



Air Sailing, Inc. presents The 2026 Thermal Camp June 1-June 5, 2026



Audience This five-day camp starts the first Monday in June and ends the following Friday afternoon. It is for the licensed beginner and intermediate-level glider pilots who want to develop efficient thermal soaring skills for longer local flights and for safe cross-country flights.

Objective The objective of the Thermal Camp is to develop and sharpen thermalling and soaring abilities through comprehensive lectures, practical demonstrations, and daily practice of the basic concepts and skills of recreational thermal soaring.

Daily Schedule Thermal Camp is five days of soaring talk and practice. Daily lectures, demonstrations, and flights start at 8:30 AM and continue through at least 5:00 PM.

Pre-requisites Participants must have at least a Private Pilot Glider certificate. Participants must provide their own glider with proof of glider liability insurance.

Costs The \$375 participant fee per glider (\$175 per additional pilot per glider) includes five days of training and course materials, oxygen fee for unlimited oxygen fill-ups and a one year Air Sailing Membership (see form for reduced fees for current ASI and Nevada Soaring Association members). Tow charges, living expenses, and incidental costs (e.g. banquet), are not included in the participant fee.

- Free Glider & Trailer Tie Downs
- Free On-site Tent Camping
- Unlimited Oxygen included in fee
- RV sites are \$10 per week
- Travel-Trailer Rentals are \$100 per week

All prices and rates are subject to possible change without notice.
For Travel-Trailer rental and RV campsite reservations, contact Camp Director; ljsuter@gmail.com

- Daily Topics**
- Orientation to Air Sailing Gliderport
 - Thermalling Attitude/Airspeed Control
 - Thermalling Technique - Angle of Bank
 - Techniques for Centering Thermals
 - Thermalling Rules and Procedures
 - Soaring Flight Safety
 - Finding thermals
 - Speed to fly between thermals
 - Types of lift
 - Preparation for Cross-Country Flight

Participants are welcome to bring two-place gliders and their instructors.

(Additional Pilot fee is waived for certified flight instructors.)

Participants will have opportunities to complete SSA A, B, C, and Bronze Badge requirements and to make FAI Silver and Gold Badge altitude gain and duration flights.

Registration Larry Suter, Camp Manager
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Air Sailing, Inc. Air Sailing, Inc. is a not-for-profit, volunteer-run, membership organization established by its founders in 1970. Air Sailing Gliderport is located in the Warm Springs Valley, 25 miles north of Reno, Nevada. The gliderport property has been granted in perpetuity to Air Sailing, Inc. by a patent deed from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. Our revenue is derived from memberships, donations, fund raising, an annual banquet, educational soaring camps, and hangar & tie down fees.

Facilities Air Sailing Gliderport has picnic tables, charcoal and gas barbeque grills, travel-trailer rentals, campsites for tents and RVs, shade trees, hangar glider storage, outside glider tie downs, heated men's and women's bathrooms and showers, telephone, wireless high speed internet, and plenty of high-quality water available for your use. Tows are available from either of two tow planes at \$2.50 per 100 feet plus a \$5/launch runway maintenance fee (subject to change).

Drive-In

Directions	Interstate 80 & Pyramid Way Exit, Sparks	0.0 Cumulative Miles
	Pyramid Way & McCarren Blvd., Sparks	1.6
	Pyramid Way @ Sav Mart Shopping Center, Spanish Springs (last groceries and fuel)	7.8
	Pyramid Way & Winnemucca Ranch Road	17.0
	Winnemucca Ranch Road & Rangeland Road (end of pavement)	21.2
	Winnemucca Ranch Road & Air Sailing West Access Road	23.6
	Air Sailing Gliderport	

Fly-In

Directions Air Sailing Gliderport is 20 nautical miles from the Mustang VOR (FMG - 117.9 MHz), on the 338° radial. Longitude 39° 52' N Latitude 119° 42' W CTAF 122.90 MHz
Prior permission needed- contact Camp Manager; ljsuter@gmail.com

On-site Club Nevada Soaring Association
<http://nevadasoaring.com/>

Other Air Sailing activities in which you might be interested!

Cross-Country Camp – June 7-12 Come Fly Weeks– July 6-10; Aug 10-14

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Registration:

Name: _____

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____
Home Cell

Mailing Address: _____

\$375 per Glider (\$175 per additional pilot per glider):

Please make all checks payable to **Air Sailing, Inc.**

- Please Check One:
- \$50 Deposit check enclosed
 - \$375* Camp Fee check enclosed
 - \$325* Camp Fee check enclosed (for current ASI members)
 - \$250* Camp Fee check enclosed (for current ASI and NSA members)
 - \$175* Additional Pilot Fee check enclosed
 - \$100* Additional Pilot Fee check enclosed (for current ASI&NSA members)

*Includes five days training, oxygen and course materials. Tows, living expenses, gliders, and incidental costs (e.g. banquet) are not included.

Glider Registration No.: N _____ Make & Model: _____

Glider Owner: _____

Liability Insurance Policy No.: _____ Insurer: _____

Pilot Certificate No.: _____

✓ Glider Ratings: Private Commercial Instructor

Date of Last Flight Review: _____

Club Affiliation: _____

Total Soaring Experience: _____ Hours _____ Flights _____ Hours Last 90 Days

Mail Registration To:

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