

GLIDING HERITAGE CENTRE

Aircraft Summary Sheet



| "OLIVE" | |
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| Manufacturer | Built by Andrew Jarvis as a 5/8ths scale replica of "Olive" where the original was the glider that Eric England flew in the first recognised soaring flight in the UK at Amberley Mount, South Downs, on the 27 th June 1909. |
| Year of manufacture | 2008/2009 |
| Registration marks | None |
| Airworthy | No – display only |
| History | The original that Gordon England flew (when he was 17) was made by Jose Weiss, 1859 – 1919, and named after his daughter, Olive. Jose Weiss was a very successful landscape artist, today his pictures are very collectable. His second great love was aeronautics and studying how birds managed to fly which progressed to building gliders, initially unmanned, but then came "Olive". |
| Notable flights | Flew at Southdown GC, Parham, under remote control on the 100 th anniversary 27 Jun 2009 :- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vObj4fZGvAU (You'll need to skip the Ad at the start) |
| Restoration history | A complete restoration was carried out in the GHC workshop by Tom Holliday, Paul Haliday, and Steve Pullen completed early May 2023. |
| Other | |






(The restored "Olive" back in the Chris Wills hangar on the 7th May 2023 with Tom Holliday)

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| Eric England in Olive | 5/8 replica when completed | [caption here] |
| Date last updated | | 03/07/2023 |