

Newsletter September 2019



FROM THE CEO

What a year!

Stepping down as Chief Engineer and making the decision to move to Wanaka was not an easy decision as I have loved working with our clients, our staff and building the business. Having a chance to be closer to family and spend more time with them was a big part of this decision. I fully support James and his new role as Chief Engineer and I know he will lead with passion and at times some stress. We appreciate your support and understanding. I will remain as CEO and trust Pip will keep me in touch on a daily basis.

People can make a difference and I trust the team, and our Exposition and SMS.

Dave
CEO

Greetings from the Team

Winter is almost over, and we look forward to spring. There have been a few changes this year with James stepping into the Chief Engineer role and Dean Yeoman taking on the role of Deputy Chief Engineer. Stuart left earlier this year, after 11 years with our team. Trudi has stepped into his role for Technical Records with enthusiasm. We look forward to the changes and as always strive for excellence in these evolving times.

BBQ Invite Venue: Heli Maintenance

Saturday 21st September at 3.00 pm.

Please join us for afternoon drinks and a BBQ at HML to celebrate Dave's change, meet staff and enjoy the company of clients, partners and friends.

Terms of Trade

Our Terms of Trade have been updated. Please view them on our website.

Hourly Rate

Heli Maintenance will be increasing our standard maintenance hourly rate to \$115 as of 1st October 2019.

Aircraft Insurance

Although Heli Maintenance hold liability insurance, we have been advised by our insurer to inform clients to maintain their own cover while their aircraft are at our facility.

MIL-134



The MIL-134 has recently completed its test flight schedule with thanks to Neil Scott.

Video link [MIL-34c Flight Video.mp4](#)

3rd Party Audits

Recent SMS inclusion has identified that clients will be conducting 3rd Party audits. Please contact us early to book a time for you to visit and complete your annual maintenance audit.

Maintenance Control

An information letter is being sent to all private operators. This will clarify their responsibilities regarding Maintenance Control of their aircraft, and a new service we will be offering to assist with this process.

Safety Manager

Al Nicholson is working alongside the team to ensure all SMS processes and procedures are consistently managed. Al has been instrumental in the HML business for over 10 years. He wrote our 145 exposition, worked as Deputy Chief Engineer and developed the Access Parts programme. Heli Maintenance is very lucky to have him in this important role.

Welcome to:



Dean Yeoman

Dean has joined our team in July, having returned to NZ after a six-year stint in Southern Africa as a Pilot/Engineer operating AS350B2 Squirrels. He has 46 years' experience in aviation as an engineer and pilot. Having begun with Bell 47's and Hiller 12E's in the early seventies, he's worked on many types through to BK117's, with extensive experience on AS350's.

Dean is married to Kaylene and has 4 children & 3 grandchildren. He enjoys mountain biking, hiking, camping, his old Ford Model A and plays in a jazz band.

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Jean-Pierre Smith

JP has settled in very quickly and is very much a part of the team since arriving from Cape Town, South Africa in January. We enjoy his positivity and energy, hearing his stories, and taste testing his cuisine. JP's engineering strength is Squirrels and EC120's.

JP is married to Chantal.

Jason Millichamp

Jason Millichamp will come on board full time mid-September 2019. Jason is a very experienced LAME with LTS101, Arriel, RR-M250 series engines, group 2 airframe & BK 117 experience. He lives in Canterbury and is married with three boys.

Farewell to Mike Weed

Mike has been with us since August 2016 and has enjoyed expanding his experience. His knowledge and experience on the AS350's & B206's has been invaluable. He is moving to be closer to family in the North Island in October. We are sad to see Mike go and we wish him and his family all the best with their future.

Professional Development

There have been a few courses happening this year for the team.

- Caitlin has been to Queenstown and completed a CAANZ Maintenance Controllers' course.
- Kat, Bob, Trudi and Keith recently completed a Human Factors course.
- Dave, James and Al attended an Aviation Incident Investigation course.
- Trudi attended a course on Aviation Auditing.
- Al & Pip attended a two-day SMS course.
- James is attending a Robinson Component Maintenance Course in America mid October 2019.

Staff recently completed "The Respectful Workplace" workshop. Thank you to the Business Chamber of Commerce for presenting this.

Website

We have recently had a professional photographer in to take photos of the team, we have added some of these photographs to our website <http://www.helimaintenance.co.nz/>

Aircraft for Sale

MD520N FOR SALE, 1992 SN LN027 5130 TTSN, please refer to our website for further information.

We thank you for your continuing support and look forward to seeing you at our upcoming BBQ.

*Kind Regards
Dave and Pip Ives*