

SSAC NEWSLETTER

WENTWORTH NON-JABIRU POPULATION INCREASES!



Two members doing their bit to boost the non-Jabiru aircraft population of Wentworth TOP: Jeff and Pat Woodroffe in their recently acquired Piper Tripacer receive a helping hand from John Raven during a stopover at Pooncarie enroute to Wentworth.

(Photo thanks to John and Rong Raven)

LOWER PHOTO: New member Roger Hall of Bendigo with his Taylor Monoplane during a recent visit to Wentworth.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear members,

Once again the annual fly-in has come around. We seem to have just got over last year's fly-in! It must be all the fun we have at past fly ins - all jokes aside.

It is a great time to catch up with friends for a good chat. This year should be no exception to the rule. This leads me to a plea for all members to put your hand up to help out even if it is only for an hour or so. This will give all members a chance to enjoy and catch up with friends made from past fly-ins and fly-aways. Contact Brian if you are able to spare some time. Remember this is our main fund raising event for the year.

Last weekend we had a good roll up at short notice to construct a store room and prepare framework for covering at a later date. At the same time number one hangar was de-cluttered of some junk. I would like to thank all that turned up. The planned working bee for next Sunday the 2nd of June will still go ahead to prepare for the fly-in with a short meeting to finalize purchasing and catering needs for the fly-in. This working bee will be followed by a simple BBQ lunch.

Members flew and drove to the gliding club last Saturday for a social morning tea enjoying tasty homemade scones topped with jam and cream and a cuppa. I would like to thank all our members who supported our fellow flyers. While we were there Lorraine and I had the pleasure of checking out Martin Rule's Salto glider and having a chat about his flying adventures. (Did make us feel a little ancient as we first joined the club the same time Martin was born and have enjoyed watching him grow into a fine young man and excellent flyer.)

Plea for the Editor; please make his job a little easier by sharing your stories in the newsletter - even if it is to revamp some of your old tales.

SAFE FLYING AS ALWAYS John Powell SSAC President

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome is extended to new members Peter Buchecker of Irymple, Peter Skipsey of Mildura and Roger Hall from Bendigo. Please make use of the club's facilities and make yourselves known to other members.

Roger is the owner of the Taylor Monoplane shown on the front page. Roger resides in Bendigo but enjoys visiting Wentworth whenever he is able.

An omission from the last newsletter was to welcome Owen Bray to Wentworth. Owen is well known to many members through his active association with the Sunraysia Gliding Club. Owen has recently purchased a factory new Jabiru. Sounds like he now thinks that having a bit of noise and a cooling fan up front when you're flying is not a bad idea!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It is good to be able to welcome the new members mentioned above.

To our existing members, please remember to renew your membership as this is one of the few sources of income for the club. It is only via our membership that we can maintain our excellent clubhouse and facilities.

JUNE FLY-IN AND WORKING BEES

With our June Fly-in rapidly approaching (that's Saturday 8th June) there are jobs needing done around the clubrooms and hangars.

A hastily arranged working bee on Sunday 26th March made some progress but wasn't able to achieve all that was hoped for. There is still lots to be done so another working bee is planned for Sunday 2nd June.

That's this coming Sunday - please come along if you are able.

Also the Friday afternoon immediately before our Fly-in (that's Friday 7th June) help is needed to make the final preparations in the clubrooms and surrounds - erecting crowd barriers etc. Again please come along if you are able.

Don't forget the main event:
Our Annual Fly-in and Dinner
Saturday 8th June
All Very Welcome