Welcome to Wigram Skies

Wigram Skies is undoubtedly the most significant residential development to occur in Christchurch for many years. Embracing the Ngai Tahu tradition of legacy to provide for future generations, this community will build upon and complement the history, events and collective memories of the site.

While conveniently located close to existing amenities, the Wigram Skies masterplan also envisages the building of new community facilities that include a town centre, school and business park.

Within the town centre a supermarket and smaller speciality shops including cafés and restaurants are proposed as well as other community based facilities such as a library. For further information on the Wigram Skies masterplan please visit our website: wigramskies.co.nz

George West neighbourhood

Sections in the fourth neighbourhood at Wigram Skies have now been released. This neighbourhood, which consists of 143 sections, is known as George West.

Offering a choice of section sizes and price options, the George West neighbourhood has something for everyone.

All sections will have reticulated gas, fibre optics to the boundary and be fully fenced.
Neighbourhood named after first Māori pilot in RNZAF

Like the previous neighbourhoods, George West continues Wigram Skies’ tradition of celebrating flight and the rich history of the site.

This neighbourhood commemorates Leading Aircraftsman George Henry West, who, in 1936 became the first Māori pilot to enter the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF). George West’s family is of Ngāi Tahu descent.

Born in Bluff on 17 March 1914, George Henry West was educated at the Bluff Public School and Southland Technical College. He was one of the first to win a scholarship entitling him to free flying tuition at the Southland Aero Club.

He tragically died on 12 May 1939, following injuries received from an aircraft accident at Wigram the previous day. The accident occurred during a night-training flight where his student pilot undershot the landing causing the aircraft to crash. Following the accident his body travelled back to Bluff and he lies in Bluff cemetery.

George West’s photo and a patu he carved, can be seen in the Air Force Museum of New Zealand at Wigram Skies.

George West (pictured right) with a colleague.

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