

# AirWaves: Altitude With Attitude - Last Chance

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### Last chance - Saturday last chance to book!

An exciting, Australian-wide women's Fly-In event is encouraging female paragliding pilots to spread their wings and progress their flying abilities through a fun, engaging and supportive series of fly-ins.

Organised by Bright paragliding pilot, Kirsten Seeto, the five fly-ins will be a mix of coastal and inland flying, located at Australia's best paragliding spots. The first event is a coastal fly-in at [Rainbow Beach](#) in Queensland at the end of September. Rainbow Beach has been rated by Cross Country magazine as one of the world's top 10 coastal flying sites. **The invitation has now been extended to PG2 pilots.**



Photo: Kirsten Seeto

### Why you should attend

The women's fly-ins have been designed to provide an opportunity for our female pilots to get to know each other, whilst enjoying some air-time.

With women representing less than 10% of our active licensed paragliding community, it's not uncommon for them to not know or have a network of other

community, it's not uncommon for them to not know or have a network of other women pilots. This series of fly-ins is designed to bring female pilots from all over the country together to learn from each other and to be encouraged to continue progressing with the sport.

Kirsten feels, that by encouraging women to participate in events like the Women's Fly-Ins, this not only builds their confidence, supports progression and connects them with a community of fellow pilots, but it also increases the size of the paragliding market-creating a strong foundation for the future of the sport in Australia.

*"If we can change our mind set, I think we can change the level of diversity in our sport," she said.*

*"I hope this year's Fly-Ins will encourage further skill progression, but also, that these women go back to their clubs and inspire other women pilots at home."*



Photo: Dubbo Womens Fly-In

## Where and When

The 2018 Women's Fly-Ins will take a bird's-eye view of some of the best paragliding destinations in Australia, with five fly-ins in total.

These include two coastal fly-ins at Rainbow Beach in QLD and Narrabeen, on Sydney's Northern Beaches. Manilla in NSW and Bright Victoria will host the two foot-launched cross country fly-ins. There will also be a towing fly-in in Dubbo NSW in March, 2019.

Registrations for the [Rainbow Beach Women's Fly-In](#) are now open, so please take advantage of this amazing opportunity to meet, connect and learn from other female pilots

Other female pilots.

### How to register

The events need a show of interest weeks in advance in order to proceed, so don't wait till the last minute. The feedback from last year was extremely positive. See the website for details of all the fly-ins [here](#), or contact Kirsten directly at [flykirst@gmail.com](mailto:flykirst@gmail.com) for more information.

Be part of a wonderful opportunity to share your flying experiences and knowledge, build confidence and encourage progression with your fellow female pilots. Through these exciting events, our female paragliding pilots can become an amazing resource for other women pilots in their home clubs.

Women pilots represent a massive opportunity for increasing participation levels in our sport and it's in the interests of all members to actively support initiatives like these events.

**Until next time, safe, fun flying**

**- Paul Green, President, HGFA**



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