## NARROMINE GLIDING CLUB - NEWSLETTER

August 2017

## **Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided at 12.00 noon and the meeting to commence at 1400 hours.

Any business for the meeting to be sent to the secretary

Arnie Hartley @ arnie.hartley@gmail.com

All members welcome



### **The Winter Work Program**

The maintenance of all aircraft is being carried out at present. Arnie Hartley is currently working on Duo WVS and plans to have the club fleet completed by the 1st October.

For any members who may have some spare time and expertise or an interest in the working of the aircraft they fly, then contact Arnie.

Joe Naylor has undertaken to give the Pie cart a new coat of paint and fit some gas struts on the heavy door to make the set up easier for all.

Brad Naylor is planning the installation of a storage system for all aircraft towing equipment in the hangar so as to fit all items on wall hangers and off the hangar floor.

Our parachutes will all go for repack during the winter months and this is the time to check out all club equipment and get ready for the busy summer season.

Ken McAnally will be preparing all aircraft battery systems and chargers and manufacturing new tow ropes and checking out the current ropes.

Beryl Hartley and Fiona Rowe are planning a big clean up of the clubhouse in preparation for the busy catering events starting in September.

Ross McLean is busy with bookings, advertising and keeping the club web site up to date

#### **The Calendar Events**

- Annual General Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> September – 1200 noon Narromine Clubhouse
- GFA Safety Seminar
   Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am
   Narromine Auditorium
- NSW Gliding Annual General Meeting Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September – 10.00am Narromine Auditorium
- Minor Fibreglass Repair Course 8<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> October Narromine Clubhouse
- Airventure Australia Fly in and Airshow 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October Narromine Airport
- Coach the Coaches 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November – G.Dale Narromine Airport
- Narromine Cup 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November Narromine Airport

## **Club Fleet Gliders**

## JoeyGlide 20th to 27th January 2018

The junior pilots of Australia are coming in January again. The future of our sport is with these young pilots. Our juniors have excelled in recent years both at home and internationally.

Matthew Scutter Junior World Champion at Narromine in 2015. Ailsa McMillan 4th in the Women's World Championships in 2017. Ailsa McMillan, Reuben Lane and Dylan Lampard are currently competing in the World Junior championships in Lithuania.

The weather has been difficult with many cancelled days to date so I am sure they will be looking to flying our great summer season at Narromine

The juniors run their own competition so our club will provide tows, catering and a friendly atmosphere.

Some of our club aircraft will be booked by junior pilots and two seaters for coaching during this period.

We will be looking for assistance with catering, so look at your calendars and contact Beryl if you have any time available to assist.

### **G** Dale Coaching courses:

We have now sold quite a few of the course slots, we do have 4 available course dates yet to fill however so anyone you are talking to should be told about the courses and encouraged to book.

13 to 17 November - Available

20 to 24 November - Available

11 to 15 December - Available

18 to 22 December - Available

## **Full Time Flying Training:**

Flying training and operations now 7 days per week November to the end of March starting this November. We have a fulltime Level 3 Instructor/operations manager & tow pilots available from November to the end of March.

**PLUS** if there is a group of 3 or more students available we can run a week long training course for them once each month.

# Australian National 20 Metre Two seater championships

Narromine is the host for the 6th National 20 metre championships. Once again we are looking to host this family friendly event in February.

The championships will be held from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018. We have become the home of the 20 metre event and our club members do a great job in welcoming and catering for all the entrants.

It is hoped that we can encourage some of our members to enter in the club Duo Discus aircraft and keep WVS and GKC in the top performers.

Last year's winner David Jansen is a past Narromine resident and spent his childhood at Narromine before completing high school here and entering the RAAF. Later to go on to Qantas and represent Australia many time in World Gliding Championships.

The 2018 20m Two Seat Nationals Competition website, online entry page, and Facebook page are all now up and running. We are able to start accepting entries immediately so please start telling people about it.

For any enquiries just direct them to the comp website which is accessible through the TWO SEAT NATIONALS button on the NGC website menu. We need volunteers to help run this competition, please let Beryl know that you are able to help out.

The competition is of a high standard but is also a wonderful opportunity for families to fly together. Last year we had husbands and wives, father and sons along with gliding friends all competing for the top honours. This is an opportunity to showcase what Narromine can provide and we are looking forward to a long hot summer of soaring.

#### **MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW DUE**

All Membership were due on the  $1^{st}$  July 2017

Log on to the club web site for renewal Forms or contact Arnie at arnie.hartley@gmail.com