



612 VGS Joining Instructions

Your unit has been allocated Cadet places for GICs

Your allocation is on

If you are concerned that the weather will prevent you flying, ring the VGS before commencing your journey, even if this will delay your arrival time.

About Gliding Induction Courses

Gliding Induction Courses are designed to provide basic flight instruction to cadets. They allow cadets to experience flying in a glider and handle the controls in a safe and controlled environment. The first time a cadet attends they will be given a GIC1, this teaches them about attitude and how to pitch, GIC2 revises GIC1 and teaches roll while GIC3 revises pitch and roll teaches yaw and demonstrates stalling.

GICs are a great way for cadets to learn about the Vigilant and prepare themselves for the Gliding Scholarship.



Photograph J. Rose

The Vigilant (Grob 109B)

The Grob 109B is a high performance self launching motor glider capable of operating up to 18,000 feet at speeds in excess of 130 knots. Training in the Vigilant is carried out at up to 8,000 feet at between 60 and 70 knots.

Power is supplied by a Grob E2500 engine providing up to 95 brake horse power. With a feathered propeller the aircraft has a glide ratio of 1:25.



Attendance

Cadets and supervising staff must arrive at 612 VGS by 09:00 and report to the Duty Instructor. They will be allowed to leave once the cadets have all flown; however 612 can not guarantee when in the day that will be, therefore they should be prepared to remain at 612 until sunset. If departure is required before a specific time, the Duty Instructor must be advised on arrival.

In the event the staff member can not remain all day, prior agreement must be sought from Flt Lt Rose.

Non Attendance

If you are unable to attend 612 for any reason you must advise your Wing Gliding Liaison Officer as soon as possible.

Contact Details

If you have any questions, or need to advise of non-attendance, contact details are as follows:

612 VGS 01235 536 176 (Weekends Only)

612 VGS Mobile 07776 226 897 (Weekends Only)

Flt Lt J Rose 07774 492252 Training Officer

Check List

Below is a list of kit you will need to bring along with you.

- Flying Suit/Coveralls
- Soft soled shoes
- Sun glasses
- 3822/Record of Service book
- Food for the day

How to get to 612 VGS

You are responsible for making your own way to 612 VGS

By Road From the "Marcham Road Interchange" take the exit sign posted "Marcham", turn right at the 1st T junction, next junction turn right for "Shippon", then take first left through the airfield gates, follow the road around to the right and then take the first right, you'll then see the 612 buildings on the right.

