

Growth of...



Lucy Wootton

Jono Bradford

Olivia Tomlinson

Anne Soltow

Toby Freeland

Merlin Ohta

Personal Story: Lucy

- Started gliding at 16 and went solo
- First Winter Series - Long Mynd - October 2013
- Junior Nationals Two-Seater Training 2014
- BGA Inspector 2014
- Winter Series Organiser from 2017
- MEng Aeronautical Engineering Degree (at Loughborough!)
- Loughborough University Gliding
- PPL & NPPL (Air League funded), Tug Pilot
- BGA Exec Member
- Chief Inspector, Light Aircraft Association
- CFI of Edgehill Gliding Centre



Personal Story: Jono

- Introduced to gliding at 14 by my Dad
- Awarded a HCAP PPL Scholarship 2017
- BGA Two Seat Training 2017
- 'Insurance share style' Syndicate Libelle
- Tug Pilot
- EASA CPL/Trainee Commercial Pilot
- Opened the door and inspired my future career



Personal Story: Olivia

- Introduced to flying in Air Cadets
- Started gliding with LSUGC in 2019
- Solo in 2021
- LSUGC committee
- Helping organise Winter Series



Personal Story: Anne

- Started quite late (summer 2019 at 21)
- ICGC Summer trip to Issoudun
- HCAP PPL scholarship 2021
- Junior Nationals
- Basic instructor
- Came a long way in a short time through all the support available to Juniors



EVENTS

The Winter Series

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WHAT IS IT?

HOW IS IT ORGANISED?

WHO IS IT FOR?



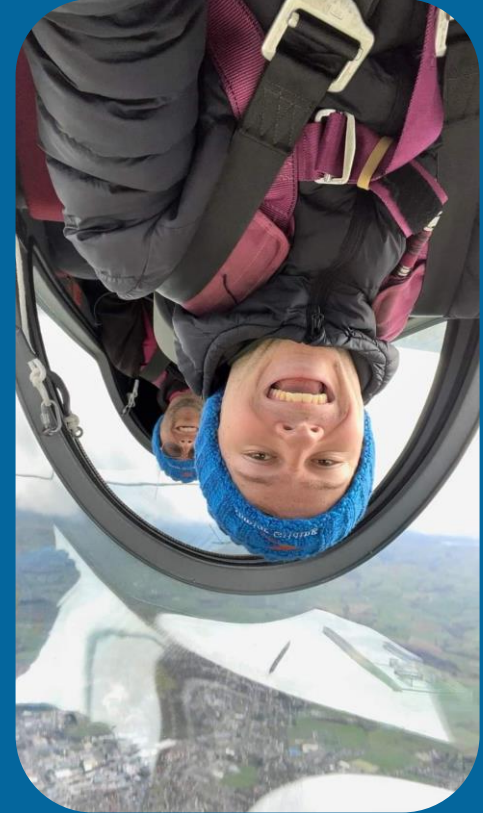
The Winter Series: What is it?

- 3 weekends across the 'Winter' – nominally October, February & April
- Experience of flying at new sites
- Opportunity to fly gliders that Juniors do not normally have access to
- Make friends across the country
- Allow Junior pilots to see what is possible if they continue with gliding
- For Junior pilots of all abilities - from pre-solo to World Champions!



The Winter Series: How does it work?

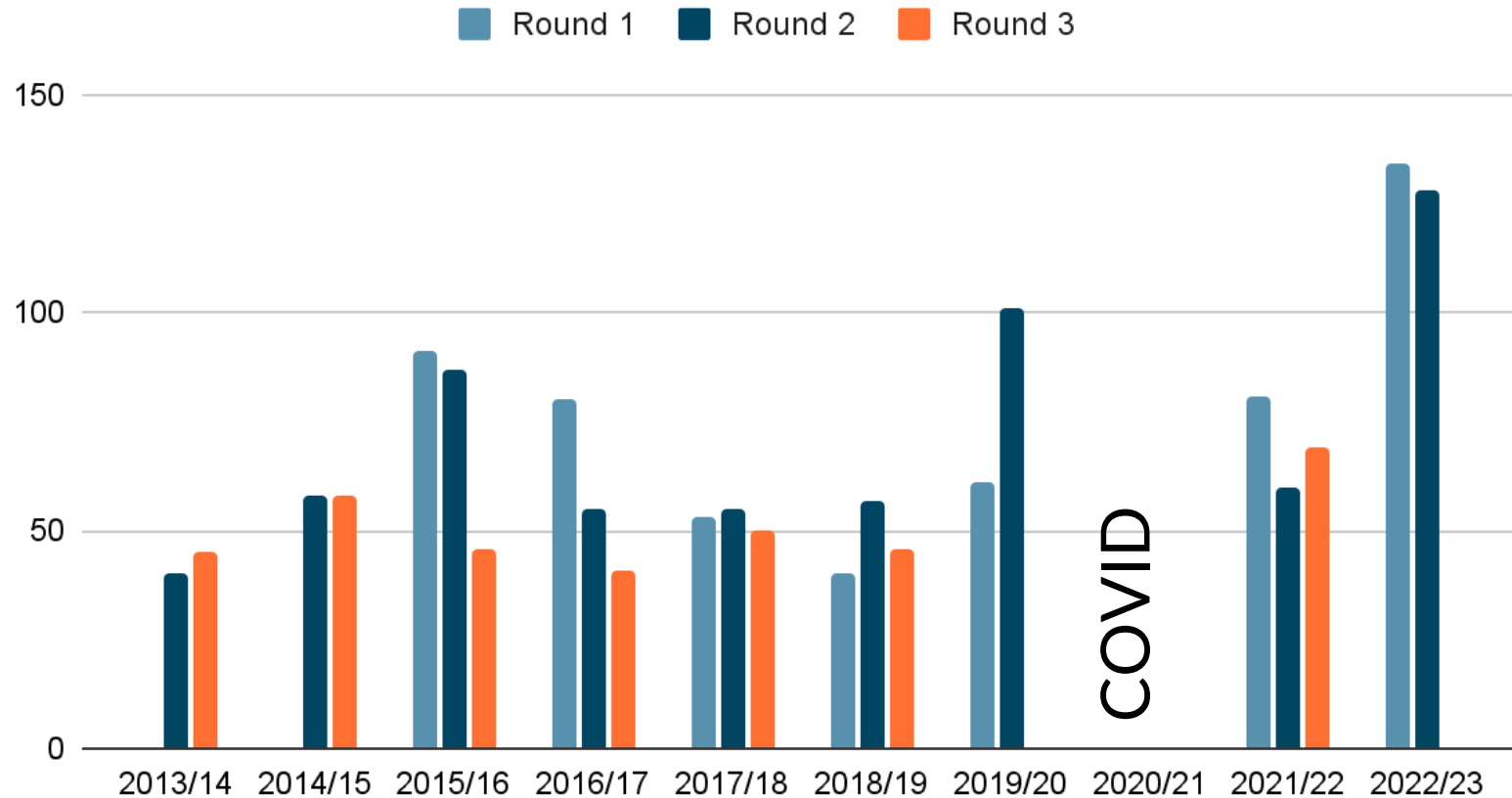
- Lots of two seaters (usually 10-12)
- Spaces for single-seaters too
- Average flight cost per minute is charged across all gliders



Winter Series Attendees



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*note:

Limited data available, some older records are estimates

The Junior Nationals

Junior Nationals

- First set up in 1988
- Fantastic first competition
- Debriefs from British Junior Team members
- Learning environment
- Social events
- Wide ranges of experience



Two-Seater Coaching

Applications open in April

Flying funded by the BGA for 12 Junior pilots

Experienced XC coaches



Inter-University Gliding Competition

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Points won in three categories:

- Progression
- Soaring
- Cross-Country



British Junior Gliding Team

Junior Gliding Team – Toby Freeland



How to get yourself (or your juniors) to
a Junior World Gliding Championships

Please sponsor the 2023 team below:

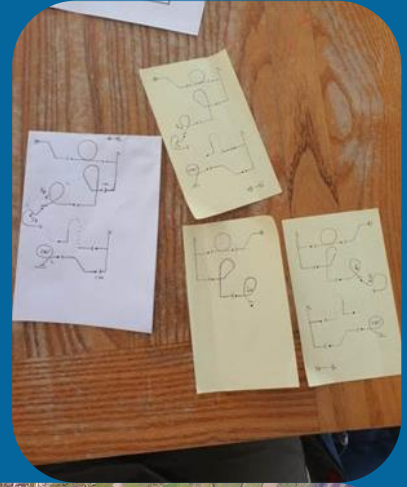
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Junior Aerobatics

Junior Aerobatics – Merlin Ohta

1. What aerobatics looks like now in Juniors
2. Why we want to support aerobatics
3. The future



Junior Gliding: Regional Representatives

- Building upon a great idea
- More representatives per region
- Guidance and help for bursary and scholarship applications
- Informative material to be provided for new juniors to make use of
- To be a point of contact to the wider gliding & aviation communities
- Broaden people's horizons on what is possible in this sport



Goals for the future

- Create application-based system for Juniors to loan gliders from other pilots
- Gain sponsorship from companies
- Be able to sponsor the Junior British Team
- Target gliding scholarship winners with UKJG info material - get them to stay in gliding after their scholarship flying
- Return of the Summer Series



UK Junior Gliding Development Ideas

- Any suggestions?

