

ASC e-News

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Happy New Year!

Welcome to a new year of the ASC e-News!

Keeping you up to date....

As members will know, the Adelaide oval seats are in place at the shelters now and we know that one is broken. A new one is being sought but we're waiting until suppliers come back from holidays.

The hangar doors have had some maintenance performed on them and the contractors will be back soon to service all of them and complete the work.

Paul Cliff is currently doing a form 2 on one of the discus so he hopes to have that back in the air by the weekend as long as he doesn't find any major issues.

Keep an eye out for Caltrop, especially private hangar owners, as we don't poison or monitor close to the private hangars. It's out there and growing fast but pretty clear on the airfield proper apart from around 05 shelter which we will spray over the next couple of days.

The Pilots Lounge Australia Facebook Group is hosting a 'Show and Shine / Fly-in' - this Saturday (16th Jan) at the Gawler Airfield. Stuart McColl is the organiser of this fundraiser which will involve a BBQ at the clubrooms. Make sure you say G'Day!

More real-estate on the market



Thanks Jeremy for sending on a recent photo taken this week at the airfield.

(It might explain to hangar owners why you didn't find your aeroplane as clean as you left it!)

Many happy customers

We often receive emails and letters from AEF customers. One received recently (from mum Heather and son Luke who has been seriously ill) was most appreciative of...

...our office staff for changing arrangements to suit
...tug pilot Geoff Wood
...AEF instructor Peter Wegener
...flight coordinators Richard Atkinson with Steve Cesco

Thanks to all of the ASC members who provide these wonderful experiences for members of the community.

Thanks Rob for passing on this great news

Congratulations Matthew Scutter



ASC members may or may not be aware that Matthew Scutter has just become a world Gliding Champion after 10 days of intense competition flying. He won the Standard class flying against 26 other pilots from 18 nations.

Matthew has done most of his flying from Gawler.

Terry Cubley was assistant Competition Director and operations manager, Mandy Temple was the Australian team manager for the six pilots 3 in Standard, 3 in Club Class and Alex Wallis was the Aussie Met man.

A former member Eric Stauss was 11 out of 33 in Club Class.

For the information of our Junior pilots, a 17 year old from Mildura won a day and came 5th overall in Club Class.

The opportunity is there for you guys and gals to be involved - our great group of coaches are there to help you achieve these goals!

Slow Down... Please

A reminder to drive slowly on the airfield roads, especially the entrance road.

It has enough pot holes and we don't need to make them any bigger!



An eventful calendar - Please let us know what's coming up and we'll add it to the list!

Jan 2016

9-17: Vintage gliding regatta, Bordertown

February 2016

6: Members forum

May 2016

7-8 : Airworthiness course (Theory 9-5)

21 to 25 : Airworthiness course (Practical 9-5)

July 2016

16-24: Flinders Camp

Safety

Dear Members,

For some time now we have been working through an education and consultative process relating to our new Safety Management System. You may recall that at our last Members Forum (27/06/2015) I announced that as part of our compliance responsibilities all members will be required to confirm that they have read and understood the ASC's Safety Management and Emergency Response Plans. The time has now come to action this.



As an attachment to this email please find a PDF document that I would ask you to print, complete, scan and email back to the ASC office at adsoar@adsl.on.net. If more convenient just drop it into the office.

If you haven't yet had an opportunity to read the documents you can find them listed under Safety and Official Documents on the ASC website. Here is the link http://adelaidesoaring.on.net/?page_id=716 naturally you can save or print the files from the site.

ASC on Facebook

Don't forget to check us out on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/adelaidesoaring?fref=ts>



Please shut the gate

Please remember to shut the gate if you are the last person leaving the airfield of an evening.

Some reminders about the limitations that have been placed on aeroplanes with Jabiru engines

The new instrument commences 1st July, 2015 and expires 30th June, 2016, unless cancelled by CASA at an earlier date.

It lists the same limitations as the earlier instrument with the exception that a disclaimer to be signed by students and passengers now has a life of 3 months, an increase from the 28 days listed in the earlier instrument.

- VFR only
- A/craft flown so as to be able to glide clear of populous area and always 1,000' above ground unless taking off or landing
- Passengers & Trainee pilots flying solo need to sign a statement saying they are aware of & accept the risks of an engine failure

- Train

ee pilots must have successfully completed engine failure exercises (in the previous 2 hours flying or previous 7 days whichever is the most recent) before solo flying

- At Gawler the limitations will have an effect on runway use where 23 and 31 have the best options for forced landings after take-off.
- The full runway length must always be used for take-offs on ALL runways.
- On 05 and 13. No 'touch and goes' by students unless they are flying under the direct supervision of an instructor and there is a significant headwind component.
- Pilots are to commence gentle climbing turns when safe after take-off (500') to stay clear of populous areas with a view to using a cross strip or suitable forced landing area (non-populous) in case of a power loss.
- Depending on wind conditions, circuit traffic and gliding activity, Pilots can consider using runways 23 and 31 for taking off, even with a crosswind that is within limits, and landing on 13 and 05.
- Appropriate radio use under these circumstances is essential as a safe operation is always paramount.
- If Pilots have any doubt when considering their options, DISCUSS THEM WITH AN INSTRUCTOR.

And a reminder that you need to have a check flight if you haven't flown in a month.

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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