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Hello

Douglas Hiranaka

Skyliners,

A few changes have taken place since the flying season ended. Our very respected and dedicated editor for the Skylines newsletter has retired and I have decided to try to fill those really large shoes. We will have the newsletter published in this new format and location with apologies for the simplified format for this month's newsletter. I am in the process of gathering and creating new banners and all the associated graphics and text that normally go into the format. I am also in the process of learning the publishing system so please bear with me. January's newsletter will be a little more organized,

Doug

Editor and Airport Bum



2011 Holiday party



Family members were brought and introduced and actually seemed to enjoy the attention



Great Food!

Grob Divot repair and wax:



That looks about right!



Repairing the divots in the wing went well. Looks close to new!





Lots of hands make for fast work. Wax on Wax off Daniel San!



Archive shot of a primary glider at the Rheinbeck Aerodrome living museum. They still fly original and replica early aviation aircraft every weekend.



A dolly was started by making the fiberglass boot. The wheel still needs to be mounted and the boot finished but we have a dolly!

FLARM

Ulrike Wustner



FLARM is an anti collision system which was invented in Switzerland mainly because of the many electrical wires and obstacles you can see very late while flying in the Alpes. A lot of gliders in Austria and Germany have it installed nowadays, in my club every glider (the club gliders and

the private ones) have it installed. But it only works, if both approaching planes have it installed and switched on. It shows you if there is another glider near you (direction and if higher or lower or same height) and, what is very important, it shows you, if another glider is approaching you in a way that might result in a collision. We use the FLARM also as a datalogger, you can use the recorded data for the OLC . There is also a FLARM version, that shows you not only that there are other gliders near you but also if this gliders are in a thermal and getting higher or if they lose height.

For more information see also www.flarm.com

I only can recommend to install FLARM, it makes flying safer, especially in our area in Germany, where there are sometimes really a lot of gliders flying in the same area.



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