

F5J Armidale Oct 5-7. NSW Champs, AEFA F5J Trophy and last leg of selections for 2025 F5J worlds.

Report: Phil Stevenson

28 entries from NSW, SA, Vic, Qld and WA. A lot of kM covered especially by Chris Barrenger.

A challenging first two days. Saturday with wind right up to the 12m/s limit and a bit less for Sunday. Plenty of ballast and strong models. Also a few breakages unfortunately. But Monday was ideal flying weather with light winds, light models and generous lift.

The selections for Argentina in March were based on the preliminary rounds from Milang, Jerilderie and Armidale. The Monday 15min flyoffs split the field into 3 groups, with the first 9 competing for the event, while the B and C groups flew for the fun of it.

Nick Chabrel flew well for two days but his high risk strategy in the Monday 4 round flyoff meant he dropped a flight. Dan Haskell lead the selection series after earlier two rounds but had a bad Sunday, and missed selection. He had a consolation Monday to finish 3rd in flyoffs.

Andrew Meyer had a bad Saturday and looked like missing the team but improved Sunday and stepped over Dan. Marcus Stent flew well all weekend and came from behind to lead the selections and win both the preliminary rounds and the flyoff.

Beth Loveday flew well to place mid-field after the windy days and improve to be second in Group B in the flyoffs. She proved again worthy of representing Australia in the women's section of the worlds.

Hutton put together an excellent event as usual, and covered some glider score/computer issues by skipping two of his own rounds on Saturday to do a verbal call.

AEFA will nominate Marcus, Nick, Andrew and Beth for the Aust team to MAAA. Dan is on standby as a reserve if someone has to drop out.

Selection scores:

	Milang	Jerilderie	Armidale	Best two
Marcus Stent	89.68	99.54	100.00	199.54
Nick Chabrel	96.81	100.00	92.76	196.81
Andrew Meyer	92.14	98.41	95.45	193.86
Dan Haskell	100.00	92.68	75.19	192.68
Hugh Blackburn	90.40	94.35	74.99	184.75
Dave Pratley	84.86	89.33	0.0	174.19
Beth Loveday	29.03	89.33	61.50	150.83
Les Safarik	0	0	64.72	64.72

Preliminary Rounds:

Too big to fit here so see Glider Score:

<http://www.gliderscore.com/OnLineScores.aspx>

Flyoff Group A	Score.	%	Raw Sc.	R1.	R2.	R3.	R4
1 Stent, Marcus	3961.1	100.00	3961.1	983.3	1000.0	977.8	1000.0
2 Meyer, Andrew	3922.7	99.03	3922.7	982.2	988.8	965.4	986.3
3 Haskell, Dan	3815.0	96.31	3815.0	918.1	958.4	964.8	973.7
4 Stevenson, Phil	3721.2	93.94	3721.2	939.1	932.3	962.7	887.1
5 Sanders, Julian	3464.2	87.46	3464.2	869.1	770.1	889.1	935.9
6 Barrenger, Chris	3181.2	80.31	3181.2	931.0	422.4	886.4	941.4
7 Chabrel, Nick	2981.3	75.26	2981.3	1000.0	981.3	1000.0	0.0

8	Potter, Greg	2802.8	70.76.	2802.8	900.9.	973.9.	928.0.	0.0
9	Lowe, Matt	1945.8	49.12.	1945.8	966.1	979.7.	0.0.	0.0