

The Occasional Air Sailing News June 2021



It is time to come fly at Air Sailing! Even in the pandemic year, many good flights took place, new pilots took to the air, and new members discovered the Air Sailing family. Now, with vaccines really impacting the covid case load, Air Sailing is ready for a season more close to normal. Details of the Air Sailing Calendar, sign-up protocols for use of the gliderport and Airport Operations in the Covid-19 Environment may be found on the Air Sailing website: www.airsailing.org.

Information Juliet guidance is in effect as of May 25. Details are on the website, but a partial summary of the current guidance for Flight and Non-Flight Operations are as follows:

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

- Fully vaccinated individuals need not wear masks on the launch line (unless someone present requests that masks be worn).
- Masks must be worn by all unvaccinated persons on the launch line.

NON-FLIGHT OPERATIONS

Clubhouse

- The clubhouse main room and kitchen area are now open and available for use, with the following restrictions:
 - Maintain social distance while in the building
 - Masks are required for unvaccinated persons while inside the building
 - Masks are recommended for vaccinated persons
 - Eating meals in the building is not recommended due to ventilation limitations

Campground and RV Park

- The bathhouse mens and womens restrooms, showers and laundry room are open for use, with the following restrictions
 - Maintain social distance while in the building
 - Masks are required for unvaccinated persons while inside the building
 - Masks are recommended for vaccinated persons
 - Showers are available use for use by vaccinated individuals. Unvaccinated individuals may not use the showers.
 - A new un-plumbed outdoor privacy enclosure has been installed by the bathhouse east wall for individuals of any vaccine status to use camping shower bags (bring your own shower bag)

Tie Down Line and Glider Hangar

- Masks are required for unvaccinated persons while inside the hangars
- Masks are recommended for vaccinated persons
- Masks must be worn by unvaccinated individuals when assembling/disassembling a glider when others are within 6'.





ASI Calendar 2021

Sports Class Contest, July 12-16, 2021

The SSA Sanctioned Air Sailing Sports Class Contest offers strong competition in an environment that is perfect for seasoned contest pilots as well as first-timers. Practice day July 11. Due to COVID restrictions registration is limited to 10 contestants. Contest Manager Terry Duncan.

Thermal Camp, July 26-30, 2021

This camp is intended for beginner or intermediate-level soaring enthusiasts. Training focuses on efficient thermalling techniques, both alone and in gaggles, as well as basic piloting skills for high desert soaring. Manager Larry Suter

Cross Country Camp Aug 8-14, 2021

The camp is intended for intermediate level or more experienced soaring enthusiasts. Training focuses on techniques used for safe and efficient cross country flight and sharpening the piloting skills used for prolonged high desert soaring flights. Manager Harry Fox





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