

Nat McMurray – Gliding Scholarship

I arrived at Camphill knowing nobody but excited for the week ahead. The flying was challenging at the start but the instructors were there to help us both on the ground and inside the glider understand where we could improve and as the week went on there was a clear improvement in my flying skills. The community of Camphill was lovely, everybody was so friendly and I made good friendships with some of the other scholarship winners. The atmosphere of community at the club, made the evenings even better and it makes me want to go back again soon. During the course, I learnt how to handle a glider, which was completely different to the powered aircraft I usually fly! It increased my knowledge of the principles of flight and I believe made my judgment and handling skills significantly better and made me a far better pilot. My favourite part of the week was a 45-minute flight ridge soaring along the west of the airfield and thermal hunting, which was a brilliant way to end the course. I will never forget this scholarship!