



ASC e-News

Electronic news from the Adelaide Soaring Club **1st SEPTEMBER, 2023.**

What a busy month that was. We had the 'Not My Problem' Fly-In, which was very well attended and the very nice lunch was enjoyed by everyone. That was of course followed by the A.G.M. and Awards night. The always well-deserved awards are set out in later pages and Ali will have an updated Committee list.

Spring is in the air and all the blossoms are coming out. Always nice to see the almond trees in full bloom on the Northern Expressway. From the air – well how good do the canola fields look this season. GREAT.

Thank you for the very welcome contributions from various members. I will cover the meritorious Peter Brooks trip in next months e-news. There are some great photos.

Karl Faeth

MAX FLIES SOLO



Here is young Max who has had a mention in e-news a couple of times, particularly during the Flinders Expedition. He has a lot of supporters, including of course his family. So when the time finally came, Max flew solo.

By all accounts, it was a flight of perfection, flown very well by Max and finished off with a beautiful landing.

Well done Max.

(He is too busy concentrating to smile).

SPECIAL GLIDING DAYS

From Frank Johann. frankjjohann@gmail.com

Black Springs Excursion 29 September to 2nd October

Dual Tow Training Saturday 16th September. Aerobatics Training Day Sunday 24th September.

LSA INFO

From CFI Sue Ingham.

The LSA fleet is performing well and the maintenance is up to date and carried out on the 25 hour basis.

It is handy having Richard Young at the field on a regular basis, particularly when incidents happen that need to be fixed. Pilots are reminded to read and use the Maintenance Release and report defects promptly.

Another reminder to all pilots – when parking the aircraft after a flight – **always park in the landing direction**. The doors on a Jabiru are great wind catchers and parking downwind allows the wind to pull the open door out of pilots or passengers' hands, resulting in serious damage.

MAX SOLO FLIGHT



A couple more photos of Max's solo flight. On the left is CFI Paul Marshall going through the paper-work to make sure it is all up to date and ready for a solo flight. On the right is Max's support group – his family and note his happy smile.

CLOUDY DAY AT GAWLER



Hard to believe from this photo, but an hour or so later the skies cleared a bit, and our one passenger had a beautiful flight soaring amongst the clouds. These days with big clouds and enough gaps to get amongst them provide my very favourite sort of flying, but the lack of lift saw us packed up by lunchtime. Thanks to Peter Phillips for providing our nervous passenger an experience she won't forget, for all the right reasons.

Cheers Ali Swart

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

From Geoff Wood.

The AGM was held on Saturday evening 26 August, with over 70 people in attendance in the clubrooms and others on-line.

Club President Megan Gabell opened proceedings.



In her President's Report she recalled some highlights of the past year and foreshadowed some possible directions for the future. She laid particular emphasis on two matters: The importance of maintaining a strong safety ethos in all areas of operations including airspace, and her pleasure at being part of an organisation with such a healthy and positive social culture. She looked forward to developing this even more over the next year.

Following this, ASC Treasurer Steve Pegler gave his report with details of the club's finances and statistics. He reported that the club's finances were in a healthy state. An interesting fact was that membership is up but hours flown in club-owned aircraft is down, and there was some speculation about why this might be.

A happy part of the AGM was the appointment of a new Life Member in the Adelaide Soaring Club – **Robin Richter**.



President Megan spoke of his exceptional service to the club, over an extended period, across a broad range of activities. He has been a member of the club for decades and over these years has served the club in many ways - as a glider pilot, as an instructor, as CFI (Gliding), as a committee member, as an Aerodrome Reporting Officer, in promotion particularly with the Monday gliding operation of the club, and in the social field:

Rob has been the club's Bar Manager for some years, an important function as part of the social aspects of club life.

Rob on the left with vice President Steve Miranda.

Megan moved with the support of the committee that Rob be appointed as a Life Member and this motion was carried by the members with acclamation.

ASC ANNUAL AWARDS by Geoff Wood – Awards Officer

The club's annual awards ceremony followed directly after the AGM, accompanied by a meal prepared by Anthony and Sylvia Lock and served by the Social and House Group. There were more members in attendance than for many years, in fact tables had to be brought into the clubhouse from elsewhere so everyone could sit down!

The awards went to:



LSA CFI's Award for best LSA student pilot of the year:

Presented by LSA CFI Sue Ingham and senior instructor Ian McDonald to **Jaydan Callisto**.

Sue also gave a special mention to **Ty Wellington** for his dedication and performance as a student pilot.



Paul Rim Memorial Trophy for most meritorious flight in his/her first year of cross-country soaring:

Presented by Paul Marshall to **Tyson Schmidt**.

Tyson brought a young supporter with him to help him collect the award – his daughter Ruby.



Darrell Ingham Trophy for Most Meritorious Flight in a powered recreational aircraft:

This was awarded to **Peter Brooks** for an amazing flight from Gawler to the Gulf of Carpentaria and back in his Allegro LSA.

Presented by LSA CFI Sue Ingham



The ***Richard Deane Memorial Trophy*** for best placing in any National Gliding Championship and the ***President's Trophy*** for best gliding flight during the year .

Both went to **Pete Temple**, the latter for an outstanding 9-hour flight to Broken Hill and back in his ASG 29 glider.

Presented by President Megan.



The ***Gliding CFI's Award*** for best gliding student pilot of the year:

Gliding CFI Paul Marshall announced that the winner was **Nathan May** who unfortunately could not be present on the night.

The award was presented to Nathan next day on the airfield by Geoff Wood

Then followed the club's service awards. First was a **Presidential Citation**, an award which the club President can at their discretion confer for any reason. This year President Megan chose to award this to Karl Faeth for the continuing work he does to help the club. She noted that Karl was made a Life Member in 2009. Life Membership is hard to top but this had made no difference to him – he had kept right on serving the club because it's something he loves to do. Thank you Karl! Karl had a family commitment on the night but his citation will be presented by Megan at morning tea on Friday 8 September .

The **Helmut Apitz Award** is the club's premier award for service and is awarded by the trustees of this award, Steve Pegler and Frank Johann. This year it went to **Steve Lovegrove** for his extensive work around the club particularly in maintenance of our vital ground maintenance equipment.



Steve was warmly commended for his dedication, skills and never-failing willingness to help.

There was a comment from the floor directed at Steve's exceptional hairdo. Steve Pegler on the left and Frank Johann on the right, and even Steve found the comment to be hilarious.



And finally the **Ashton Trophy** (the Galah Award) – the one nobody wants to win – for “greatest disparity between aspiration and outcome” as decided by popular acclaim.

In a clear win this went to **Richard Young** for his exploits on a flight to Victoria when he taxied for departure but didn't leave the airfield. See next page.



Here is the obvious reason (or one of two) why Richard was unable to take off on his flight to Victoria.

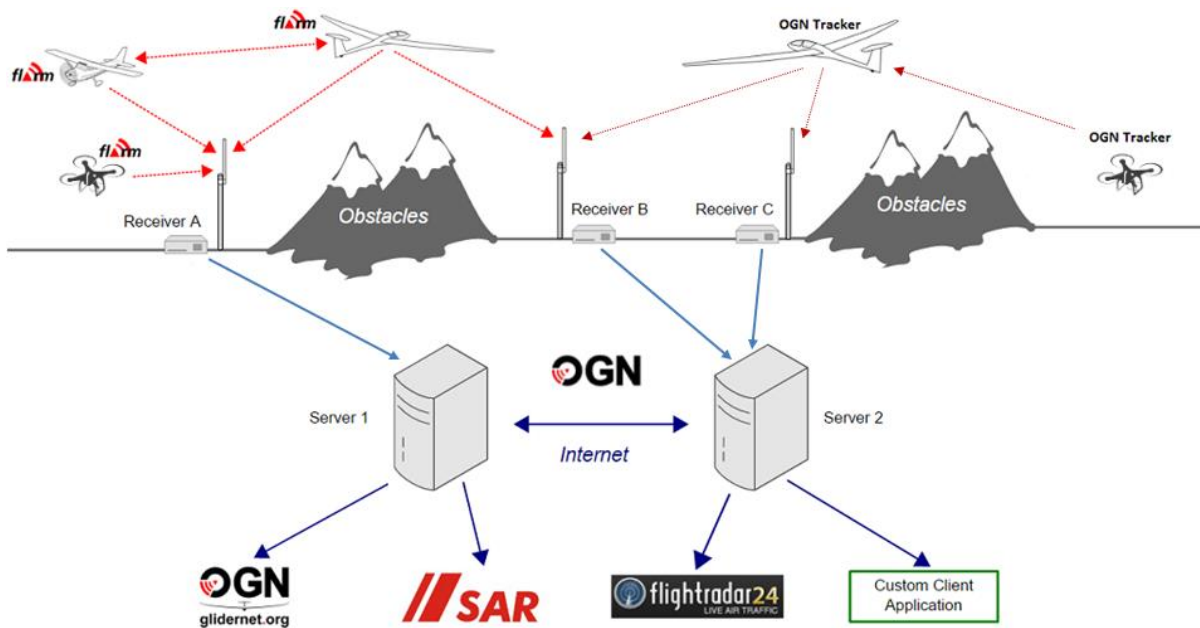


AGM Attendees. Everyone was enthralled by the presentations.

OPS SCENE

How to view glider FLARM traffic on OzRunways (Using OGN)

Gliders flying around broadcast their position via the FLARM system, this data is received by the Open Glider Network (OGN) and placed on the internet via OGN receivers.



This system for displaying glider traffic on OzRunways will only display glider that are in the coverage area of the OGN receivers. There are currently OGN receivers at YBVA (Balaklava), YGAW (Gawler), YSFG (Stonefield), and YWKI (Waikerie).

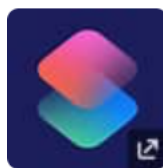
To import this OGN data into OzRunways, you need a personal electronic device (tablet) that has access to the internet in flight, via a 4G or 5G mobile service.

How do you configure your tablet (iPad)?

On an apple iPad download AvTraffic (available from Apples App Store)



You must run AvTraffic before running OzRunways. The easiest way to do this is create a shortcut. If



you haven't used shortcuts before click on the icon and create a new shortcut.

The shortcut needs to perform 3 steps.

- *open AvTraffic app,*
- *wait 5 seconds*
- *open OzRunways*

Now run your new shortcut and the OGN data should now appear on OzRunways

Take care when not landing on the “Duty Runway”

Recently we have had several incidents where aircraft not landing on the duty runway have created a hazard for aircraft in circuit for the duty runway.

At Gawler the preferred runway to use is the “Duty Runway”, but as pilot in command you may elect to land on any runway (provided it is safe to do so!)

For safety reasons all take-offs are from the Duty Runway. The only exception to this is when training for “Cross Wind” operations, but these training sessions are only to be done at a time of low activity and are clearly broadcast on the radio beforehand.

When landing on the cross runway, the circuit to the cross runway must be conducted in such a way as not conflict with other traffic performing circuits on the duty runway.

Examples of how-to perform circuits that do not conflict with the normal duty runway circuits, are as follows.

- **When Runway 31 is the duty runway.**

Aircraft wishing to land on Runway 23, should conduct either of the following;

1. left hand circuits to runway 23 (This remaining well clear of traffic in circuit for a runway 31 landing).
2. or right-hand circuits to runway 23 but join these circuits to the north of runway 31 (ie only mid field cross wind on runway 23).

In either of these cases, you are not performing a normal approach to Gawler, so make sure you inform other airfield users of your intentions with clear and precise radio calls.

Finally, on the landing roll it is important that you do not enter the active duty runway.

When Runway 05 is the duty runway.

Aircraft wishing to land on runway 13, should do left hand circuits onto runway 13, with care to ensure the base leg to runway 13 is below and well clear of downwind traffic to runway 05. Remember are not performing a normal approach to Gawler, so make sure you inform other airfield users of your intentions with clear and precise radio calls. Finally, on the landing roll it is important that you do not enter the active duty runway.

As always, stay safe and enjoy your flying.

Paul Marshall ASC Gliding CFI

ASC COMMITTEE MATTERS from Ali Swart

- AGM and audit for 2023 are concluded
 - The Club is in a sound financial position
 - Elected committee members for 2023/24 are:
 - Megan Gabell
 - Bradley Leksas
 - Tony Lewis
 - Bridgette McAllister
 - Brian Rau
 - Josh Brown
 - Steve Miranda
- At its September meeting, the committee will appoint a President and Vice President, and determine who will fill the roles of Secretary, Treasurer, Gliding CFI and LSA CFI.
- A second golf buggy has been purchased to complement the existing buggy for gliding operations.

- There is a cafe operation proposed to set up in the kitchen/bar area. May be worth holding off on advising members of this until we have more information as to how it will work, days of operation, etc.
- Welcome to new member Rupa Mannan.
- Discussions are underway with the Bureau of Meteorology and Light Regional Council to have a weather balloon launcher sited on the airfield.
- The waiting list for potential new LSA members has been closed temporarily.

"NOT MY PROBLEM" DAY



We had a great day at the **"Not my Problem"** fly-in. Great to see so many devotees in attendance and so many aircraft flying-in and on display. What a marvellous gesture from David Forsyth and Marc Michell to give us a fly past of the Tiger Moth and the Chipmunk. I couldn't help thinking to myself that these were the first two aircraft I ever flew at Parafield.

The next photo is the old and the new. David Forsyth's Tiger Moth and the Dragonfly built and owned by our own Geoff Wood.

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Information about the club for visitors and official for members.

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For official information within the club. Can only be used by club officials. All members are required to have a site to receive these messages.

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For contacting the official aircraft maintainer.

ASC MEMBERS

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For members to post items relating to club matters. Members can opt out.

FACEBOOK

The ASC has a Facebook page and a club Facebook group.

ASC E-NEWS

Information about club and member activities. Usually monthly.

COMMITTEE

Meets monthly. Minutes are posted on Notice Boards.