



GlidingVicTas

VSA NEWSLETTER DECEMBER EDITION



Merry Christmas



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A COVID-FREE NEW YEAR!

JUNIOR GLIDING SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

YouthGlide

Michael McClure
Tate Moodie
David Stuchbery

South Gippsland Gliding Club
South Gippsland Gliding Club
Gliding Club of Victoria

YesGirlsGlide

Harbans Mann
Emma Wilkin

South Gippsland Gliding Club / GCV
Gliding Club of Victoria



Congratulations on being awarded a Victorian Soaring Association gliding scholarship to continue your [#extraordinarygliding](#) journey in Vic/Tas!



All events are dependent on **COVID advice** and **COVID Safety Plans will apply.**

VSA COACHING WEEK - HORSHAM

Hosted by Horsham Flying Club

30 Jan – 5 Feb 2021

Details: www.horshamweek.org.au

55th HORSHAM WEEK COMPETITION - HORSHAM

Hosted by Horsham Flying Club

6 Feb – 13 Feb 2021

Details: www.horshamweek.org.au

FLYING FURTHER COURSE (18th - 22nd January) – Benalla
(contact Gliding Club of Victoria for details – (03) 5762 1058)

VSA STATE GLIDING CHAMPIONSHIPS

State Gliding Centre, Benalla

4 March -10 March 2021

Further details to come on [VSA Facebook](#)

AIRWORTHINESS

Form 2 Inspection Courses for 2021

Course #1 Monday 3rd - Friday 7th May

(Course Full) (Waiting list available
dependent on cancellations)

Course #2 Monday 17th - Friday 24th May

(Course taking bookings)

Further details to come on [VSA Facebook](#)

Presenters will be: Joe Luciani, John Wharington and Graham Cassidy (top notch crew!)

HOT OFF THE PRESS - JOEYGLIDE!

Gliding Vic/Tas is proud to announce that funding has been provided to assist the Vic/Tas junior pilots attending [Joeyglide!](#) We look forward to lots of FB posts/videos, Instagram, WhatsApp and Snapchat media!

JOEYGLIDE

Australian Junior Nationals & Junior Coaching Program

Leeton, NSW (*Changes to venue may be dependent on COVID border restrictions*)

7th – 15th of January, 2021

If you can assist or support our junior pilots, contact the AJGC Vic Rep, Ryan Driscoll: driscollryan196@gmail.com for more information or see the [AJGC](#) website.

OGN (OPEN GLIDER NETWORK)

The Open Glider Network (OGN) uses Flarm transmissions, to plot aircraft positional information on maps, and create automated flight sheets. Over the last 4 years the VSA has funded the installation 8 receivers, providing coverage of the main flying areas in Victoria and Southern NSW.

A new flight sheet system was recently launched and can be found here [Logbook](#). It contains a SAR button, which when selected will show the last known aircraft location on a map.

Useful links:

- [Glider tracker \(dB test\)](#) will show the gliders flying but also the power output of the flarm in the glider.
- [Glidernet live tracking](#)
- [Flarm range analyser](#) can be used to show the performance of your flarm installation
- Use the [OGN device DB](#) to register your aircraft so it is displayed on log books etc.

If you have any questions about OGN or are interested in building and hosting your own station, please email steve@techexec.com.au

VIC/TAS CLUB UPDATE



[South Gippsland GC](#) - Congratulations to Hamish Scothern who was elected as the first Youth Committee Member and Harbans Mann as Vice President at their recent AGM. Also, a new addition for the summer is the e-tug, VH-PIJ, to assist with increasing their summer flying via aerotow in this beautiful part of the country.



Grampians Soaring Club – El Presidente visited this magical Wave site during December to work with them on a bit of brainstorming for the new look club. It was a great day and a very enthusiastic bunch! Looking forward to those new club t-shirts and that [great new logo!](#) Drop in as you're passing. Can't miss the big sign on the hangar – ***"Gliding. It's Fun!"***



Australian Gliding Museum – If you're interested in vintage gliders, fabric and woodwork repair and assisting at the museum and becoming a valued member, check out their [website](#) and give them a call, or pay them a visit! They like new members!



Soaring Club of Tasmania - The club is looking for second two-seater. Know of one that is for sale? Get in touch via their [website](#). And, if you are thinking of a gliding holiday down south?

Where else would you go?!



Gliding Club of Victoria – Back in business but without our UK contingent this year, so lots of flights needed by local members to keep the score on the OLC at the top! On a bright note though, the new DG1001 is here in Australia and lots of excitement building! [The club](#) welcomes all glider pilots to come and have a gliding holiday with them in Beautiful Benalla and the VSA State Championships will be held there in March.



Mount Beauty GC - [The Club](#) has commenced regular flying. Get in touch for some mountain flying.

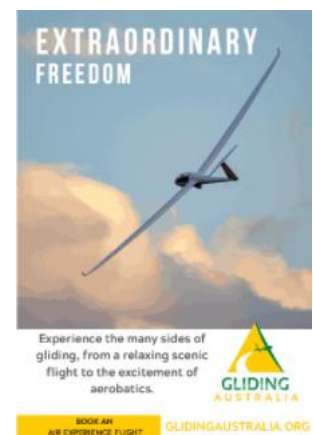
Bacchus Marsh – [Melbourne GC](#), [Geelong GC](#) and [Beaufort GC](#) are up and running.



More from our other great Victorian clubs in the next issue.....

Marketing - [#extraordinarygliding](#)

Have you checked out all the new marketing posters provided by [Gliding Australia Marketing](#)? They are free to download to print, free to attach in an email, make great giveaways, promotes gliding at your club and the best thing is, you don't have to prepare the stuff! What's available? Great Posters, Videos, Postcards, Social Media photos, Stickers and Colouring Posters for the Kids (and possibly big kids too!!)



Is your club struggling? #lendahand

Is your club struggling to keep rosters and/or training going due to the impact of COVID on your club? Not enough L1/L2s and Tuggies to service your Christmas or summer obligations or a mid-week operation? **You are not alone!** Please reach out to the VSA Regional Manager, Operations Vic/Tas – Alan Payne:

rmo@glidingaustralia.org who can direct you to sourcing instructors and/or tug pilots who may be able to assist you so that you can service the needs of your members and AEF flights. You can also reach out to another club directly to see if they can assist. See [List of Vic/Tas Clubs](#).

We are all in this together, we all love gliding and we all want to come out of this pandemic as successful, flexible, healthy and welcoming clubs who can give an extraordinary experience and encourage new people into gliding. So, **#lendahand**

Sport & Recreation Victoria – COVID Safe Summer Restrictions

For more detail on these changes, please see the [Summary of COVIDSafe Summer Restrictions](#). Victoria will move to a COVIDSafe Summer. A summary of restrictions as they impact physical recreation and community sport below:

Indoor physical recreation and community sport:

- Permitted for all ages
- No patron caps with a density quotient of 1 per 4sqm for each space.
- Gym and exercise classes limited to 50 people (excluding anyone necessary for running the class). COVID Marshals required when gyms are staffed.
- At times when gyms are unstaffed, a density quotient of 1 per 8 sqm applies.
- Signage must state the number of people permitted inside, wipes and disinfectant must be supplied for use by patrons, and record keeping is required and venues with capacity of greater than 500 patrons must publish a COVIDSafe Plan online.

Outdoor physical recreation and community sport:

- Permitted for all ages
- Up to a maximum of 100 patrons for outdoor fitness classes with a density quotient of 1 per 2sqm.
- Record keeping is required and venues with capacity of greater than 500 patrons must publish a COVIDSafe Plan online.

Pools, including swimming classes:

- Indoor venues open with a density quotient of 1 per 4 sqm.
- Outdoor pools open with a density quotient of 1 per 2 sqm.
- Record keeping is required.

Outdoor communal gym equipment: Open

Publicly accessible playgrounds: Open

The [Industry Restart Guidelines](#) for [Physical Recreation](#) and [Community Sport](#) are being updated and will be available at the Coronavirus Victoria website shortly.

Further information on [COVIDSafe Plans](#) for Physical Recreation and Community Sport is also available at the Coronavirus Victoria website.

We also remind you that the Victorian Government launched a new and free [QR Code Service](#) which will help venues and businesses to keep records of visitors. To use the service, you only need to register the venue or business, download and print a poster containing a Victorian Government QR Code, and display it prominently.

Planning a large Event: This advice is to let you know the [Public Events Framework](#) (PEF) has been updated to align with the current [Restricted Activity Directions](#) (RAD) for Victoria.

This update ensures that event organisers are provided with greater clarity for:

- planning their event
- understanding whether they could proceed with their event under the existing RAD
- the approval process and timelines

Further updates as they come to hand, can be found at [Sport and Recreation Victoria](#) website for links to the latest guidance. If you have any additional questions, please make direct contact at info@sport.vic.gov.au.

From all the Committee members of the Victorian Soaring Association, we wish you safe and happy flying over the coming summer months.

From El Prez, I extend a big thank you to an enthusiastic committee who have worked well and harmoniously together during a tough year and thank you for the support of all the clubs in the Vic/Tas region. We look forward to working with you in 2021 for more *#extraordinarygliding*.



GLIDING VicTas PROMOTIONAL ITEMS AVAILABLE

If you have an event coming up or just want to promote gliding in Victoria, check out the gliding.asn.au/marketing for VSA promotional items that will be available for purchase from November 2020 to June 2021.

COVID restrictions may affect delivery time, so please take this into account as we have no control over this.

Want to own your first single seat aircraft? Does your club need a single seat aircraft?



Jantar 2B (SZD 42-2) Open Class 20.5 Metres Wing Span

Factory finished Polyurethane.
50:1 Glide Ratio.

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- Form 2 (until November 2019)
- 2011 Parachutes Australia thinpack parachute
- 2000 hours/800 launches
- Oudie II and Calibri included
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20.5m, 49:1 L/D,

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Email: rwb103@hotmail.com

- LAME refurbished, lifetime extension and Form 2 (December)
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- Advanced rig gear and trailer
- Excellent condition
- 2000 hrs with current extension to 3000 hrs

FOR SALE



ASW20 A - VH-KYD



FOR SALE

Graham Garlick's beloved Benalla based ASW20 A model is being prepared for sale. This 15 m classic has 2711 hours and 792 launches and offers a favourable sports class handicap combined with a best L/D of 1:42.

Winner of Victorian State Championships, longest flights out of Benalla 975km and 976km only needs a slight nudge for a 1000 dreamer! Ideal touring machine for both mountains and plains.

Comes with full package of:

- SN7 variometer
- Nano logger
- Mountain high oxygen
- Parachute
- A virgin instrument panel

At present undergoing Form 2 inspection. Kept snugly hangar-ed at Benalla.

Sticky beaks call Graham Garlick on 0438 364 047 or email birdmanoz@bigpond.com for a chat.

LIBELLE 201B

Contact: Bernard Barry Tel: 0412 332 320 bab123@bigpond.net.au

- c.3800 hours (Life 12,000 hours)
- Complete with Filser ATR-600,
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- Parachute
- Trailer,
- Wing Covers
- Tow out Gear
- Water Ballast

Form 2 next due November 2021

1/3rd Hangar Share (other 2/3rds owned by Brendan English)

Libelle - \$15,000 or complete with Hangar share - \$29,000

#comingoutofcovid / #stopthespread #socialdistancing



NEXT ISSUES – Back to Business! (among other “stuff!”)

Integrity and Ethics: What does it mean for your club?

Marketing: What’s your “point of difference?”

What do you sell?

How do you sell it?

Volunteering: What’s in it for me?

Planning: Where are you now?

Where do you want to be?

How do you get there?