



The Air Training Corps Association Of New Zealand
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No 5 Squadron (RODNEY DISTRICT).

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PARENT SUPPORT COMMITTEE

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Introducing your committee for 2021!

Your new parent support committee for No. 5 (Rodney District) Squadron, Air Training Corps for 2021 is:

Chairman:	Greg Ward	Parent of CDT T Ward & CDT L Ward
Treasurer:	Katherine Williams	Parent of SGT Z Williams & CDT L Williams
Secretary:	Eva Popper	Parent of CDT Y Popper
Committee members:		
	Arlis Borckelmans	Parent of A/CPL S Borckelmans & ex-LAC Borckelmans
	Gary Brown	Parent of ex-CPL Brown, & ex-CPL Brown Chairman - Auckland Council's Hibiscus & Bays Local Board
	John Arthur	Parent of F/S C Gamman & LAC P Gamman
	John Germain & Jerry Germain	Parent & Grandparent of CDT P Germain
	Megan Jenkins	Parent of CDT O Jenkins
	Melvin Wiki	Parent of CDT M Cooper-Wiki
	Mike Blaine	Parent of A/CPL C Blaine & two ex-CPL C Blaine's

Thank you

A huge thanks to Mike Blaine and Emma Williams, who have stepped down from their roles of Chairman and Secretary after many years of dedicated commitment to the Parent Support Committee. We are lucky to still have Mike on the committee and his years of knowledge and experience will be a great asset in the coming months. We wish Emma Williams all the best and thank her for all her hard work over the years; She will be missed from the committee.

Term 1 Events

Thank you to all cadets and parents who assisted at the two marathons in Term 1. The following funds were raised for the unit:

- Coatesville Half Marathon – Sunday 14th February 2021 \$2,323.75
- Auckland Waterfront Marathon – Sunday 11th April 2021 \$4,091.25

Thank you also to cadets and parents who helped at the North Shore Aero Club Open Day and with the cleaning of the plaques/placement of new poppies at the Hibiscus Coast RSA prior to ANZAC Day. Although we did not receive any remuneration for this community service, these events were important to help build and maintain the essential relationships we have with these organisations as well as the cadets giving back to the community.

We are moving our home base

After many years of No. 5 (Rodney District) Squadron ATC being based at the Hibiscus Coast RSA, sadly we are required to find a new home. The RSA is in the process of selling the portion of land that includes the bowling club that we use as our home base and is expected to be finalised by September 2021. Also, as our unit continues to grow in numbers, we need to acquire a premises that better meets our current and future needs.

The Committee have assisted the Unit Commander to locate an alternative suitable location as quickly as possible, and at a cost that is affordable. Please bear in mind, we receive no government or Defence Force funding towards our operational costs and this includes rent. We will be relying on fundraising and sponsorship to cover our future annual rental costs.

We are pleased to announce that we have come to an agreement with the **North Shore Aero Club** to conduct our parade nights from this location at **300 Postman Road, Dairy Flat**. We anticipate moving our base to this location in the next 6-8 weeks.

We believe this location will meet our needs and will provide additional benefits such as allowing us to engage in more air-based activities, including physical interaction with aircraft and discounted flying opportunities for our cadets. There is some minor work required at the premises to fit it out for our requirements and so we are appealing for any registered builders in the Squadron Cadet family or friends to please let us know ASAP if you can help out.

The cost of the new premises is approximately \$7,000 greater per annum than our current location, so we are planning to rent advertising space at the new premises to cover these increased costs. We plan to offer these spots for rent at prices between \$1,000 to \$10,000 each, for periods ranging from 6 months to 5 years. In the first instance, we are asking if any cadet parents or their friends/family would like to purchase an advertising spot, and ask you to register your interest with us by emailing our treasurer, Katherine Williams, on treasurer@5squadron.org.nz. The advertising spot will give you the benefits of roadside advertising at 300 Postman Road, plus a mention on our website www.5squadron.org.nz. In addition, you get a business tax deduction, along with the recognition of supporting a valuable local youth organization in your community.

SAVE THE DATES - Planned Fundraising Events & Activities 2021:

24 July 2021	Quiz night fundraiser	(deferred from 2020) Red Beach SLSC
20 September 2021	Unit Dine-in	Cadets and Parents Formal Dinner (unable to hold this event in 2020)
5 December 2021	Omaha Half Marathon	Cadets and Some Parents required to help
15 December 2021 (TBC)	Movie Night (Top Gun 2)	(deferred from 2020)

Thank you

Next Parent Support Committee meeting

Wednesday 2nd June 2021 7.00pm

New members for 2021 are always welcome, please email committee@5squadron.org.nz if you are interested in joining us or would like to attend to see what we do before joining.

