

Adelaide University Gliding Club Inc

Airworthiness Report for AGM April 2011

The AUGC aircraft fleet has continued to work reasonably well over the last year. Status of each aircraft is as follows

1. KR-03A Puchatek VH4KRO

The Puchatek has continued to perform well. The only significant airworthiness problem has been a slow nitrogen leak from the suspension oleo. We are attempting to source a maintenance seal kit for the unit.

The aircraft is due in for annual inspection in December however current planning has it coming in early October to avoid the summer period.

2. SF-25C Motorfalke VH-FQW

The Falke has had a few niggling problems through the year. The tail wheel tyre and tube gave problems over the January/February period. Consideration is being given to modifying the unit to a split rim configuration with a more common tare/tube size.

The radio/intercom installation has caused ongoing problems over the last couple of years Catherine Conway has organised a complete new wiring harness and has almost completed the installation. Thanks.

3. ES59 Arrow VH-GNF

The vintage Arrow was insurance written off a few years ago due to water damage to the structure. We have been slowly repairing it since. This year the job has taken a leap ahead due to a massive effort put in by Catherine and Michael Conway. The fuselage work is largely complete and structural repairs in the wing are well advanced. Getting this aircraft back in service would be highly appreciated by early solo pilots.

4. H205 Club Libelle VH-GMI

The Club Libelle has not presented any airworthiness problems over the year. The gelcoat surface is in need of some TLC.

5. PIK 20D VH-WVA

The P1K is presenting a myriad of minor issues. It is in need of a "Big" Form 2 (annual inspection). Accordingly it has been brought back to Adelaide early for its annual inspection. The aircraft is expected to be out of the air for up to 2 months We are panning to have it back in service ahead of the Flinders weekend in June. Please come down to West Beach and help out with the PIK maintenance.

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