NARROMINE GLIDING CLUB - NEWSLETTER

September 2017

FULL TIME OPERATIONS

The club will begin full time operations from the beginning of November. Neil Dunn will be based at Narromine for Monday to Friday operations.

The weekend roster of instructors and tug pilots will be listed on the web site with contact details Members should book online for aircraft bookings.



Preparation for Summer Badges

Now is the time to organize your annual check flight with Ken our Chief Flying Instructor and start to prepare for summer flying.

Our members should be encouraged to seek coaching training and seek opportunity to advance their cross country skills.

For many new members, the first badge is a daunting task, but it need not be with some assistance from senior pilots and club official observers.

SILVER C BADGE:

The Silver C badge requires a flight of 5 hours duration from release, a straight distance of 50 kilometres from release and a gain of height of 1000 metres.

EASY PEASY SILVER C:

- Find your Official Observer. (List on the white board in the clubhouse)
- 2. Prepare your glider with spot tracker and flight recorder logger
- 3. Make a declaration in your logger (name, aircraft, task is optional)
- 4. Fly your task
- 5. Download your logger with Official Observer
- 6. Fill in claim form for Official Observer to sign. (Claim form on GFA web site. www.glidingaustralia.org)
- 7. Send completed claim form to Beryl with your green gliding certificate book
- 8. Make the \$20 payment online in the GFA shop-on-line

The Calendar Events

- Airventure Australia Fly in and Airshow
 19th to 21st October 2017
 Narromine Airport
 *Volunteers for catering required Contact Beryl for free entry pass
- Coach the Coaches
 6th to 10th November
 G.Dale
 Narromine Airport
 Run by New South Wales Gliding Inc
- Narromine Cup 19th to 25th November 2017 Narromine Airport *Volunteers needed
- NSW State Championships 9th to 16th December 2017 Temora Airport
- Joey Glide National Championships Juniors under 25 years old 20th to 27th January 2018 Narromine Airport
- Australian National 20metre two seat Championships 11th to 18th February 2018 Narromine Airport *Volunteers needed

BREAKING NEWS

Book now for Responsible Service of Alcohol Course. Sunday 15th October 9.00am - Club sponsored

Your 2017/2018 Club Committee

The club Annual General Meeting was held on the 24th September. Your new committee will be working to put in place the plans from the club planning group as identified in the previous busy year. Elected this year are:

President : John Rowe Vice President: Brad Naylor Secretary: Arnie Hartley Treasurer: Beryl Hartley Committee Members

Ross McLean, Lee Rowe, Roly Elder, Joe Naylor

Ken McAnally is ratified as the Chief Flying Instructor Brad Naylor as the tug master Lee Rowe as marketing and development John Rowe and Arnie Hartley for maintenance Beryl Hartley as social club organiser.

SEEKING NEW LOCAL MEMBERS

Lee Rowe will be starting an extensive program of advertising in social media for new local students. Our summer full time operation until March 2018 will be ready to run full time mid week training courses.

Our new club brochure will be soon ready for distribution and our members will be able to collect brochures from Lee to encourage friends and family to join the club.

The 5 flight training package for just \$450 is a perfect start for any new student. The package includes 5 training flights with experienced instructors, pilot log book, Basic Gliding Knowledge text book, GFA Introductory membership.

Notice to all club tug pilots

The Gliding Federation has taken back administration of all glider towing operations. This now moves the responsibility of towing operations from CASA. Accordingly there is a requirement for all tow pilots to be GFA members.

Gliding Federation of Australia Memberships

12 Month Flying Adult	\$275
12 Month Flying Adult with overseas postage	\$301
12 Month Student (under 18 years)	\$143
3 Month Adult (once only)	\$143
AAFC or Air League (under 18 years)	\$123
Gliding Magazine Only	\$49
International Visiting Pilot 1 month	\$110
International Visiting Pilot 1 month junior	\$32
International Visiting Pilot 2 months	\$220
Non-Flying Active	\$66
Non-Flying Associate	\$40
Registered Operator Affiliation	\$70
Tow Pilot Membership	\$15

New GFA Memberships

The Gliding Federation of Australia has introduced a number of new membership categories so as to encourage family members to join in the social and operational activities of our sport.

There are two types of the new Family Membership:

- 1. Family Membership: This GFA membership is FREE. You will be included in the GFA community and can participate in normal gliding operations and social activities. You will receive occasional communications of interest to family members. You will be able to fly as a private passenger (without handling the controls) at any time. You are not required to join a gliding club. No voting rights with GFA. This membership does not expire.
- 2. Flying Family Membership: \$60 You will be included in the GFA community and can participate in normal gliding operations and social activities. You will receive occasional communications of interest to family members.

You are also entitled to receive flight instruction with an instructor. You must join a gliding club. You will not be able to fly solo or act as Pilot in Command. No voting rights with GFA.

With either type of membership, you will be able to upgrade your membership at any time to a full membership so that you can complete flying training and fully participate in the sport.

History tells us that the long time members of the Gliding Federation are family members. Now is the time to register your family at no cost and include them in your sporting activity.

Log on to the GFA web site and join up now www.glidingaustralia.org

There is a link button on the front page to make this an easy operation.