



Although often seen as a summer sport, there's nothing quite so exhilarating as a flight above a wintry landscape...

Shenington GLIDING CLUB

- Fully qualified instructors available 7 days a week
- Trial lessons, day or week courses – call for booking info
- Ridge-top site under open airspace means virtually unrestricted flying
- Drinks and snacks at the launch point (peak times)
- Regular Club social events including summer barbecues
- Gliding Gift Vouchers
- Group air experience flying with barbecues
- Clubhouse, bar and bunkhouse
- Camping on site – cooking and shower facilities in clubhouse
- Good local B&Bs – details on request

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I'VE TRAINED?

Gliding attracts a wide cross-section of people, of all ages and backgrounds. For those who are competitive, there are flying competitions where the goal is to fly around a set geographical 'task' faster than everyone else.

Others may choose to learn aerobatics, or to train as an instructor. Some people just enjoy looking at the view. Whether you have a set ambition or simply the desire to escape the ground on a regular basis, gliding has lots to offer.



"It made my birthday a special occasion I'll remember forever..."

TREAT YOURSELF – OR SOMEBODY ELSE

Call us to arrange your trial lesson or course – or make someone's day by giving them a gliding voucher. Our gift vouchers are not dated so the recipient can choose a day to suit them (weather permitting!). Gliding also makes a great day or evening's entertainment – so why not bring a group of friends? We look forward to seeing you soon.

HOW TO GET HERE

- Shenington is 6 miles NW of Banbury, approximately 45 minutes from Birmingham or Oxford.
- Leave the M40 at Jct 11, take the A422 towards Stratford. After passing Upton House (National Trust), turn left for the airfield and follow the signposts.



SHENINGTON GLIDING CLUB

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Gliding AT SHENINGTON



*Come and Fly
at the Friendly
Gliding Club!*

Welcome

Whether you've flown before, or have just always dreamed about it, you can be sure of a warm

welcome at Shenington Gliding Club. We can offer you everything from a trial lesson (ideal for a birthday or other celebration) to day or week-long courses to help you experience the freedom of the skies. The tranquillity of flying above the landscape, being lifted by natural thermals, is an experience never to be forgotten...come and find out for yourself!

WHY NOT START WITH A TRIAL LESSON?

Trial lessons are a great introduction to gliding. Your lesson will be in a two seater glider with a British Gliding Association (BGA) qualified instructor. After launching (from the winch or on aerotow) your instructor will demonstrate the effects of the controls, and then let you "have a go". Your trial lesson entitles you to a period of FREE membership, so you are welcome to come back and fly again at Club rates.

Trial lessons are available to anyone in reasonable health, over the age of 14, at the discretion of the Duty Instructor, though parental consent is required for under-18s. For safety reasons, a minimum height restriction of 4ft 6in applies, and a maximum weight of approximately 16 st. (100kg). If in doubt, please call us for more details.



All our instructors are British Gliding Association qualified.

REMEMBER THE WEATHER!

Gliding is very weather dependent. It's impossible to predict the length of a flight, although every effort will be made to ensure that you get the best flight for the weather conditions. Please phone the airfield before setting out to check that the weather is suitable, especially if you are travelling a long way.

All safety equipment is provided, and a complete briefing given before flight.



Shenington airfield from 1000ft

"The view was fantastic... we could see all the way from the Malverns to the Chilterns."

At the launch point on a sunny summer's day.



WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

After your flight, don't go away thinking that this is all there is to gliding. The sport is a continuing challenge. Our courses will teach you to manoeuvre the glider, to take off and land, to read the weather, and to find thermals (rising air currents) and ridge lift that can prolong your flights to many hours.

"I'd never flown in anything smaller than a holiday jet – but now I'm hooked!"

BOOK A DAY OR WEEK COURSE...

Our intensive courses run for a single day (Monday to Friday) or a full 5-day week, and offer you a guaranteed minimum number of flights. Our courses work by allowing a small number of students to do a lot of flying, which we achieve by forming syndicates of two students with 'their' glider and 'their' instructor.

Students participate in the teamwork that is both essential and part of the fun of gliding. This means retrieving landed gliders quickly and pulling out cables to ensure more flying for everyone. Better teamwork means more launches and more opportunities for you to progress.



The Club has both single seat and two-seater training gliders.

Info & bookings: (01295) 680008