



Like to Fly With Us?

At Bathurst Soaring Club (BSC) we are always delighted to welcome new members to the exciting and challenging sport of soaring! To make your decision as easy as possible, we have summarised several options here.

Option 1: "What is it like to fly in a Glider?"

You have decided that you would like an "Air Experience Flight"? This consists of one flight with an instructor in a two seat, dual control glider. Total cost is \$200 for a flight of approximately 20 minutes. There is another option to fly a little further, weather permitting which lasts for about 30 minutes and costs \$250. This is known as the Mount Panorama special. You do not have to join the club for this but the cost does include temporary membership of the Gliding Federation of Australia for 9 consecutive days and insurance under their policy.

Option 2: The "Suck it and see option" - 3 Month Trial Membership.

You are not entirely sure, but you think you would like a few more flights and some training if you decide to carry on? A 3 Month Trial Membership could be just what you need! Trial Membership gives you 3 months Membership of both the GFA and Bathurst Soaring Club.

There are two choices here:

- a) You can just join as a temporary member and fly on a "pay-as-you-go" basis for instructional flights taken during those three months. The fees are \$130 for club membership and \$143 for the GFA. There is no joining fee payable and you can use the time to decide if you want to get more involved.
- b) A better and more structured option is to take a short training package. The package that we give you includes your own Flight Log Book, a Basic Gliding Knowledge textbook with all the necessary theory, five Instructional flights at no further cost to you, and the right to take as many further instructional flights as you like during that period, paying only normal club rates. Cost: \$550.

3 Month membership of the GFA does not automatically extend into full membership and expires after the three months have passed. You need to renew your GFA membership on their website (<http://www.glidingaustralia.org.au>) and choose the 12 month option. Converting to full 12 month membership with BSC is as simple as paying the 12 month membership fee which is currently \$310. You must complete these two transactions if you wish to continue flying with us.

Option 3: The "Count me in now" Option.

Go straight to Full Membership and get involved in this exciting sport! This option gives you access to one of the best equipped and best situated private gliding clubs in Australia with its own airfield, gliders, clubhouse, etc. There is a once only club joining fee of \$110 for adult or working members but full-time students, apprentices, Australian Air League members, and immediate family of full BSC Members are exempt! See next page for full costing.



Option 4: The "Fast Track" Option

How about a mid-week intensive course with a blend of theoretical and practical instruction? We run these 2-3 times a year or whenever demand is sufficient. We cannot guarantee you will go solo (although some may), but you will be **well on the way!** Accommodation, instruction, and 3-month GFA and BSC membership means that when the initial week is over you can continue to fly for the same low cost as all the full-time BSC members until the 3-month term expires. You can then apply for full 12 month membership of the club and GFA to continue your flying uninterrupted.

Current 2016/2017 Costs as at 1/05/2017 are:

Membership	Joining Fee	BSC Annual	GFA	1st Year Total
General	\$110	\$310	\$275	\$695
Family Member (non-student)	\$0	\$160	\$275	\$435
Family Member (student)	\$0	\$160	\$143	\$303
Student	\$0	\$160	\$143	\$303

*** subject to change by GFA at 1 May and BSC at 1 July*

For **Option 1, Option 2, or Option 3**, contact the Weekend Duty Pilot at Pipers Field. They will guide you through the application procedure.

If **Option 4** is the one for you, please contact Armin Kruger via e-mail at kruisa@ozemail.com.au.

Please note there is no option to join the club on-line. Prospective members must attend the airfield and complete the BSC application forms in person. The GFA has recently provided an option to join on-line on their website (www.glidingaustralia.org.au) or alternatively, you can complete the GFA forms at the same time as the BSC forms.

That's it! See you at Piper's Airfield soon! Welcome and have fun!