



James Jarman Gliding Scholarship Report

I was fortunate enough to be one of seven awarded a 2021 Gliding Scholarship through the generous sponsorship of the Honourable Company of Air Pilots, which I completed recently at AAC Middle Wallop, Andover. The course was hosted by the Portsmouth Naval Gliding Club who ensured we flew safely, effectively, and efficiently, delivering the scholarship with great professionalism.

The course itself consisted of 7 days of intense flying, with the overall aim of being able to competently fly a glider and potentially reach solo. During my time on the flying course, I first learnt how to generally handle and fly a glider, then progressed onto stalling, trimming, winch and aerotow take-offs, and finally landings. The week culminated in myself flying solo, which was a great credit to my instructors.

As well as the flying, accommodation was in the Army Officers' Mess for the duration. This gave us some fantastic insights into military life, and the opportunity to meet fellow aviators going through various stages of their training.

I am truly grateful to HCAP for giving me this once in a lifetime opportunity, delivered through the skilful guidance of the Portsmouth Naval Gliding Club, confirming my total passion for aviation.

