

# ASC e-News

*Electronic news from the Adelaide Soaring Club*

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Welcome to the first edition of the ASC 'e-News' for 2014!

## **New Members – Special Welcome**

We say a warm welcome to our latest members (accepted into membership in January): Shane Rowett, Juan Corro, Hugh Dowling, Ashley Galler, Stuart McColl, Mark Bastick, Caroline Leaney, Steve Rowl, Nicole Dorey, Joshua Sheldory, James Swift and John Ingram.

## **Ellen Mace - our first LSA Scholarship Recipient**

*From Ellen..." I graduated ADFA this year in December. I have completed a three year science degree with the air force and have recently been promoted from officer cadet to pilot officer. On the 9th of January I start my flight training. I will be in Tamworth for 6 months at Basic Flight Training School. Then in August I will head to Perth to do 2nd Flight Training School. I am so excited to start my training it has been a long 3 year wait to start doing what I was actually hired to do.....flying!!! I haven't been flying since my last flight with the soaring club before I left for Canberra. I miss it so much!!! It's been hard to stay away but I think it was the best option to help me start fresh with the air force."*

A great-news story! And one that the ASC can be well proud of.

## **'G Dale Coaching Sessions'**

From our Airspace Officer, Peter Temple...

*"We have a coaching event planned for Gawler mid-week from 24 to 28 Feb. For this event we'll have an international coach and possibly up to 10 gliders flying from Gawler.*

*We're hoping for Eudunda airspace to a reasonable altitude on most (or all) days where the weather is suitable...."*

An exciting event for our club and we thank our catering crew in advance as well as all the other members who will work hard to get this off the ground!

## **New Slasher**

Through the Airfield Manager, the ASC Committee has approved and purchased a new and bigger slasher. This will cut down not only grass, but operating time and expenses. All we need now is a little bit of rain to make the weeds grow...

## Websites R Us

Lots of great work has been done by Matthew Scutter to develop a new website for the club. Watch this cyber-space for more information, but we hope to add new and current content as soon as possible and have it up and running live.

## A Cross-Country gGliding from Gawler

Notice it's been hot lately? Actually, more than that – it has been one of the hottest seasons in living memory, and one of the best for cross-country glider flying. A number of outstanding flights have been carried out over the summer since the last edition of ASC e-News. There have been no less than 5 flights of over 1000km and many other excellent flights, and Peter Temple recently broke the Australian speed record for 750 km. With our facilities, fleet and magnificent weather Gawler truly is a magic site for gliding.

## Contest Successes

Gawler was the site for the SA State Gliding Championships in December. These were a success with four days of good flying. The event made a small profit for the club, which all goes to improving our facilities.

This was followed by the Club Class and Sports Class National Gliding Championships which were held at Waikerie. ASC pilots once again acquitted themselves well, with Matthew Scutter winning the Sports Class and Peter Temple in 4th place.

Terry Cubley came second in Club Class in a hotly-contested field, and other ASC pilots who took part in the competitions included Peter and Stephen Cesco, Claire Scutter, Paul Clift, Richard Atkinson, and Steve Pegler and Brenton Swart who competed in Sports Class in our DG 505 2-seater.

Congratulations to all.

## 'The Presidential Limousine'



Steve Pegler and Brenton Swart who competed in the Sports Class in our DG 505 2-seater.

## Ouch!

Yes it's that time of year again when the Calthrop comes to haunt us. The groundsmen are hunting it down but if you happen to see any of it on the airfield please take the time to dig it out of the ground and dispose of it in a bin somewhere. The committee has approved members to take the seeds from the field and plant them at your home...

## OUR EMAIL LISTS - A reminder of their purpose

**ascannounce** - This site is for conveying official information within the club. Only officials of the club can post items on this list. Typically only one email per week is posted on this site so it is not a problem in terms of overloading anyone's email system. This is a vital function for our club and all members are urged to read all material that is presented on ascannounce.

**ascmembers** -This was intended to be a chat site. Any club member can post anything on it which concerns club matters. It is moderated only to the extent that any obscene or illegal material is removed. Naturally not everyone wants to receive the posts that result, so you can opt out of this site if you wish.

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