-Runways, so all I had to do was fly the plane while Bill sat in the back playing navigator. That made my flight a memorable, relaxed joyride. There was scrutineering and fuel checks, and penalties for excessive fuel burn, and I have no idea yet where we placed, as results are still not known. But who cares? Weather for all 4 days was brilliant, only hazard was some bushfire smoke on the return trip to Boonah, having us IFR flying the corridor via the rails under RAAF space.



Back to NZ via the back end of an A380 again, still not impressed, and time to start planning for Taumarunui and an item I have had on my bucket list for a few years.

Back in the middle of last century or so, 1963 to be exact, I was a raw student pilot with my own tiger moth, AIW, and attended an airshow at TM. Not the one at Taringamotu where we have so much fun now, but at the other end of town, called Echolands.

For years I have flown over it and longed to land there again. It always looks so flat and straight and long. Having mentioned this to Jeanette Lei, she had spoken with the owners, who she knows quite well, and they were all in favour. So I borrowed Eric's car and drove up to meet with Lynn Henderson, and inspected the strip and drove it, flushing a large bird of the same name as myself from the grass, a good omen I thought.

Lynn marked the approach fence with some orange cones, and later that afternoon with a pax from the deep south, John Baynes, I flew BFF in to Echolands, 51 years after my first time. BFF is shown sporting a set of race numbers from Aus. Only the numbers flew the Tasman.



Photo: Jerry Chisum

Johns done nearly 100 hours in BFF
this year – plus another 15 hours in
Tigers in Australia
– beat that!

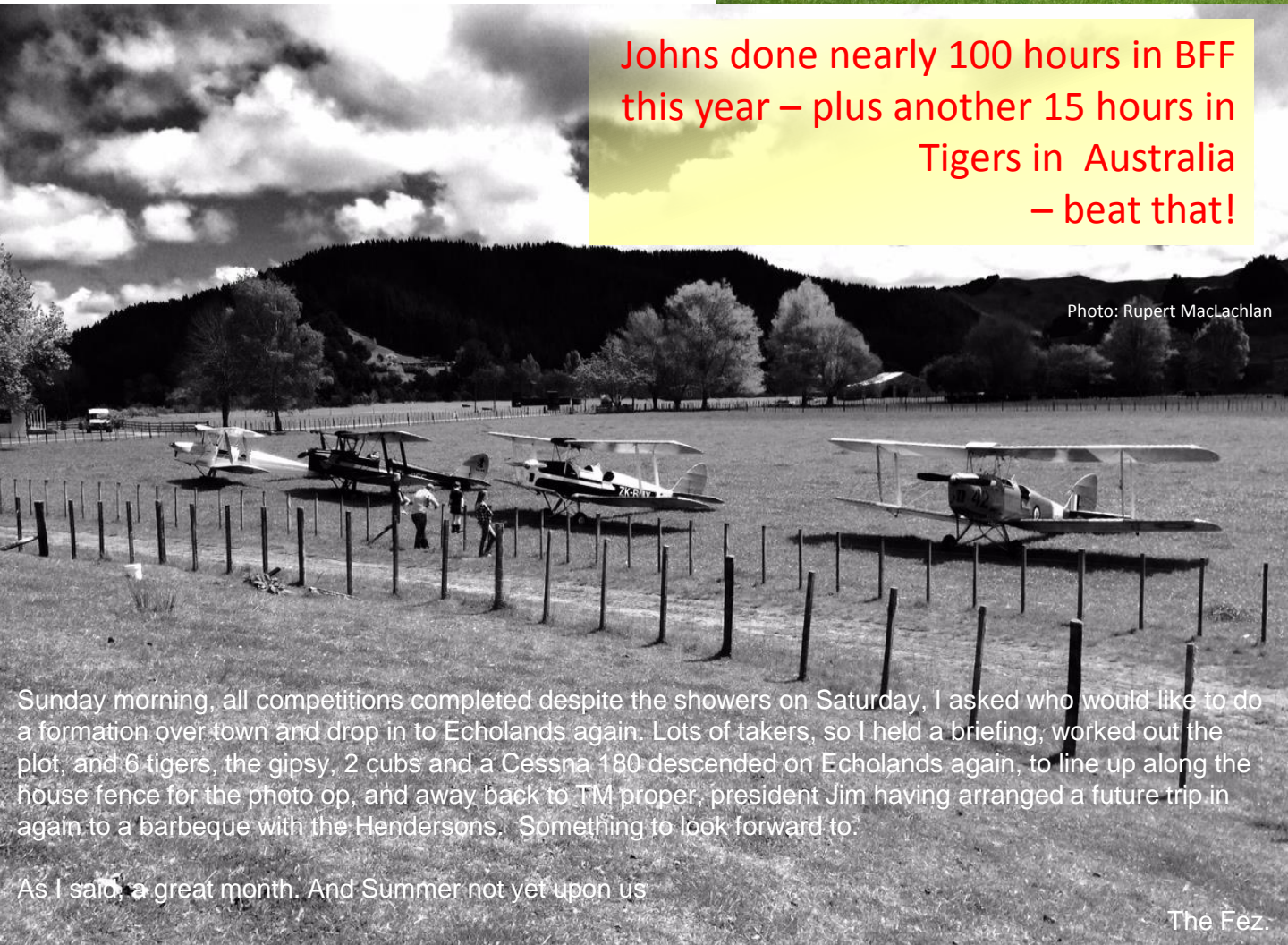


Photo: Rupert MacLachlan

Sunday morning, all competitions completed despite the showers on Saturday, I asked who would like to do a formation over town and drop in to Echolands again. Lots of takers, so I held a briefing, worked out the plot, and 6 tigers, the gipsy, 2 cubs and a Cessna 180 descended on Echolands again, to line up along the house fence for the photo op, and away back to TM proper, president Jim having arranged a future trip in again to a barbeque with the Hendersons. Something to look forward to!

As I said, a great month. And Summer not yet upon us

The Féz.

Napier Art Deco Weekend 2015

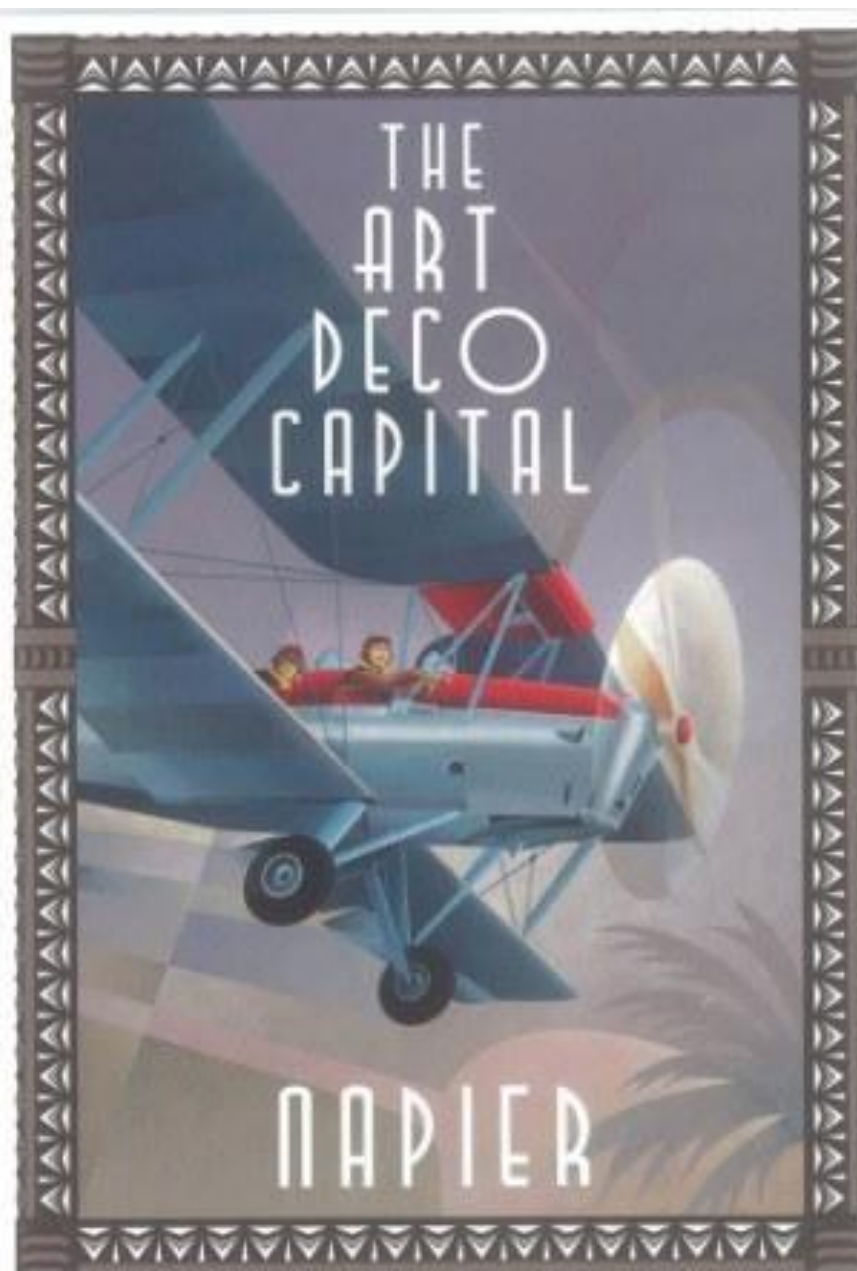
The club has been officially invited to participate at the Napier Art Deco Weekend of February 20th to 22nd 2015.

We will be hosted by the Napier Aero Club, who have accommodation arranged.

A good turn out of Tiger Moths is hoped for, with plenty of flying. Keep the weekend free.

For more information contact Graeme Wood

woody@clear.net.nz



TIGER MOTH CLUB OFFICIAL MERCHANDISE

After numerous requests from members and the public alike, your committee has been investigating merchandise opportunities.

Available now is the official club pin, for which limited numbers are available ex stock for the criminal price of \$15.00 plus post and packaging if necessary.

We also have a few 40th Anniversary badges available at \$10.00 each.

In response to great demand, the club has negotiated embroidered t-shirts at \$20.00 and embroidered polo shirts (with a pocket) at \$30.00 – excellent value so be sure to get in quick with your order.



	Size	Price	Quantity	Total
40th Anniversary badge		\$10		\$
Official Club Pin		\$15		\$
Embroidered T- Shirt		\$20		\$
Embroidered Polo Shirt		\$30		\$
Donation to Scholarship Fund				\$
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2015 Annual General Meeting Fly in Kaikohe Aerodrome, 6th – 8th March 2015

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