

Bulletin No. 6
November 2023



We are only a few weeks out from the start of the competition, and we can confirm the following entries as at the end of October 2023.

NAC entries received					
France	Eric Napoleon	2	2	2	6
Australia	Miles Gore-Brown	2	2	2	6
Japan	Nobuo Sashida		1		1
Ukraine	Roman Lermakov	1			1
Belgium	Jelle Vandebeeck		1	2	3
Luxembourg	Indya Ruygrok	2			2
Netherlands	Bart Renckens	2	1	2	5
New Zealand	Derek Shipley	1			1
United Kingdom	Werner Stroud	2	2	2	6
Croatia	Dani Zaninovic	2			2
Finland	Kari Ylihärtilä	2		1	3
Germany	Bernd Schmidt	2	2	2	6
Czechia	Jan Pavlik	3	2	2	7
Hungary	Gergely Cziraky	2		1	3
Switzerland	Ross Moncrieff			2	2
Denmark	Kristian Hansen	2		1	3
United States	Pete Alexander	2	2	2	6
South Africa	Karin Schutte		2	2	4
Lithuania	Charles Downes	1		2	3
Poland	Karol Snapko	2	2	2	6
Italy	Marco Scarafoni	2		1	3
Total		32	19	28	79

The volunteer team of some fifty people is looking forward to welcoming the national teams to Narromine and providing a great competition and a safe, fair, and fun time for all.

Please note that the following are confirmed:

- Mandatory Safety Briefing – Tuesday 28th November – 10am
- First Official Team Captains’ Meeting – Tuesday 28th November – 7pm

From 29th November onwards:

- Team Captains’ Meeting 9am
- Briefing 10am

Registration Progress

Based on the data that has been provided to date we have been able to complete the following tasks:

Out of a total Of 79 pilots, we have been able to:

- Arrange or confirm GFA Membership for 49 pilots
- Establish Narromine Club memberships where required for the above pilots
- Verify licences, medicals and flight reviews and grant flight credentials for 45 pilots
- Verify FAI Sporting Licences for 81 pilots and Team Captains.

We are also progressively verifying aircraft documentation where this has been provided.

Please keep the data and document uploads coming so the Competition Office led by Kathy Bell can streamline your team's registration process and expedite your ability to start flying as quickly as possible.

Scrutineering Bookings

We have capacity to scrutineer two aircraft at once, and therefore have bookings available with two separate calendars, one per scrutineering team.

Each calendar has half hour slots to enable booking of a scrutineering window starting from Monday 20th November.

<https://calendar.app.google/pZfRf2iHk2DJXoxC8>

<https://calendar.app.google/FxU4g4mL99eV7hk17>

Try either calendar, if it doesn't have the slot you'd like, try the other calendar.

You can create and reschedule appointments.

We are expecting a peak later in the period as teams arrive and complete registration and gain airside access approval, as a prerequisite for attending scrutineering.

We request that, if possible, you book as early as you can, as that would assist everyone, including yourself to get the teams through the process as soon as possible.

It is critical that the glider is presented in flight configuration, at the correct weight, with the required documents to ensure that the Scrutineering Team led by Jack Hart can complete scrutineering within the half hour window.



Airfield access before 24th November

Given the expected arrival dates for most teams, airfield operations will transfer from NGC (Narromine Gliding Club) operations to WGC Competition operations on 24th November.

Prior to that date any launches and operational decisions etc will be managed by NGC.

Onsite competition registration is open from the 20th November.

If your team needs airfield access prior to completion of their competition registration, they will need to complete a few formalities:

- Team members going airside must sign an NGC Visiting Pilot form.
- Team member going airside must attend at least one 10am NGC briefing held in the clubrooms prior to entering the airfield.
- Drivers must put a current airfield authorised access sticker on their car windscreen prior to driving the vehicle airside.

Similar processes will be in place as part of the onsite registration process for the competition.

Flying before registration

If you wish to fly before completion of registration formalities, you must have been issued your GFA Membership and your GPC (Glider Pilots Certificate).

As noted above we are progressively granting these credentials as your registration data is provided online.

You must ensure you have a valid and current GPC before flying in Australia.

Physical documents are not required.

We do not need to sight original documents that have already been provided as part of the pre-registration document uploads. These are being progressively verified as they are uploaded.

Obviously, any documents not provided prior to your registration appointment must be provided at that time. If there are a significant number of such documents, unfortunately this will slow down your team's onsite registration, due to the requirement to scan, upload, verify, and retain these documents.

Pilots and Team Captains will be required to sign a document confirming that all information provided during registration is true and correct. This draft declaration is contained in Appendix A to this bulletin and is subject to minor change.

As per the Local Procedures 3.5.4a the Flight Manual and Aircraft Logbook are the key additional documents that will need to be available as these are difficult to provide electronically prior to arrival.

PDF versions of Flight Manuals on mobile phones, or other devices, are acceptable.



For the aircraft logbook, a photo/scan of all the following is acceptable:

- Front page
- Pages detailing any significant modifications (ie: non original winglets)
- Last page with hours and landings

The Flight Manual and Aircraft Logbook as either physical documents, or digital equivalent, are required to be available during scrutineering if there is any query in regard the aircraft.

Self-Briefing V1.2

We have issued a slightly revised Self Briefing document; this contains the following clarifications:

- Operational frequencies - 130.000 for all operations, including marshalling.
- Tow rope drop areas for each take-off direction.
- Tow rope management - clarified responsibilities.
- A new weighing exit route via the Skypark taxiway added.
- Car parking access road clarifications.
- Updated grid layouts to reflect on-site review of runway grid capacity and airfield enhancements.
- Disused runway terminology instead of unserviceable runway, given these areas will be swept and are useable by tugs and gliders.
- Clarified the finish procedures and use of alternate runways for speed finishes.
- Minor clean-ups of the document

Daily Runsheet and Team Resourcing

The daily run sheet for the competition is being finalised.

It is obvious that for teams where Team Captains are also Pilots, the day will be very busy, and adequate team crew will be essential.

From a team perspective the expected daily run sheet is expected to be:

- Duty runway advised 7:45am via WhatsApp, including confirmation that tasks will be set for the day.
- Weigh stations will be open from 8am to 10am each morning we are tasking.
- Marshalling and gridding will be open 8am to 10am each morning we are tasking.
- Team Captains' Meeting will be 9:00-9:30am every morning, with a focus on resolving any operational or safety issues prior to briefing.
- Daily Briefing will be 10:00am-11:00am every morning, with an intent to contain to 30 minutes duration, focussed on previous day winners, safety, weather, and task briefings.
- Normal weather patterns at Narromine would indicate that first launch will usually be after 12 noon, but there is a chance of an early launch in exceptional weather.



For clarity, the volunteer organisation will be focussed on running the competition and will not be available to assist with trailer retrieves, or movement of team members, or gliders during gridding etc, and adequate team crew will be essential.



37TH FAI WORLD GLIDING CHAMPIONSHIPS NARROMINE NSW AUSTRALIA

December 2023

(The Championship)

Competitor's Proclamation

Pilot's Name:

National Team :

DECLARATION

- I agree to waive all claims against the Gliding Federation of Australia, the NSW Gliding Inc., the Narromine Gliding Club Inc., Narromine Shire Council and any person assisting in Championship or Club operations (including in ancillary operations) for any property or personal damage whatsoever and to indemnify those entities against all actions, proceedings, claims and demands whatsoever which may be brought, made or prosecuted against any of them in respect of such damage.
- I certify that all information provided as part of competition entry and registration is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I acknowledge that the organisers of the Championship and the Gliding Federation of Australia are relying upon the information I am providing.
- I have read, understand and agree to comply with the 2023 edition of the "FAI Sporting Code – Section 3 (SC3) and Annex A Edition 2023" and the "Local Procedures" available on the competition Website.
- I acknowledge that if my glider does not meet the airworthiness requirements of participation at any time, I may be refused a launch.
- I authorise my glider's insurer to release to the competition organisers information regarding the insurance of my glider.

Dated day of 2023

Signed

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Pilot

Team Captain

