



"Once you have tasted flight, you will forever walk the earth with your eyes turned skyward, for there you have been, and there you will always long to return."
Leonard da Vinci

**Secure your place,
contact now and apply !**

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A joint venture between
Nelson Lakes Gliding club
and

Canterbury gliding club.
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Give yourself a flying start!

Glider Training Camp

6 days intensive training toward solo
Feb 12-17th 2012, Lake Station Airfield



Ab-initio Course 2012, February 12-17th

6 Days of learning to fly gliders



Previous participants have described this course as one of the best weeks of their lives.

The time and effort needed to learn to fly to solo level varies greatly from one person to another. However, everyone's progress is enhanced by immersion in

instruction. During the 6 days of this intensive course we aim for 20+ flights per student.

This is a fantastic & unique opportunity to join a comprehensive residential gliding training course utilising two grob G103 twin-seat, dual control gliders.

Using a winch-launching system our costs are lower and we can launch more aircraft quickly. As a not-for-profit incorporated society, this enables us to provide a focused learning experience cheaper than many others.



As well as rapidly progressing your training our aim is for you to experience the goal of learning to fly gliders, mountain soaring.

Course Programme

Course starts 9 am sunday, with an introductory briefing before heading to the field.

First focus is on glider familiarity and rudimentary flying skills. Once this is accomplished through circuits and short local flights, longer soaring flights are undertaken.

Flying training is based at the Lake Station airstrip, 9km west of St Arnaud village.



You'll be sent course material to study beforehand. Lectures are held covering the theory syllabus in the evenings and during any wet weather.

Weather permitting, 3 flights per student each day is normal. Throughout the week you will gain a significant level of experience. Following the weeks flying course concludes on the friday afternoon.

Limited Availability

Only 6 places are available to ensure max 3 students per twin glider.

Priority is given to applicants residing in the Nelson, Marlborough and Canterbury areas.

Costs

The up front fee of \$1150 covers

- \$50 per day course fee
- \$150 membership fee to join a club (eg Nelson Lakes, Canterbury, Marlborough)
- \$700 credit to your flying account

(Members of a NZ gliding club will not be charged the \$150)

Your flying account will be debited at normal club rates

- \$15 per winch launch
- \$0.95/minute of aircraft time

Cancellation of booking will incur 50% penalty fee of your deposit if we are unable to fill your position. If your position is able to be filled your deposit will be fully refunded

It's anticipated that a \$700 flying account credit will be enable the average student to complete the course, however this varies with the amount of flying achieved



Airstrip Duties

It takes more than just the pilot to get off the ground. As a club member, after training, you will be able to assist in the operations of the strip.

- Daily aircraft inspections
- Retrieving landed gliders
- Towing out launch cables
- Timekeeping
- Running glider wings & assisting with launches



Accommodation & Facilities

Students are responsible for their own accomodation and there are a few alternatives.

The Red Deer Lodge is available, providing bunkroom accomodation, kitchen & showering facilities at a cost of \$15/night. Bookings are made through the club.

Hotel accommodation and restaurant meals are available at the Alpine Lodge.

The St Arnaud General Store has a good range of foodstuffs available.

Prerequisites

- Students must hold a glider pilot's medical declaration, signed by their doctor. You can find the form online at: www.tinyurl.com/6y5ofew
- Students must have a full financial membership of a NZ gliding club.
- The cockpit weight allowances of our aircraft can accomodate students with body weights between 55kg and 110kg

