

October 2014 Newsletter

ZK-PXI



Landing Fees

The committee has been working with the Council to secure a deal for landing fees at the field for the next four years.

The Council has agreed to our proposal which is as follows; The two club aircraft and 35 members aircraft will have unlimited landing days for an annual fee of \$3500.

What this means to us is :

- An increase in club fees of \$10 per person to cover the cost of fees for the club aircraft.
- An additional fee of \$60 for the first 35 club members that want to get cheap landing fees for the next four years.

As you know fees for up to 50 days flying is now \$200 so this scheme represents a significant saving.

To be in for this just send me your registration and the first 35 are in. We can probably accommodate more but the deal is 35 with Council.

This will not happen until next July but I need to get the list to Council by the end of the year so we can set up our system.

You don't have to pay until your next sub is due in April 2015.

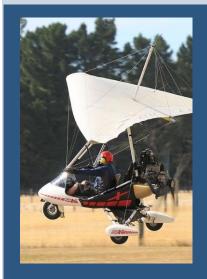
The alternative to this is you pay your own way with the Council at \$10 day.

Other News

The committee has accepted a proposal made to the Air New Zealand Flying club to offer them two hangar spaces in our existing hangar for two years.

October Highlights

- Landing Fee deal negotiated with WDC
- Very discounted rate available for Club Aircraft Owners who opt in
- \$10 per member Landing Fee cost added to Club membership to cover club aircraft
- Air NZ Flying club agreement accepted
- Concrete pad completed for new Number 1 Hangar





This has come about for two reasons:

- The Air NZ flying club was going to buy our old No2 hangar but were unable to finance at the time. The club has subsequently had its hangars removed and they have no home.
- Our new hangar is presently being built but costs have escalated due to new building codes and hikes in concrete and steel.

With the Air NZ club in trouble we see this as an opportunity to solve their problem and gain some well needed additional funding for the hangar. So from 01/11/14 one of their aircraft will be housed in the South end of the existing hangar. Our club aircraft will operated from the North and South until the new hangar is completed then the club planes will move to it. The Air NZ club will then have two planes at the South end of the existing hangar and the club member's planes can occupy the spare room in either hangar.

The Air NZ club will pay up front for the two years thus helping with our increased costs.

The Air NZ club will share our club house facilities and briefing room when we are not using it.

Please make these fellow aviators feel welcome. If you feel the need to further your experience you can do some aerobatic training and even go for your PPL at reasonable rates.

Remember this arrangement is only for two years and only covers the leasing of our hangar space and club rooms. No other arrangements have been made with their club.

On another positive note the new hangar is finally progressing well with the completion of the concrete pad this week.

Mike Sheffield President



Our own Test Pilot, Iceman, lifts the nose on ZK-MGK on it's first flight, with Mike watching on.

Photo: Brian Greenwood