

ASC e-News

Electronic news from the Adelaide Soaring Club



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Welcome to the latest ASC e-News. We especially welcome our newest members: Joel Egel and Benjamin Foxwell

Congratulations



Matt Howe went solo on the 9th of Feb and he flew beautifully and safely.

Matt did really well in some blustery conditions and achieved solo standard in less than 10 hours total time.

Apologies Matt that this terrific achievement didn't make the last e-News.

ASC Bushfire Emergency Response Plan

A few weeks ago, one of our long serving members, Noel Roediger, pointed out that we had no preparedness in the case of a bushfire on the Gawler Airfield.

As a result, we have now developed the ASC Bushfire Emergency Response Plan. This plan is now incorporated into our Safety Management Plan and forms an important element of it. The document is on our website and can be viewed at <http://adelaidesoaring.on.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/ASC-Bushfire-Emergency-Reponse-Plan-V1.pdf> It is a simple document and is easy to read.

All ASC members have a responsibility to make themselves conversant with our Safety Management Plan, and hence should have a good understanding of our new bushfire plan. Consequently, I urge all members to make spare a couple of minutes to read the plan.

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact either Andrew Wright, our Club Safety Officer, or me.

I would like to thank Noel for raising the matter and Andrew for putting the plan together.

Safe Flying,
Steve.
0438 409 928

Strategic Planning

Just to let members know that your Committee is continuing to work on our club's Strategic Plan – with a bit more detail to be added, it should be ready to present to members in the very near future. Again, we say a big thank you to all those who fed information into this process via the survey that was conducted.

The best form of offence is defence....

You may have noticed that the fence next to the entrance road has been removed? This is to facilitate works to allow for good drainage – did you know that by the time the process is finished that the Light Regional Council will have put in over \$200,000 to this process?

Bunk House Upgrades

We say thanks to Peter Sachs who has been working on a project to upgrade the bunk house facilities at the clubrooms. New beds and furniture hopefully will make the accommodation more comfortable and appealing to members. Well done Pete and thanks.

Some alarming news

Did you know that the alarm at the clubrooms automatically turns on and off!! It's amazing!

Therefore, no one needs to turn any alarms on when leaving the clubrooms – they will do it all by themselves at 10.00pm!! (And then turn themselves off at 6.30am! Amazing!!) It's just like an auto pilot really....

Dogs on the Airfield

Our club policy is that dogs on the airfield must remain on a leash at all times. They are also not to enter any ASC buildings – clubrooms / briefing rooms / office etc.



RAAAus Members Forum

RAAus members Forum, Thursday 5th April from 5pm - 7pm, following the Professional Development Seminars.

Free BBQ Dinner, with a RAAus Members Forum, and a Q & A with the CEO, Safety, Ops and Tech teams

RSVP is required for numbers - we will be sending out a registration form soon.

If you are able to work on the bar during the event, please let Scott Crew know.

Child Protection Policy

Our club houses our policies and many procedures on the club website. This is the link to our Child Protection Policy. Please take the time to read it - there are many important policy statements like this one:

ASC Excursions and Camps: When a minor (person under 18 years of age) wishes to deploy on an ASC excursion or camp, the parent or guardian must deploy with the minor and take all responsibility for that person. If a parent or guardian cannot accompany the minor, club approval will not be given for attendance of the minor concerned.

<http://adelaidesoaring.on.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/ASC-By-law-10-Child-Protection-Policy.pdf>

AMENDED

Jabiru Engine maintenance workshops

ENGINE MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP DATES UPDATE

Cost \$495

*Amended workshop date below.

Yesterday's email stated May's workshop date but this was a mistake and should have read July's workshop (see below amended date).

We have recently had 2 positions become available in the workshop running from 23rd - 26th July. After July the next spot available is 1 position in workshop running 13th - 16th August.

After August there are positions available in every month through to the end of the year.

Volunteering your Engine for Maintenance Workshop

If you are attending one of our workshops and would like to volunteer your engine for the workshop duration please let me know as we also do have some positions available for this as well.

Aeroscene and the Booleroo Steam & Traction 50th Anniversary

Aeroscene plan to attending Booleroo Steam & Traction 50th anniversary Rally Sunday March 25th 2018. The airfield is close SE proximity to the town, and transport will also be available. Six aircraft attended last year mainly from Gawler and one from Parafield. Admission is \$10 and food - drink available all day. Meet 0830 / Departing 0900 (105nm 65min in a Jabiru)
Let either myself or Scot Crew know if you wish to join us. Cheers Jeff Schuster.

State Gliding comps

2018 SAGA Gliding Championships

The 2018 SAGA Gliding Championships will be a 5 day competition, hosted by the Adelaide Soaring Club, and run over 2 weekends in March. The first weekend was on the 3rd and 4th, followed by the long weekend coming up, 10th, 11th and 12th.

Airfield users should expect concentrated glider launching on those days for an hour or so in the middle of the day – the launch times will be announced on the morning of each contest day. After the completion of the task, later in the afternoon of each day, there is likely to be a concentration of gliders arriving home for immediate landing. Arriving gliders will give an inbound call in the normal manner. It would be best if powered operations were kept to an absolute minimum during these two short periods.

On behalf of the organising team,
Steve Pegler / Competition Director

RAAus Scholarships

RAAus Scholarship are now open and applications are due by the 23rd of March. Check out:

<https://www.raa.asn.au/fly-with-us/scholarships/>



SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications now open
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Some dates to remember

Bush Flyers Down Under Bloody Big BBQ - Saturday 24th March

Aldinga Airfield - Saturday, 24th March 2018 has Bush Flyers Down Under Bloody Big BBQ 12noon ETA - Cuppa and chin wag - \$10 BBQ 1:00pm for breast cancer research, 2:00pm Raffles and Games.

Booleroo Centre Sunday 25th March

Booleroo Steam and Traction 50th event - Sunday March 25th, 2018. General Entry 10:00am, with the airfield within walking distance SE of town. Transport will also be available. Members from Gawler will depart around 9:00am, taking 65min in a Jabiru for 105nm track distance. More details to come.



JAMESTOWN AIR SPECTACULAR

Sunday October 21st, 2018

Sir Hubert Wilkins Aerodrome, Jamestown SA

Be wowed as aircraft take to the skies. A day jam-packed with adrenalin pumping action and unbelievable aerobatics!

Visit our website at www.jamestownflyinggroup.com.au
Or Facebook Jamestown Air Spectacular
Email jamestownflyinggroup@outlook.com
Or phone Danny 0428305987 or Sharon 0427641993

Some pics from around the club



Four Fire Bombers and two Fire Choppers recently standing by at Gawler Airfield in the hot blowy conditions. ASC members & staff made their crews welcome as always!



BEN MAHONEY HAS MADE IT - he's now a qualified Light Sport Aircraft pilot. Ben passed on his thanks to all the great instructors at ASC who have helped him to achieve his dream.

Please shut the gate

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



Daryl Trigg - ASC e-News Editor

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