

## Chairman's Report 2017

Welcome everyone to the NZRCAA AGM. It's only been 9 months since my Chairman's report at the Easter Nats in April. Our joint sig of IMAC and Precision Aerobatics have been making steady progress but still need an injection of new faces from club level, "So everybody that is here tonight please try hard and run club aerobatics back in in their local clubs over the next 12 months. It can be basic or sportsman IMAC or sportsman precession and give clubs a taste of Aerobatic flying and hopefully gain some new members for the future IMAC."

Firstly I'd like to thank both Frazer and Ross and their sub committee's IMAC and Precision Aerobatics for all the work behind the scenes and also Noeline for doing a lot of work with the administration as secretary and treasurer. As a committee we are endeavouring to have more regular meetings in the hope we can be more organized and aid the promotion our sport and help encourage others into it.

Well done to Frazer and Mike organizing Two IMAC events at Galatea. It's nice to see the local community supporting these events as well. It feels like the good old days of Taupo and Turangi, it's worth the drive to the next friendly comp at Galatea in late February 'The Galatea Rumble'

Precession Aerobatics has seen a few pilots travel in the last few months with James Danby traveling to Gannadah in NSW Australia last September for the NSW vs Queensland Comp which was also combined with the Alfred Pye memorial, He placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in F3A. Well done James

We sent a team to the 2016 AOC in Taiwan which included Andrew, James, and Anthony with Suetona as Team Manager, they all flew beyond their potential with Andrew making the semi's placing 15<sup>th</sup>, James finishing 16<sup>th</sup> and was unlucky to not get through with Anthony 17<sup>th</sup>, 15-16-17<sup>th</sup> is a fantastic result for New Zealand.

I would just like to thank Model Flying NZ for their funding towards the team that was organised with help from Noeline, It made a big difference in helping New Zealand to get a full team to the AOC again and has also helped keep the momentum going in our discipline.. At the end of October the Palmers and I travelled to Albury for the APA Champs. This is Australia's second biggest pattern event and worth travelling to if you should get the opportunity.

Andrew was unfortunate to have mechanical problems but flew strongly when everything was running well. I flew well and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in F3A

Going forward we are hosting a Trans Tasman in the Hawkes Bay with keen interest from the Auisse's to fly which should be a good comp. And this year the F3A World Championships will be held in Argentina at the start of November which is looking promising to get a full team there.

On a sad note we lost a great friend and fellow pilot Anthony Hall last month. Rest in Peace Mate.

Good luck and enjoy the Nats everyone. Have fun.  
Regards Hamish Galloway