

Vintage Times

Newsletter of Vintage Gliders Australia

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VINTAGE RALLY - HUNTER VALLEY 2024

Slingsby Family Reunion



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2024 Vintage Rally at Warkworth.

Over the Easter long weekend the members of the Hunter Valley Gliding Club held their annual Vintage Glider Rally. Most years family commitments prevented us from attending. However this year the calendar was clear, so we decided to take the T21 along. As it lives on an open trailer we had to time, the dash, into NSW to miss the weather.

On arrival fellow Slingsby owner and HVGC CFI, Paul Dickson greeted us like long lost kin. As we were a week early we settled down in the camp ground and waited for the weekend to start.

From Victoria, Peter Raphael turned up with his newly painted Bocian, and Dave and Jenne Goldsmith with their Ka6e.

From Queensland, Brian, Dennis and Pat turned up with their Ka6cr.

Attending the rally was the T21, Bocian, Ka6e, Ka6cr, M200, Hutter28, SF27m, and Dart17R.

Weather was warm for the weekend and we had great flights all three days.

The Heritage Trophy was set to be the challenge for the weekend. Andrew Dickson set the standard in the Dart17R which all would attempt to beat. My task was to get as many people into the T21 as possible.

The team at HVGC did a great job at feeding us and all praise goes out to the ringmaster,

Rob Moffat and his team of helpers.

The "I wish I had a Dart" trophy remained with team Dickson with Jenne outlanding her Ka6 on the last day in an attempt to turn it into the

"Dart Killer" Trophy.

It took flying just about everyone on the judging panel, for the T21 to win the "Peoples Choice award". Somehow the smiles on their faces said it all as we were pleased that she was so well received.

The road home was not going to be as smooth as the trip up. Weather was closing fast and we were forced to leave the T21 at Warkworth till a better solution could be found. Again the crowd at HVGC stepped up to help us out.

Thanks again.

David and Rosie Howse



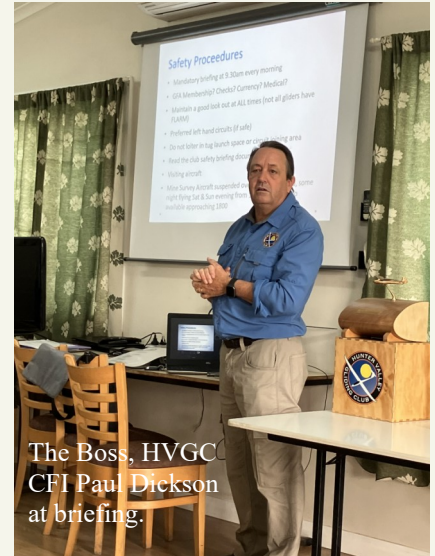
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Bones, riding shotgun for Peter Raphael.



On the road home. Its just short of 1000Kms round trip.



The Boss, HVGC CFI Paul Dickson at briefing.



Arie and Rosie going for a flight in the M200



Dave and Jenne Goldsmith, T21



On finals to 01 at Warkworth, and yes, that's High Voltage power lines.

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The idea of a dawn flight was put forward for Easter Sunday. This required us to get up early, do our DI by torch light. The Bocian got to show off her Navigation Lights (standard on this Polish Glider). However, as you can see in the photo's the fog rolled in forcing us to abandon the idea in favour of a nice hot breakfast and a cup of tea.





There are still projects out there waiting to be restored .

We stopped off on the way home to look at this fantastic collection of vintage gliders.

Thank's Jim for letting us look at your amazing aircraft.

Mucka Standard, Nymph, T31, Ka8, and Blanik.



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Form 2 concession approval on 0407 417 747

Vintage Gliders Australia was formed to help and promote the flying and maintenance of older gliders. With their unique flying characters and individual airworthiness problems this group sets out to assist anyone interested in these wonderful flying machines.

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Upcoming Events

November 2024

- Australian Gliding Museum AGM and open day. Melbourne cup day weekend.



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