Jerry's Mountain Soaring Course, 2015

Skills, Judgement, Motivation

Sunday 8th to Friday 13th November 2015

Jerry O'Neill has run his week long mountain soaring course at Omarama every spring since 2007. He decided that 2014 was to be his last and has invited Glide Omarama to continue running the courses in the same spirit. This we are pleased to do.

Running from Sunday through Friday, *Jerry's Course* is aimed at Club pilots who want to do any or all of the following:

- Further develop cross country soaring skills in the mountains.
- Gain an introduction to the Omarama soaring environment.
- Develop racing skills or practise for the following week's Regional races.
- Meet other pilots and old friends in an atmosphere of soaring, fun and learning.

Pilots attending will have a range of cross country soaring experience but at least, a cross country rating and probably a Silver C. They will need to bring or arrange their own Glider.

The Course will be directed by Gavin Wills with guest instructors. The course cost is \$150 each for the week or \$50 per day plus tows. Optional extras that can be arranged by the day include Duo Discus flying with Gavin and private coaching with a Glide Omarama instructor.

There will be daily seminars on soaring skills such as thermal centring and selection, safe ridge running, convergence, wave flying and an introduction to racing.

"Enterprise" style tasks will be set for those interested and scored to produce a daily winner whose successful task will be debriefed for everyone's benefit. There will also be opportunities to make "lead and follow" flights.

The social programme will start with a Sunday night BBQ when the students will be the guests of the instructors on Gavin's deck. On Tuesday night the instructors will be the guests of the students at a camp ground BBQ and on Thursday night the course will wind down at the reopened Kahu Café.

Expressions of interest including pilot experience and aspirations should be directed to -<u>info@GlideOmarama.com</u> under the subject heading of JERRYS COURSE.

Final arrangements will completed at Omarama at 10 am on Sunday 8th November.

Gavin Wills Glide Omarama, March 2015