



# ASC e-News

*Electronic news from the Adelaide Soaring Club*      **1<sup>st</sup> JANUARY, 2024.**

Well, here we are into the New Year. As usual, the last one brought a few changes in the world and of course at our Club with a couple of new faces in positions of responsibility and authority. Let us look to 2024 with fingers crossed and a positive outlook.

Karl Faeth

## 2023 CHRISTMAS DINNER AT GAWLER

As is our tradition – the year always finishes with a sumptuous Christmas Dinner in the club rooms. For those just attending, it is a great evening – just pay your dues and enjoy the company and the meal.

But spare a thought for the members who spend days preparing for the event. Megan and family have just spent some time in Darwin but she made it back in time. Jeff Schuster, the ace pilot, and farmer that he is, supplied us with a pig for the meal. There was obviously some consternation in relation to bushfire bans so Jeff went out of his way to have a rotisserie on hand that would comply with any restrictions that may eventuate.

No big deal you may think – but Jeff went out of his way to purchase one in from---wait for it---Broken Hill. So he travelled up there and back – for the club. He set it up, got it going and put Anthony in charge. He then went on his way to other duties. Anthony dutifully monitored the roasting and also did some running repairs (quite a serious task at the time) when the rotation stopped.



Pig looking good – it tasted just as good.

Inside the clubrooms the girls were busy with the vital additions to the menu including chicken. Sylvia played an important part in this, which also included setting up the room.



The room obviously looked resplendent and above is the picture that met attendees as they walked in – beautifully set up. Megan showing the reindeer with Tom wearing his entertainer coat.



Peter Heuzenroeder on the left with Zoe, Sue's daughter, Karl, Sue, and Keith Johnson who is just reflecting on the evening.



On the left is Richard Young and his lovely wife Di. A lot of club members may not recognise Richard without his cap on – so here he is.



Facing is Marc Michell who made himself very busy as guests started to arrive. He said “I think I’ll go up and make some noise”. He then got into his Pitts and did some beautiful aerobatics over the top of the clubrooms. Very well carried out and it really boosted the theme of the event.



On the left is Tom doing some melodious entertaining. On the right is the well set up room slowly filling with members ready for a night of excellent food and entertaining music.



A few of the attendees. On the left is the Pullems and on the right the Heuzenroeders. Below is Sue Ingham with Keith Johnson who is very happy to be there. Behind them are other happy attendees enjoying the evening.





## MONDAY MOB

We receive regular Monday updates from Robin Richter who instructs, supervises, and runs a very successful Monday operation. He has a lot of support, including regular tug pilots. Without them the operation would not get off the ground. (sorry about that).

Now there is the flying operation during the day, BUT there is also the social aspect that is so necessary to finish off a successful aviation day. Whilst that occurs every week – come end of the year there has to be a special party to reflect on the year and also to thank those members who worked hard all year round to make Mondays a success. One of the workers is Alan Dean who does some superb work and shows his expertise with his excellent photography.



Here are Alan, Mani, Brian, and Peter ensuring the evening feast is suitably cooked.



Here is the Monday Mob, suitably lubricated and very happy.





Robin always believes that the year should be capped with recognition of tasks well done and undertaken during the year. Here are a couple of recipients.



Here is “Team Xavier” (Jai and Liam) with their substantial prizes presented by Dean. Below is Jai in his first Discus flight. Next page is Liam ready for his Discus experience.







Happy and successful Discus pilots.

### **37<sup>TH</sup> FAI WORLD GLIDING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

This very successful event was held at Narromine in NSW between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023. Our own Andrew Wright was there, of course, to lend a hand and to assist the Australian Team in its endeavours.

Andrew had a very good look around the competitors and the aircraft and gave us some info and photos for our last edition. Very valuable assistance was also provided by our own Instructors Brenton Swart and Peter Temple who was also the Australian Team Coach.



Above is Belen Swart with partner James Nugent-winner of the Club Class, Team Pilot Dan Summers and ASC Instructors Brenton Swart and Peter Temple.

#### RESULTS WERE.

##### **15m**

1. Sebastian KAWA in ZJ. Added his 18<sup>th</sup> World Gliding Championship title
2. Henrik BIELER in IYB
3. Steffen GOETTLER in G2.

##### **Standard**

1. Tom ARSCOTT in CC. New World Gliding Champion for Great Britain.
2. Gregory BEECROFT in HCB. Australian.
3. Enrique LEVIN in PO.

##### **Club Class**

1. James NUGENT in Q1, New Australian World Gliding Champion Club Class.
2. Uwe WAHLIG in SN.
3. Stefan LANGER

#### **LOST & FOUND**



As we all know – sometimes we forget things. If items are found at the Adelaide Soaring Club – they are taken to the office for safe keeping. If they are NOT collected - then we make a mention in e-news.

These two glasses were left at the club. The top one in the clubrooms reading nook on the small coffee table on 25/11/23.

The second pair on the kitchen table on Thursday 23/5/23.

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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.