## THE GLIDING FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA



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## AIRWORTHINESS ADVICE NOTICE

TYPE AFFECTED:

Hornet.

SUBJECT:

Miscellaneous reported defects and airworthiness information.

**BACKGROUND:** 

This AN records airworthiness information which is not mandatory but which is useful to know. This information includes lists of approved modifications and brief descriptions of minor defects.

## **APPROVED MODIFICATIONS:**

1. Glasflugel bulletin 206-5 describes the optional fitment of a Mosquito style one piece canopy.

This bulletin (in German) is available from the GFA secretariate on request. Details should be sought from Glasfaser or their Australian Agents.

2. Glasflugel bulletin 206-8 describes the optional fitment of a removable trim ballast box in the nose bulkhead of the glider.

Copies of this bulletin are available from the GFA secretariat on request.

3. Glasfaser-Flugzeug-Service bulletin 206-14 describes the optional fitment of an improved elevator drive bracket.

This bulletin (in German) is available from the GFA secretariate on request. Details should be sought from Glasfaser or their Australian Agents.

**DEFECTS:** 

- 1. The water ballast tanks of Hornet gliders has proven to be subject to leakage. This leakage causes corrosion of the spar spigot pins and soaks into the foam. It is therefore vital that AD 165 be checked at each annual inspection or the glider placarded that flight with water ballast is not permitted. (Note: AD 165 is mandatory each year on all gliders which carry water ballast.)
- 2. The water dump lever on some Hornet's has proven to be difficult to operate, mostly due to the offset load under which it operates. This mechanism should be kept in good order and lubricated regularly to reduce the problem.

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