CHGC Emergency Response Guide

Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to provide guidelines for actions to be taken by Club members in response to an incident or accident around Club sites.

Objective:

The primary objective is to manage an incident or accident until emergency services arrive and take control.

Key Personnel:

In the event of an emergency, one person should volunteer or be nominated to be the Incident Controller. (likely to be an SSO or SO) Their role is to coordinate everything until the situation is resolved or emergency services have taken over.

Basic Guidelines:

Four questions need to be answered to determine how to handle the situation.

1. Will it take more than 5 minutes to establish contact with the Pilot?
2. Are the Pilots injuries severe enough to require medical attention?
3. Do the circumstances require professionally trained rescue personnel?
4. Are there too few people available on site to handle the situation?

If you answer yes to any of these, then the Incident Controller needs to contact the relevant Emergency Service/s.

Action Plan: (Incident Controller)

1. Establish the location of the Incident. (Other pilots flying may be able to help)
2. Establish contact with the Pilot involved. (Radio)
3. Suspend Launch activity if location of incident creates a hazard and/or pilot's condition is unknown.
4. First responders to the incident site report to Incident Controller what is required. (Medical assistance, expert rescue personnel etc)
5. Change to CHGC Emergency radio frequency UHF Ch 15 (476.7750) until situation resolved.
6. Contact Emergency Services if required and direct them to appropriate Ambulance meeting point.
7. Organise someone to meet up with emergency services to escort them to the incident.
8. Keep notes on the sequence of events
9. Report information to the relevant parties where required. (SSO, HGFA, etc)

Notes:

Before rushing off down the hill, consider taking the following,

(First aid kit, Radio, Phone, Water, GPS, Flash light, Jacket, ?)

Handy Phone App called **Emergency plus**