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Thursday 24 September

## **Your vote can make a difference. Have you voted?**

We have been informed by the office that roughly twice as many SGM votes have been received than for the 2010 - 2012 board vote. That puts it in line with past voting numbers of around 10%

There are currently 3 votes in progress at the same time:

1. **The SGM 1** (with the incorrect date). This vote is to vote to keep or remove the current board from October to April next year.
2. **The SGM 2** is the same as above but with an extension to 30 September. Only one vote counts so any duplicates will be removed.
3. **The 2010 - 2012 Board elections.** Voting closes 2nd October. 22 members have nominated. Your vote counts to place your team in position to represent all of us.

If you haven't voted please [download the form](#) and **post or fax or email** it to the office. Remember only 1 to 9 votes only.

Given the current issues and concerns that face all of us within the free flight community and the large number of members nominating we were all hoping the overall votes would be higher and thus providing a clearer mandate for the next board to operate with.

Every vote matters. Every vote can make a difference.

**Voting ends for the next board on October 2nd**

**Voting for the SGM also closes on September 30**

This is your opportunity to vote on the matters that effect you and your flying the most.

If you haven't voted [please download the form](#) and **post or fax or email** it to the office. Remember only 1 to 9 votes only.

Please select your dream team from the listed nominees below and read carefully their Bios in the last edition of Soaring Australia:

## **In this issue**

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## **In other news**

### **Flying over the top of Europe at 4200 metres**

On rare good seasons in Europe an opportunity arises with unique conditions that allow only a few pilots to fly over Mont Blanc.

On August the 19th this year 13 pilots launched from various countries around Mont Blanc.

The results are stunning and all captured in high definition.

[Enjoy this flight over Mont Blanc](#)

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## **Spread the passion**

We are constantly looking for feedback or suggestions for content that we would use in supplementing the drier content of the HGFA updates.

The ideal would be that anyone reading this newsletter would be inspired to forward this newsletter on to friends and family. The rub-off would hopefully be more people taking an interest and hopefully more new pilots.

## The 2010-2012 HGFA Board Nominees

Alexandre Grieve  
Alex Jones  
Benn Kovco  
Bob Hayes  
Brian Webb  
Chris Drake  
Dr Jeff Hoffman  
Greg Lowry  
Hamish Baker  
Javier Alvarez  
John Towmey  
Lee Patterson  
Liesel Pisani  
Mark Mitsos  
Martin Halford  
Paul Coffey  
Peter Dower  
Peter Wennersten  
Raef Mackay  
Rob Lithgow  
Rob Woodward  
Stephen Clark

All nominees are in the current Soaring Australia with [the voting form](#). Or visit the [HGFA web site](#).

We highly recommend that given the very crucial year ahead with CASA that you view each of the bios in this coming Soaring Australia edition and assemble a team that has the skill sets to manage the tasks ahead.

With the SGM vote happening at the same time this is now crucial that you vote for your next board to begin in April 2010 to begin the task of bringing all pilots together in order to preserve our right to fly.

Please remember this is your opportunity to have your member represent you. All votes count, whether you vote or not. 9 places are open to be filled with the highest voted members getting onto the board.

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Of course the best way is to simply go out and do what we all enjoy the most. **Just fly! Record it and pass it on to share with the rest of us.**

[We look forward to hearing from you.](#)

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