



ASC e-News

Electronic news from the Adelaide Soaring Club 1st December, 2022.

VALE. Rod CURTIN, member, great supporter of Megan's renovations and pilot who loved going up in a Jabiru to enjoy aviation. Also Ron WAKEFORD who was a regular at Friday morning teas with a group led by Eric Price.

Karl Faeth

LSA MAINTENANCE

7385. Paul has been working hard on the repairs (as he always does). Insurance claim has gone in and the engine sent to Jabiru in Bundaberg for inspection/repairs. At this stage there is no update on its return to service.

I did write a few words in last month's e-news on loss of control near the ground, speaking about flaps, airspeed and power. Let us wind it up to a conclusion – ***LANDINGS ARE NOT MANDATORY*** - the best decision a Pilot can make on final is to **GO AROUND**.

If it is a good approach - I always think that the longer we can hold off - the better the landing.

BENDLEBY FLY IN.

All the planning came to fruition and the weather (after a bit of talking to) agreed to do the right thing and show a smiling face. Aircraft from Gawler and Murray Bridge got together to make the 134 nm trip from Gawler to the Flinders Ranges. A little wait on Friday morning to allow the cloud-base to rise a bit gave Bridgette plenty of time to do a briefing on the verandah. One report of ill health meant there was a spare seat, but alas, the notice was a bit late and couldn't be taken advantage of.





Nothing like enjoying the local countryside. Good tracks, even some water about. Verrry Scenic.



Drinks before dinner. I wonder who is cooking the roast?



I am not volunteering for the oven



Some of the local residents.



Ummm don't know. I am sure it was around here somewhere.



Beautiful setting for afternoon tea.



PORTERS LAGOON. Who can remember seeing it full of water?.



Beautiful view of the ridges on the way



Clear view of the approach to Bendleby.



Flying in Company



Put your hand up if you had a good time!!!!!!

ROBIN MOSELY REPORT FOR Gliding on 2.11.22

Full low overcast in the city and on the way to Gawler but forecast to clear later in the day.

Arriving at Gawler a stiff breeze favouring 23. NAIPS showing R233A and R233B clearance but R265A was active all day so we had 4,500 FT AMSL in our training area.

After completing a DI on GFC and getting it out of the hangar with Karl's help the weather was improving, cloud base lifting and some clear blue sky could be seen up wind, The Jabirus started flying Paul and Simon H. up first from 23 in ZDG for a BFR and back in 11 mins.

Then a pax flight for Jo of 27 mins.

I launched about lunchtime and found a thermal and managed to climb to 4,500 Ft and explore towards Roseworthy but the upper finds were a bit stiff so reluctant to go too far downwind. There were several good Cumulus to thermal under and apart from the wind it turned out to be a nice sunny afternoon and I logged 48 mins.

Thanks to Paul and Tommy for the day - only three tows in all

Robin Moseley

Adelaide Soaring Club Gliding Scholarship Program – Future Support

Introduction

- ASC members will be aware that a Gliding Scholarship Program has been in operation at the club for a number of years.
- Some 20 plus members have so far benefitted from this program, assisting them to gain solo status and / or supporting them to further their recreational aviation skills and knowledge.
- In a significant number of cases, their gliding experiences have provided them with a foundation to progress careers in the Commercial or Defence Forces aviation industries.
- In the past, the ASC has been fortunate, where generous members have made contributions to the Gliding Scholarship Program, some very significant.

Moving Forward

- The ASC now invites members, past and present, friends and associated businesses to consider ongoing support for the ASC Gliding Scholarship Program.
- Documentation relating to the objectives and management of the ASC Gliding Scholarship Program can be obtained from the Chair of the Scholarship Management Group – Peter Sadler, mobile: 0435936950, email: peter.sadler50@gmail.com

Options

1. Donations

- Intending sponsors of this program may nominate any amount of financial support. **No donation is too small.**
- The amount nominated may be influenced by the desire to see successful ASC members receiving a Gliding Scholarship to:
 - Achieve solo status.
 - Work towards cross -country flying.
 - Up-skill general flying via aerobatics, dual towing ratings, etc.
 - Work towards instructor ratings.
 - Support coaching and competition flying.
- Donations may be made:
 - **Tax deductible donations** via the Australian Sports Foundation, nominating the ASC as the beneficiary can be made online at <https://ASF.org.au/projects/adelaide-soaring-club/asc-gliding-scholarship-program/> and click on the DONATE tab.
 - **Donations made through the Australian Sports Foundation attract income tax deductibility status for the donor.**
 - **Non tax deductible**, donations can be made directly to the club or members may wish to organize periodic payment (monthly etc.) via a Direct Debit. Contact the ASC office by phone on 08 8552 21877 or by email at office@adelaidesoaring.org.au to organize a donation process of your choice.
- All donations received will be pooled and then managed through the ASC Gliding Scholarship Management Group in conjunction with the ASC Committee.
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2. Wills / Estates

- As is common with many organisations, particularly, Not-for-Profit ones, individuals may wish to include nominated amounts within their estate documentation to support

the ASC Gliding scholarship program. This can be done in conjunction with the ASC Office.

Recognition

- Recognition of any support given will be negotiated with individuals to suit their wishes.
- In the past, some benefactors have requested no public recognition of their support, other than via private and confidential communications from the Club Committee, along with periodic reports in relation to the progress and outcomes of the Gliding Scholarship Program.
- Periodic reports relating to the Gliding Scholarship Program will be forwarded to both individual sponsors as requested and via the range of the Club's communication and marketing channels.
- Sponsors may receive invitations to specific club events that are associated with the Gliding Scholarship Program.

Questions

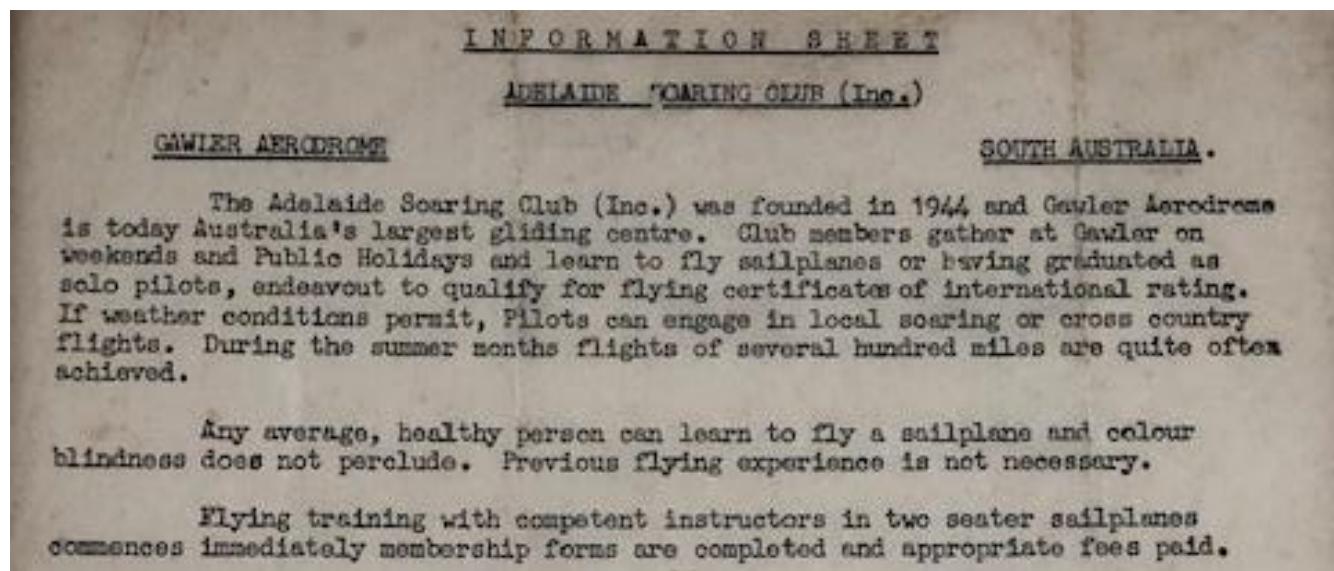
- Should you require further information or have any questions please contact the Chair of ASC Gliding Scholarship Management Group, Peter Sadler, by phone on 0435 936 950 or by email at peter.sadler50@gmail.com.

Thanking you for your consideration of this opportunity.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Members may have noticed the shed in the back of the LSA hangar. Phil Pullem and I put it together for the sole purpose of storing the memorabilia that had to be moved when the renovations of the dining room area were organised by Megan Gabell. The other day I had to look for some documentation from the LSA early days and found an 'Information Sheet' about the ASC from 1962. Apparently Peter Curtis had found it in his attic.

Now, I know that was 60 years ago and a lot of members were not even born then, but it is so interesting to have a look back and see how our club operated then.



Passenger or trail flights can be arranged with the Duty Pilot at the field.

LOCATION: Gawler Aerodrome, 25 miles north of Adelaide and one mile west of the township of Gawler.

FLYING TIMES: Each Saturday, Sunday and Public Holiday 9 a.m. to sundown.

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

MEMBER	ENTRANCE FEE	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION
Junior up to 16 years	Nil	£1 : 1 : 0
Associate	Nil	£1 : 1 : 0
Wife of Flying Member	Nil	£3 : 3 : 0
Flying	£10 : 10 : 0	£6 : 6 : 0
Probationary flying for six weeks	£ 2 : 2 : 0 for six weeks and a deposit of £14 : 14 : 0 required. If not confirmed after six weeks £14: 14: 0 less indebtedness refunded.	

LAUNCH FEES: Winch launch 6/-, auto-tow launch 6/-
Aero-tow to 2,000 feet 15/- to 20/-.

FLYING FEES: 5d per minute after the first 5 minutes (i.e. 25/- per hour for soaring flights).

FLYING INSTRUCTORS: Senior Club members instruct pupils free of charge.

ACCOUNTS: Submitted monthly, payable within 30 days.

MAGAZINES: "Australian Gliding" - National monthly published by the Gliding Federation of Aust. £1.10.0 per year.
"Cloud Base" - Club monthly; free.

AIRCRAFT: Two seater trainers ES49; solo medium performance Grunau, Arrow; solo high performance KM6.

VEHICLES: Two drum cable laying winches, single drum winch, auto-tow utilities, aircraft trailers.

ACCOMMODATION & FACILITIES: Sleeping quarters for 36 persons, showers, wash basins, toilets, hot water service, stove, sink, heaters, crockery, cutlery, refrigerator. Lecture room, canteen, lounge, phone.

BUILDINGS: Hangars, garages and workshops equipped for aircraft and vehicle maintenance.

For further information and membership application forms, please write to the Secretary, Adelaide Soaring Club (Inc.), Box 1449L, G.P.O., Adelaide or Phone 95.6615.

WE ARE NOT ALONE

Some people do not believe this. BUT IT IS TRUE. All non-believers need to do is to open a hangar in the morning after a previous day's flying and see the evidence on the leading edges of the aircraft that have not been cleaned after their last flight.

We know, of course, that it is much easier to clean aircraft when the evidence of a collision with a UFI – unidentified flying insect, is fresh. Overnight, the evidence hardens and it is more difficult to clean the next day. The message of course is to **clean the aircraft after every flight, BUT certainly at the end of the day.**

MESSAGES FOR LSA PILOTS.

Geoff Wood has put a new advisory notice on the storage unit in the LSA hangar. **Please follow the advice.**

I have made numerous comments in E-News about pilot responsibility. Saturday morning I arrived and opened the LSA hangar to fly a student in a particular aircraft, and – **the MASTER had been left on.** This meant of course that we had to use another aircraft, which then upset the booking schedule for the day. Members may not realize this- BUT leaving the **Master On** can most times ruin the battery, which means a new one at a cost of \$350+ has to be purchased by the club. Remember the ASC has a policy where damage caused by a member can make that member responsible for the repair cost. A simple bit of advice—

Always check that the MASTER is off before walking away from an aircraft.

RE-FUELLING. Pilots who re-fuel late in the day should always lock up the facility unless another pilot has indicated an intent to use it. The pilot who has the last flight of the day, puts the aircraft away and locks the hangar, **should also ensure the fuel facility is locked.**

Remember – we are a club, we are all members, we all have the responsibility to ensure the premises are secure.

INTERNATIONAL GLIDING GRAND PRIX – UPDATE.

The ASC has been selected to host the 2023 International Gliding Commission Grand Prix. It is designed with spectators in mind so events are of reasonable short duration and gliders will **start and finish over the airfield.** This is a competition that attracts pilots from all over the world and is a great event to be involved with. As mentioned, it is run by our club and it will need a number of volunteers to assist it to be a successful operation. The event runs **2nd to 8th January** with a couple of practice days to lead into the start.

Vacancies are for :

1. Pilot Registration – 2 hours on 2 days before the event – checking details against a checklist.
2. Help with Scrutineering and weighing of gliders for 2 hour sessions in the practice period.
3. Set up scales to weigh gliders every day of the event, at 0800 hours.
4. Collect the trackers after flying and charge them overnight – every day of the event.
5. Experienced local pilots for event commentary – about 20 to 30 minutes on 1 or more days.
6. Start radio – to make start radio countdowns every day including practice.

Please contact Mandy Temple if interested. Mandytemple.australia.igc@gmail.com 0428378076

ALSO Members can purchase ‘Sailplane Grand Prix’ shirts, long sleeve with ASC logo and Contest logo. Cost is \$60. Contact Mandy for details and sizing.

AND A number of events have been organised for the pilots visiting for the Grand Prix. These will include a PIZZA NIGHT, TOP GUN QUIZ NIGHT, MOVIE NIGHT, WINE TASTING etc. A details will be confirmed closer to the event time. **BUT REMEMBER – EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

HANGAR OWNERS. Does anyone have spare hangar space for an 18m glider for the duration of this event – competitors love to be able to prepare their aircraft in the shade for this event. Please let Mandy know if you have space available.

COMMITTEE NEWS

Thank you to Ali Swart.

- ASC Membership numbers are up. We are at 344 at present – the highest number ever,
- The purchase of J230, 24-5086 , by the ASC has now been finalised.
- Welcome to new Members, Kevin SCHIBROWSKI, Max SCUTCHINGS, gliding and Bruce WHITTINGTON, LSA.

THANK YOU

I was in the Briefing Room the other day, talking to Phil and thinking about having a coffee, when I walked Tess Houtman. Not only was she bearing her usual broad smile to indicate she was happy to be at Gawler, she was also carrying some bakery items. Her words were “ I just want to thank some people who have taught me and who have looked after me and I have baked a few things.



Now, just by looking at the cakes, it is easy to see who Tess felt particularly grateful to. Paul Clift obviously was the recipient of the largest cake. Phil Pullem got a mention and so did I. Obviously Andrew Wright was particularly hungry that morning and started on his before I had the opportunity to take a quick photograph. He found the “A” particularly tasty.

What a great club we have. **THANK YOU TESS.**

I must say – the cakes were particularly delicious. We did save one with Sue’s name on it, however, someone was particularly hungry and it was gone by Wednesday.

COMMUNICATION AT ADELAIDE SOARING CLUB

ASC WEBSITE

<https://www.adelaidesoaring.org.au>

Information about the club for visitors and official for members.

ASC OFFICE

office@adelaidesoaring.org.au 08 8522 1877

ASC COMMUNICATIONS

communications@adelaidesoaring.org.au

For official information within the club. Can only be used by club officials. All members are required to have a site to receive these messages.

ASC MAINTENANCE

maintenance@adelaidesoaring.org.au

For contacting the official aircraft maintainer.

ASC MEMBERS

members@adelaidesoaring.org.au

For members to post items relating to club matters. Members can opt out.

FACEBOOK

The ASC has a Facebook page and a club Facebook group.

ASC E-NEWS

Information about club and member activities. Usually monthly.

COMMITTEE

Meets monthly. Minutes are posted on Notice Boards.

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