

2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship

Who was Kirk Dakers?

Kirk Dakers was an enthusiastic young man who began his flight training with Nelson Aviation College in January 2009 and progressed quickly through his study to achieve his Instructor Rating. He had a passion for everything to do with aviation and was employed by Nelson Aviation College to pass on that passion and his extensive knowledge of *Principles of Flight and General Aircraft Technical Knowledge* to other students. Kirk was a naturally talented and completely relaxed pilot.

Sadly, Kirk was afflicted with an aggressive cancer and he passed away in 2014. This Scholarship was created in his memory and to acknowledge the positive contribution he made to aviation.

How will this scholarship benefit me?

- One Kirk Dakers Memorial Scholarship of \$3,000 (incl GST) is available to assist applicants with their flight training.

Do I qualify?

- You must be ≥ 15 and < 18 years old on 1 December 2020
- You must have been a Flying NZ Young Eagle for more than 6 months or be a foundation member of a Young Eagles programme that has operated for less than 6 months



No Aero Club shall enter more than one applicant. Clubs may determine the method of selection of their applicants if more than one member of their club wishes to apply for the scholarship.

How do I apply?

- Complete a 2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship application form and provide typed answers to the essay questions it contains
- Ask your Young Eagles Flight Leader to complete a Young Eagles Flight Leader Questionnaire
- Provide a photograph of yourself

Entries close at 4pm on Sunday, 25 October 2020.

If successful, you must be able to attend and fully participate in the Nola Pickard (NPP) Young Eagles program at the Flying NZ National Championships and be present at the Awards dinner to receive your scholarship. The Canterbury Aero Club are hosting the 2021 National Championships in Christchurch. The NPP will begin at 11am on Thursday 18 February 2021. On Friday 19 February all scholarship recipients will participate in the Young Eagles Competition Day and on Saturday 20 February attend the Flying NZ Presentation Dinner for formal presentation of their scholarships. The NPP is provided at no cost to you, however your travel, meals, accommodation and incidentals are at your expense.

Conditions and rules of entry

1. Entries must be sponsored by a Flying NZ affiliated Aero Club and must be on the official scholarship application form.
2. Scholarship funds remain the sole property of Flying NZ and will be administered by Flying NZ's National Office.

Flying NZ will reimburse a scholarship winner's Aero Club account monthly upon receipt of a fully itemised Tax Invoice for that month's flying. When an invoice has been received by Flying NZ's National Office, it will be settled with a direct credit to the Aero Club. Flying NZ reserves the right to withhold the payment of scholarship funds if the sponsoring Aero Club's capitation fees are overdue.

3. Applicants must have been issued with a Class 2 Aviation Medical Certificate or a LTSA, DL9 Medical Certificate for Microlight training prior to the commencement of any flight training funded by the Kirk Dakers Memorial Scholarship. A copy of the medical certificate must be provided to Flying NZ prior to any scholarship funds being released.

All medical examination and certificate issue fees must be met by the applicant.

4. Applications will be considered by a panel of three judges and the scholarship will be awarded at the sole discretion of those judges. The judging panel will be comprised of two representatives of Nelson Aviation College and a member of the Flying NZ Executive or their delegate.
5. An applicant that wins the 2021 Kirk Dakers Memorial Scholarship is excluded from winning any other 2021 scholarship offered by Flying NZ.
6. The decision of the judging panel will be final and no claim on Flying NZ or Nelson Aviation College or their officers will be recognised.
7. The scholarship funds can only be redeemed through an applicant's sponsoring Aero Club. If that is not possible the funds may be redirected to another Flying NZ affiliated club at the sole discretion of the Flying NZ Executive Committee.
8. The 2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship is valid for 12 months from 21 February 2021 to 20 February 2022. Any unused scholarship funds will be retained by Flying NZ after 20 February 2022.
9. Progress reports on training must be provided by a scholarship winner's sponsoring Aero Club when requested by Flying NZ.
10. Except for providing the scholarship awards, no responsibility shall attach or be deemed to attach to Flying NZ or their sponsor Nelson Aviation College.
11. Flying NZ and Nelson Aviation College reserve the right to use to use any applicant's name and photographs in their promotional material, media releases and on social media platforms.
12. Applications must be received by **4pm on Sunday, 25 October 2020**. No late or incomplete entries will be accepted. Please post or scan and email your application to:

Peter Merwood
Scholarships Administrator, Flying NZ
29 Adventure Drive, Whitby
Wellington 5024
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2021 FLYING NZ NELSON AVIATION COLLEGE KIRK SAMUEL DAKERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Applicant Details

Name in full _____

Date of birth _____ (Applicants must be ≥ 15 and < 18 years old on 1/12/2020)

Address _____

E-mail _____ Mobile phone _____

I declare that I have read and understood the conditions of entry for the 2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship

Applicant Signature

Aero Club Declaration

Sponsoring Aero Club _____

Is this applicant related in any way to a member of your club? Yes No
If yes, please state relationship _____

I hereby certify these details are correct:

Name Club Position Signature Date

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Parent or Guardian Declaration

I declare that I have read and understood the conditions of entry for the 2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship and hereby give my approval for the applicant named above to participate in the scholarship.

Name Signature Date Contact Phone



Essay questions

Please provide answers to the following in a Microsoft Word document:

1. Tell us about yourself. (400 words)

Consider: how you were introduced to aviation; how you are funding your present flight training; what other non-aviation and voluntary activities you are involved in; other awards or achievements you have received.

2. Why do you wish to learn to fly? (250 words)

Consider: What specifically appeals to you about being able to fly; what are your career aspirations and what is your plan to achieve these.

3. Take a photo of the components of the pitot static system in an aircraft you fly, label and describe each? Describe what the impact would be on each of the pressure instruments if the pitot tube became blocked while in flight (150 words)

4. Select an aircraft from your club fleet and describe what happens when that aircraft stalls? What are the symptoms of the stall in that aircraft and what steps does the aircraft's flight manual recommend if a stall occurs? (200 words).

Tips for applicants

- Commercial or recreational flying requires accuracy, attention to detail and an ability to follow clearly documented procedures and instructions. The Judges are looking for these attributes in your answers to the essay questions.
- Nelson Aviation College has made a significant financial commitment to this scholarship. The Judges will be looking for a similar commitment from you in a neat and well-presented scholarship application. Take the time to eliminate any spelling and grammar errors. Relevant photographs are welcome.
- The Judges have many applications to review. Include something in your essay questions that may surprise and delight the Judges and make your application stand out from others.
- Aero Clubs are a great source of aviation information and any club member or instructor would welcome you asking them for help with the specialised aviation questions.
- Ensure your scholarship application includes:
 - A completed 2021 Flying NZ Nelson Aviation College Kirk Samuel Dakers Memorial Scholarship Application Form
 - Answers to the essay questions in a Microsoft Word document
 - A completed Young Eagles Flight Leader Questionnaire
 - A photograph of yourself