



# VICTORIAN SOARING ASSOCIATION

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## VSA ANNUAL REPORT - August, 2022

On behalf of the VSA Committee, I am pleased to report on activities for 2021/22.

### What happened in the last 12 months?

- Continued regular newsletters to Victorian glider pilots
- Updates on government sporting compliance legislation, webinars and events
- Horsham Events: Coaching Week and Horsham Week competition
- VSA State Gliding Championships - Benalla
- Australian Junior Gliding Club's Joeyglide - Benalla.
- Further promotion of Accredited Youth Glide Centres program with two additions being Geelong Gliding Club and Melbourne Soaring (Beaufort GC).
- FIRC training x 1 at Bacchus Marsh with 5 instructor ratings approved.
- #YesGirlsGlide mini camp in January 2022 – Benalla
- Advice from Dept of Education that gliding is no longer available through school programs due to the perceived risk.
- Infrastructure support to 3 gliding clubs.
- 7 x Junior and Women's scholarships
- VSA Storage shed for VSA equipment & mobile simulators at Benalla.
- Mobile simulator upgrades x 2
- Launch of new VSA Gliding VicTas website

### What didn't happen in the last 12 months?

- VSA face-to-face meetings. (Still Covid related)
- Succession planning and inability to motivate interest in the Victorian Soaring Association regional body or representation on the Gliding Australia Board.
- Unsuccessful funding application for a YouthGlide project due to inability to source Child Abuse insurance from any source.

### Funding and subsidies provided:

- AJGC Joeyglide sponsorship
- Horsham Events: Coaching Week and Horsham Week competition
- Grampians Soaring Club Wave Camp ferry tow sponsorship
- Form 2 Airworthiness course
- Instructor Course x 1
- Lease for mobile simulator storage at Benalla
- Geelong GC webinars during COVID19
- 4 x YouthGlide and 3 x YesGirlsGlide scholarships
- Club funding for ongoing Accredited YouthGlide programs\
- Infrastructure support to 3 gliding clubs – Geelong, Sunraysia, GCV.

### Sport & Recreation Victoria

VSA provided Foundation Funding and YesGirlsGlide Funding Workplans and Acquittals to reflect programs undertaken and ongoing planned activities.

### What should happen in the next 12 Months?

- Review and updating of the VSA Strategy for the next 4 years.



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- Application for VSA Foundation Funding from the Sport & Recreation Victoria.
- YesGirlsGlide Mini Series
- Further YouthGlide scholarships.
- Ongoing Airworthiness courses.
- Ongoing Instructor training and refresher training.
- Continue to promote and expand the Accredited YouthGlide Centres program.
- Continue education and communication on Integrity policies of Member Protection, Fair Play Code and Sports Integrity Australia/Play by the Rules information.
- Continue to represent Victoria and Tasmania on the Gliding Australia Board.
- Continue to sponsor and promote gliding competitions and support clubs to hold events and competitions including the VSA State Championships and Joeyglide being held in Victoria.
- Future and ongoing coaching and competition support
- Ongoing support for infrastructure projects.

Finally, as I leave the Chair for the last time, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the VSA Committee members who have assisted me and provided guidance over the last 12 months and thank you to the previous VSA teams for their enthusiasm and input to the VSA (Gliding VicTas) over the last four years.

I would also like to thank all the Clubs and their Presidents and officials, Regional Officers and individuals who have supported the VSA in 2021/22 and worked with the programs that are ongoing to the success of gliding in Victoria and also those new programs that have been developed during my tenure.

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