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# ROSKILL MODELLERS CLUB NEWS

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<http://roskillmodellersclub.wordpress.com/>

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Seen at the PMAC Warbirds, Chris had his large Spit waiting for a patrol.

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## Editorial :

Just when we thought we were getting an extended Indian Summer "the weather Gods" conspired to thwart us but never mind, the grounds continue to consolidate and improve with the grassed areas now well covered. Many thanks to Ken Buckley and all those Highbrook Flyers who came down on a Saturday morning to spread more topsoil into the hollows, a great effort guys and finished so quickly.

It is pleasing to be able to report that the two Tonys are now on the path to recovery and able to get to the field to fly.

Antony your club captain has been out and about visiting all the different Auckland club events that have been happening at this time of year (see the photos / reports in this newsletter).

## Editorial cont.:

A new committee was elected at this year's AGM with one new member, Steve Hutchinson, joining us. Many thanks to Paul Murray, one of Roskill Modellers who has stepped down this year. Paul is one of the longest serving members giving years of service to the club. We are glad you will still be at the field teaching the next generation of flyers the deft art of RC flying. Thanks also to Denis for his efforts this past year and who has also stepped down.

Remember to keep an eye on the club blog as this has the most updated info about the club.  
<http://roskillmodellersclub.wordpress.com/>

A polite reminder that Club fees and Highbrook landing fees are now overdue and nobody should not be using the field until these fees are settled. We have an excellent facility here and must all do our bit to see it is maintained and run in a safe and dignified manner. Also please remember, "Safety is not an Option!"

**Co Editors:** Antony Wright and Tony Vaughan



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**Your new committee for 2012-2013:**

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Vic President:	Tony Vaughan	622 0926	a.vaughan@xtra.co.nz
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Antony Wright



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## Register of Model Flying Instructors:

Instructors are available to Roskill Modellers Club members by arrangement.  
Please contact an Instructor to make a convenient time.

The club has two electric Cessna trainers which can be used to teach you to fly RC and gain your wings, both on buddy boxes (mode one).

We are indebted to Mike Hawkins a long time aero modeller and supporter of the club for the funds to set these models up. Mike resides in Thailand.

### Mode One:

Paul Murray ( has a club trainer ) 622 2115

John Webber 817 5111

Jock Clark 021 956 252

John Dykes 626 5048

Antony Wright ( has a club trainer ) 021 658 596



### Mode Two:

A Visser 626 0166

### Helicopters:

Fernando Lopez 021 1732031

Brent Love 021322254



## Safety Notice:

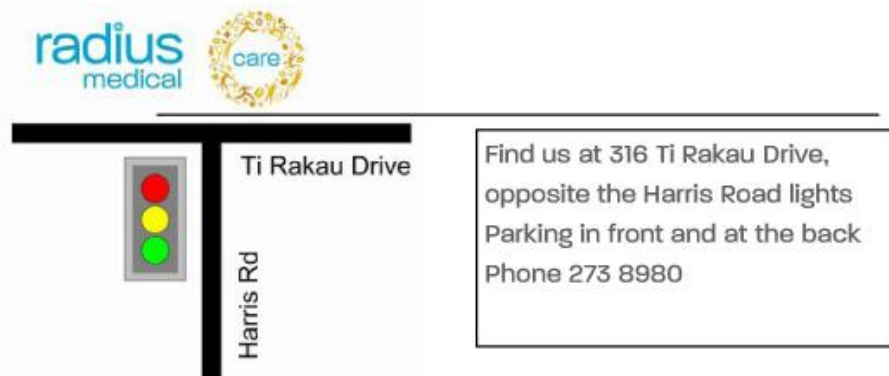
No model flyer plans to have an accident whilst enjoying their hobby and fortunately accidents are few and far between. However, they do happen and so it is proper that all of us, as responsible active individuals, to prepare ourselves just in case.

To ensure there is no mystery about where to take a colleague for medical help whilst at Highbrook Airfield, we include a location map of the Accident and Emergency clinic that is closest to our park.

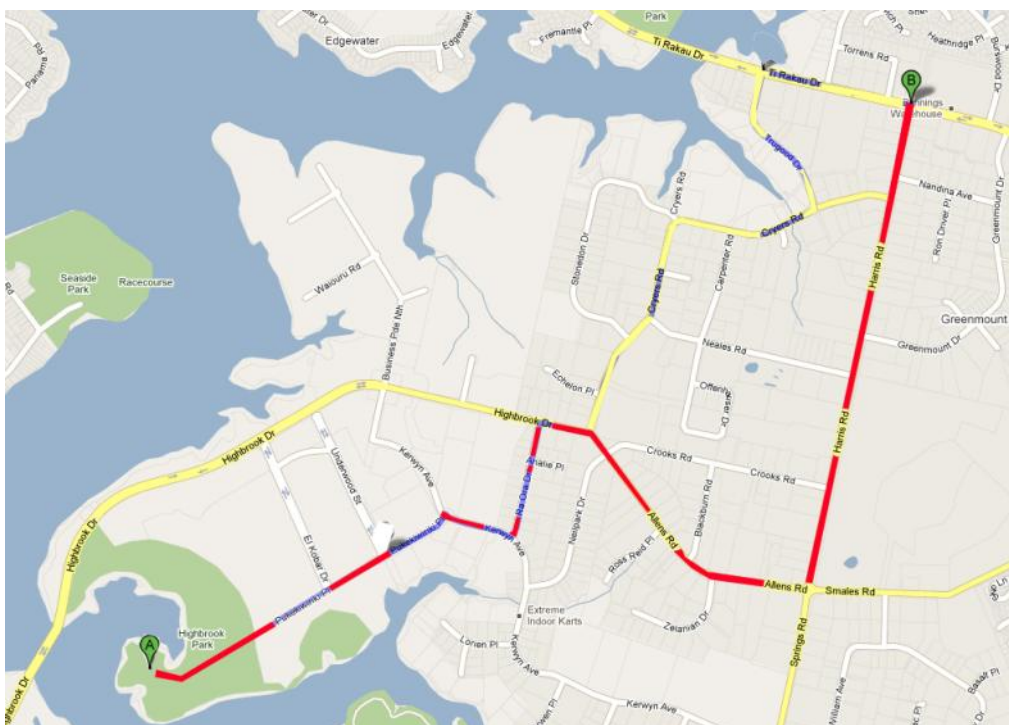
The clinic (Radius Medical) is open seven days a week from 0700 - 2200hrs and is about ten mins. drive away. So don't delay in taking a fellow flyer there if need be. Please take note of this address as it's better to have it, and not need it, than the opposite scenario. Load it onto your cellphone as you read this.

Of course, if the situation is considered serious enough, phone for an Ambulance on Ph 111.

This is the very reason **the safety rules** of flying at Highbrook Airfield **requires at least two people on site outside of club hours.**



[www.radiusmedical.co.nz](http://www.radiusmedical.co.nz)



## The Club Captain's Report:

Well it's been a while since the last newsletter as yours truly has been a bit busy work wise and also getting in a lot of flying in, both at Highbrook and other club events around Auckland over the past few months, there was nearly one per week.

As mentioned earlier we all wish the two Tonys all the best and a speedy recovery from their very serious health issues.

We had our Open Day back in March but while the weather was a bit rough at the start we had a number of people turn up in the end, both flyers and the general public.

The flying field at Highbrook has been in a great condition over the last month. I've even been able to get my new 1100mm wingspan electric duct fan Vampire off the ground with its small wheels, *'power / thrust means everything'*.

As mentioned in the editors comments, we had a most successful working bee to put some more top soil in the low areas so hopefully there wont be too many wet areas over the winter months.

See you all down on the flight line.

Antony Wright



# Member profile:

**Name:** Steve Hutchison aka 'Hutch'

**Work;** Griffin's I.T. Manager

**How long have you worked at Griffin's:** 38 years,  
8 months, 25 days

**Your favourite Griffin's Biscuit:** There have been many over the years as tastes have changed. Favourite of all time was Sammies (manufactured in the early 90's) and still Gingersnits.

**Earliest memory of Griffin's:** Was seeing an advertisement on the side of a building in Wellington when a young fella that simple announced Griffins as "Oven Fresh" and my Mother telling me how she had worked at the advertising agency that had come up with that. Along with buying biscuits by the pound (weight) at the local Grocers. Then 1<sup>st</sup> job interview at the Hamilton Sales Branch for the role of Office Manager.

**Favourite thing to do outside of work:** Race my sports car. It is a Chevron Classic Sports. It is a Lotus 7 look-alike. I built this from a kit between 1993 and 1995 as a road car. Started racing it after moving to Auckland end of 1995. It has been through a number of re-builds and several different power plants. Currently undergoing yet another rebuild.

**Other interests:** Keen rugby follower, motor racing, building and flying radio control model airplanes.



"Steve just got his wings, congrats from as all,  
now it's on to a scale model or aerobatics"

# Emails in:

Ken Buckley

Hi Ant,

A few pixs attached - some of the interesting displays at the Wanaka Airshow over Easter.

Ken B





# Emails in:

Ken Buckley - 08/05/2012

Hi Guys,

Some pixs from Saturday morning at Waharoa for the annual MANZ meeting  
38 pilots eventually registered - about 50 models.

Perfect weather both days.

Ant - you might be able to use these.

Ken B



# Highbrook Open Day 2012:

Another open day has come and gone, this time in mid February to try and take advantage of more settled weather. It didn't quite work out that way, this is Auckland we are talking about. The early morning started out a bit wet but slowly improved during the day.

Thanks to all who made this as in the end it was a very successful and fun flying day. And to Hobby City for the spot prizes. Also John for the DVD prizes.



# Highbrook Open Day 2012:



Dragging the loos down from the top of the bank, thanks Chris for the tow/lift.

## Up coming events:

The Model X Committee presents: **Something for Everyone**  
**HOBBY SHOW**  
**MODEL X 2012**  
**QUEENS BIRTHDAY WEEKEND**  
**JUNE 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**WEST WAVE** Alderman Drive  
**Recreation Centre** Henderson  
**OPEN - Sat. & Sun. 9am - 5pm**  
**Mon. 9am - 4pm**  
**ADULTS \$6.00**  
**CHILDREN, SENIOR CITIZENS & STUDENTS (with pass) \$3.00**  
**CHILD (under 5 years) FREE**  
**Family (2 adults+2children) \$15.00**  
**REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**  
**LOTS OF PARKING**  
**AIRFIX**  
**www.model-x.org.nz**  
**TOYWORLD**  
**WHERE THE BEST TOYS COME FROM**

Yes it that time again for Model X out at Henderson and Roskill Modellers are again going to have a stand to promote our hobby and club. It has been very successful in the pass with many people taking an interest. I would say one of the best stands at the event.

Again we are looking for people to man the stand for periods over the long weekend. Please contact Ken for the detail re this, 625 4311.

# Up coming events: The first club night for 2012

There is to be the first club night for 2012 at our new meeting location. As per the AGM location. The Methodist church hall. This is a great venue with a newest kitchen and easy parking out the front.

The night will be a **Show & Tell**, so bring along your latest project i.e. planes / anything really. There will also be some flight sims running to test your skills.

Date: 20th June

Time: 7.15pm

Location: 202 Hillsborough Road , Hillsborough.



# Photo Gallery:

General flying both at Highbrook and elsewhere by our club members. Also the odd trip to things aeronautical.



# Photo Gallery:



TV filming at Highbrook, 'Kids get inventing'



# Photo Gallery: The working bee to spread the top soil at Highbrook, a great turnout.





# Photo Gallery:



Big planes at Clevedon flyin



# Photo Gallery:



# Photo Gallery: Another trip to Ardmore to check the progress of the Mossie



# Photo Gallery:

The ex Tim Wallis Spit Mk.XIVe rebuild at Ardmore, a bit fuzzy due to cell phone photos.



# Photo Gallery:

## Springhill scale



# Photo Gallery:

## P<sub>MAC</sub> Warbirds



# Club Highbrook flying times:

Also check the club web page and blog for events.

Every Saturday - Club Flying at Highbrook

Every Sunday - Club Flying at Highbrook

Every Wednesday - Club Flying at Highbrook

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