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Pacific Soaring Council, Inc.

A non-profit volunteer organization serving glider pilots in Northern California and Nevada

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Soaring is the Ultimate Free Flying Experience

To fly as the hawk and eagle has been mankind's dream for centuries. Modern sailplanes make soaring flight possible, and with them humans can fly higher, faster, and farther than the greatest of birds, using only an invisible force of nature to stay aloft. The sport is called "soaring" and to pilot as well as spectator, it has universal appeal. **The terms gliding and soaring are used interchangeably.** There are many [soaring sites](#) in the United States. Visit one and you are likely to find the pilots are men, women, and young people whose experience in sailplane flying may vary greatly, but who share a common bond in being participants in one of the world's most satisfying and exhilarating sports. How else, within an hour or so of your home, can you become Columbus or Magellan, exploring the unknown?

For sheer beauty, the sport of soaring is unsurpassed. Sailplanes may vary widely in design but they are all graceful - especially when moving through the sky.

Learning to fly Gliders - 'Soaring'

Earning your Glider Rating - Your first step is to take an introductory flight in a sailplane. That flight will introduce you to a world you have never known. And it is so exciting that you will want to explore it, to learn more about it and to become part of it. Accept that challenge and you are on your way to becoming a part of the world of glider pilots.

Where To Fly

Air Sailing, Inc. - www.airsailing.org - Air Sailing Gliderport. Air Sailing, Inc. is a tax-exempt organization that owns and operates Air Sailing Gliderport located in Palomino Valley, just 25 miles northeast of Reno, Nevada. Information, contact Lee Edling at lkedling@earthlink.net. For information regarding Air Sailing, Inc., including membership inquiries, contact Ty White at or tylerwhite@earthlink.net

Bay Area Glider Rides - www.BayAreaGliderRides.com - Hollister Airport, Hollister, CA 95023. Bay Area Glider Rides is a scenic glider ride company that offers flights over the Monterey Bay area. All glider ride flights depart and return to the Hollister Municipal Airport. Flight options are scenic glider rides for 1 or 2 passengers and aerobatic glider rides. BayAreaGliderRides@yahoo.com 800-696-7627.

Bay Area Soaring Associates, Inc. - www.flybasa.org - Hollister Airport, Hollister CA; Truckee Airport, Truckee CA and Air Sailing Gliderport, Sparks NV. BASA is a group of pilots who love to fly in high performance sailplanes. The Club owns six sailplanes, three of which are two-place ships. Contact Wolf Weber at (408) 927-7544 or email: membership@flybasa.org

Central California Soaring Club - www.avenalsoaring.com - Avenal Airport, Avenal, CA. They are on the field throughout the week, with at least one Flight Instructor available at all times. To schedule a flight please access our CCSC Flight Scheduler found on the home page. Contact Mario Crosina, 1747 Bobolink Lane, Fresno, CA 93727, (209) 251-7933 Mario.Crosina@comcast.net

Craggy Aero - www.craggyaero.com/towing.htm. Siskiyou County Airport, Montague CA. Visit their on-line store. Call Craggy Aero for tows. Flying Friday thru Sunday but we are open any day by appointment. Groups are welcome please call for information 530-905-0062. rhpf@craggyaero.com

Hollister Gliding Club www.SoarHollister.com - Hollister Airport, Hollister, CA 95023. The Club offers professional glider flight instruction that will take you from your first flight to solo, and all the way through your FAA Private Pilot Glider certificate. HollisterGlidingClub@yahoo.com 831-636-3799.

Las Vegas Valley Soaring Association - www.lvvs.org - Jean Airport, NV. Mailing address, P.O. Box 19902, Jean, NV 89019-1902 Phone (702)874-1420 weekends and holidays, btiz2@cox.net

Nevada Soaring Association - NSA - nevadasoaring.com - Air Sailing Gliderport, NV. NSA is a non-profit club that operates from the Air Sailing Gliderport. Pre-solo, local, cross country and advanced soaring are both taught and encouraged. Contact Bob Spielman, thudpilot1@msn.com, 775-560-2406

NCSA - Northern California Soaring Association - <http://norcalsoaring.org> NCSA is located at Byron Airport, near the Altamont Pass and Byron, CA. (See LOCATION on NCSA website) The NCSA is the only club in the bay area that offers its members basic instruction. Contact Monique Weil, Vice-President, moniqueweil@comcast.net, 510-547-0687. Please come & visit us, weekends only.

Mt. Diablo Soaring, Inc. - Rolf Peterson, Flight Instructor. 2618 Tahoe Drive, Livermore, CA 94550 (510)-447-5620, email rolfpete@aol.com

Silverado Soaring, Inc. - www.silveradosoaring.org - Silverado is an affordable way to enjoy the sport of soaring - no hourly or per flight fees. Silverado operates out of Truckee, CA during the summer; then out of Minden, NV and Williams, CA during the winter. Silverado has three dual place sailplanes - two Grob 103's & a DG-505. Contact: Bryan Forsyth, President, forsyth.bryan@gmail.com

Soar Minden - www.soarminden.com Douglas County Airport, P.O. Box 1764, Minden, NV 89423. (800)345-7627, (702)782-7627

Soar Truckee, Inc. - www.soartruckee.com P.O. Box 2657, Truckee Airport, Truckee, CA 95734. (530)587-6702

Soaring NV - www.soaringnv.com - Minden's newest commercial gliding operation. Now Open! New ASK 21 and other great gliders. 1140B Airport Rd Minden, NV 89423 Call (775) 782-9595email: info@soaringnv.com.

Williams Soaring Center - www.williamssoaring.com - Pilot Instruction by national award winning instructor. Cross Country Training, Badges, FAA Examiner. Glider Rides. Full Service Gliderport located on a private airstrip. FAA Certified Repair Station, Sailplane and Trailer Parts, Pilot Supplies (visit online store). From Sacramento take I-5 North for 45 min, take Williams Exit #577 off I-5, east 1/2 mile to airport. Bunk rooms available at no charge. **Open all Year: Days Open: Monday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.** Location: 2668 Husted Rd., Williams, CA 95987. (530)473-5600, email info@williamssoaring.com