

ROTORUA MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB (INC)

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Welcome to the SEPTEMBER 2024 newsletter

A rather small newsletter this month. We desperately need a few contributions to help fill the pages. If you have something interesting on the go take some pix add some words and share the info.

Plenty of activity recently when the weather has allowed. Unfortunate we didn't manage to record any times for the NDC Vintage Duration and Precision events in August. We did better this month with 1/2 Texaco managing to record some times on the 12th.

The pot luck dinner on the 24th was a great night with lots of yummy food and good company. Feedback from all those that attended agreed.

I recently came across probably the best guide to using Lipo batteries I've seen. This guy explains things in lay mans terms

<https://dronebotworkshop.com/lipo-safety/>

Our Wings examiners have passed the new MFNZ exam with flying colours.

Dylan is now solo and after more practice today (15th) is ready for his wings test.

Great to see Trevor having a go on the club trainer also.

Italian Tomboy International Kiwis do well

Five of our members competed in this years Tomboy international postal event and did pretty well. The event allowed you to make as many flights as you liked during the year and submit your longest flight. We did pretty well with the following results. Congratulations to all those that competed. An excellent effort again this year.

Josh	7 th
John	8 th
Andrew	11 th
Dave	12 th
Tim	15 th

Allan Knox from Christchurch won the event.

Vintage and Classic weekend November 16 & 17

Our vintage and classic Rally is not to far away now. Two more Hummingbirds are underway for the Hummingbird 1/2A Texaco event.

This affair is for Classic (pre 1975) and Vintage (pre 1950) Models. Will Callum dust off the

Black Magic with its PAW diesel?

Lease Renewed

We recently received confirmation that our Lease has been renewed and the rental will remain the same.

The Presidents Bit

Over the last few weeks a few of the keen ones have been out and made the most of the chances to fly, including a couple of new guys doing buddy box training.

With the weather beginning to warm up, hopefully we will see more members getting motivated. I know there are many nice models within the club that haven't seen the light of day for awhile, so dust them off, check them out, charge them up and bring 'em out.

Having said that, Spring weather is likely to produce more wind, however the morning session usually provides some opportunities for all to "get up there".

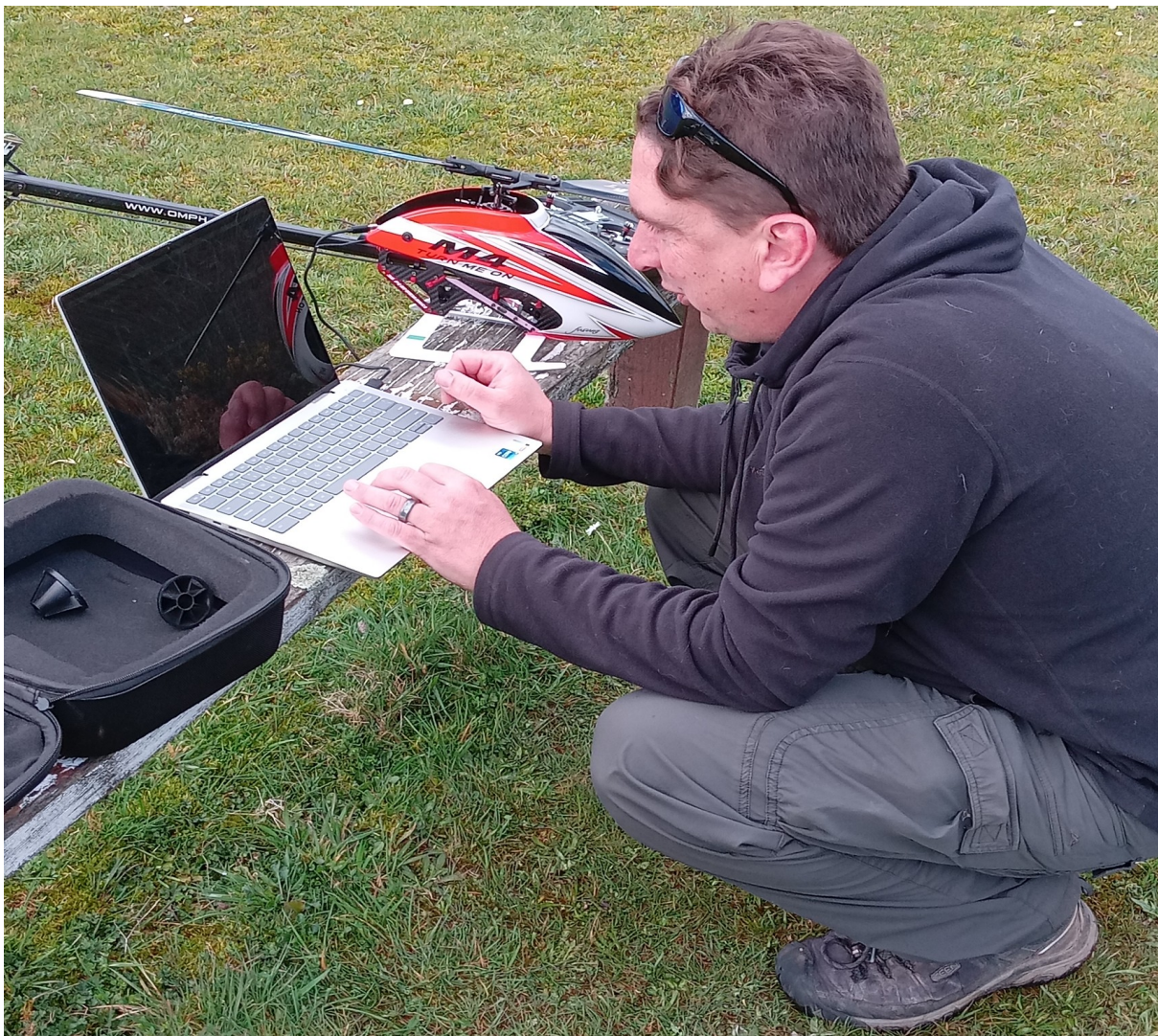
Random stuff.



These No8 craft clamps are very useful for modelers, and they are only \$14.00 a pair, and can be easily converted to spreaders if need be. (Mitre 10 currently).

(That looks like a Hummingbird plan Ed)

This is how Graham fine tunes the set up on his helicopter



**THE IDEA HAD TO
COME FROM SOMEWHERE**



FOR SALE

The Club has a number of small items for sale like hinges and other small items. Contact any Committee member for details.

Beginners model for sale

Arising Star

- Complete with servos and ASP 46
- Test flown and ready to fly just requires a receiver and battery pack.
- Another good beginners model.
- Has had a bit of use but has plenty of life left



If you are interested in this model we can arrange a buddy box trial flight.

Contact John on 020 4118 5597

COMING EVENTS

Sep

NDC ½ Texaco
29th Jets at Tokoroa

Oct

12 &13th Scale Aerobatics at Galatea
18 &19 MANZ at Matamata

Nov

2 Warbirds at Matamata
10th Combat at Tauranga
16th &17 Rotorua Vintage and Classic Rally
NDC Vintage R/C Duration & Precision

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**SATURDAY
2ND NOV 2024**



WARBIRDS OVER WAHAROA

Briefing 9:30am - Contact Mike Briggs 027 289 1350 for more info
BBQ Lunch with Fresh Buns - Wings Badge required - Join us for a day of Warbirding !!

Future Event

Rotorua Vintage and Classic Weekend

16th / 17th Nov 2024



Preparations are underway for this new event on the flying calendar at a venue not previously used.

Take a mini-break over the weekend of 16th and 17th November to fly Vintage and to explore the Rotorua thermal area.

Non-competition with one exception, see below*. Fly all those Vintage and Classic models that we don't usually see at competitions, as well as the regular ones.

With the interest in single channel emulation 2.4 radios, this will be an opportunity to fly these if you are already involved, or to see them flown if you are still multi-channel.

* There will be a Special Competition for the Modelair Hummingbird :

Hummingbird R/C 1/2A Texaco

Got your Hummingbird organised? We have five starters so far - there's room for more!!

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