



THE BLENHEIM BRANCH OF THE NEW ZEALAND DIVISION

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Guest Speaker – John Bampfylde – Managing Director of DroneMate, a Nelson-based Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) company

Drones in Business: The Imminent Technology Tsunami

Thursday 16 August 2018 at 7.00pm

Marlborough Aero Club – Clubrooms – Aerodrome Road Omaka

Members, non-members, interested persons and guests welcome- please forward this notice

Tea and Coffee available, Dress - Casual

A voluntary gold coin donation is requested from non-members to defray supper costs.

John Bampfylde is a commercial drone operator, private pilot and aircraft homebuilder (a Europa). Prior to getting into UAVs in 2015, he has been a risk management consultant, commodities trader, investment analyst and was once a geologist.

He will talk about DroneMate's work and how UAVs are going to transform businesses ranging from farming to construction and public safety. While he'll talk about the technology and what's "over the horizon", a key aspect will be that this is not science fiction but can be done today using simple, low cost equipment.

This transformational technology will be used mostly by companies themselves, changing their operations and business risks and leading to some interesting potential conflicts with the aviation community and regulation in particular.

To assist your planning, we aim to hold Branch presentations on the third Wednesday each month.

*However – Note that this month's presentation is on **Thursday**. Please arrive at the Clubrooms **no earlier** than 6.35 pm as another group will be using the venue from 5.30 pm until 6.30 pm.*

Upcoming Event – open to the public

RAeS New Zealand Division Annual Symposium and Awards Dinner – James Cook Hotel, Wellington, Friday 26 October 2018. "Emerging Aerospace Technologies – Road to Space"

Details for this year's Symposium will be finalised soon and will be circulated to all members and others on our distribution list. Details will also be available on www.raes.org.nz