

Uni Gliding

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PRESIDENT'S SPIEL

Dear fellow members,

Congratulations for making it this far through the tear and hopefully the ridge season would have started. Just because it is winter doesn't mean that we don't fly, come and enjoy the ridge.

Many thanks to those who have helped with cleaning up around the airfield and doing all those nasty odd jobs that no-one wants to do (eg fixing with the winch, fuel tank, West Beach form 2 work etc). Hopefully there will be more flying with the return of some of our instructors from long overdue holidays and Sabbaticals. Our club is not a profit making machine, and we all need to make an effort if we want **our club** to carry on into the next millennium. Lets not be a casualty of the 90's and its attendant apathy and selfishness.

Do something for yourself: go gliding (and enjoy)

Do something for others: help others go gliding (run operations)

Do something for your club: go gliding and help run the club

Bring your friends and family up to try it out. Invite aviators from other disciplines to see what gliding is all about (they may be suprised!)

Above all, fly safely

Michael

THE MAJESTIC EAGLE CIRCLES SLOWLY IN THE CLOUDS.



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WITH EYES SO SHARP HE CAN SPOT MOVEMENT A MILE BELOW. HE SIGHTS HIS PREY AND DIVES!



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REACHING SPEEDS OF MORE THAN 100 MPH, HIS UNWARY PRIZE WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT IT!



WIDSON

WAKE UP, DAD! IT'S SATURDAY! LET'S GO GLIDING!



POSTCARD FROM STEVE & KAREN



Dear *AMGC*,

Hi, we are still alive and haven't forgotten you. Our journey has been wonderful, we are having lots of fun, it's been quite cold so cuddles have been plentiful. We have seen lots of historical stuff and some ancient (BC) things. We have just finished our time in Scotland which we found beautiful. The mountains and Lochs were stunning (still no trace of Nessie!). Scone Palace and Stirling Castle were the best.

Love

Karen and Stephen

USAF MAINTENANCE COMPLAINTS

When an aircraft returns from a flight, the pilot writes up all the problems he encountered with the aircraft for the maintenance crews to have a look at. Here are some actual complaints submitted by US Air Force pilots and some of the classic replies from maintenance crews.

Pilot Problem: Left inside main tyre almost needs replacement.

Maintenance Solution: Almost replace left inside main tyre.

Pilot Problem: Test flight OK, except autoland very rough.

Maintenance Solution: Autoland not installed on this aircraft.

Pilot Problem : No.2 prop seeping prop fluid.

Maintenance Solution: No. 2 propeller seepage normal.

Pilot Problem #2: No. 1, 3 and 4 propellers lack

normal seepage.

Pilot Problem: The auto-pilot doesn't.

Maintenance Solution: IT DOES NOW.

Pilot Problem: Something loose in cockpit.

Maintenance Solution: Something tightened in cockpit.

Pilot Problem: Evidence of hydraulic leak on right main landing gear.

Maintenance Solution: Evidence removed.

Pilot Problem: DME volume set unbelievably loud.

Maintenance Solution: Volume set to more believable level.

Pilot Problem: Dead bugs on windshield.

Maintenance Solution: Live bugs on order.

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AUGC: What's on?

Jun '97

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 Barbecue 7:00 pm West Beach Shed: Arrow Form 2 Winch #3	3	4 General Meeting 'Grampians Trip' 7:30pm Cannon Poole Room, Uni. 6:30pm Bistro for Tea.	5 Call Contact Person to see if there is gliding at Lochiel 7, 8 & 9 Jun 018 810 963	6 (Almost) Everyone leaving for the Grampians.....	7 Grampians Trip	8 Grampians Trip
9 Grampians Trip	10	11 Pizza Nite! 7:00pm Pizza Hut, Gillies Plains. All you can eat \$7.95!	12 Call Contact Person 018 810 963	13	14 Take a friend flying <i>Go gliding..</i>	15 Take your family flying. <i>Go gliding..</i>
16 7:45 pm West Beach Shed Arrow Form 2 Winch #3	17	18 Exec Meeting. 7:30pm 17 Doulton Cres Modbury Heights, All welcome	19 Call Contact Person 018 810 963	20	21 The SAGA Dinner 7:00pm Vine Inn, Nurti- ootpa. \$20 per head. (After SAGA AGM) <i>Go gliding..</i>	22 Take a complete stranger flying <i>Go gliding..</i>
23 7:45 pm West Beach Shed Arrow Form 2 Winch #3	24 ☆ Go-Karting ☆ Adelaide Fast Karts, Cavan Rd, Cavan. \$40 for trials and three races.	25	26 Call Contact Person 018 810 963	27	28 Take a complete stranger's family flying <i>Go gliding..</i>	29 Take a complete stranger's friends flying <i>Go gliding..</i>
30 7:45 pm West Beach Shed Arrow Form 2 Winch #3	1	2 Club Annual Dinner and Prize Night. Buck- ingham Arms Hotel. \$16 per head. Bring a friend.	3 Call Contact Person 018 810 963	4	5 Enough. Just go fly- ing yourself. <i>Go gliding..</i>	6 Stay over and go fly- ing again <i>Go gliding..</i>

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH!

Now that our Social Convener, Mandy Wilson, is back from her jaunt through Europe, the club has a much better social calendar.

Barbecue at West Beach, Mon 2 Jun 97

7:00 pm at West Beach Shed. Good introduction to West Beach.

General Meeting, Wed 4 Jun 97

7:30 pm Canon Poole Room, Adelaide Uni.
6:30 pm in the Bistro for tea. Talk on wave flying and the organising the Grampians Trip.

Grampians Trip, 7,8 &9 Jun 97

Flying at Pomonal at the Grampians, great scenery, great fun. There may even be flying at Lochiel too! Call the contact person for details.

Pizza Nite, Wed 11 Jun 97

7:00 pm Pizza Hut, Gillies Plains.
\$7.95 all you can eat, make paper planes from the place mats, get thrown out etc, etc.

Executive Meeting, Wed 18 Jun 97

7:30pm 17 Doulton Cres Modbury Heights,

All welcome to have a say in how to run the club.

SA Gliding Association Dinner, Sat 21 Jun

7:00 pm Vine Inn Nuriootpa, \$20 per head. All the big wigs of South Oz gliding will be there after the SAGA AGM.

Go-Karting, Tues 24 Jun 97

Adelaide fast karts, Cavan Rd, Cavan. Who is fastest? \$40 for trials and three races. \$10 deposit to Mandy by 17 June. Need a lift? Call the contact person!

Annual Club Dinner and Special General Meeting, Wed 2 Jul 97

Buckingham Arms Hotel, \$16 per head. Bring a friend. This is the club's prize night and get together. Who will get the prestigious 'Wheels Up Award' for the best stuff up this year? Also we will hold a Special General Meeting to elect Raj or Cathy as Treasurer.

Party On!

SO YOU WANT TO HELP AT WEST BEACH?

- So you want to help at West Beach, but can't get there?
- You can ring the club contact person, Anthony, on 018 810 963 or (08) 8393 2646, E-mail: Anthony.smith@adelaide.on.net. He can organise a lift for those who need it. If you are **truly** desperate, his work phone and work e-mail are : (08) 8393 2897 and smitht@esa.gvl.esys.com.
- A lift is available from the Adelaide University footbridge at 7.30pm Mondays and Tuesdays.

SO YOU WANT TO GO FLYING THIS WEEKEND?

- You must ring the club contact person, Anthony, on the Thursday before, between 8.00pm and 9.30pm, on 018 810 963 or (08) 8393 2646, E-mail: Anthony.smith@adelaide.on.net, so that he can organise instructors and transport for those intending to fly. If you are **truly** desperate, his work phone and work e-mail are : (08) 8393 2897 and smitht@esa.gvl.esys.com.
- A lift is available from the Adelaide University footbridge at 7.00am, or from the Caltex Service station on Port Wakefield road, Bolivar at 7.30am
- Remember to phone the contact person or you could be forgotten.

THIS MONTH ON FIELD

CONGRATULATIONS

- ☺ Raj Bholanat got his C certificate.
- ☺ Raj Bholanat also got a back seat rating.
- ☺ Angus MacGillivray went solo.

ON FIELD

Sat 3 May: No flying? I can't remember.

Sun 4 May: Ridge, ridge and more ridge. The ridge was working up to 2300'. Everyone had plenty of flying. The Bergfalke clocked up it's 20,000 th flight flown by me and Greg Newbold.

Sat 10 May: I don't know. There was flying but no-one will tell me anything.

Sun 11 May: Circuits. Not a lot of enthusiasm so there was an early finish for people to go to Mother's Day dinners.

Sat 17 May: Michael Texler had a party that night. No flying.

Sun 18 May: Stacks and stacks of people on field. It rained and was foggy all day till about 3:00pm. Did a lot of work on the clubhouse, then had a couple of circuits. The ridge was working but we couldn't fly there because we could not see more than half way up it (really low cloud). An impressive southerly change / front came through and rained on us again to finish off the day.

Mon 19 May: Circuits, circuits and circuits.

Good practice but short flights.

Sat 24 May: Weak thermals for a short while up to 4000'. Then more circuits. I mowed the grass and weeds around the clubhouse

Sun 25 May: A strong northerly day with just a hint of west in it. A short period of ridge before going back to circuits. With the strong wind straight down the strip we got 'turbo-launches' up to 2000' above ground level. Impressive. Despite the wind Angus MacGillivray went solo in the Bergfalke!

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Pilot Problem: Auto-pilot in altitude hold produces a 200 fpm descent.

Maint Solution: Cannot reproduce problem on ground.

Pilot Problem: IFF inoperative.

Maint Solution: IFF inoperative in off mode.

Pilot Problem: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.

Maint Solution: That's what they are there for.

Pilot Problem: No.3 engine missing.

Maintenance Solution: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

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