NEWSLETTER

GLIDING CLUB OF VICTORIA

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Weekend Crew

Instructor L2
Instructor L3
Instructor L1
Instructor L2
Tug pilot
AEI
AEI
Duty Pilot
Tug pilot
Instructor L1
Tug pilot
Tug pilot
Tug pilot
Tug pilot

Phil Henderson Steve Hobby James Nugent Neil Williams Ralph Boehmer

Saturday 1st June

Andrea Tondini

Mark Bland
Leo Cantieri
Louise O'Grady

Sunday 2nd June

Phil Henderson Steve Hobby James Nugent

Neil Williams

Ralph Boehmer

Andrea Tondini

Mark Bland

Leo Cantieri Louise O'Grady

Please attend the 9am briefing Saturday and Sunday at Club house

Events

For more information, please visit https://www.glidingclub.org.au/informationcalendar.html

Aeropark working bee 1st June 2024

It's time to clean up the aeropark again. Please bring brooms, rakes, saws, ladders, blowers, and any other useful tools. You can find a list of tasks on the website calendar.

https://www.glidingclub.org.au/informationcalendar.html

Special General Meeting 7PM - 11th June 2024

A Special General Meeting will be held online via Zoom to amend Rules 2, 33, and 35 for clarifying the club's Not-For-Profit status. A quorum of 15% of members and a 75% majority vote are needed to pass the amendments.

An email with the meeting details has already been sent to all members.

Get involved

The club cannot operate without volunteers, and currently, we need more members to step up and assist with the numerous tasks around the club.

There are many opportunities to get involved in the club:

- Become part of a weekend crew.
- Arrange social events.
- Assist with glider maintenance.
- Handle various tasks around the airfield.

Volunteer opportunities will be regularly posted in this newsletter.

If you believe you can contribute in any way, please contact the GCV office at

gliding@glidingclub.org.au

Club Updates

Fleet Status

K21 - GFZ	Available
K21 - GFQ	Available
DUO - GCV	Available
DG1001 - PWG	Available
LS3A - WUS	Available
LS4 -XCL	Available
LS4 - ZBC	Available
LS7 - XJJ	Available
JUNIOR - XOB	Available

Training materials available on our website!

Our website is building up training resources for those working towards their GPC and those who feel in the need of a refresher. Many thanks to Terry Cubley for this great initiative, the materials will be built up over time and can be found at https://www.glidingclub.org.au/training-resources.html

Annual inspections

During this period, gliders will be peri odically unavailable due to the annual inspection. Please check the fleet status before traveling to Benalla.

Annual inspections are being conducted by volunteers. If you would like to get involved, please contact the airworthiness officer at aao@glidingclub.org.au

Weekend May 25/26

Very pleasant, sunny weekend with lots of fun. 23 flights in total. Some practiced aerobatics. Phil Semmel managed the longest flight on Sunday - 68 minutes. Eight pilots took up the challenge of landing across 08/26 (150m plus undershoot) in varying conditions, including a mild tailwind on Saturday. Of course, without altimeter, which provided some more excitement.

Pizza Night on Saturday brought everyone together in the Clubhouse. Probably the cheapest dinner ever served in the Clubhouse, @ \$5.00 per person, frozen pizzas from Aldi, expertly cooked by John Switala and Tom Spiesser, were enjoyed by all. Thanks, John, for chasing up everyone to work out the numbers.

SES Training Night at Benalla

The Benalla State Emergency Service (SES), headed by Ailsa McMillan, recently held an Aviation Cluster Training Night at the GCV. A total of 42 volunteers came from Benalla, Yarrawonga, Rutherglen, Chiltern and Wangaratta.

New Airflow

Jeremy and Javier are taking over from Jono, thanks Jono for your work over the past months.

Effective communication is key to the club's future success, and keeping members informed and engaged is essential. Members contributions are very important, whether it's sharing stories or ideas, to enhance our weekly and monthly newsletters and overall communication.

If you would like to contribute to the weekly or monthly newsletter, please email us at newsletter@glidingclub.org.au

Increase Fees

An email was sent to all members regarding the increase in membership fees. If you would like to know more about it, please attend the special general meeting on June 11th, where the treasurer will provide more details about the increase.

If you would like to contribute to this publication, please contact us at newsletter@glidingclub.org.au