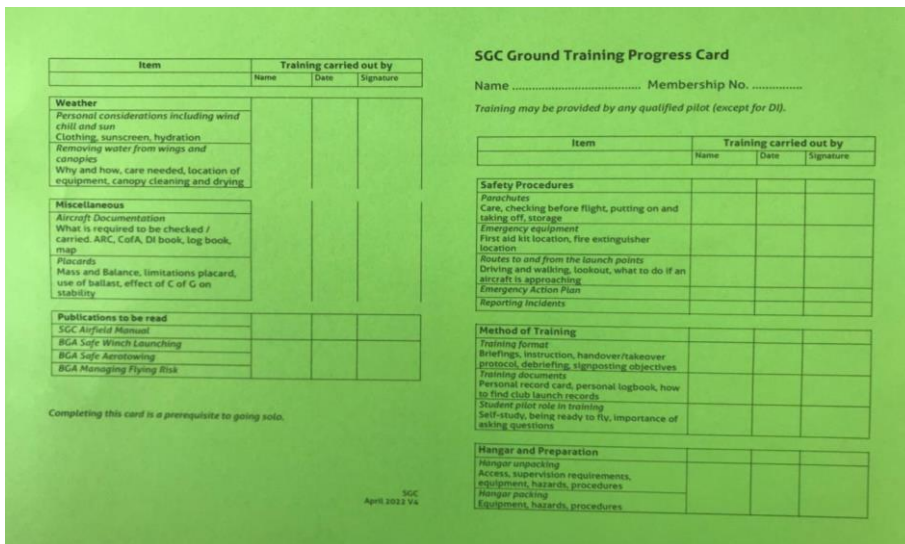


Topic of the month: June 2025

Ground Training

While we encourage everyone to get involved and help with the running of the airfield as much as possible it is important to remember not to attempt tasks you haven't been trained to do.

We have had a number of incidents recently where members and visitors who are untrained or unfamiliar with our practices has nearly resulted in accidents.



The image shows two versions of the SGC Ground Training Progress Card. The left version is a green card with a white table for recording training. The right version is a white card with a green header and a table for recording training.

SGC Ground Training Progress Card

Name Membership No.

Training may be provided by any qualified pilot (except for DI).

Item	Training carried out by		
	Name	Date	Signature
Weather			
Personal considerations including wind chill and sun			
Clothing, sunscreen, hydration			
Removing water from wings and canopies			
Why and how, care needed, location of equipment, canopy cleaning and drying			
Miscellaneous			
Aircraft Documentation			
What is required to be checked / carried. ARC, CoFA, DI book, log book, map.			
Picards			
Mass and Balance, limitations placard, use of ballast, effect of C of G on stability			
Publications to be read			
SGC Airfield Manual			
BGA Safe Winch Launching			
BGA Safe Aerotowing			
BGA Managing Flying Risk			

Completing this card is a prerequisite to going solo.

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Item	Training carried out by		
	Name	Date	Signature
Safety Procedures			
Parachutes			
Care, checking before flight, putting on and taking off, storage			
Emergency equipment			
First aid kit location, fire extinguisher location			
Routes to and from the launch points			
Driving and walking, lookout, what to do if an aircraft is approaching			
Emergency Action Plan			
Reporting Incidents			
Method of Training			
Training format			
Briefings, instruction, handover/takeover protocol, debriefing, signposting objectives			
Training documents			
Personal record card, personal logbook, how to find club launch records			
Student pilot role in training			
Self-study, being ready to fly, importance of asking questions			
Hangar and Preparation			
Hangar unpacking			
Access, supervision requirements, equipment, hazards, procedures			
Hangar packing			
Equipment, hazards, procedures			

Ground Training Card/Green Card

- The Ground Training card is a vital part of the training system and should be completed before going solo and covers all of the ordinary tasks a member could be expected to do
- While it is the responsibility of the student to ensure the card is completed, the training and sign off can be done by **ANY** Qualified Pilot

Daily Inspections

- The DI is a safety critical task and recently there appears to have been some confusion around the requirements to perform a DI. **BOTH** the requirements below must be met.
 - Training by an Instructor/Inspector and a logbook signature
 - The Green Card item about DI only means that you know about the DI book. It does not qualify you to do a DI.
 - Solo (Unless otherwise sufficiently experienced)

Safe Flying

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