



612 VGS Joining Instructions

You have been allocated a Gliding Scholarship Course at 612 VGS and are expected to attend every Saturday or Sunday (as allocated) until the course is complete. This will require attendance for up to 5 consecutive weekends.

About the Course

The gliding scholarship is an 8 hour course, at the end of which you will understand how to fly an aircraft. Initially you will be taught how to control the aircraft in all its planes of movement, then taught to maintain straight flight, turn onto specific headings and fly in a safe manner. Once the "upper air" exercises are completed you will be taught how to take off, fly around a circuit, land and cope with emergencies that may be encountered during a flight.



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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.



Timings

You are to arrive by 08:45 each day and will be able to leave approximately one hour after the end of flying, should you need to contact anyone for a lift home, a telephone is available in the 612 building.

Non Attendance

Once you have commenced the course, you must attend every weekend, If you are unable to attend for any reason, contact Flt Lt Rose 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
- Completed medical form
(Only required on your first attendance - without a satisfactory medical on your second attendance you will not be allowed to continue the course).
- 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.

