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Peter Denison's
Tower Hobbies Fun 51
On its maiden flight.
See article.

H.C.R.F. Calendar 2018

Pony Club events Yellow highlight have been confirmed by the pony club 19 Jan 2018

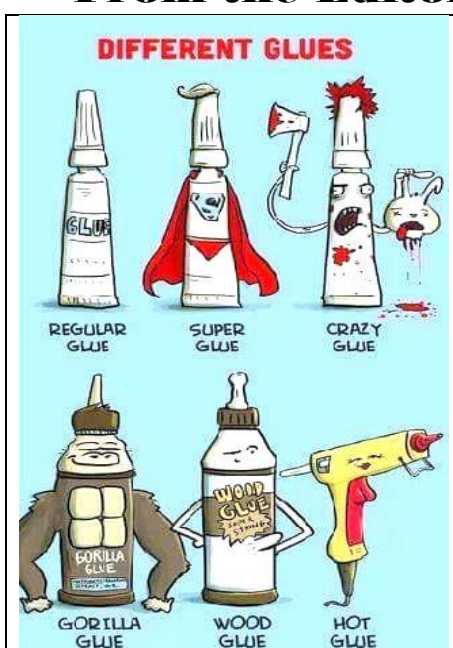
Pony Club Rally days are every Tuesday afternoon at the field restarting 16 Jan 2018.

As usual our fixed flying times are every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday morning.

Date	Day	Event	Where/When
06-Jan	Sat	Winch Gliding	Wainui 8.30 am - 12.00 noon
31-Jan	Wed	Twilight 3	Wainui 5-00 pm
03-Feb	Sat	Winch Gliding	Wainui 8.30 am - 12.00 noon
05-Feb	Mon	Club Night	Whangaparaoa Guide Hall 7-30 pm
07-Feb	Wed	Twilight 3 Rain Date	Wainui 5-00 pm
22-Feb	Thur	Twilight show jumping	Wainui 4pm (P.C.)
03-Mar	Sat	Winch Gliding	Wainui 8.30 am - 12.00 noon
05-Mar	Mon	Club Night	Whangaparaoa Guide Hall 7-30 pm
07-Mar	Wed	Twilight 4	Wainui 5-00 pm
08-Mar	Thur	Twilight show jumping	Wainui 4pm (P.C.)
14-Mar	Wed	Twilight 4 Rain Date	Wainui 5.00 pm
22-Mar	Thur	Twilight show jumping	Wainui 4pm (P.C.)
02-Apr	Mon	Club Night	Whangaparaoa Guide Hall 7-30 pm
07-Apr	Sat	Winch Gliding	Wainui 8.30 am - 12.00 noon
21-Apr	Sat	Show jumping day	Wainui All Day (P.C.)
05-May	Sat	Winch Gliding	Wainui 8.30 am - 12.00 noon



From the Editor's Desk



Well it's been all go on the farm what with the Weather Witch's eighty once. We put down a hangi for 50 people for Saturday and it took until Tuesday to get rid of the last over stayer.

Think about it, that's lunch, Hangi, breakfast, lunch dinner, repeat etc. plus morning and afternoon teas in between.

Never mind most of it was family and you have to forgive them don't you.

Ngairé enjoyed herself and Wander the witch flew well so all was good. Hope to get more building and flying done soon.

Ross McDonnell
Editor

From the President's Desk

Well here we go again folks Happy new Year.

A mixed bag weather wise but we have had some lovely flying this last couple of months, with another Twilight to look forward to on the 31st of January probably as you're reading this.

The hay has been cut so the Field and runways are in lovely condition.

Last Wednesday was a gorgeous day (apologies to you lot who have to work.) We had 16 turn up to fly - sure puts a smile on ones face.

So let's make the most of the summer, we deserve it after our winter, don't we?

Happy landings
Pete



FROM THE EDITOR

HELP If you have any contributions for the newsletter they would be appreciated.

We can accept most formats but would prefer long articles to be Emailed or on disk. (We're not much at tyeping, speeling and that sort of thing.) Photos are good, (as we have to do less at typing, spelling and that sort of thing,) and can be scanned and returned

If anyone has a new project that we can get photos of, that would be fantastic.

Hope you enjoy the newsletter

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Tower Hobbies Fun 51

By Pete Denison

A few weeks ago I woke up at 2.30 in the morning and trying to get back to sleep a conversation with Linton Evans floated into my head about one of his IC models he was flying. Telling me that it was one of his favourite models, just the right size to toss into the car , nice and simple , looks good and flies really well but I just couldn't remember its name and promptly fell asleep .

So the next day I texted him and a couple of minutes later got a reply. It's a "Tower Hobbies Fun 51." He also sent along the website so I could just click on to, " so I clicked and brilliant .

Specifications

Wing Span 44 in

Wing Area 627 sq/in

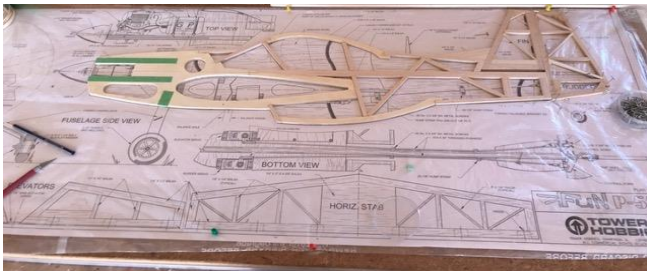
Length 34.5 in

Wing loading 13 oz. /sq. ft

Motor .35 to .51 (I've gone for a OS Max 46AX-11.)
and quick to build in under a day they reckoned.



So I've just found my Christmas present and ordered one. \$58.00 U.S free delivery inside the USA. So it went to the NZ Post warehouse in the states and they charged me \$40.00 NZ to get it down to me. It took about a week - two and a half weeks total. Arriving just before Christmas.



The build was really enjoyable, the detailed drawing was one of the best I've worked with and along with the instruction book everything fitted together as it should. The big joke of the build was its "build in a day," statement. Took me three weeks but as I said a really enjoyable three weeks.

So I've run a couple of tanks through the motor and now just waiting for this eternal wind to go away hopefully before this coming weekend.

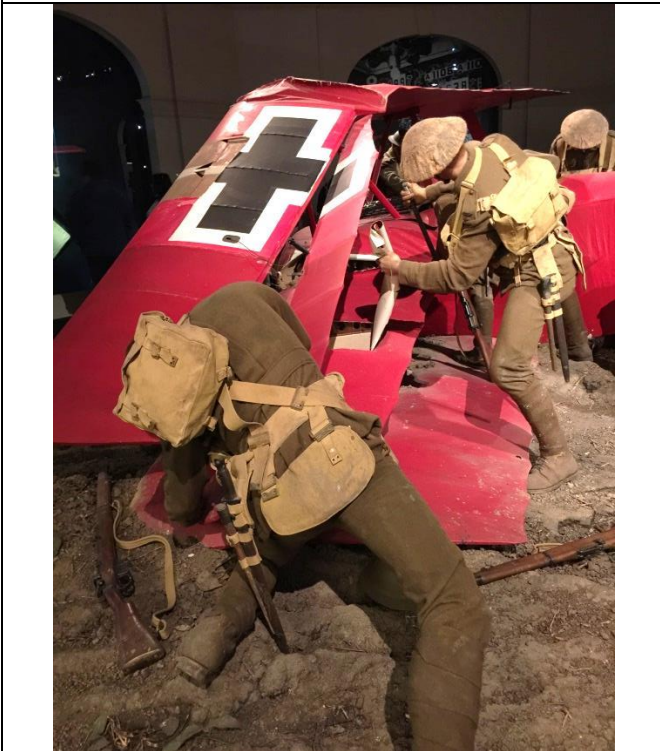
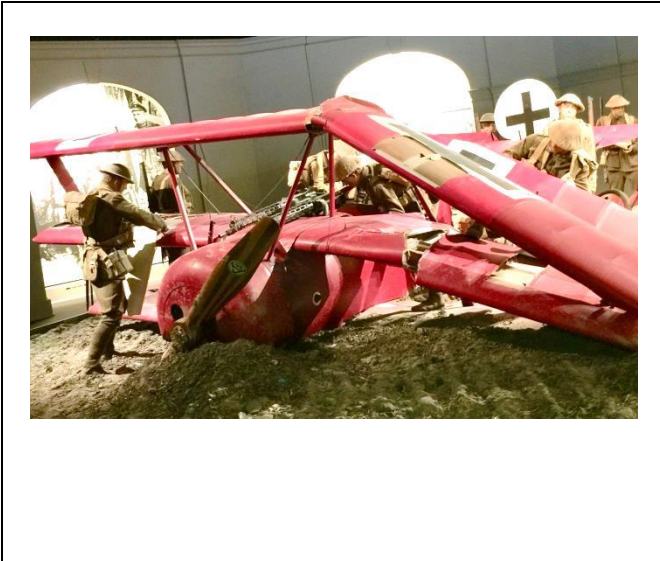


PS.
It flies
great.



Never walk a mile in my shoes. You will just end up drunk, lost and looking for your shoes.

Henny Remkes's visit to Omaka Air Museum



The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims".



The doctors that told Stephen Hawking he had two years to live in 1953 are probably dead.

E-Volo Volocopter VC200

Is this the way we will be getting to the flying fields in the near future?



Also known as MultiCopter, the Volocopter is a personal aerial vehicle made of fibre composite material in light-weight design. It runs on an all-electric propulsion system for its 18 rotors powered by 9 independent batteries.



Developed from the VC1, a radio controlled VC200 performed a first flight on November 17, 2013. The first manned flight took place on March 30, 2016

Specifications

Range: 27 km

Introduced: 2012

First flight: November 2013

National origin: Germany

Developed from: E-volo VC1

It would take a braver man than me to test fly the E Volo VC1. (Ed.)

It would however make a show stopping model though.



If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than there were before.

AROUND THE CLUB



Neale Baird's flight trolley



Did I hear a complaint about the food?



Would have been a 100 point landing for Ross Mac, if that was the spot



Peter Boyd's Piper Cherokee



Ngaire got a Bay named after her for her 81st birthday.



Oh and a Marae

Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.