

1945-2023

The Book of the Best

Book 1 FAI badges & diplomas soaring trophies
SAC & international awards competition trophies
world championships retired trophies

Book 2 Canadian records



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Book 1

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Ball & Chain 1951-2000	President's choice award
Carman 1970-1994	Sports Class, national champion
Hawkesbury Chamber of Commerce 1967-1982	Runner-up Open class nationals
MSC 1977-2010	Standard class national champion
Peter Corley Memorial Scholarship 1997-2013	to assist a young SAC member to finance academic pursuits



Soaring Association of Canada

Pilot name index

This index cross-references individual SAC member pilots and clubs achievements.

Over time, some SAC awards and trophies have been retired

Achievements Awards

Ball & Chain trophy
Peter Corley Memorial Scholarship

Competition Trophies

Carman trophy
Hawkesbury Chamber of Commerce trophy
MSC trophy

The origin and updating of our history

This document – The Book of the Best – presents the evolution of soaring achievements in Canada since 1945. It is a comprehensive listing of the persons who have helped to run SAC, and the extensive flight and aircraft data giving the records flown and Diamond badges earned, trophy recipients for each year's best flights, national contest champions, and awards to pilots who gave freely of their time for the betterment of the sport. Any pilot has a chance to achieve and belong "to the best".

This document is a work in progress and contains historical notes about FAI, an index of pilot names with their achievements, diamond badges & diplomas, soaring trophies, achievement awards, national competition trophies, international Canadian participation, record flights, retired trophies and scholarships. Each category is updated annually and posted as .pdf file on the SAC web site after the annual general meeting of the Soaring Association of Canada.

Records & Diamonds

These data were first completed in 1982. As editor of *free flight* magazine at the time, and subsequently as part of its production team, I needed all imaginable references. For their effort to supply the data, I would like to thank the following past and present chairmen – Boris Karpoff, Larry Springford and Walter Weir for badges, and Russ Flint and Dave Hennigar for records.

The information is as up-to-date as possible and I encourage you to tell me of any error or omission. This includes names and places or near-turnpoints on your flights as coordinates from GPS recorders don't tell a good story. Only with your help can this document become complete. Please help set the records straight!

Awards & Trophies

The first edition of this document was issued in 1993 and each club received a copy then. The SAC Procedures Manual of 1982 got me started on names and trophy criteria by Bob Gairns. Flight data were extracted from *free flight* magazines where available, and through contact with individual pilots – by snail mail and telephone, before e-mail was known.

Other information sources

After the initial set-up in 1992, major sources of information came from *free flight*, minutes of meetings, the annual reports by directors and committees, and also the SAC Forum.

Much help and support has been given by many a pilot. Thanks first to Bob Gairns, who began the collection of flight data, and to Howard Loewen for his encouragement to put this document on the web site. Lastly, of course, I am most grateful to my husband Tony Burton who was always there to help and straighten out when Murphy strikes. It has been a rewarding experience. I thank you all.

In April 2017, I stopped updating the Book. However, before handing it over to its new manager, I resumed the job and added all the subsequent data up to November 2023.

Ursula Wiese, Okotoks, November 2023



History

The principal founders of FAI were the presidents of the Aero Club of France, the Aero Club of Belgium and the German Airship League. Their views were made known to the Olympic Congress in Brussels, 10 June 1905, who passed the following resolution:

"The Congress, recognizing the special importance of aeronautics, expresses the wish that there be formed in each country an association having the mission of regulating aeronautic sport and that there be formed later a world federation of aeronautics, including all the national associations, with a view to various needs and general regulations for the popularization of aeronautics as a science and a sport."

The FAI came into being 12 October 1905.

Objectives

The objectives defined in its by-laws, are:

- to secure international regulation of aeronautic sport
- to favour the development of international touring
- to assure the unity of the aeronautic movement and safeguard the material and moral interests of aeronautics in all of the countries represented.
- to concern itself with everything relating to aerial activity directly or through its permanent or temporary committees.

Duties

The Fédération coordinates control and regulates international sport, competitions, races and records relating to all air sports, in this case, gliders.

Responsibilities

All the rules for sport and records for each type of aircraft or spacecraft are contained in the FAI Sporting Code in two sections:

- The **General Section** with basic principles & general rules which cover all aeronautical sports and records.
- A separate code for the different vehicles — **Section 3** for gliding.

The responsibility for ensuring that record or badge claims are made in accordance with the rules falls upon the aeroclub representing the country in which the claim is made. Each class or record has its own procedures. The substantiating evidence must be beyond dispute.

If the file proves that all the rules have been observed, the particular flight is homologated. The rules have been amended frequently.

Medals and Diplomas

In order to encourage the sport of aviation and private flying, the FAI annually awards a number of medals and diplomas as follows (excerpt):

de la Vaulx Silver Medal

A long-standing award for absolute records made during the year.

FAI Bronze Medal

Awarded for valuable services to FAI.

FAI Gold Air Medal

This is the FAI's long-established most prestigious award.

Honorary Group Diplomas

These are awarded to groups of scientists and engineers of particular organizations.

Paul Tissandier Diploma*

Awarded for services to *national* aeronautics and airports. Each NAC may recommend one or two recipients annually.

Pirat Gehriger Diploma*

This diploma was created by the FAI in memory of Pirat Gehriger, the first president of the International Gliding Commission (CIVV). A single diploma may be awarded annually for eminent services to international gliding. Exceptionally, the International Gliding Commission (IGC, formerly CIVV) may recommend the award of one or two additional diplomas.

750 km Diploma (Book 1)

Awarded by **SAC** to pilots achieving a flight of not less than 750 km.

1000 km+ Diploma (Book 1)

Awarded by **FAI** to pilots achieving a flight of not less than 1000 km.

Canadian Diamond badges FAI world No. & SAC No. (Book 1)

Canadian record flights (Book 2)

Canadian world record flights (imbedded in Book 1 & Book 2)

* Canadian recipients

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A

Ackermann, Alex 200 McC
Aero Club of BC Roden
Aero Club Harmony
see Harmony
Aero Club des Outardes
see Outardes
Air Currency Enhancement Soc.
Roden
Agnew, John • Instr SAC
Allan, Vaughan BAIC Can
SAC Allardyce, Jay • O'Kef
Ames, Jack •
BAIC B&C Can Rec Shell
worlds
Anders, Ralph BAIC Rec
Anderson, Jeff Wave
Apps, Chris 200 fltcert Jon
Apps, Michael (Mike) •
1000k BAIC Can Dia Dow
fltcert Hawk Rec Wave
worlds
Argerami, Martin Wave
Audette, Julien • B&C Can
Dia nonSAC Rec Tiss

B

Bachynski, John 200
Backman, Philip fltcert SAC
Baeggli, Hans Hawk O'Kef
Baker, David • fltcert Instr
Ballinger, D.B. Dia
Band, Don Rec
Baranowski, Les • Rec
Barritt, Marion Rec
Bastien, Yves Dia
Bayly, GHU (Terk) Dia
Beasley, Terence (Terry) •
B&C SAC
Beattie, Jason Jon
Beattie, Jay Rec Wave
Beaulieu, Pierre fltcert
Bégin, Bruno O'Kef
Belchamber, Dave • SAC
Bell, Tom • Instr
Benko, Todd fltcert
Bennett, Kevin • BAIC B&C
Can Dia fltcert Instr Rec
Wave worlds
Bentley, Don Carman
Berg, Hans CALPA Dia Dow
fltcert
Berinstain, Alain O'Kef
Binder, Hans BAIC Can
Bishop, Cole CGull
Bisscheroux, John Dia
Bissell, Kerry • Dia fltcert
Blackburn, Mel 200 Dia Wave
Blanchard, Andrew 200
Blood, Guy Dia SOSA
Bluenose Soaring Club Roden
Blunden, George Dia Dow
Boesch, Oscar Dia hlife Tiss
Boyle, Selena, see Phillips-Boyle
Boily, Gilles Dia SOSA
Bonnière, Dominique (Nick)
750k BAIC Dia Dow fltcert
MSC Rec worlds

Boudreault, Ovila (Shorty)
hlife Rec worlds
Bourque, Sylvain • Instr Janz
Bowe, Joe instr
Brame, Frank •
BAIC Can Rec Shell
worlds
Bravo, Rafael CALPA
SOSA worlds
Brayshaw, James (Bernie)
Dia SOSA
Brennan, John ▲ 200
Brewin, Ken • Janz
Brisson, Ben Instr
Brochu, Dale Janz
Brother Hormisdas Gamelin •
nonSAC SAC
Brown, Derek Wave
Bruce, Gordon • hlife Janz
Instr Tiss
Bruce, Norm • hlife
Buckingham Gliding Club
Roden
Buhr, Glen McC Rec
Bungey, Lloyd • Rec
Burany, Stephen Dia
Burrows, John SOSA
Burton, Tony • BAIC B&C
Can Dia Dow fltcert
nonSAC Rec SAC
Tiss Wave
Burton, Ursula see Wiese
Burwash, Lewis (Buzz)
200 BAIC Can Dia
Busuttill, Mike Janz
Butts, Thomas 200

C

Cadieux, Emmanuel worlds
Canadian Rockies SC Roden
Carlson, Robert.(Bob) • 200
Carpenter, Jim • B&C Dow
Hawk Mix Shell worlds
Carson, Doug Instr
Cattaruzza, Ron Dow SOSA
Central Alberta GC Roden
Chabot, Henry O'Kef
Champlain, AVVC Janz
Chernecki, Ted Wave
Cheston, John (Bob)
BAIC nonSAC Rec
Chmela, Walter
B&C Dia Instr nonSAC
Rec Tiss
Claudi, Ron Rec Shell
Clitheroe, Julia CGull
Coates, Lee Dia O'Kef
Cold Lake Soaring Club
Roden
Cole, Bill • CALPA Dow worlds
Cole, David CALPA Dia SOSA
worlds
Cook, Daniel (Dan) • Janz Tiss
Cook, Mike 200
Cook, Richard Dia Rec
Cormier, Gilbert 200
Coulson, Tom • Instr O'Kef
Craig, Graeme • Dia

Crocker, Rod SOSA
Crutcher, Rodney, (Rod)
Dia O'Kef Wave
Cservenka, Toni see Williams
Cumming, Jim 200
Cu Nim Gliding Club Roden
Cypihot, Pierre Dow
Czerwinski, Wacław SAC

D

Daly, Daniel (Dan) • Dia Janz
Daniel, Alan 200
Deans, Bryan CGull
Dekina, Vlada 200
Deleurant, Willi B&C Can Dia
Dow Hawk Rec Shell
worlds
Depoutovitch, Alex Wave
Devries, Calvin SOSA
Diaz, Francisco Dia
DiPietro, Robert (Bob) • Dia
Dittbrenner, Gerhard Janz
Dixon, Jeffrey SOSA
Doetsch, Karl • B&C SAC
Domaradzki, George • Instr
Douglas, Len Instr
Dowdeswell, Orlan Wave
Duffy, Deirdre Rec Wave
Duford, Gabriel • Instr SOSA
Dumestre, André BAIC
Dunbar, George • Tiss
Dupont, Simon-Pierre Corl
Durance, Eric Dia
Dyck, (Norm) • Instr
Dryzmala, Mitch Wave

E

Eaves, Susan (Sue) BAIC B&C
fltcert Rec
Eckschmiedt, George • Janz
Edmonton Soaring Club Janz
Roden
Eley, Harold • Dia nonSAC
Ellis, David Janz

F

Featherstone, John Mix
Fidler, Sean Dow
Firth, Christine • Rec SAC
Firth, John • 750k BAIC B&C
Can Dia Dow Hawk Rec
Shell worlds
Fitchett, Chester BAIC Can
fltcert Rec
Flanagan, Peter SOSA
Flint, Russ • Dia SOSA
Florence, Bryan • Instr Janz
Florence, Trevor 750k BAIC
Can Dia Janz Rec SAC
WRec
Folkes, Peter • O'Kef
Foote, Thomas (Tom) Dia
Fortier, Paul • Instr
Foster, Peter Janz
Fowlow, Dave Instr Wave
Frank, David 200 Can Dia
Friesen, Bruce • 200 BAIC
Can Dia Dow fltcert Rec

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Frigault, Paul *Instr*
 Fulton, Alex *fltcert*

G

Gairns, Robert (Bob) • *Dia*
 MSC
 Gall, Laurent *Instr Janz*
 Garza, Fernando *Instr*
 Gatkiewicz, Ryszard
CALPA
 Gavillet, Pierre *CALPA Dia*
Dow Janz
 Gegenbauer, Neil *Dia fltcert*
 Germain, Jean-Yves *Dia*
 Geyer-Doersch, Günther
BAIC Can Dia
 Gegenbauer, Joe • *Dia*
fltcert
 Glatiotis, Mike *Rec*
 Gordon-Smith, Mike *Can*
 Gossen, David *Janz*
 Gough, Andy *Mix*
 Gough, Chris •
750 k Dia BAIC CALPA
CGull Dow Mix O'Kef
Instr Rec worlds
 Guoin, Dale *Dia*
 Gower, Charles *O'Kef*
SOSA
 Grady, Ross • *BAIC Dia*
 Grant, Allan *Corl*
 Grant, Ian • *CALPA*
 Gray, Royden *BAIC Dow*
Rec
 Great Lakes Gliding Club
Roden
 Grenville, Alex *SOSA*
 Guelph Gliding Club *Roden*
 Gyorffy, Dennis *200*

H

Harmony, AeroClub *Roden*
 Hay, Keith • *SOSA*
 Hea, Bruce • *BAIC Can*
Dia Rec SOSA Wave
 Heidel, Marga *B&C*
 Hélie, Jean-Guy *Dia O'Kef*
SOSA
 Henderson, Ted *BAIC*
O'Kef
 Hennigar, Dave • *BAIC Dia*
 Henry, Jim • *B&C O'Kef*
SAC
 Herten, Walter *Dia Dow*
SOSA
 Hertwig, Kurt *Dia*
 Hildebrandt, Chris *Instr*
 Hildesheim, Roger •
Janz SOSA worlds
 Hill, Gary *Wave*
 Histed, Brenda *Rec*
 Hoar, Alan • *200 Wave*
 Hocking, David *Dia*
 Hogg, Dave *Dow*
 Hogg, Steve • *200 Wave*
 Hollestelle, Ed Sr • *BAIC*
Dow Mix MSC worlds
 Hollestelle, Eddy Jr *SOSA*

Holman, Don • *B&C*
 Hopp, Karla *fltcert*
 Hormisdas Gamelin
see Brother Hormisdas
 Hornett, Ben *Dia*

I

Ince, Gerald *SAC SOSA*

J

Jackson, Andrew *Dia fltcert*
 Jalbert, Mark *Instr*
 Janzen, Hank • *Instr*
 Jacques, Michel *Instr*
 Jeffery, Barrie • *BAIC*
B&C Rec SAC worlds
 Jones, Malcolm *Rec*
 Jones, Richard *200*

K

Kasco, Bela *Dia*
 Kattler, Nicole *Corl*
 Katz, Bob *Dia O'Kef*
 Kawzowicz, Anthony
CALPA Dow Instr Rec
 Kennedy, Scott *Corl*
 Key, David *1000k Dia*
 King, Carol *B&C*
 Kirby, Derek *Dia*
 Kirby, Kerry *O'Kef*
 Kirschner, Craig Cameron *Corl*
 Kirschner, Nicholas *CGull Corl*
 Kleinhempel, Uwe *1000k BAIC*
Instr
 Knauff, Tom *Dow*
 Koehler, James *Dia*
 König, Hans *Dia*
 Kovacs, Kurt *O'Kef*
 Kramer, Dale *200 1000k*
CALPA Can Dia Dow
fltcert Mix Rec SOSA
worlds
 Krueger, Wilfried *1000k Dia*
Dow MSC worlds
 Krug, Willibald (Willi) *Dia Rec*
SOSA
 Kuciak, Andrea *Corl*
 Kuhn, Johann *SOSA*
 Kumar, Pavan *Dia*
 Kupcevic, Predrag (Peter)
200 SOSA Wave
 Kurlents, Hillar *O'Kef*
 Kurzwernhart, Robert (Bob)
 • *hlife*

L

Lacasse, Martin *SOSA*
 Lahr Gliding Club *Roden*
 Lamla, Peter *Dia Dow Shell*
worlds
 Lamoureux, Conrad *Dia*
 Lanoë, Jo • *Janz*
 Langelaan, Willem
CALPA Mix worlds
 Langlois, Laurence *O'Kef*
 Langlois, Pierre-André *O'Kef*
 Larue, Sylvain (Bingo) *Wave*
worlds

Laurie-Lean, Doug *Instr*
 Laurin, Duncan *SOSA*
 Lavolette, Maurice *SAC*
 LeCheminant, Arthur Norman
 • *hlife*

Leers, Wolf • *Instr*
 Lewis, Dan *Instr*
 Lindschinger, Toni *Jon*
 Lizotte, Daniel *Instr*
 Lockhard, Glenn • *Janz*
 Long, James *nonSAC*
 Longhurst, Richard • *200*
O'Kef
 Loudon, Thomas *SAC*
 Lucas, Hans *200*
 Lussier, Marc • *Janz*
 Luxemburger, Chris *Jon*

M

MacClement, Don • *hlife*
 Macdougall, Neil *Dia*
 MacGowan, Bruce *SOSA*
 Mackie, Derek • *200*
 Maj, Stanislaw *worlds*
 Mamini, Richard (Dick) • *BAIC*
Can Dia Dow fltcert Hawk
Rec Shell SOSA worlds
 Marcelissen, Alf *SOSA*
 Markut, Frank *Dia*
 Marsden, David • *1000k*
BAIC B&C Can Dia Dow
fltcert nonSAC O'Kef Rec
SAC Tiss
 Masak, Peter *1000k Dia*
MSC Rec worlds
 Matthews, Rick • *Dia*
 McColeman, Hugh *Janz*
 McCollum, Elisabeth *Tiss*
 McCollum, James (Jim) •
hlife Tiss
 McGonigle, Jack *O'Kef*
 McMahon, Patrick *Dia McC*
 McMaster, Scott • *Janz SOSA*
 McVeigh, Jay *O'Kef*
 Mercer, Robert (Bob) • *Instr*
 Mercer, David (Dave) • *BAIC*
Dia Dow Rec Shell SOSA
Wave
 Michel, Karin *Instr*
 Midwinter, Jane *200 Rec*
 Miller, Jesse *Dow*
 Milner, Brian J. *1000k B&C Dia*
Rec SAC WRec worlds
 Mix, Marg *hlife*
 Mix, Wolfram (Wolf) • *BAIC*
Dia Dow Rec Shell worlds
 Moffat, George *Dow*
 Moggach, Paul • *Dia Instr*
 Montreal Soaring Council
Roden
 Morgulis, Mike *Instr*
 Morozov, Sergei *CALPA Dow*
worlds
 Morrow, Larry *Janz*
 Mortensen, Peter *worlds*
 Mortis, Eric *Dia*
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Mueller, Walter *fltcert* SAC
Mulder, Carol *nonSAC*
Mulder, John • *Dia* Wave

N

Nagy, Julius 200 SOSA
Nash, George O'Kef
Newman, Guy O'Kef
Newman, Pat O'Kef
Newsome, Eric • *Instr*
Neilson, Randy 200
Nowak, Marian 750k 1000k
worlds

O

Oates, Gordon BAIC Can
Rec Shell worlds
O'Donnell, Pat *Instr*
O'Hanlon, Tim CALPA
Okany, Tom O'Kef
Oke, Jim • BAIC B&C Can
Dia Dow MSC SAC Wave
Oldaker, Ian • 200 B&C hlife
Janz *nonSAC* SAC OSTIV
Oneschuk, Gail 200
des Outardes, AeroClub
Roden

P

Palfreeman, Bernhard (Bernie)
• *Dia* *fltcert* O'Kef
Pandur, Denes 200 *Rec*
Paradis, Melanie *Rec* Wave
Parcell, Gil *nonSAC* SAC
Parent, Pierre *Dia*
Parker, Paul CALPA SOSA
worlds
Pastuszka, Charlie 200
Pattinson (Firth), Christine *Rec*
Pearson, Bob *fltcert*
Pejic, Sasa (Sacha) *Dia*
Pelletier, Patrick Wave
Pepin, André *Dia*
Pepin, Denis *Dia* *Instr*
Perfect, Norman *Instr*
Perino, Ray 200
Petersen, Charles *Dia*
nonSAC
Petersen, Neils Corl
Pfeiffer, Nick SAC SOSA
Phillips-Boyle, Selena • worlds
Pickard, Alan *Instr*
Piercy, Walter • B&C hlife
SAC Tiss
Pille, Valdur (Walter) *Dia*
SOSA
Plester, Wilf Wave
Poldaas, Al O'Kef SOSA
Pölzl, Heri CALPA Dow
MSC worlds
Pomietlarz, John *Dia*
Popp, Heidi B&C Janz
Poscente, Jay 200 Wave
Pow, Albert • BAIC Can
Rec Shell worlds
Prince Albert G&S Roden
Proudfoot, John (Jock) *Dia*
Rec

Q

de Québec, CVV Roden
Queen's University GC
Roden
Quintel, Maurice *fltcert*

R

Rakusan, Marian *Dia* Dow
SOSA
Radius, Manfred •
nonSAC worlds
Red Deer Soaring Assoc.
Roden
Redzich, George *Rec*
Regina Gliding & Soaring
Roden
Richard, Jean *Instr*
Riegert, Larry SOSA
Roberts, Darwin *fltcert*
Robinson, Richard *Dia*
Robinson, Spencer *Dia*
Janz *Rec*
Rolland, Dave Wave
Rominger, Heinz *Dia*
Roth, HansPeter O'Kef
Rowe, Donald *Dia*
Rumpf, Udo Dow SOSA
Runciman, Jeff 200
Rys, Stan • B&C Shell

S

SAC Presidents *nonSAC*
Saskatoon Soaring Club Roden
Sawyer, Jeremy CGull
Schneider, Ernst • *Rec*
Schneider, Mark 200
Schraeder, Carsten O'Kef
Schreder, Richard Dow
Schrein, Bruno *Instr*
Schreiber, Albin (Al) • B&C
SAC
Schulz, Walter *Instr*
Schweizer, Paul hlife
Schwirllich, Peter *Dia* O'Kef
Scott, Tannis McC
Scott, Taylor CGull
Sears, Paul Dow Mix worlds
Seufert, Wolf • *Instr*
Shantz, John *Instr*
Sharp, Fred *Instr*
Shenstone, Beverly • hlife
Shirley, Robert *Rec*
Siebert, Rolf Can *Rec*
Simon, Steven 200 BAIC
Dia *Rec*
Skabkarev, Sergey 200
Smith, Brian *Instr*
Smith, Roger Janz
Snell, Susan • B&C Janz
Social Media Team McC
SOSA Southern Ontario SA
Janz Roden
Southwood, Terry • *Instr*
SOSA
Spence, Ian 750k BAIC
Can *Dia* Dow Mix *Rec*

Springford, David Can Dow
Mix O'Kef *Rec* Shell worlds
Springford, Larry • 1000k
Dia O'Kef *Rec*
Spurgeon, Allan 750k *Dia*
fltcert
Stachow, Klaus BAIC *Dia* Tiss
Stade, Philip (Phil) • SAC Wave
Steckner, Tillmann 1000k *Dia*
Stickland, Pete SAC
Stieber, Jörg • BAIC CALPA
Dow Mix *Rec* SAC worlds
Stieber, Michael *Rec*
Stieber, Thomas *Rec*
Stojkovic, Branko CALPA
Stokes, David *fltcert*
Stoten, Mike • Dow O'Kef
Sunley, Alan • *Instr*
Swansburg, Bryan *fltcert*
Surprenant Jr, Jean-Marc *Instr*
Szczepaniak, Luke •
1000k *Dia* *fltcert* *Rec* worlds
Szemplinski, Jerzy 750k 1000k
BAIC Can Dow Mix *Rec*
Shell worlds

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Taciuk, Gord Wave
Talevi, Anteo *Dia*
Templeton, Pat O'Kef *Rec*
Terpin, Willi *fltcert*
The Bald Eagle SAC
Thomas, Wynne O'Kef
Thompson, Mike *Dia*
Thompson, Virginia SAC
Thumm, Ruth *Rec*
Timm, Christine • B&C
Timm, Peter • *Dia* Dow
Tingskou, Paul • BAIC B&C
Toles, John • *Instr* SAC
Tootill, Colin 200 *Dia* O'Kef
SAC
Toplis, Dean • *Instr*
Toronto Gliding Club Roden
Trainer, Laura Corl
Troppmann, Ray *Rec*
Trounce, Peter • *Dia* O'Kef
Shell
Tryggvason, Michael Corl
Tuck, Tim SOSA
Tucker, Norm • Dow
Tucker, Terry • *nonSAC* SAC
Tustin, David (Dave) • Can *Dia*

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V

Vados, Peter Jon
Valenta, Frank *Dia*
Vancouver Soaring Assoc.
Roden
VanderBurgh, William *Dia*
Van Isle Gliding Assoc. Roden
Vaughan, Frank • O'Kef
Vollmar, Bill *Instr* Janz
Voort, Kenneth Janz

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Abbreviations

♦ serving on board/committees

white retired trophies

200 Novice cross-country trophy

750k 750 km diploma

1000k FAI 1000 km diploma

BAIC Best Single Flight trophy

B&C Ball & Chain award

CALPA Club class champion

Can Canadair trophy

Carman Carman trophy

CGull Silver C Gull trophy
(was Jonathan Livingston Seagull)

Corl Peter Corley Scholarship

Dia Diamond badge

Dow Nationals Best Flight trophy

fltcert significant flight certificate

Hawk Hawkesbury Chamber of
Commerce trophy

hlife Honorary Life Member award

Janz Hank Janzen safety award

Jon Jonathan Livingston Seagull
now Silver C Gull trophy

McC Jim McCollum award

nonSAC
national/international awards

O'Kef Carling O'Keefe trophy

Instr Walter Piercy trophy
(Instructor of the Year award)

Mix FAI class champion trophy

MSC 15m class champ. trophy [ret.]

Rec National records

Roden Club soaring skills award

SAC SAC awards

Shell Open/18 m class
champion trophy

SOSA Best novice in Nationals
trophy

Wave Stachow wave trophy

Tiss FAI Paul Tissandier diploma

worlds World team members –
Aerobatic, 15m, 18m, Standard,
Open, Club, Junior, PanAm,
Sailplane Grand Prix, 13.5m
World Class [PW5]

WRec World record

Note – the name of co-pilots (P2) in
multiplace records are not listed here

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Walker, Ron 200 SOSA

Walzer, Bruce Corl

Wark, Tracie Rec

Waterloo-Wellington SC

Roden

Waters, Jeffrey (Jeff) O'Kef

Watson, Keith 200

Webb, David ♦ BAIC B&C

Can Carman Dia Dow

Hawk Mix Rec Shell Tiss

worlds

Weir, Walter ♦ 750k 1000k

B&C Dia Dow fltcert

MSC Rec SAC SOSA

Tiss WRec

Weiss, Kurt Rec

Werneburg, Helmut (Hal) ♦

BAIC B&C Dia Dow

Hawk Mix MSC O'Kef

Rec SAC SOSA worlds

Werneburg, Ulrich (Ulli) ♦

BAIC Dia Dow fltcert

MSC O'Kef Rec worlds

Westphal, Mark Wave

White, Ralph Rec

Whiteside, Samuel Dia Instr

Wiercioch, Krzysztof

CALPA Dow worlds

Wiese (Burton), Ursula ♦

B&C Dia Rec SAC

Williams (Cservenka),

Antonia Rec

Wills, Justin Dow

Wilson, Charles Dia

Wilson, Chris Janz

Winger, Doug O'Kef

Winnipeg Gliding Club Roden

Wood, Alan CALPA SOSA

Wood, Gerard (Tim) 750k

1000k BAIC Can Dia

Rec Wave

Wood, James Instr

Wood, Ryan 200 BAIC

Woodward, Frank ♦ worlds

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Y

Yeates, Charles ♦ BAIC

B&C Can Dia Dow Rec

Shell worlds

York Soaring Assoc. Roden

Z

Zabrodski, Rick O'Kef

Zachemski, Robert CGull

SOSA

Zieba, Adam CALPA Can

Dow fltcert Rec

Zimm, Rainer Hawk

Zwarych, Chester O'Kef Rec

Ball & Chain Trophy

First presented for the
1951 year.

This trophy was retired in 2000

This trophy was constructed and donated to the Association by Jack W. Ames, a former president. It is awarded annually for "Achievement in Soaring Flight, one criterion being marriage."

The trophy is a finely finished and meticulous piece of work. Standing some ten inches high, it represents a svelte sailplane reaching upwards, but earthbound by a massive chain attached to a ball.

Mr Ames presented this trophy with the following words:

"My wife and I felt that some encouragement should be given to the many pilots who are trying to combine marriage and gliding, a difficult combination at best, and are therefore donating this small trophy."

We charge future presidents of SAC, in committee with their wives, if any, to select the winner each year, and suggest the point score obtained by contestants in the annual championship be used as a guide."

As the years went by, ideas on how to award this trophy changed with each president. They enjoy the prerogative of making this decision.

1951	Don M. Holman Gatineau Gliding Club
1952	P. B. (Paul) Tingskou Edmonton Soaring Club
1953	Stan Rys Montreal Soaring Council National Meet Champion.
1954	J. W. (Jack) Ames Toronto Gliding Club flew LK "flat top" 158 miles to Mountain View ON.
1955	C. B. (Barrie) Jeffery GGC for the year's best flight and receiver of the BAIC trophy.
1956	C.M. (Charles) Yeates SOSA achieved Gold C and two diamonds, three Canadian records in 10 days flying at the 23rd USA Nationals in a 1-23, CF-ZCJ
1957	Charles Yeates SOSA
1958	Charles Yeates SOSA competed in both world (Poland) and national (Brantford) competitions.
1959	J. J. (Julien) Audette Regina GSC was the instigator and contest director of the first Canadian National Soaring Meet held in Western Canada. "He was always the first one at the field and the last one to leave."
1960	D.B. (Dave) Webb MSC won Canadair trophy as keen newcomer to the sport.
1961	Julien Audette Regina Gliding & Soaring Club completed Canada's Diamond No.1 badge with all three legs being record flights.
1962	Trophy not awarded
1963	Charles Yeates SOSA
1964	Willi Deleurant TSC for winning the Canadair trophy.
1965	Willi Deleurant TSC for winning Canadair trophy.
1966	Wolfram (Wolf) Mix SOSA
1967	Wolf Mix SOSA
1968	Walter Piercy Regina GSC for his efforts on instructors manual and instructor courses.
1969	David Marsden ESC for his record flight of 676 km to goal.
1970	John Firth GGC

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| <p>1971 Wolf Mix SOSA
for achieving 4th placing • Std. Class • XII World Championships at Marfa, Texas.</p> <p>1972 John Firth RVSS
for three placings in top 10 – Open Class XIII World Championships at Vrsac, Yugoslavia.</p> <p>1973 Dave Webb SOSA
for achieving 10th placing – Std. Class XIII World Championships at Vrsac, Yugoslavia.</p> <p>1974 Jim Carpenter Caledon
participated in his first Worlds and the only Canadian to win a daily prize.</p> <p>1975 Walter Chmela York Soaring Association
for his efforts he put into York Soaring and gliding in Ontario, for good flights such as a 530 km, high altitude training, etc.</p> <p>1976 David Marsden ESC
for his scientific work on Gemini.</p> <p>1977 Jim Henry MSC
for his work on the technical committee 1973-81; and for the Best Team trophy in the Nationals (with Hans Baeggli).</p> <p>1978 Ian Oldaker Winnipeg Gliding Club
for winning the “200” trophy for 1977 a second time and running the Western Instructors schools for a couple of years.</p> <p>1979 Walter Piercy RGC
for his efforts on the first SAC Procedures Manual, and 40 years of contribution by Walter and Helen Piercy.</p> <p>1980 Terry Beasley MSC
for long service to SAC including 20 years as director and several terms as president.</p> <p>1981 Ursula Wiese Cu Nim Gliding Club
as editor of <i>free flight</i>.</p> <p>1982 Helmut Werneburg Cu Nim
for his record flight of 804 km triangle.</p> <p>1983 Brian Milner Kawartha
the first Canadian to receive a 1000 km diploma.</p> <p>1984 Al Schreiter SOSA
for many years of service to SAC in many positions (president, zone director, world team manager).</p> <p>1985 Tony Burton Cu Nim
as editor of <i>free flight</i>.</p> <p>1986 Karl Doetsch GGC</p> | <p>1987 Jim Oke WGC
as winner of the 15 metre class at the Nationals; three years of excellent work as head of Sporting committee and representing Canada at CIVV meetings, with continued support by his wife Elizabeth.</p> <p>1988 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim
for many hours of flying and instructing.</p> <p>1989 Walter Weir COSA</p> <p>1990 Tony Burton Cu Nim
for his 716 km flight and 1st place in the Region 8 contest, Ephrata, WA; his achievements are mostly possible because of support by his wife Ursula.</p> <p>1991 Walter Weir COSA
for his enthusiasm and work at cross-country soaring with enthusiastic support by his wife Barbara.</p> <p>1992 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim
for his 500 km O&R speed record.</p> <p>1993 Brian Milner Kawartha
for his world record flight of 1394 km free distance (jointly with Tom Knauff, Keystone). This is Canada's first world record.</p> <p>1994 Carol King AVV Champlain
to recognize her contributions to soaring, as spark plug of her club and instilling the soaring spirit in everyone she meets, but through her especially to all the women in our sport.</p> <p>1995 Sue Eaves London Soaring Club
for her record soaring flight which won her the BAIC trophy and for helping to keep husband Chris in the air.</p> <p>1996 Christine Timm ASTRA
for her many years of serving as Secretary in the BC Soaring Society and ASTRA.</p> <p>1997 Susan Snell WGC
for her work in developing more electronic communication for SAC.</p> <p>1998 Heidi Popp Vancouver Soaring Association
Heidi is a former air cadet and a dynamic person in general; and for her enthusiasm at organizing the AGM in Vancouver in 1996.</p> <p>1999 Marga Heidel MSC
She does not fly, but for over 30 years Marga has diligently managed MSC's accounting and administration. For this tireless service since 1969, I'm proud to present her the Ball & Chain trophy.</p> |
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Trophy retired in 2000

Carman Trophy

First presented for the 1967 year.

This trophy was retired in 1994.

At Carman, Manitoba, the site of the 1970 National contest, a new class – Sports Class – was introduced.

This new trophy is awarded to the winner of the Sports Class competition in a national contest.

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| 1970 | Dave Webb | MSC | SB-7 mod | CF-WOV | Carman, MB |
| | received non-perpetual trophy | | | | |
| 1973 | Don Bentley | Namao | Zugvogel | CF-TFT | Pigeon Lake, MB |
| | received plaque | | | | |

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Hawkesbury Chamber of Commerce Trophy

First presented for the 1967 year.

This trophy was retired in 1982

This trophy was donated to the Association by the Chamber of Commerce of Hawkesbury ON, the flying site of the Montreal Soaring Council.

It was awarded initially to the runner-up at a national contest – the pilot with the second highest score. This was during the time when there was only one class at a national contest.

After the introduction of championship classes in the Nationals – Open • Standard • 15 Metre –

the trophy is now presented to the runner-up in the Open class competition.

1967	Dave Webb	MSC	HP11 mod.DBW-1	CF-RNN		Hawkesbury, ON
1968	Willi Deleurant	TSC	Libelle H301	CF-YFL	14	Rockton, ON
1969	Willi Deleurant	TSC	Libelle H301	CF-YFL	14	Innisfail, AB
1970	Richard Mamini	Cu Nim	HP-14	CF-ALT		Carman, MB
1971	John Firth	GGC	HP11A	CF-RNN		Pendleton, ON
1972	Hal Werneburg	SOSA	Std Cirrus	CF-AQV	24	Rockton, ON
1973	Jim Carpenter	Caledon	Libelle H301	CF-YFL	14	Pigeon Lake, MB
1974						regionals
1975	Richard Mamini	Cu Nim	ASW 12	CF-ASW	RM	Claresholm, AB
1976						regionals
1977	John Firth	RVSS	Kestrel 19	CF-FGR	JF	Hawkesbury, ON
1978						regionals
1979	Rainer Zimm	YSA	Phoebus	CF-VKY		Arthur, ON
1980	Michael Apps	ESC	HP 14	CF-ALT		Claresholm, AB
1981						regionals
1982	Hans Baeggli	MSC	Nimbus II	C-GAYV	2C	Rockton, ON

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MSC TROPHY

The MSC trophy was first presented for the 1977 year.

This trophy was retired in 2009

This trophy is an enameled picture (11" x 8.5") showing a Kestrel in flight inset into a wooden frame; designed and crafted by Odette T. Dumas.

This trophy was donated to the Association by the Montreal Soaring Council.

until 2002 The trophy was awarded to the top Canadian pilot of the 15 m Class competition in a Canadian national contest and declared the National Champion for that Class.

A winning non-resident pilot will be declared winner.

The trophy is awarded to the top Canadian pilot of the FAI class competition in a Canadian national contest and declared the **National Champion** for that class.

History

2009 The MSC trophy will no longer be awarded.

15 Metre and Standard Classes have been combined and renamed **FAI Class**. Standard and 15m Class sailplanes are flown in this class, scores are handicapped (see Wolf Mix trophy).

1977	Robert Gairns MSC	Libelle H 301	CF-XGE		Hawkesbury, ON
1978	regional contests				
1979	Hal Werneburg SOSA	Mini Nimbus	C-GSXA	24	Arthur, ON
1980	Hal Werneburg SOSA	Mini Nimbus	C-GSXA	24	Claresholm, AB
1981	regional contests				
1982	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20a	C-GYMZ	MZ	Rockton, ON
1983	Ed Hollestelle London	ASW 20	C-GRXX	A1	Claresholm, AB
1984	Wilfried Krueger SOSA	ASW 20	C-GRKX	K2	Virden, MB
1985	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20a	C-GYMZ	MZ	St-Raymond, QC
1986	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20a	C-GYMZ	MZ	Arthur, ON
1987	Jim Oke WGC	ASW 20	C-GPON	77	Chipman, A
	Tom Knauff, Ridge Soaring winner of the 15 metre class				
1988	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20a	C-GYMZ	MZ	Hawkesbury, ON
1989	Heri Pölzl SOSA	LS 6	C-FDIT	KC	Rockton, ON
1990	Peter Masak Houston, TX	ASW 20	N81CG	PX	Brandon, MB
1991	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20b	C-GIKC	MZ	Pendleton, ON
1992	Walter Weir COSA	ASW 20b	C-GGWW	2W	Hawkesbury, ON
1993	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20b	C-GIKC	MZ	Swift Current, SK
1994	Wilfried Krueger SOSA	LS 6b	C-FAMV	K2	Rockton, ON
1995	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20b	C-GIKC	MZ	Pendleton, ON
	George Moffat, Marion MA winner of the 15m class contest				
1996	Nick Bonnière GGC	ASW 20a	C-GYMZ	ST	Red Deer, AB
1997	Walter Weir COSA	ASW 20b	C-GGWW	2W	Rockton, ON
1998	Jim Oke WGC	ASW 20	C-GPON	77	Brandon, MB
1999	Heri Pölzl SOSA	LS 6b	C-FDIT	KC	St-Dominique, QC
2000	Ulli Werneburg GGC	ASW 20b	C-GIKC	MZ	Pendleton, ON
2001	Walter Weir COSA	ASW 20b	C-GGWW	2W	Rockton, ON
2002	Walter Weir COSA	ASW 27	C-GJSJ	2W	Hawkesbury, ON
2003	Walter Weir Air Sailing	ASW 27	C-GJSJ	2W	Pendleton, ON
2004	Club class only – see CALPA trophy				St-Raymond, QC
2005	Racing class handicapped, see CALPA trophy				
2006	Racing class handicapped, see CALPA trophy				
2007	Racing class handicapped, see CALPA trophy				
2008	no contest				
2009	FAI class handicapped, see Wolf Mix trophy				

Peter Corley Memorial Scholarship

established 1997

discontinued 2013

Peter Corley learned to fly at SOSA when he was 15. He was killed twelve years later when the ultralight he was flying suffered a structural failure. These scholarships honour Peter's memory, and are funded by his family and friends.

The scholarship has an annual value of at least \$2,300 and is intended to assist a young SAC member to finance academic pursuits at a post-secondary institution, particularly in their freshman year. The selection is based on:

- flown a glider solo during the past 12 months, and
- attending full time a post-secondary academic institution (university, college, etc.) or
- begin such studies within six months of the date of the application,
- the number of times the applicant has been awarded the scholarship, and
- age.

The sole fund donor established an academic scholarship at the University of Guelph in Peter's name and discontinued this one.

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1997 Andrea Kuciak SOSA Gliding Club

Andrea has been selected as the first recipient of the Corley Memorial Scholarship. Andrea is at the University of Waterloo, where she is in second year Mechanical Engineering. She enjoys both the theoretical and practical aspects of engineering and her plans include graduate work. Andrea has been an active member of the SOSA Gliding Club for the past three years.

1999 Bruce Walzer Winnipeg Gliding Club

Bruce is an Electrical Engineering student at the University of Manitoba. He will be completing his studies this year and is specializing in microwave /radio /digital communications. Bruce's thesis involves the design of a variometer.

2001 Neils Petersen York Soaring Association

Neils is studying Aeronautical Engineering at Ryerson University.

2002 Craig Cameron Kirschner Vancouver Soaring

At the age 18, Craig is a freshman in the co-op science program at Simon Fraser University.

He has around 100 flights – solo in a variety of gliders, has earned his FAI C and SAC Bronze badge. He is a graduate of the Air Cadet League of Canada's glider pilot training program at Comox, BC.

2003 Laura Trainor Air Cadet

Ever since I was a little girl I've always wanted to fly. I got that chance when I joined the Air Cadets and, with that organization, received my glider pilot licence and private pilot licence. I was on an exchange trip to Belgium last year where I learned a lot of French, made a lot of new friends from all over the world and had a great time.

This year I am in my first year at Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador where I am studying business. I hope to complete my undergraduate degree and then go on to study law.

2003 Nicholas Kirschner Vancouver Soaring

Ever since I can remember, I have had a strong interest in aviation and have always wanted to be a pilot for a living. I started gliding at 15 and received my licence on my 16th birthday.

Gliding at Hope has given me many opportunities to explore the aviation world; I've met many talented people and learned from them all. This past summer I completed my Silver C badge and also experienced my first outlanding on an attempt for a 50 km distance flight.

I started my post-secondary education this past September with Coastal Pacific Aviation and the University College of the Fraser Valley where I will advance in the aviation industry and receive a bachelor of business administration degree.

2005 Michael Tryggvason SOSA

I'm 20 and now in my second year at the University of Western Ontario, studying Mechanical Engineering. After finishing my engineering degree, I plan to work in the aviation industry as a pilot. Not to overlook the engineering side of things, I plan to stay involved by taking part in research to promote the development of advanced aircraft designs.

I began to fly just after I finished high school, taking a year off to work and pursue the dream. I finished my commercial power licence with the multi-IFR rating ten months later, and also competed in the 2004 Webster Memorial Trophy competition in that time. In the summer of 2004, I began training for my glider licence at SOSA. I received my licence this past summer, enjoying a few soaring flights, especially a memorable hour-plus long solo flight in the Puchacz, and another Blanik flight with Pat O'Donnell which was a great experience in both insight and technique development as I build time (and landings) and gain experience.

I have just under 500 hours of total flight time, power and glider combined, with close to half of that being flown at SOSA. I am proud to call SOSA my home airfield, and look forward to many summers of soaring there.

2006 Scott Kennedy York Soaring Association

I learned to glide at York Soaring's Air Cadet course in the summer of 2005, and I've continued gliding when I've had breaks from school. This past summer, I earned my C badge on my first hour long flight.

I am currently a full-time student at the University of Waterloo in its Computer Engineering co-op program.

After I complete the under-graduate program, I intend to go back to school for my Master's degree. I don't have any firm career plans yet, but I hope to eventually take on the role of a project manager at a computer hardware or software company.

2007 Nicole Kattler Central Alberta Gliding Club

I joined the Air Cadets at age 12, which is where I got my interest in flying. I received my glider pilot licence in Sept of 2005. I started my gliding career through Air Cadets and continued through a civilian gliding club, CAGC in Innisfail, where I met a lot of great people who are very supportive and encouraging to young pilots like myself.

I am 18 and currently in my first year of school in the Bachelor of Nursing Program, at Mount Royal College. Being a nurse has been my dream since I was about 15. I have a good family friend who is a nurse and she has attended to our many minor wounds, bumps and bruises over the years. Seeing the care and compassion she had and listening to her nursing stories led me to want to do the same for people.

I love to fly, not many people get to experience what it is like to be in control of an aircraft. I plan to continue flying for a long time and I hope more young people join me at this great sport.

2008 Alan Grant Gatineau Gliding Club

Alan spent his formative years growing up in and around the Gatineau Gliding Club where he is currently a member. Alan has accumulated 55 hours in gliders and has attained his glider pilot licence as well as his Bronze badge and his Silver C duration flight.

Alan graduated from Colonel By Secondary School in Ottawa with a diploma from the International Baccalaureate program and is currently enrolled in Honours Biomedical Sciences at the University of Ottawa with the hope of becoming a doctor some day. Meanwhile, he works to complete his Silver C and made his debut in competition flying at the annual May Fly contest hosted by GGC.

Alan says the generous award of the Peter Corley scholarship will help him reach his goals while continuing to be active in the soaring community.

2009 Simon-Pierre Dupont AVV Champlain

Je suis membre de l'AVV Champlain depuis 2005, année où j'ai déménagé de Baie-Comeau pour venir étudier à St-Hubert (près de Montréal) à l'École Nationale d'Aérotechnique. Je m'intéresse à la conception et à la fabrication des avions depuis ma

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tendre enfance. Mon cours en construction aéronautique m'a permis d'acquérir les outils pour mettre en œuvre mes projets et de prendre de l'expérience avec deux stages en industrie et deux compétition SAE Aerodesign.

C'est donc avec un sentiment de devoir accompli et le goût intense d'aller plus loin, de concevoir, que j'ai entamé mon baccalauréat en génie mécanique à l'École de Technologie Supérieure l'automne dernier.

Durant ces 4 dernières années, les membres de mon club ont été une deuxième famille pour moi. Ma ville natale étant à plus de 700 km de Montréal, mon club est devenu également mon deuxième chez-moi.

Ma formation dans le mouvement des cadets de l'air m'a permis de progresser rapidement et en 2006 j'ai pu commencer à transmettre ma passion en initiant les visiteurs aux joies du vol en planeur. En 2007, ma progression de vélivole a été marquée par des vols de grande durée et de distance. 2008 fut une année d'aboutissement dans laquelle j'ai eu l'occasion de transmettre mes connaissances aux étudiants du club. En 2009, j'ai eu le privilège d'être soutenu par la première bourse SAC/AVVC avec laquelle j'ai pu continuer à prendre de l'expérience en vol à voile tout en continuant d'améliorer mes talents d'instructeur. Ces accomplissements auraient été impossibles sans l'aide des membres de mon club qui m'ont supporté dès le début.

Je vous remercie infiniment pour cette bourse ainsi que pour votre support envers les jeunes vélivoles à travers le Canada. Quelques fois, une simple offre de co-voiturage à chaque fin de semaine fait aussi toute une différence!

I am a member of Champlain since 2005, the year I moved from Baie-Comeau to St-Hubert to study at l'École Nationale d'Aérotechnique. I have been interested in the design and manufacture of aircraft since childhood. This aircraft construction program allowed me to acquire the tools to pursue my goals and gain experience through two internships in industry and two SAE Aerodesign competitions. With an intense desire to go further, I started a degree in Mechanical Engineering at l'École de Technologie Supérieure last fall.

My hometown being more than 700 km from Montreal, my club has become a second home for me, and during the past four years club members have been a second family.

Training as a glider pilot with the Air Cadets allowed me quick progress at AVVC. Early in 2006, I could start doing intro flights for visitors. In 2007 I started cross-

country and duration flights, and in 2008 I got my instructor rating. In 2009, I had the privilege of being awarded the first Corley scholarship at our club, one that allowed me to gain experience both as a cross-country pilot and instructor. None of this would have been possible without the help of my fellow club members who supported me from the beginning.

I want to thank the Soaring Association of Canada for this scholarship and for your continuing support of young glider pilots across Canada. The money and rides to the gliding field made a huge difference!

This Scholarship was discontinued in 2013



In this list, locations reported as

Julian, PA – Ridge Soaring, PA – Keystone Gliderport, PA are the soaring site operated by Tom Knauff & Doris Grove near Julian, Pennsylvania.

Minden, NV – Douglas County AP, NV are the soaring sites operating from Douglas County airport near Minden, Nevada.

Cook's field, Pincher Creek, Alberta

The first wave exploration ranch airstrip near Pincher Creek offered to glider pilots by Mr. Alvie Cook in the 1950s. Often pilots landed at the Cowley airstrip, once an emergency airstrip for Trans-Canada commercial flights prior to WWII. They later moved there given its easier access to the wave.

The **Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI)** rules for badges have changed frequently since their introduction on 1 August 1930.

The FAI badges were first designated in

1932	Silver badge
1935	Gold badge
1949	Three Diamonds (Diamond badge)
pre-1971	1000 km+ Diploma
2004	750 km Diploma

The following pages list the Canadian pilots who have earned the Diamond badge and 750 and 1000+ km Diplomas, together with details of the flights. Canadian pilots of other nationalities will have their Diamond badges issued by that country and are *not* listed here.

The FAI recognizes flights of international standards and issues a world number for a completed Diamond badge. The following three tasks are the minimum requirement for the Diamond badge:

Diamond goal

a declared flight of at least 300 km (186.3 miles), being either:

- *out & return distance, or*
- *triangle distance flown in a declared sequence*

Diamond distance

a flight of at least 500 km (310.7 miles)

Diamond altitude

gain of height of at least 5000 metres (16,404 feet)

First line of Diamond data:

Canadian number, World number, pilot, and the completion date of the Diamond badge.

The next three lines list the data on the 300 km goal flight, followed by the 500 km distance and altitude flights, date, sailplane, and place of launch. *An added asterisk indicates a Canadian record was set.*

The letter code for the type of distance flight done is:

fre	free distance (Oct 1992)
s	straight distance flight – replaced by free distance
g	goal distance (Oct 2007) (prev. straight distance to goal flight)
t	triangle distance (Oct 2007) (prev. triangular flight)
or	out & return distance (Oct 2007) (prev. goal and return flight)
xtp	x turnpoints
zz	zigzag flight / dogleg
ql	quadrilateral flight

FAI Diamond badges

SAC badge number

[FAI world badge number]

* Canadian record

1 [240] Julien Audette	6 July 1962		
or 322 km * 10 Jul 58	SGS 1-26	Wenatchee WA	
s 602 km * 22 Apr 62	SGS 1-23G	Pincher Creek AB	
7108 m * 1 Apr 61	SGS 1-23G	Pincher Creek AB	
2 [322] Ross Grady	28 Sept 1963		
g 344 km 28 May 60	LK10A	Wetaskiwin AB	
s 587 km 18 May 63	BG12A	Innisfail AB	
6468 m 7 Oct 62	BG12A	Pincher Creek AB	
3 [352] Dave Webb	6 Dec 1963		
g 304 km 1 Aug 59	Skylark 2b	Brantford ON	
s 529 km 23 Jul 62	Skylark 2b	Regina SK	
5422 m 24 Nov 63	Skylark 4	Estey VT	
4 [406] D.B. Ballinger	31 Dec 1964		
g 308 km 9 Jul 63	Skylark 3d	Brantford ON	
s 518 km 16 Jun 64	Skylark 3d	Brantford ON	
5520 m 11 Oct 64	Skylark 3d	Waitsfield VT	
5 [444] Charles Yeates	2 Dec 1965		
g 307 km 10 Aug 56	SGS 1-23	Grande Prairie TX	
s 504 km * 4 Aug 56	SGS 1-23	Grande Prairie TX	
5215 m 6 Nov 65	Austria SH	Warren VT	
6 [625] John Pomietlarz	6 July 1968		
g 343 km 21 Jun 68	HP11A	Cooking Lake AB	
s 518 km 3 Jun 68	HP11A	Cooking Lake AB	
5122 m 1 Apr 61	TG2	Cowley AB	
7 [723] Richard Cook	18 Aug 1968		
g 304 km 23 Jun 63	Skylark 3f	Hummingbird CA	
s 510 km 2 Jun 68	Skylark 3f	Truckee CA	
5730 m 21 Jul 68	Skylark 3f	Dry Lake NV	
8 [724] Wolfram Mix	28 Aug 1968		
g 306 km 6 Aug 57	LK flat top	Brantford ON	
s 532 km 28 Jul 68	Std. Austria	Rockton ON	
7418 m * 10 Oct 66	SF26	Pincher Creek AB	
9 [675] David J. Marsden	13 Oct 1968		
g 330 km 16 May 59	Olympia II	Pendleton ON	
g 676 km * 14 Jun 68	HP14	Cooking Lake AB	
6553m 13 Oct 68	HP14	Cowley AB	
10 [725] Willi Deleurant	17 Jan 1969		
g 364 km 4 Jul 62	L-Spatz	Regina SK	
s 542 km 15 Aug 64	Std. Austria	Brantford ON	
5639m 29 Dec 68	1-26D	Black Forest CO	
11 [756] Richard Mamini	12 June 1969		
g 302 km 5 Jul 66	L-Spatz	Regina SK	
s 520 km 25 May 69	HP14	Penhold AB	
5796 m 17 Oct 65	L-Spatz	Cook's Field AB	
12 [757] Harold Eley	23 June 1969		
g 345 km 18 Jul 68	SGS 1-26	Regina SK	
s 523 km 14 Jun 69	SGS 1-26	Regina SK	
5532 m 1 Apr 61	SGS 1-26	Pincher Creek AB	
1-26 World Diamond No. 2			
13 [800] John Firth	27 Oct 1969		
zz 307 km 26 Jun 64	Skylark 3f	Cambridge UK	
t 506 km * 23 May 69	HP11A	Pendleton ON	
5182 m 18 Oct 69	HP11A	Lake Placid NY	
first 500 km triangle flown in Canada			
14 [834] Eric Mortis	27 May 1969		
or 335 km 14 Jun 69	Dart	Penhold AB	
s 528 km 18 May 70	Dart	Innisfail AB	
5508 m 10 Oct 68	Dart	Cowley AB	
15 [835] George Blunden	5 June 1970		
g 327 km 16 May 70	Cirrus	Innisfail AB	
s 528 km 31 May 70	Cirrus	Black Dia. AB	
5090 m 1 Mar 66	SGS 2-32	Black Forest CO	
16 [1205] Frank Valenta	15 Oct 1971		
or 315 km 17 Jun 71	Kestrel 17	Truckee CA	
or 605 km 17 Aug 71	Kestrel 17	Truckee CA	
6370 m 19 Jun 71	Kestrel 17	Truckee CA	
17 [1206] Bruce Hea	26 Sept 1972		
s 301 km 31 May 69	Bergfalke 3	Red Deer AB	
t 515 km 3 Jul 72	Std Libelle	Black Dia. AB	
5456 m 19 Oct 69	L-Spatz	Cowley AB	
18 [1207] Peter Lamla	26 July 1972		
t 322 km 2 Jul 70	Ka6CR	Wenatchee WA	
t 508 km 26 Jul 72	Cirrus	Minden NV	
5517 m 4 Jul 71	Ka6CR	Wenatchee WA	
19 [1434] Walter Chmela	19 July 1974		
g 351 km 11 Aug 68	K7	Orangeville ON	
s 530 km 1 Jul 74	Kestrel 19	Arthur ON	
5029 m 16 Jan 70	SGS 2-32	Black Forest CO	
20 [1439] Oscar Boesch	17 Aug 1974		
t 310 km 31 Jul 66	Ka6CR	Belwood ON	
or 530 km 21 Jul 74	ASW-15	Belwood ON	
5913 m 25 Jan 70	SGS 1-26	Black Forest CO	
21 [1669] Klaus S. Stachow	11 Aug 1975		
g 330 km 22 May 66	SF26	Innisfail AB	
s 609 km 20 Jul 75	Phoebus C	Black Diamond AB	
5116 m 17 Oct 68	SF26	Pincher Creek AB	
22 [1781] Peter Trounce	30 Dec 1975		
or 316 km 30 Jul 66	K8B	Rockton ON	
s 532 km 28 Jul 68	Phoebus C	Rockton ON	
5860 m 16 Oct 75	Std. Cirrus	Glen NH	

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23 [1782] Helmut Werneburg g 302 km 5 Jul 66 K8B or 506 km * 16 Jul 73 Std. Cirrus 6307 m 16 Oct 75 Std. Cirrus	30 Dec 1975 Regina SK Rockton ON Glen NH	35 [2745] Bela Kasco t 321 km 18 Apr 79 Libelle t 500 km 5 Apr 80 Libelle 5639 m 27 Jan 77 1-34	18 May 1980 Ridge Soaring PA Ridge Soaring PA Black Forest CO
24 [2010] Dave Tustin or 306 km 12 Jun 74 HP14T s 534 km 19 Sep 76 HP14T 6553 m 8 Oct 76 HP14T	22 Oct 1976 Pigeon Lake MB Pigeon Lake MB Cowley AB	36 [2912] Stephen Burany g 309 km 3 Aug 66 Ka6CR s 502 km 11 Jul 78 Kestrel 6748 m 23 Oct 80 Kestrel	21 Jan 1981 Galt ON Rockton ON North Conway NH
25 [2145] Frank Markut or 328 km 4 Sep 72 Cirrus or 520 km 22 Sep 76 Kestrel 19 5425 m 10 Jan 74 Cirrus	23 Dec 1976 Caledon ON Julian PA Black Forest CO	37 [2936] Ian Spence or 314 km 11 Sep 77 1-34 t 500 km 30 Apr 78 1-34 5240 m 19 Feb 81 1-34	22 April 1981 Ridge Soaring PA Ridge Soaring PA Black Forest CO
26 [2146] Heinz Rominger t 530 km 16 Oct 76 Pik-20B t 530 km 16 Oct 76 Pik-20B 5630 m 6 Oct 73 Phoebus C	23 Dec 1976 Julian PA Julian PA Franconia NH	38 [3023] Tony Burton or 300 km 12 Jul 71 BG-12A g 509 km 26 Jul 81 RS-15 landed at Medicine Hat a/p – 1st “Dirty Upwind Dash” flight for a 500 k 5240 m 28 Feb 75 2-32	4 Aug 1981 Pendleton ON Indian Head SK Black Forest CO
27 [2331] Wilfried Krueger t 312 km 7 Aug 75 Std. Libelle s 530 km 18 Aug 77 Std. Libelle 5365 m 3 Dec 77 1-35	31 Jan 1978 Rockton ON Rockton ON Black Forest CO	39 [3042] David Hennigar or 337 km 16 May 80 HP14T t 526 km 18 May 81 HP14T 5486 m 5 Oct 79 HP14T	18 Oct 1981 Pigeon Lake MB Pigeon Lake MB Cowley AB
28 [2527] Kurt Hertwig t 302 km 31 Jul 74 1-23 t 507 km 27 Jul 77 ASW-15B 5425 m 28 Nov 78 1-34	31 Dec 1978 London ON London ON Black Forest CO	40 [3106] Lee Coates t 313 km 15 Jul 80 Pik-20D or 503 km 7 Jun 81 Pik-20D 5288 m 8 Oct 76 SF26	21 Dec 1981 Claresholm AB Black Diamond AB Cowley AB
29 [2528] Steven Simon t 311 km 4 Aug 73 Std Austria or 520 km* 21 Jul 74 Diam 16.5 5334 m 27 Dec 78 1-35	16 Jan 1979 Rockton ON Erin ON Black Forest CO	41 [3119] Donald Rowe t 312 km 18 May 80 Open Cirrus or 504 km 7 Jun 81 Open Cirrus 6560 m 31 Jul 79 Open Cirrus	28 Feb 1982 Innisfail AB Black Diamond AB Cowley AB
30 [2549] James Koehler or 323 km 7 Aug 77 Phoebus C or 600 km 20 May 78 Phoebus C 5300 m 13 Feb 79 1-35	4 March 1979 Vanscoy SK Vanscoy SK Black Forest CO	42 [3737] GHU (Terk) Bayly t 510 km 28 Dec 78 Cirrus t 510 km 28 Dec 78 Cirrus 6431 m 22 Feb 82 1-34	5 April 1982 Waikerie AU Waikerie AUS Black Forest CO
31 [2576] Anteo Talevi t 306 km 20 Oct 77 1-35 t 505 km 12 Feb 79 Horner 5882 m 24 Feb 78 1-34	9 June 1979 Julian PA Narrowmine AUS Black Forest CO	43 [3197] Richard Robinson g 304 km 21 Aug 70 Pirat t 502 km 2 May 82 HP14T 5761 m 18 Oct 70 Pirat	26 July 1982 Galt ON Ridge Soaring PA North Conway NH
32 [2580] John Bisscheroux g 322 km 7 Sep 68 Skylark 2 or 512 km 25 Jun 79 HP14 5047 m 25 Oct 69 Skylark 2b	13 July 1979 Hawkesbury ON Hawkesbury ON Lake Placid NY	44 [3177] Hans D. König or 302 km 2 Aug 76 Lib H301B t 512 km 15 May 82 Mini Nimbus 6416 m 1 Nov 81 Mini Nimbus	22 June 1982 Pendleton ON Black Diamond AB Cowley AB
33 [2598] Günther Geyer-Doersch or 302 km 21 Jul 73 LS1 or 518 km 18 Jul 79 DG-200 5486 m 30 Oct 76 DG-100	5 Aug 1979 Hawkesbury ON Hawkesbury ON North Conway NH	45 [3236] Kevin A. Bennett t 509 km 12 Jun 82 Open Cirrus t 509 km 12 Jun 82 Open Cirrus 6570 m 2 Aug 82 Open Cirrus	30 Aug 1982 Black Diamond AB Black Diamond AB Cowley AB
34 [2599] Rick Matthews t 304 km 2 Jun 79 ASW-19 t 511 km 3 Jun 78 ASW-19 6400 m 10 Oct 76 ASW-19	9 Aug 1979 Black Dia. AB Cowley AB Cowley AB	46 [3235] Willibald Krug t 787 km* 12 Jun 82 Ventus b t 787 km* 12 Jun 82 Ventus b 6035 m 24 Feb 69 SGS 1-26	30 Aug 1982 Black Diamond AB Black Diamond AB Black Forest CO

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47 [3280] Brian Milner				10 Nov 1982	
t 306 km	16 Oct 81	Pilatus B4	Ridge Soaring PA		
t 501 km	17 Oct 82	Jantar	Ridge Soaring PA		
6400 m	15 Feb 82	Jantar	Petersburg WV		
48 [3281] John Proudfoot				18 Nov 1982	
t 303 km	22 May 79	Libelle	Rockton ON		
t 505 km	19 Jan 81	Nimbus II	Narrowmine AUS		
5517 m	17 Oct 82	ASW-20	North Conway NH		
49 [3299] Peter Schwirtlich				14 Dec 1982	
t 312 km	27 Jul 77	Club Libelle	Rockton ON		
t 506 km	23 Jul 81	Club Libelle	Rockton ON		
5547 m	21 Oct 82	Club Libelle	North Conway NH		
50 [3418] Neil Macdougall				8 Aug 1983	
t 311 km	7 May 78	1-35	Estrella AZ		
t 509 km	8 Jun 83	1-35	Estrella AZ		
5669 m	9 Mar 82	1-34	Black Forest CO		
51 [3444] James Brayshaw				23 Sept 1983	
t 311 km	5 Jul 72	Ka6CR	Ephrata WA		
t 505 km	31 Dec 82	Jantar	Cocowa AUS		
7300 m	7 Oct 73	Ka6CR	Cowley AB		
52 [3472] Russ Flint				19 Nov 1983	
t 315 km	23 May 77	Pioneer II	Pigeon Lake MB		
s 565 km	22 May 83	Std. Cirrus	Pigeon Lake MB		
6248 m	26 Jul 83	Std. Cirrus	Cowley AB		
53 [3580] Gilles Boily				22 May 1984	
or 308 km	2 Jul 78	Pilatus B4	St Raymond QC		
or 519 km	29 Jun 83	Jantar	St Raymond QC		
5364 m	21 Feb 84	Jantar	Grant County WV		
54 [3636] Walter Weir				21 Sept 1984	
or 309 km	10 Aug 78	Lib 201B	Chemong ON		
t 502 km	29 Jul 84	Lib 201B	Chemong ON		
5944 m	23 Oct 80	Lib 201B	North Conway NH		
55 [3875] Ulli Werneburg				29 Oct 1985	
or 320 km	7 Jun 72	Std Cirrus	Rockton ON		
t 504 km	21 May 85	ASW-20	Pendleton ON		
5200 m	11 Oct 71	Std Cirrus	Warren VT		
56 [3877] Walter Herten				17 Jan 1986	
t 305 km	29 Jul 82	Ka6E	Rockton ON		
t 501 km	29 Jul 84	Jantar	Rockton ON		
5334 m	26 Oct 85	Jantar	North Conway NH		
57 [3876] Michael Apps				17 Jan 1986	
or 317 km	1 Jun 85	ASW-20FP	Chipman AB		
s 1109 km*	2 Jun 84	ASW-20FP	Chipman AB		
7072 m	13 Oct 85	ASW-20FP	Cowley AB		
58 [3903] Colin Tootill				5 May 1986	
t 306 km	1 Aug 81	Pik-20D	Rockton ON		
zz 521 km	25 Oct 85	ASW-20	North Conway NH		
6065 m	17 Oct 82	Pik-20D	North Conway NH		
59 [3911] Kurt Moser				30 May 1986	
or 315 km	11 Jul 78	Ka6CR	Dresden ON		
zz 524 km	3 May 86	Ka6CR	North Conway NH		
5165m	23 Oct 80	IS-28B	North Conway NH		
60 [3912] Dale Gouin				30 May 1986	
o 305 km	20 Aug 77	Phoebus B	Erin ON		
zz 506 km	3 May 86	Cirrus 75	Ridge Soaring PA		
5300 m	16 Oct 75	Phoebus B	Glen NH		
61 [3913] Derek Kirby				30 May 1986	
t 314 km	28 Jul 84	Phoebus B	Erin ON		
zz 506 km	3 May 86	Phoebus B	Ridge Soaring PA		
5365 m	29 Dec 81	IS29D2	Black Forest CO		
62 [4012] Ursula Wiese				15 Aug 1986	
t 309 km*	11 Jun 83	Ka6CR	Black Diamond AB		
s 607 km*	12 Jun 86	Ka6CR	Chipman AB		
5720 m*	23 Oct 82	Ka6CR	Cowley AB		
First woman glider pilot to complete the Diamond badge in Canada; all 3 Diamond legs were female record flights; comparable with Diamond badge #1.					
63 [4008] Hans Berg				15 Aug 1986	
or 312 km	22 Jul 81	RHJ 10	Dresden ON		
zz 524 km	2 May 86	RHJ 10	Ridge Soaring PA		
5791 m	23 Oct 80	Std. Cirrus	North Conway NH		
64	Badge not issued				
65 [4010] Charles Wilson				15 Aug 1986	
or 314 km	14 May 73	Ka6	Aigen AUSTRIA		
t 507 km	28 May 86	Astir	Invermere BC		
5255 m	25 May 73	Ka6	Aigen AUSTRIA		
66 [4009] Joseph Gegenbauer				15 Aug 1986	
zz 305 km	13 Jun 64	L-Spatz	Aigen AUSTRIA		
t 507 km	28 May 86	ASW-19b	Invermere BC		
5090 m	13 Oct 68	1-23D	Cowley AB		
67 [4011] Kerry Bissell				15 Aug 1986	
or 316 km	12 Jun 82	Std. Libelle	Chipman AB		
s 608 km	12 Jun 86	Libelle 201	Chipman AB		
5700 m	10 Oct 66	Viking 104	Cowley AB		
68 [4007] Robert Gairns				15 Aug 1986	
g 309 km	7 May 66	Ka6BR	Hawkesbury ON		
zz 506 km	27 Apr 86	ASW-20	Ridge Soaring PA		
6309 m	16 Oct 86	Libelle 301	North Conway NH		
69 [4013] Robert DiPietro				28 Aug 1986	
t 354 km	9 Jul 83	Jantar	St Antoine QC		
t 520 km	8 Aug 86	ASW-20b	Uvalde TX		
6218 m	17 Oct 82	Jantar	North Conway NH		
70 [4047] Peter Timm				29 Nov 1986	
g 302 km	5 Jul 66	K8B	Regina SK		
zz 504 km	6 Jul 86	Jantar	Ephrata WA		
5107 m	11 Aug 68	Phoebus A	Hope BC		
71 [4333] Bernie Palfreeman				23 Aug 1987	
zz 506 km	30 Apr 87	Pik-20	Julian PA		
zz 506 km	30 Apr 87	Pik-20	Julian PA		
5364 m	21 Oct 82	Pik-20	North Conway NH		

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72 [4439] Peter Masak	19 April 1988	
t 313 km 24 Jun 78 1-35 Arthur ON		
t 1007.1 km* 30 Apr 87 ASW-20 Julian PA		
5944 m 6 Jan 75 SGS 1-26 Black Forest CO		
73 [4493] Eric Durance	9 Nov 1988	
or 314 km 22 Jul 81 Pik3C Dresden ON		
ql 506.4 km 25 Apr 88 Std. Libelle Julian PA		
5669 m 29 Oct 83 Pik3C N. Conway NH		
74 [4632] Andrew Jackson	21 July 1989	
t 307 km 28 Jun 86 Jantar Chipman AB		
s 640 km 2 Jul 89 Ventus b Claresholm AB		
5913 m 8 Oct 83 Std Libelle Cowley AB		
75 [4768] Thomas Foote	26 Oct 1989	
t 303.7 km 13 Jun 83 Open Cirrus Stanley NS		
ql 506.5 km 17 Apr 88 Open Cirrus Julian PA		
5273 m 16 Oct 89 Open Cirrus Warren VT		
76 [4800] Jim Oke	28 Nov 1989	
t 310.5 km 23 Jun 79 Std. Cirr 75 Pigeon Lake MB		
t 508 km 17 May 80 Std. Cirr 75 Pigeon Lake MB		
5830 m 3 Aug 89 ASW-20 Cowley AB		
77 [4997] Dominique Bonnière	24 Sept 1990	
t 328.7 km 9 Jul 84 Pik-20B Virden MB		
t 526.0 km 7 Jul 90 Pik-20B Pendleton ON		
6780 m 17 Oct 87 Pik-20B Lake Placid NY		
78 [5230] Samuel Whiteside	4 Aug 1991	
or 511.5 km 3 Jul 91 Mini Nimbus Douglas Co NV		
or 511.5 km 3 Jul 91 Mini Nimbus Douglas Co NV		
5640 m 18 Dec 90 Grob 103A Douglas Co NV		
79 [5368] Tillmann Steckner	5 April 1992	
t 306.0 km 11 Apr 91 ASW-15 Julian PA		
zz 505.9 km 5 Apr 92 ASW-15 Julian PA		
5776 m 14 Feb 92 Grob 103 Minden NV		
80 [5504] Michael Thompson	15 Aug 1993	
t 305.0 km 16 Jun 90 Lib 201B Ephrata WA		
or 518.6 km 4 Jun 93 HP14T Golden BC		
5130 m 3 Aug 89 Grob 102 Cowley AB		
81 [5507] Francisco Diaz	31 Aug 1993	
t 306.0 km 29 Apr 92 Jantar Julian PA		
fre 500.9 km 23 Apr 93 DG-202 Julian PA		
5029 m 3 Oct 92 DG-202 Sugarbush VT		
82 [5530] David Key	13 Nov 1993	
t 304.3 km 16 Nov 91 Grob 102 Julian PA		
fre 507.6 km 22 Oct 93 Grob 102 Julian PA		
5440 m 18 Dec 90 Grob 102 Minden NV		
83 [5585] David Mercer	17 Aug 1994	
t 311.5 km 2 May 87 RS-15 Pendleton ON		
fre 517.5 km 1 May 94 RS-15 Cold Lake AB		
5100 m 9 Oct 89 SGS 1-26 Cowley AB		
84 [5841] Bruce Friesen	31 Aug 1995	
t 320.5 km 22 May 95 Std. Austria Chipman AB		
fre 554.8 km 15 July 95 Std. Austria Chipman AB		
6127 m 13 Oct 85 SGS 1-23 Cowley AB		
85 [5897] David Frank	24 Nov 1995	
t 302.4 km 14 Sep 86 ASW-20 Kars ON		
fre 514.8 km 23 Jun 91 ASW-20 Kars ON		
5940 m 20 Oct 95 ASW-20 Lake Placid NY		
86 [5896] Graeme Craig	27 March 1996	
or 316.8 km 12 Jun 83 H310B Lib Chipman AB		
s 561.0 km 2 Jul 89 H301B Lib Claresholm AB		
5290 m 9 Oct 95 ASW-15 Cowley AB		
87 [5900] Paul Moggach	10 May 1996	
t 306.2 km 25 Apr 88 Jantar Julian PA		
fre 511.2 km 3 Sep 89 Jantar Arthur E ON		
6390 m 27 Mar 96 Grob 103a Minden NV		
88 [6024] Trevor Florence	2 Nov 1996	
t 503.5 km 10 Jul 94 ASW-20A Invermere BC		
t 503.5 km 10 Jul 94 ASW-20A Invermere BC		
5730 m 10 Oct 96 Astir CS77 Cowley AB		
89 [6023] Lewis (Buzz) Burwash	22 Nov 1996	
or 315 km 27 Apr 84 ASW-20FP Chipman AB		
fre 504.1 km 12 Jul 96 ASW-20FP Chipman AB		
5450 m 9 Oct 90 ASW-20FP Cowley AB		
90 [6255] Neil Gegenbauer	23 Aug 1997	
t 520.5 km 16 July 97 ASW-20CL Invermere BC		
t 520.5 km 16 July 97 ASW-20CL Invermere BC		
5150 m 11 Oct 96 Astir CS77 Cowley AB		
Born 10 Dec 1977 and 19 years, Neil is the youngest diamond badge holder in Canada to date.		
91 [6352] Larry Springford	5 April 1999	
t 305.3 km 28 Jul 84 Std Libelle Rockton ON		
fre 509.8 km 4 June 88 ASW-20 Rockton ON		
5350 m 22 Dec 98 LS4 Omarama NZ		
92 [6364] Pierre J. Parent	26 July 1999	
g 305.7 km 28 Jul 90 Astir CS Ephrata WA		
fre 517.2 km 26 Jun 99 Astir CS Ephrata WA		
5950 m 13 Apr 86 Pegase Sisteron FRANCE		
93 [6367] Rodney A Crutcher	23 Aug 1999	
t 308.3 km 1 Jun 91 ASW-20C Black Dia. AB		
fre 506.5 km 25 May 99 Ventus Invermere BC		
5410 m 14 Oct 91 ASW-20C Cowley AB		
94 [6435] Dale Kramer	16 May 2000	
306 km 22 Jun 77 Libelle Rockton ON		
fre 1001.4 km* 7 Nov 99 LS4a Julian PA		
5120 m 14 Nov 99 LS4a Julian PA		
95 [6513] Gerard (Tim) Wood	23 Sept 2000	
t 301.9 km 9 Sept 96 LS3a Kelly Airpark CO		
fre 501.0 km 1 Aug 00 LS3a Invermere BC		
5460 m 27 Sept 95 Blanik L23 Westcliffe CO		

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96 [6585] Allan Spurgeon	22 Oct 2001		
t 301.8 km 16 July 00 PW-5	Invermere BC		
t 509.7 km 26 May 01 PW-5	Invermere BC		
5160 m 6 Oct 01 PW-5	Cowley AB		
97 [6622] Spencer Robinson	11 May 2002		
or 316.8 km 21 July 79 HP14T	Rockton ON		
or 507.3 km 20 Jan 02 LS6c/17.5	Tocumwal AUS		
5240 m 18 Oct 79 HP14T	White Mtn NH		
98 [6623] Bob Katz	11 May 2002		
t 306.0 km 26 Apr 01 Pik-20D	Julian PA		
t 505.5 km 26 Apr 02 Pik-20D	Julian PA		
5110 m 14 Oct 00 Pik-20D	Lake Placid NY		
99 [6733] William John VanderBurgh	8 May 2003		
t 316.1 km 25 Nov 02 Jantar	Omarama NZ		
t 504.0 km 15 Dec 02 Jantar	Omarama NZ		
5700 m 31 Oct 02 LS4	Omarama NZ		
100 [6802] André Pepin	8 May 2004		
based on Aéro-Club de France certificate #640 – 19 Jan 1987			
t 507 km 28 May 86 Pegasus	Buno-Bonnevaux		
t 507 km 28 May 86 Pegasus	Buno-Bonnevaux		
7320 m 26 Oct 85 Jantar	North Conway NH		
101 [6997] Mel Blackburn	10 Aug 2005		
t 301.0 km 22 Jul 02 PW-5	Invermere BC		
t 503.6 km 25 Jul 05 Discus 2b	Invermere BC		
6035 m 9 Oct 02 PW-5	Cowley AB		
102 [7056] Charles Petersen	4 April 2007		
t 300.2 km 23 Apr 02 Discus CS	Julian PA		
3tp504.3 km 24 Mar 07 Discus 2CT	Seminole Lk FL		
6137 m 22 Mar 03 Grob 102	Minden NV		
103 [7182] John Mulder	16 May 2010		
t 323.2 km 8 May 10 Genesis 2	Innisfail AB		
3tp534.5 km 10 Jun 09 Genesis 2	Innisfail AB		
5074 m 30 Sep 07 Jantar	Cowley AB		
104 [7342] Yves Bastien	6 April 2013		
t 301.5 km 22 Mar 10 Discus b	Minden NV		
3tp519.1 km 19 Mar 13 LS 4	Minden NV		
6430 m 21 Mar 10 G 103	Minden NV		
105 [7441] Daniel Daly	24 May 2015		
2tp303.4 km 2 July 05 Mini Nimb	Minden NV		
3tp511.3 km 24 Apr 15 SZD-55	Julian PA		
5129 m 28 May 04 Blanik L13	Westcliffe CO		
106 [7451] Pavan Kumar	6 Nov 2015		
or 517.3 km 21 Jul 15 DG 400/17	Elko BC		
or 517.3 km 21 Jul 15 DG 400/17	Elko BC		
6138 m 12 Oct 15 Libelle 201B	Cowley AB		
107 [7477] Denis Pepin	2 June 2016		
or 314.1 km 26 Jul 83 ASW-19	St. Raymond QC		
3tp510.2 km 20 May 16 Jantar	St. Raymond QC		
5121 m 21 Feb 84 Jantar	Petersburg WV		
108 [7480] Jean-Guy Hélie	27 July 2016		
or 301.6 km 15 Jul 05 Jantar	St. Raymond QC		
3tp 506.0 km 17 Jun 16 ASW-20	St. Raymond QC		
5143 m 28 Oct 07 ASW-20	Baie St-Paul QC		
109 [7481] Guy Blood	9 Aug 2016		
or 315.7 km 26 May 12 Kestrel 19	Chipman AB		
3tp 509.3 km 14 May 16 Kestrel 19	Chipman AB		
5250 m 10 Oct 10 Kestrel 19	Cowley AB		
110 [7486] Pierre Gavillet	21 Aug 2016		
tri 305.9 km 16 Aug 12 LAK17a	Hawkesbury ON		
3tp 505.4 km 8 Aug 16 LAK17a	Hawkesbury ON		
5135 m 6 Oct 14 LAK17a	Lake Placid NY		
111 [7498] Valdur (Walter) Pille	30 Oct 2016		
or 309 km 15 Aug 72 Ka6CR	St Raymond QC		
3tp 534.6 km 17 Jun 16 DG-600M	St Raymond QC		
5540 m 9 Sep 84 Kestrel 19	Baie-St-Paul QC		
112 [7544] Jean-Yves Germain	11 Oct 2017		
or 306.3 km 26 Aug 17 ASG-29	St Raymond QC		
3tp 539.8 km 17 Jun 07 ASG-29	St Raymond QC		
5471 m 21 Feb 84 ASW-19	Petersburg WV		
113 [7551] David Hocking	3 Nov 2017		
t 302.1 km 13 Jul 08 ASW-19	Invermere BC		
3tp 508.8 km 11 Jul 13 ASW-19	Invermere BC		
6470 m 6 Oct 07 ASW-19	Cowley AB		
114 [7613] Conrad Lamoureux	4 June 2019		
or 316.4 km 11 May 14 O. Cirrus	Chipman AB		
3tp 503.7 km 29 May 19 Genesis 2	Invermere BC		
5310 m 6 Oct 13 O. Cirrus	Cowley AB		
115 [7619] Christopher Gough	14 Oct 2019		
t 302.4 km 31 Jul 01 LS-8	Rockton ON		
2tp 504.1 km 22 Jul 07 Jantar Std	Rockton ON		
5480 m 7 Oct 19 ASW-19	Cowley AB		
116 [7894] Ben Hornett	16 May 2021		
t 311.2 km 5 May 21 LS-6B	Black Diamond AB		
2tp 505.5 km 14 May 21 LS-6B	Black Diamond AB		
6116 m 5 Oct 20 LS-6B	Cowley AB		
117 [7896] Luke Szczepaniak	16 Oct 2021		
t 302.4 km 30 Jun 07 SZD-48-1	Rockton ON		
3tp 1007.5 km 9 May 10 SZD 55-1	Reedsville PA		
5721 m 3 Oct 21 Ventus B	Cowley AB		
118 [7905] Marian Rakusan	10 Dec 2021		
t 306.7 km 24 Jun 19 ASW-20	Hobbs NM		
2tp 527.2 km 29 May 21 ASW-20	Black Diamond AB		
6045 m 3 Oct 21 ASW-20	Cowley AB		
119 [7954] David Cole	30 Oct 2023		
2tp 316.0 km 2 Jul 12 SZD-55	Conn ON		
3tp 507.7 km 24 Jun 16 SZD-55	Conn ON		
5287 m 8 Oct 23 ASW-20	Cowley AB		

120 [8018]	Patrick McMahon			9 July 2024
	or 322.2 km	21 May 21	LS-6B	Black Diamond AB
	3tp 505.8 km	12 Jun 24	LS-6B	Black Diamond AB
	5470 m	7 Oct 19	ASW-19	Cowley AB
121 [8024]	Sasa Pejic			9 October 2024
	3tp 306.1 km	1 May 21	Std.Jantar 2	Rockton, ON
	3tp 506.1 km	12 Jun 24	Std.Jantar 2	Black Diamond, AB
	5788 m	8 Oct 24	Std.Jantar 2	Cowley, AB



SC3-2.2.4 FAI Diploma flights Introduced 1 Oct 2005

These flights begin with a minimum distance of 750 km and increase in 250 km increments. They may use any course defined in 1.4.2d to 1.4.2h of the FAI Sporting Code Section 3 – Gliding.

A Diploma is awarded once only for the incremental distance immediately less than the distance flown.

“Upon completion of a Diamond badge or a 750 km or greater flight by a pilot, the NAC shall provide the FAI with the flight data contained in its national register. In turn, the FAI will enter the name of the pilot in an international register and will award the pilot a special Diploma for flights of 1000 km and more.”

SAC will issue a national number for 750k and 1000k flights and maintain the register of these diplomas.

Note To honour John Firth's magnificent achievement of the first 750 km triangle flown in North America, the Soaring Association of Canada retroactively awarded him Canadian 750 km Diploma No.1. The story of his flight has been reprinted in *free flight* 6/2007.

Note In May 2015, the first 1000 km diploma was awarded retroactively for the first 1000 km flight by Alvin Horne Parker, USA, 31 July 1964, flying the Sisu 1A.

750 km Diploma

- 1 **John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring Club** 10 July 1977
752.5 km Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF
Kars, ON – Bethany – South River – return
Record – triangle distance 752.5 km Open Class
First 750 km triangle in North America
- 2 **Walter Weir Air Sailing** 17 Oct 2005
756.4 km ASW-27b C-GJSJ 2W
(Julian, PA) remote start Howard2 – Cumberland 53/22 MD –
Howard2 – Cumberland RR – Howard2 remote finish
Record – 3 TP distance, citizen
756.4 km Open class – 665.6 km Club class
Walter made the flight on his 73rd birthday!
- 3 **Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA** 25 Oct 2006
760 km SZD-55-1 C-GXXG XG
Mifflin, PA: start Telladega Bowl – Gerstell Farms – Nittany ridge 10 km S of
Lock Haven – south end of Tussey ridge 10 km NE of Cumberland – finish Jacks
Mt. ridge 14 km NE of Mifflin
Record – 3TP distance, citizen 760 km Open class – 715.2 km Club class
- 4 **Allan Spurgeon Canadian Rockies Soaring Club** 18 May 2007
754 km Ventus 2cM C-GNEO
Invermere, BC: Mt Swansea – Blaeberry Ridge just south of the Blaeberry river
east side of Columbia Valley – south to Elko – north to Mt Swansea HG launch –
finish Mt Swansea – landing at Invermere
- 5 **GE (Tim) Wood York Soaring Association** 20 June 2007
760.2 km ASW-27 C-FWKR 07
Invermere, BC: Mt Swansea – Blaeberry bridge – Elko RR crossing –
Mt Seven HG launch – landing at Invermere
“This flight is dedicated to my good friend Mike Ronan.”
- 6 **Ian Spence Canadian Rockies Soaring Club** 4 Aug 2008
765.0 km Ventus 2cT C-FYSG WW Invermere, BC
- 7 **Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies Soaring Club** 12 May 2010
765.0 km Duo Discus C-FDUO 007 Invermere, BC
- 8 **Dominique Bonnière Gatineau Gliding Club** 6 July 2010
818.2km LAK-17A/18 C-GKST ST Invermere, BC
- 9 **Marian Nowak Toronto Soaring Club** 5 May 2011
791.3km Egret C-GFQM N1
Ridge Soaring, Julian, PA: S Milesburg Gap S.PA – Quarry, Cumberland
MD – Nisbet PA – Allegheny Ballistic Lab WV – F Milesburg Gap
- 10 **Christopher Gough Edmonton Soaring Club** 24 May 2015
751.5km Jantar C-GXTS
Chipman, AB – Senlac – Finnegan [FAI triangle]

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1000+ km Diploma

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| <p>1 (50) Brian Milner Kawartha 26 April 1983
1000.7 km Jantar C-GCGJ GJ
Ridge Soaring, PA – Fincastle CC, WV
<i>Record – 1000 km speed O&R (citizen) 94.7 km/h</i></p> <p>2 (51) Dave Marsden Edmonton 2 June 1984
1093 km DG-202/17 C-GVRR VR
Chipman, AB – Starbuck, MB
<i>Record – territorial • straight distance;
joint record with Michael Apps</i></p> <p>2 (52) Michael Apps Edmonton 2 June 1984
1093 km ASW-20FP C-GULX AB
Chipman, AB – Starbuck, MB
<i>Record – territorial • straight distance;
joint record with Dave Marsden</i></p> <p>4 (82) Peter Masak Texas 30 April 1987
1007.1 km ASW-20A N81CG PX
Julian, PA – Lindside, VA – Mine Run
<i>Record - 1000 km speed triangle 106.5 km/h citizen</i></p> <p>5 (240) Walter Weir COSA 23 April 1993
1032.1 km ASW-20b C-GGWW 2W
Keystone Gliderport, PA – Tazewell, VA
<i>Record – Citizen free distance & O&R</i></p> <p>No SAC no. (226) Brian Milner COSA 1 June 1993
1394 km Ventus C N520BM
Keystone, PA – Mountain Grove, WVA – Pine Creek – Sunrise Dam – Bedford Airport, PA
<i>First Canadian World record, free distance jointly flown with Tom Knauff</i></p> <p>6 (247) Wilfried Krueger SOSA 16 May 1994
1005.2 km free distance LS6b C-FAMV K2
Keystone Gliderport, PA – Jct Hwy VA39/
Little Back Creek – Jct Pine Creek/Susquehanna River – Rte 869/ridge top</p> <p>7 (282) Uwe Kleinhempel Rocky Mountain 9 June 1996
1006.2 km poly Ventus b C-GIJO X1
Golden, BC – bridge Hwy 3/railway (Elko) –
Blaeberry River forestry bridge NE of Golden –
Aberfeldie dam on Bull River N of Elko –
(remote finish) Mt Seven (antenna group),
landing at Golden airport</p> <p>8 (297) David Key York Soaring 12 May 1996
1022.2 km free dist. Grob 102 C-GFRL
Mifflin Co. Airport (Reedsville, PA) – Bridge
Hwy 39 over Back Creek, Mountain Grove VA
– Jct Pine Creek & Susquehanna River, PA –
Jct Rt 56 & Rt 220, PA – Bellefont Airport, PA</p> | <p>9 (353) Dale Kramer SOSA 7 Nov 1999
1001.36 km LS4a N7LR K1
Kettle Dam, PA to Rte 33 South to Will, remote
start Altoona; route Williamsport, Lock Haven,
Bedford, Hyndman, Knobblies, Keyser, Scherr,
return Sacred Heart, Bedford, Lock Haven,
Williamsport, Milesburg, Altoona</p> <p>10 (412) Larry Springford SOSA 3 May 2002
1033.16 km ASW-20 C-GVDO S1
Ridgetop PA – Monterey to Lockhaven – Hospital,
landing at Julian PA</p> <p>11 (413) Tillmann Steckner SOSA 3 May 2002
1005.4 km LS6b C-FAMV
Julian, PA – Mountain Grove – Pine Creek &
Susquehanna River – RT 869/Ridge, return</p> <p>12 (527) GE (Tim) Wood 21 July 2008
1009.0 km ASW-27 C-FWKR 07
Invermere, BC: Mt Swansea HG ramp – ~15 km
N of Bush Arm on Kinbasket Lake – road X
Roosevelt/US border – N side Blaeberry Valley
~30 km NE of Golden – landing at Invermere</p> <p>13 (555) Luke Szczepaniak 9 May 2010
1007.5 km SZD-55-1 C-GAXG
Mifflin Co. Airport, Reedsville, PA: start Tussey
- Monterey - Poverty - Quarry - land Reedsville</p> <p>14 (575) Jerzy Szemplinski 5 May 2011
1027.7 km ASG-29 C-GJXG XG
Mifflin County Airport, Reedsville, PA:
start Tussey North – Monterey – TP 5 –
Sacred Heart Hospital – landing at Reedsville</p> <p>15 (604) Marian Nowak 12 May 2013
1027.2 km Egret C-GFQM
Ridge Soaring Gliderport, PA: start Keystone
ridge – Tazewell Gap North – finish Keystone
ridge</p> <p>16</p> |
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200 Trophy

First presented in 1969

to a pilot with <200 hours as P1
at start of season

A stylized gull soars above a three-tiered wood base; trophy height 40 cm.

It was donated to the Association by Inger and Paul Tingskou of the Winnipeg Gliding Club. It was originally awarded to the pilot with less than 200 hours solo gliding time at the beginning of the season (January).

Original wording

Scoring for this trophy is identical to that normally used for the Canadair trophy (best 5 flights during the year); all flights must originate in Canada.

Contenders for the 200 trophy should include, with their first entry only, confirmation by a SAC Official Observer, that there were no more than 200 solo hours of gliding time logged at the beginning of the season.

History of changes

2003 Total gliding time of 200 or less Pilot-in-Command (P1) hours at the start of the OLC trophy season, scoring the best six flights of the year under the OLC Canada (Novice) rules.

2011 OLC Plus (combined FAI OLC and OLC Classic with a 30% bonus added for FAI triangles)

1969	Hans Lucas	MSC	2010	Andrew Blanchard	Cdn Rockies
1970	Dennis Gyorffy	SOSA	2011	Steve Hogg	Cu Nim
1971	Denes Pandur	Edmonton	2012	Alan Daniel	SOSA
1972	Julius Nagy	SOSA	2013	Vlada Dekina	SOSA
1973	Ian Oldaker	Winnipeg	2014	Thomas Butts	SOSA
1974	Steve Simon	Erin	2015	Gilbert Cormier	Canadian Rockies
1975	John Brennan	SOSA	2016	Thomas Butts	SOSA
1976	no entry		2017	Gilbert Cormier	Canadian Rockies
1977	Ian Oldaker	Winnipeg	2018	Sergey Skabkarev	Vancouver
1978	John Bachynski	Edmonton	2019	Alex Ackerman	Canadian Rockies
1979	Colin Tootill	SOSA	2020	Charlie Pastuszka	Cdn Rockies
1980	Jim Cumming	Winnipeg	2021	Predrag Kupcevic	SOSA
1981	Colin Tootill	SOSA	2022	Ryan Wood	Saskatoon Soaring Club
1982	no entry		2023	Ryan Wood	Saskatoon Soaring Club
1983	David Frank	Rideau Valley			
1984	Robert I. (Bob) Carlson	SOSA			
1985	Bruce Friesen	Edmonton			
1986	Lewis (Buzz) Burwash	Edmonton			
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1988	Jane Midwinter	Rideau Valley			
1989	Chris Apps	Edmonton			
1990	Gail Oneschuk	Rideau Valley			
1991	Richard Longhurst	Air Sailing			
1992	Jay Poscente	Cu Nim			
1993	Jay Poscente	Cu Nim			
1994	Mike Cook	individual (Kimberley, BC)			
1995	no entry				
1996	Mark Schneider	MSC			
1997	no entry				
1998	Al Hoar	Cu Nim			
1999	Dale Kramer	SOSA			
2000	no entry				
2001	Ron Walker	Gatineau			
2002	Mel Blackburn	Cdn Rockies			
2003	no entry				
2004	Ray Perino	Canadian Rockies			
2005	Keith Watson	Cdn Rockies			
2006	Richard Jones	Toronto Soaring			
2007	Randy Neilson	Great Lakes			
2008	Derek Mackie	Toronto Soaring			
2009	Jeff Runciman	Central Alberta			

SOARING TROPHIES

1969 Hans Lucas Montreal Soaring Council

Ka6E CF-VKA

315.4 km goal 21 Jun Hawkesbury, ON to Beaumont, QC
210 km dist 1 Jul Innisfail, AB
368.5 km dist 7 Jul Innisfail, AB
117.5 km tri 19 Jul Hawkesbury, ON

1970 Dennis Gyorffy SOSA Libelle 201

1971 Denes Pandur Edmonton Soaring Club

2713 m gain 18 Apr Libelle
120 km tri 9 May Libelle
129.8 km tri 22 May Libelle
284.5 km dist 24 May Libelle

1972 Julius Nagy SOSA

1973 Ian Oldaker Winnipeg Gliding Club

Tern CF-QXI EY

all flights from Pigeon Lake, MB

The first three flights flown at 25th Canadian Nationals.

All trophy flights were made in my Tern that I had built.

210 km tri 29 Jun St. Pierre, MB – return
119 km 2 Jul free distance to Emerson, MB and ret.
Landed out at TP; a very windy day -
first leg downwind, all landed near TP.
5th of 17 pilots.
250 km 4 Jul Emerson, MB – Manitou
task 318 km tri; made two TPs, landed
out. *Silver duration!*
282 km 15 Jul Emerson, MB – Manitou – Elm Creek
attempted 310 km tri, landed at Elm
Creek
150 km O&R 6 Aug Morris, MB – return

1974 Steve Simon Erin Soaring Society

520 km O&R 21 Jul Diamant 16.5 C-GBOG
Erin, ON – Jct Hwy 401&2 Tilbury ret.
Record O&R

1975 John Brennan SOSA

Std. Libelle C-FBDC DC

135 km O&R 29 Jun SOSA – Ingersoll New glider, different
from Ka8
84.8 km 8 Jul Claresholm, AB – Okotoks
overflow first TP in Canadian Nationals.
Navigation difficult. 2nd outlanding. Dive
brakes leave a lot to be desired!
266.6 km 14 Jul Claresholm AB - Arrowwood - Vauxhall
5th place in Nats, 3rd outlanding; getting
to know the locals!
201.6 km 16 Jul Claresholm, AB – Blackie – Bassano
– Scandia – Taber 300 km attempt,
fourth outlanding.
109.6 km 17 Jul Claresholm, AB – Fort Macleod –
Nobleford – return

Made it home – had to take last thermal 4 miles out! What a
feeling. Flying in the west is very different; high winds and strong
lift. Total time 195 hours and finally hooked on cross-country
flying.

1977 Ian Oldaker Winnipeg Gliding Club

Tern CF-QXI EY all flights from Pigeon Lake, MB

3:04 hours 7 May
188 km tri 21 May 3.39 hr Treherne – Starbuck – return
119 km tri 23 May 2.1 hr Sandford – Elm Creek – ret.
2:38 hours 10 Sep
163 km O&R 10 Oct 3.35 hr St Jean Baptiste – return

1978 John Bachynski Edmonton Soaring Club

1979 Colin Tootill SOSA Ka6CR CF-ZDU

195 km tri 25 Jun Rockton, ON – Arthur – Stratford –
return Mudbowl contest
141 km 26 Jun Rockton, ON – Belwood bridge –
St Mary's
218 km tri attempt
142 km 28 Jun Rockton, ON – Luther dam
146 km O&R attempt, 2 km short; could have
made it, had I known field location – lots
of haze.
241.1 km tri 29 Jul Arthur, ON - Listowel - Tillsonburg ret.
Day 2 of Canadian Nationals; down to 500 ft and turning
base for a field, sudden thermal to 7000 ft; completed task
as last pilot with reminder from contest director Art
Schubert "to check gear down and locked" (see sailplane
flown).
151 km 6 Aug Rockton, ON – Granton – Listowel
300 km tri attempt

1980 Jim Cumming Winnipeg Gliding Club

1981 Colin Tootill SOSA

PIK-20D C-GOPN T7

135 km 17 May Rockton, ON – Strathroy
This flight was to nowhere, playing chicken with Andy
Gough, SOSA CFI, to see who would turn back first.
169 km 27 Jun Pendleton, ON – Limbourg
218 km O&R attempt; EasternRegionals
232 km tri 28 Jun Pendleton - Merrickville - Alexandria -ret
120 km 3 July Pendleton - Winchester - Maxville 56km/h
306 km tri 1 Aug Rockton, ON – Granton – Varney – ret.
Diamond goal Barogram shows I never
got below 3000 ft until final glide

1983 Dave Frank Rideau Valley Soaring School

Pilatus B4 C-GADS

193 km tri 13 Aug Kars, ON – Limoges – Upper Canada
Village – return declared flight
281 km 28 Aug Kars, ON – Smiths Falls – Lachute, QC
– Kenmore, ON incomplete, declared
312 km tri
157 km 1 Sep Kars, ON – Smiths Falls – Alfred –
Curran
incomplete, declared 312 km triangle
199 km 14 Sep Pendleton, ON - Lachute, QC – Kars
area
incomplete, declared 329 km triangle
156 km tri 24 Sep Kars – Smiths Falls – Upper Canada
Village – return declared flight

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1984 Bob Carlson SOSA

PIK 20D C-GOPN T7

124 km	4 Jul	landed out on first leg to Erickson
148 km tri	5 Jul	Rivers – Souris – return
328.7 km tri	9 Jul	Carlyle – Gerald Potash Mine – return <i>Diamond goal flight</i>
268 km tri	10 Jul	Oxbow – Melita – return
334 km	11 Jul	Whitewood – Rivers

only one who didn't complete the task

All tasks flown at the classic Nationals in Virden. I had just acquired my PIK and flew *hors concours* as the only Sports class entrant.

1985 Bruce Friesen Edmonton Soaring Club

Std Austria CF-PDM SL

300 km tri	20 May	Innisfail, AB – Rosedale – Stettler - ret.
467 km	1 Jun	Chipman, AB – Paynton, SK – return declared 500 km zigzag; 7.5 hours
292 km O&R	9 Jun	Chipman, AB – Kitscoty – return declared 316 km; ~6 hr
313 km O&R	14 Jul	Chipman, AB – Kitscoty – return declared 316 km; 5.5 hr
6035 m gain	13 Oct	SGS 1-23 CF-XKL Cowley, AB <i>Diamond climb</i>

1986 Lewis (Buzz) Burwash Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-20FP C-GULX AB all flights from Chipman, AB

150 km tri	17 May	Thorhild – Smoky Lake – return
87 km O&R	18 May	Waskatenau – return
307 km quad	19 May	Thorhild – Lavoy – Waskatenau – return
168 km tri	9 Jun	Waskatenau – Tofield – return
205 km quad	10 Jun	Vegreville - Bruderheim - Royal Park - ret

1987 Lewis (Buzz) Burwash Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-20FP C-GULX AB all flights from Chipman AB

321.5 km tri	16 May	Minburn – Forestburg – ret. 90.4km/h
202 km tri	17 May	Thorhild – Vilna – return
291.8 km tri	6 Jun	Sedgewick – Ferintosh – ret. Nationals
376.5 km tri	28 Jun	Westlock – Vermilion – return
238.5 km quad	22 Aug	Thorhild – Vilna – Waskatenna NW Hwy 28/831 – ret.

1988 Jane Midwinter Rideau Valley Soaring School

PIK-20D C-GINY all flights from Kars, ON

313.1 km quad	14 May	Rideau ferry bridge – Pendleton – Tower near Rideau ferry bridge – ret.
302.9 km tri	29 May	Rideau ferry bridge - Hwy 417/17 – ret.
317.6 km tri	4 Jun	L'Original steel foundry - Charteris - ret.
184.4 km O&R	10 Jun	Gananoque AP hangar – return
225.4 km tri	21 Aug	Kars, ON - Ladysmith crossroads – Merrickville locks - return

1989 Chris Apps Edmonton Soaring Club

122 km O&R	12 Jun	SGS 1-23 CF-XKL Chipman, AB - Duvernay bridge – ret. Silver C distance flight
18,000 ft gain	8 Oct	ASW-15 C-GRXQ Height reached according to altimeter 26,000 feet; barograph failed at about 22,000 feet; almost a Diamond climb

1990 Gail Oneschuk Rideau Valley Soaring School

Libelle 201B C-FBON all flights from Kars, ON

54 km dist	10 Jul	landed at Antrim
212.3 km tri	13 Jul	Plantagenet bridge – Smiths Falls – ret.
74.2 km post	21 Jul	Smiths Falls – Metcalfe TP – return
212.3 km tri	21 Aug	Plantagenet bridge – Smiths Falls – ret.
62.6 km post	3 Sept	Munster (undecl) - Chesterville - ret.

1991 Richard Longhurst Air Sailing

Ka6E C-FOLO

184.6 km tri	15 May	Rockton, ON – Belwood bridge – Listowel 86&RR – return
308.1 km poly	8 Jun	Air Sailing, ON - Alliston - Rockton – St Mary's - Air Sail - return
279.6 km poly	1 Jul	GGC – Lachute – Winchester Rd/RR – Summerstown – return
178.5 km tri x2	2 Jul	Jantar C-GGBW GGC – Alexandria – Maxville Rd/RR– return 78 km/h
233.5 km post	3 Jul	Pendleton, ON – Hawkesbury – Lachute - St André Avellin – Lachute ret

1992 Jay Poscente Cu Nim Gliding Club

Mini Nimbus C-GLYD 54

244 km	21 Jun	Black Diamond, AB – Bassano – landed at Stavely declared a triangle
320.8 km tri	29 July	Cowley, AB – Longview bridge – Waterton Park gate – return
302.4 km tri	8 Aug	Black Dia., AB - Bassano - Stavely -ret
319.4 km O&R	9 Aug	Black Diamond, AB – Brooks – return
7010 m gain	10 Oct	Cowley, AB

1993 Jay Poscente Cu Nim Gliding Club

Mini Nimbus C-GLYD 54

319.4 km O&R	9 May	Black Dia., AB – Brooks – ret 75 km/h
368.6 km tri	5 Jun	Black Diamond – Vauxhall – Claresholm – return 85 km/h
331.7 km goal	1 July	Black Diamond, AB – Hatton RR Xing – return 318.2 km plus 13.5 km free dist.
254.0 km tri	11 Jul	Swift Current, SK – Kincaid – Chaplin – return 89 km/h
353 km	14 July	Swift Current, SK – Rosetown – Qu'Appelle dam, land at Hutterite colony

1994 Mike Cook individual, Kimberley, BC

K5 exp. CG-ZMB Z1

113 km post	24 Apr	Golden, BC – Parson bridge – Hwy 1 bridge & Donald Stn – return 141 km/h
301.6 km O&R	23 May	Golden, BC – Canal Flats forestry bridge
200.6 km O&R	13 July	Golden, BC – Columbia Mtn
206 km goal	12 Aug	Golden, BC – Black Diamond, AB
5763 m gain	9 Oct	Cowley, AB <i>Diamond height</i>

1995 Trophy not awarded

1996 Mark Schneider Montreal Soaring Council

LS-1c C-FLSA all flights from MSC

170 km O&R	22 July	ASW-19b CG-BYK on this flight Ottawa Parliament Hill – return
258 km	11 Aug	Summerstown – Smiths Falls Arena – Bear Brook 1st attempt at 300 km; blue; max 4000 feet agl

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309 km tri	17 Aug	Summerstown – Smiths Falls – return 2nd attempt at Gold distance & Diamond goal, but lacked baro serial on declaration
340 km tri	24 Aug	Summerstown – Arnprior – return <i>Gold dist. and Diamond goal</i> , 6:15 h 50 km final glide; landed 1818

1998 Al Hoar Cu Nim Gliding Club

		Std. Cirrus C-GEOD 4E
101.3 km PST	19 May	Black Diamond, AB – Nanton Esso Station – return
80.5 km PST	20 May	Black Diamond, AB – Longview – High River – return
95.6 km PST	21 May	Black Dia, AB - Chain Lakes N dam -ret.
96.1 km tri	3 Jun	Mt Seven, BC – Mt Mummery – Donald bridge – return 5 hrs
2624 m	9 Oct	Cowley, AB weak and unusually organized wave

1999 Dale Kramer SOSA

LS4a	195 km tri	N7LR K1	all flights from Rockton, ON
508 km PST	20 Jun	5 GPS TP & return	
506 km PST	21 Jun	4 GPS TP & return	
558 km PST	22 Jun	7 GPS TP & return	
633 km PST	11 Jul	10 GPS TP & return	
514 km PST	2 Aug	9 GPS TP & return	

2000 trophy not awarded

2001 Ron Walker Gatineau Gliding Club

		Glasflügel 304 CF-RBW CZ
305.4 km tri	9 Jun	GGC – Mallorytown – Alexandria – ret <i>Gold and Diamond goal flight</i> ; 4.5 h 68 km/h
202.8 km poly	2 Jul	Rockton, ON – Tillsonburg – Waterford – New Hamburg – return
223.6 km decl	6 Jul	Rockton, ON - Tillsonburg - New Hamburg - Belwood Lake - Guelph - GPS TP – return
289 km tri	28 Jul	GGC – Mallorytown – GPS TP – ret.
183.4 km	2 Sep	Omeme, ON – Hwy 135/115 – Hwy 35/7 Havelock – Fowlers Corners – ret

2002 Mel Blackburn Canadian Rockies Soaring Club

PW-5	C-FEPW	PW	all flights from Invermere, BC
			50.8 hrs at the beginning of the season
304.6 km	12 Jun	GPS TPs: Mt Swansea – Canal Flats – Mt Seven – return	
153.3 km	14 Jun	GPS TPs: Mt Swansea - Mt Farnham – Mt Nelson - Canal Flats - Edgewater return	
257.1 km	15 Jul	GPS TPs: Mt Swansea – Canal Flats – Mt Seven, landout in Spillimacheen	
307.1 km	21 Jul	GPS TPs: Mt Swansea – Steeples – Luxor Pass - return	
314.5 km tri	22 Jul	GPS TPs: Mt Swansea - Canal Flats – Mt Seven – return	

2003 trophy not awarded

OLC scoring

2004 Ray Perino Canadian Rockies 2316.45 pt

		PW-5 C-FEPW PW	all flights from Invermere, BC
			<i>2041.37 km total – 340.23 km average</i>
409.47 km	23 Jul	6:13 hours	475.13 pt
		Golden – Canal Flats – Spillimacheen – return	
366.55 km	11 Aug	6:07 hours	381.74 pt
		Fairmont – Spillimacheen – Fairmont – photo landing 5 km NE of Spillimacheen	
323.06 km	22 Jul	5:47 hours	374.49pt
		Radium Springs - Fairmont - Golden - ret.	
323.08 km	17 Jul	5:15 hours	373.61 pt
		Parson – Fairmont – Parson – return	
314.48 km	4 Jun	5:22 hours	364.86 pt
		Parson – Canal Flats – Brisco – landed at Fairmont	
304.73 km	14 Jul	5:7 hours	346.62 pt
		Edgewater – Fairmont – Parson – Fairmont – ret.	

33:51 hrs flying for an average speed of 60.3 km/h. In addition to these six flights, Ray made 34 flights more for a grand total of 9095.31 km.

2005 Keith Watson Canadian Rockies 1876.78 pt

		Astir CS C-GKHO	all flights from Invermere, BC
			<i>1901.71 k total, 316.95 km average</i>
459.28 km	29 May	86.24 km/h	451.00 pt
405.58 km	6 Aug	73.65 km/h	411.86 pt
339.14 km	24 Jul	62.37 km/h	336.58 pt
241.01 km	28 Aug	48.56 km/h	236.74 pt
247.26 km	21 May	47.95 km/h	231.00 pt
209.44 km	27 Aug	51.66 km/h	209.60 pt

2006 Richard Jones Toronto Soaring 1705.93 pt

		HP-18 (Rumpf mod) C-FQCC	all from York Soaring Courses in the area of Palmerston, Embro, Dundas, Stratford, and Listowel
			<i>1731.94 km total, 288.66 km average</i>
388.74 km	7 Jul	61.10 km/h	386.31 pt
308.66 km	16 Aug	62.44 km/h	308.55 pt
272.16 km	15 Jun	50.09 km/h	267.85 pt
260.21 km	14 Jun	54.77 km/h	256.40 pt
250.73 km	30 Aug	51.80 km/h	252.99 pt
251.44 km	18 Jul	44.01 km/h	233.83 pt

2007 Randy Neilson Great Lakes 2122.13 pt

		ASW-19 C-FIKJ EH	all flights from from Colgan, ON
			<i>2163.16 km total – 360.53 km average</i>
490.99 km	2 Jul	74.82 km/h	475.56 pt
		declared 320.3 km O&R failed	
373.95 km	29 Jun	62.94 km/h	370.80 pt
		declared 320.3 km O&R Colgan – Lucan	
358.97 km	27 Aug	59.84 km/h	346.17 pt
343.07 km	23 Jul	60.00 km/h	339.83 pt
310.94 km	18 May	58.21 km/h	306.59 pt
285.25 km	15 Jun	65.81 km/h	283.18 pt

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2008	Derek Mackie	Toronto Soaring	1509.63 pt
	Mosquito C-GISW	flights from Toronto SC & Rockton	
		<i>1644.91 km total – 345.49 km average</i>	
	402.26 km	10 May	71.81 km/h
	289.65 km	4 Jul	65.43 km/h
	275.72 km	3 Aug	73.83 km/h
	244.21 km	31 Aug	59.19 km/h
	227.94 km	5 July	58.40 km/h
	205.13 km	1 July	61.19 km/h

2009	Jeff Runciman	Central Alberta	2357.89 pt
	Genesis II C-FQZK 2J	all flights from Innisfail, AB	
		<i>2568.15 km total – 428.03 km average</i>	
	579.25 km	16 Jul	
	450.66 km	19 Jul	
	417.12 km	12 Jul	
	418.22 km	17 Jul	
	365.82 km	24 May	
	337.08 km	11 Jul	

2010	Andrew Blanchard	Cdn Rockies	1929.32 pt
		all flights from Invermere, BC	
		<i>1962.24 km total – 327.04 km average</i>	
	424.40 km	10 May	Astir CS
	320.30 km	4 Jul	PW 5
	322.25 km	3 Aug	Astir CS
	337.06 km	31 Aug	Std Cirrus
	315.68 km	5 Jul	Astir CS
	242.55 km	1 Jul	Astir CS

2011	Steve Hogg	Cu Nim Gliding Club	2580.8 pt
	ASW-20B C-GHGD 1	all flights from Invermere, BC	
		<i>2716.4 km total – 452.7 km average</i>	
	631.0 km	6 Jul	
	515.5 km	2 Jul	
	438.8 km	30 Jun	
	350.8 km	7 Jul	
	395.5 km	21 May	
	384.9 km	29 Jul	

2012	Alan Daniel	SOSA	1832.73 pt
	LS 8/18 C-GIEZ	all flights from Rockton, ON	
		<i>1728.65 km total – 288.11 km average</i>	
	365.08 km	8 Jul	
	293.90 km	21 Jul	
	324.28 km	19 Aug	
	279.20 km	16 July	
	256.51 km	3 Aug	
	209.68 km	6 Aug	

2013	Vlada Dekina	SOSA	2151.5 pt
	PW-5 C-GISC	all flights from Invermere, BC	
		<i>1723.8 km total – 287.3 km average</i>	
	327.6 km	26 Jul	
	337.4 km	24 Jul	
	283.2 km	31 Jul	
	276.1 km	30 Jul	
	273.0 km	21 Jul	
	226.5 km	25 Jul	

2014	Thomas Butts	SOSA	2285.9 pt
	LS4 C-FAOS & SZD-51 Junior	C-GPNN	
		all flights from Rockton, ON	
		<i>1905.8 km total – 317.6 km average</i>	
	449.9 km	22 Jun	LS 4
	332.4 km	24 Jul	SZD-51
	340.1 km	28 Jun	LS 4
	289.7 km	30 May	LS 4
	249.3 km	31 May	LS 4
	244.4 km	5 July	LS 4

2015	Gilbert Cormier	Canadian Rockies	2339.83 pt
	Discus CS C-GRLG	all flights from Invermere, BC	
		<i>2392.7 km total – 398.8 km average</i>	
	537.3 km	5 Jul	
	436.9 km	9 Jul	
	336.4 km	4 Jul	
	370.8 km	22 Jun	
	366.6 km	2 Jul	
	344.7 km	20 May	

Gilbert started gliding in 2021 with CRSC, and since 2013 he has been flying the Rockies in his Discus CS. Aviation isn't a new pursuit however. He has about 5000 hour flying Hercules for PWA in the High Arctic and about 20,000 flying Airbus and Boeing aircraft for Air Canada.

2016	Thomas Butts	SOSA	3211.8 pt
	ASW-20 C-GBTW & Jantar C-GGTI		
		<i>2788.2 km total – 464.7 km average</i>	
	504.4 km	30 Jun	SOSA ASW 20
	498.5 km	3 Jun	SOSA ASW 20
	494.2 km	17 Jun	SOSA ASW 20
	456.9 km	17 May	SOSA Jantar
	453.6 km	19 May	SOSA Jantar
	380.6 km	8 Aug	York ASW 20

2017	Gilbert Cormier	Canadian Rockies	2270.9 pt
	Discus CS C-GRLG	all flights from Invermere, BC	
		<i>2275.9 km total – 379.3 km average – 80 km/h average</i>	
	406.4 km	30 May	
	406.2 km	17 June	
	378.0 km	19 May	
	377.4 km	3 June	
	359.9 km	8 Aug	
	348.0 km	17 May	

2018	Sergey Skabkarev	Vancouver Soaring	1256.7 pt
	ASW 20		
		<i>1191 km total – 198.5 km average</i>	
	304.4 km	17km tri 14 July	Valemount
	210.1 km	123.0km tri 22 April	Hope
	203.7 km	136.7km tri 2 Sept	Hope
	202.3 km	158.8km tri 17 June	Hope
	141.8 km	106.6km tri 11 July	Valemount
	128.7 km	96.2km tri 5 May	Hope

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2019	Alex Ackerman	Canadian Rockies	2181 pt
	<i>1790 km total – 298 km average</i>		
	324 km	63 km/h 3 Aug	Astir CS77 397 pt
	318 km	67 km/h 30 June	PW 5 383 pt
	294 km	63 km/h 12 July	PW 5 357 pt
	287 km	58 km/h 4 Aug	Astir CS 77 352 pt
	286 km	70 km/h 31 July	Astir CS 77 350 pt
	281 km	63 km/h 25 July	Astir CS 77 342 pt

His total OLC points for 2019 were 4334.

2020	Charlie Pastuszka	Canadian Rockies	2056 pt
	all flights were flown from Invermere, BC		
	<i>1785 km total – 297.5 km average</i>		
	408 km	76 km/h 10 July	ASW 20 384 pt
	309 km	78 km/h 24 Apr	Astir CS 77 334 pt
	306 km	66 km/h 27 Aug	PW 5 375 pt
	275 km	63 km/h 29 June	Astir CS 77 331 pt
	265 km	68 km/h 22 Aug	PW 5 367 pt
	222 km	75 km/h 19 Apr	Astir CS 77 265 pt

Charlie spends more time in the towplane than in gliders, but loves to soar when he can.

2021	Predrag Kupcevic	SOSA	1758 pt
	all flights were flown from Rockton, ON		
	<i>1517 km total – 252.8 km average</i>		
	271 km	58 km/h 3 Aug	Discus 2b 301 pt
	265 km	58 km/h 4 Aug	Discus 2b 315 pt
	263 km	48 km/h 5 Aug	Discus 2b 311 pt
	247 km	54 km/h 2 Aug	Discus 2b 291 pt
	247 km	54 km/h 30 Aug	Glasf 304 CZ 283 pt
	224 km	57 km/h 1 Sept	Glasf 304 CZ 257 pt

2022	Ryan Wood	Saskatoon Soaring Club	2721 pt
	all flights were flown from Chipman AB during the Canadian National Contest		
	<i>1809 km total – 301.5 km average</i>		
	351 km	64 km/h 31 May	L-33 559 pt
	322 km	76 km/h 2 June	467 pt
	315 km	81 km/h 3 June	405 pt
	277 km	67 km/h 23 May	445 pt
	276 km	67 km/h 1 June	436 pt
	268 km	55 km/h 26 May	409 pt

Ryan came to the contest with little time in gliders, but his extensive experience in hang gliding and Condor flying over the winter certainly stood him in good stead

2023	Ryan Wood	Saskatoon Soaring Club	2816 pt
	Flights were launched from Black Diamond, Cowley, Cudworth		
	<i>2222 km total – 3703 km average</i>		
	606 km	79 km/h 6 Aug	801 pt
	381 km	59 km/h 2 Aug	436 pt
	360 km	73 km/h 3 Aug	403 pt
	342 km	85 km/h 19 May	451 pt
	307 km	65 km/h 23 June	426 pt
	226 km	70 km/h 24 June	299 pt

2024



BAIC Trophy

First awarded for 1947
but presented in 1954

**Best soaring flight of the year
for pure glider and motorglider**

This trophy is awarded annually to the Canadian pilot who has made the best soaring flight of the year.

"The Spike" – designed by Emanuel Hahn – is a gift of the British Aviation Insurance Co. to the Soaring Association of Canada. It is an abstract sculpture of aluminum, stainless steel and Lucite (satin finish).

Original formula 1954

"It is considered for the longest cross-country flight, but only flights over 35 miles are counted. If no flight of 36 miles or more is made, the trophy is awarded for the greatest gain in altitude achieved in soaring flight."

History of changes

Later criteria reward either flight distance or height gain. The distance score recognizes factors such as task declared/undeclared and record/or not. The flight has to originate in Canada.

2003 Best flight of the year under the OLC Canada rules. Recognition is given to both a pure glider and a motorglider flight; if a pure glider flight wins overall, a flight in a motorglider will not be awarded.

2011 OLC Plus (comb. FAI OLC & OLC Classic with 30% bonus for FAI triangles)

MG – motorglider
PG – pure glider

* – record

** – world record

1947	Jack Ames	TGC		
1948*	Ralph Anders	TGC		
1949*	Barrie Jeffery	GGC		
1950*	Frank Brame	TGC		
1951*	Albert Pow	London AC		
1952	Paul Tingskou	ESC		
1953*	Albert Pow	London AC		
1954*	Frank Brame	TGC		
1955*	Barrie Jeffery	GGC		
1956	JR Cheston	RGSC		
1957	Charles Yeates	SOSA		
1958*	Gordon Oates	SOSA		
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1960	Gordon Oates	SOSA		
1961*	Charles Yeates	SOSA		
1962	Dave Webb	MSC		
1963	Ross Grady	ESC		
1964*	Royden Gray	SOSA		
1965	Ted Henderson	MSC		
1966*	Charles Yeates	GGC		
1967	Dave Webb	MSC		
1968*	David Marsden	ESC		
1969*	John Firth	GGC		
1970*	David Marsden	ESC		
1971	André Dumestre	ESC		
1972	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim		
1973*	separate records, joint trophy			
	David Marsden	ESC		
	Richard Mamini	ESC		
1974*	Steven Simon	Erin		
1975	Klaus Stachow	Cu Nim		
1976*	John Firth	RVSS		
1977*	John Firth	RVSS		
1978	Richard Mamini	Cu Nim		
1979	Günther Geyer-Doersch	MSC		
1980	Jim Oke	WGC		
1981	Dave Hennigar	WGC		
1982*	Helmut Werneburg	Cu Nim		
1983*	joint record & joint trophy			
	Michael Apps	ESC		
	David Marsden	ESC		
1984*	joint record & joint trophy			
	Michael Apps	ESC		
	David Marsden	ESC		
1985	Ulli Werneburg	GGC		
1986*	John Firth	RVSS		
1987	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim		
1988	joint trophy			
	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim		
	L. (Buzz) Burwash	ESC		
	Ed Hollestelle Sr	SOSA		
1989	Michael Apps	ESC		
1990*	Tony Burton	Cu Nim		
1991	Tony Burton	Cu Nim		
1992*	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim		
1993*	Tony Burton	Cu Nim		
1994	David Mercer	Cold Lake		
1995	Susan Eaves	London		
1996	Uwe Kleinhempel	Rocky Mountain Soaring		
1997	Trevor Florence	VSA		
1998*	joint record and joints trophy			
	Dominique Bonnière	GGC		
	Ulli Werneburg	GGC		
1999*	Trevor Florence	VSA		
2000**/*	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies		
2001*	Tim Wood	SOSA		
2002*	Tim Wood	SOSA		
2003	Vaughan Allan	Cu Nim	MG	
2004	Tim Wood	York	PG	
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG	
2005	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	PG	
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG	
2006	Tim Wood	York	PG	
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG	
2007*	Tim Wood	York	PG	
2008*	Tim Wood	Great Lakes	PG	
2009*	separate records for each pilot			
	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG	
	Ian Spence	Cdn Rockies	MG	
2010	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
2011*	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG	
2012	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG	
2013	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
2014*	Chris Gough	ESC	PG	
2015*	Chris Gough	ESC	PG	
2016	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG	
2017	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
2018	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
2019	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG	
2020	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG	
	Nick Bonnière	MSC	MG	
2021	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG	
	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG	
2022	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG	
	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG	
2023	Ryan Wood	Saskatoon	PG	
2023*	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG	

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- 1947 Jack Ames Toronto Gliding Club**
3740 feet altitude gain
- 1948 Ralph Anders Toronto Gliding Club**
111 km 18 Jul LK10A CF-ZBA
Oshawa, ON – Trenton *Record – distance*
- 1949 Barrie Jeffery Gatineau Gliding Club**
141.6 km * 14 Aug Grunau Baby II CF-ZBH
Carp, ON – near Coteau Landing, QC
Record – distance
- 1950 Frank Brame Toronto Gliding Club**
189.9 km * 4 Jun UTG 1 Loudon CF-ZBNX
Oshawa, ON – Kingston *Record distance*
- 1951 Albert Pow London Aero Club**
220.5 km * 5 Aug LK10A single seat N....
Oshawa, ON – Selfridge Field, MI *Record distance*
- 1952 Paul Tingskou Edmonton Soaring Club**
110 miles Loudon
- 1953 Albert Pow London Aero Club**
412.0 km * 16 Jul Lawrence
Swift Current, SK – Ray, ND *Record distance*
- 1954 Frank Brame Toronto Gliding Club**
193.1 km O&R * 22 May SGS 1-23 CF-ZBR
Breslau, ON – Oshawa – return
Record distance to goal
- 1955 Barrie Jeffery Gatineau Gliding Club**
315.4 km goal * 26 July Olympia CF-ZAZ
Carp, ON – Windsor Mills, QB *Record distance to goal*
- 1956 Bob Cheston Regina Gliding & Soaring Club**
188 mi 10 Aug Fauvel AV-36 CF-HRO
Regina, SK – Aurelia, ND
Log book doesn't say goal to Minot, ND; ran out of lift, landed about 30 miles short of goal; Gold dist, Silver duration.
- 1957 Charles Yeates SOSA**
316 km goal 1 Jun SGS 1-23 CF-ZCJ
Gimli, MB – Crookston, ND 4:45 hours 66 km/h
- 1958 Gordon Oates SOSA**
100 km tri * 11 Aug Skylark 3d CF-ZCW
Brantford, ON – Innerkip – Breslau – return
Record – 100 km triangle speed– 63.7 km/h
- 1959 Charles Yeates SOSA**
521.4 km * 11 July SGS 1-23 CF-ZCJ
Regina, SK – Corrington, ND *Record – distance*
- 1960 Gordon Oates SOSA**
300 km tri * 26 Jun Skylark 3d CF-ZCW
Brantford, ON – Maple – Mt Forest – return
Record – 300 km triangle speed – 32.7 mph

- 1961 Charles Yeates SOSA**
534.3 km * 15 Jun SGS 1-23H15 CF-ZDN
Brantford, ON – Marion, IN *Record distance*
- 1962 Dave Webb Montreal Soaring Council**
325 mi 23 Jul Skylark 2b CF-ZDL
Regina, SK – Carrington, ND 53.5 mph, Diamond dist.
- 1963 Ross Grady Edmonton Soaring Club**
592 km 18 May BG-12A CF-RBF
Innisfail, AB - Kincaid, SK compl. Diamond badge #2
- 1964 Royden Gray SOSA**
558.4 km goal * 15 Aug Ka6CR CF-ZDU
Brantford, ON – Poughkeepsie, NY
Record – distance to goal
- 1965 Ted Henderson Montreal Soaring Council**
190 sm O&R Std. Austria SH-1 CF-RSO
Pendleton, ON – Gananoque – return
- 1966 Charles Yeates Gatineau Gliding Club**
571.3 km goal * 13 Aug Std Austria SH-1CF-PZP
Rockland, ON – Fall River, MA *Record – dist to goal*
- 1967 Dave Webb Montreal Soaring Council**
280 miles O&R 31 May HP-11 CF-RNN
Hawkesbury, ON – St Casimir – return
- 1968 David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club**
676 km goal * 14 Jun HP-14 CF-XFP
Cooking Lake, AB – Regina, SK
Records – distance, distance to goal, speed to goal
- 1969 John Firth Gatineau Gliding Club**
506 km tri * 23 May HP-11A CF-RNN
Pendleton, ON – Pembroke – Gananoque – return
Record – triangle distance; first 500 km in Canada
- 1970 David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club**
623 km goal * 18 May HP-14 CF-XFP
Innisfail, AB – Moose Jaw, SK
Record – 500 km speed to goal – 97.1 km/h
- 1971 André Dumestre Edmonton Soaring Club**
620 km O&R 25 July Libelle 301 CF-XZB
- 1972 Bruce Hea Cu Nim Gliding Club**
519 km tri 3 July Libelle 201 CF-QJS
Black Diamond, AB – Craigmyle – Vauxhall – return
8:30 hrs – completed Diamond badge #17
- 1973 joint trophy**
Dave Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club
500 km tri * 11 May Std. Libelle 201 CF-TQL
Cooking Lake, AB – Castor – Kitscoty – return
Record – 500 km triangle speed – 80.2 km/h
- Richard Mamini Edmonton Soaring Club**
500 km tri * 2 Jun ASW-12 RM CF-ASW
Cooking Lake, AB – Castor – Kitscoty – return
Record – 500 km tri speed – 101.8 km/h

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| <p>1974 Steven Simon Erin Soaring Club
520 km O&R * 21 Jul Diamant 16.5 C-GBOG
Erin, ON – Tilbury Hwy 401/2 – return
<i>Record – O&R</i></p> <p>1975 Klaus Stachow Cu Nim Gliding Club
609 km 20 July Phoebus CF-KSS
Black Diamond, AB – Moose Jaw, SK</p> <p>1976 John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring School
554 km O&R * 2 Aug Kestrel 19 JF CF-FGR
Kars, ON – Burketon Station – return
<i>Record – O&R</i></p> <p>1977 John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring School
752.5 km tri * 10 Jul Kestrel 19 JF CF-FGR
Kars, ON – Bethany – South River – return
<i>Record – 750 km FAI triangle; first in N. America</i></p> <p>1978 Richard Mamini Cu Nim Gliding Club
701 km 27 May ASW-12 RM CF-ASW
Black Diamond, AB 764 km attempt</p> <p>1979 Günther Geyer-Doersch Montreal Soaring
517.5 km O&R 18 Jul DG-200 LB C-GVLB
Hawkesbury, ON – Madawaska – return
7:40 hours – completion of Diamond Badge No.33</p> <p>1980 Jim Oke Winnipeg Gliding Club
508 km tri 17 May Cirrus 75 JO C-GLHG
Pigeon Lake, MB – Gardenton – Killarney – return</p> <p>1981 Dave Hennigar Winnipeg Gliding Club
526 km tri 18 May HP 14 HP C-FHPI
Pigeon Lake, MB – Vita – Killarney – return</p> <p>1982 Helmut Werneburg Cu Nim Gliding Club
803.7 km tri * 12 Jun Mini-Nimbus 24 C-GSXA
Black Diamond, AB – Milk River – Halkirk – return
<i>Record – triangle distance</i></p> <p>1983 Michael Apps Edmonton Soaring Club
David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club
615 km O&R * 27 May ASW-20FP AB C-GULX
27 May DG-200/17 VR C-GVRR
Chipman, AB – North Battleford, SK – return
<i>Joint records – 500 km speed O&R; O&R distance</i></p> <p>1984 Michael Apps Edmonton Soaring Club
David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club
2 Jun ASW-20FP AB C-GULX
2 Jun DG-202/17 VR C-GVRR
707 km goal * Chipman, AB – Indian Head, SK
1093 km dist * Chipman, AB – Starbuck, MB
<i>Joint records – distance to goal; straight distance</i></p> <p>1985 Ulli Werneburg Gatineau Gliding Club
503 km 21 May ASW-20a MZ C-GYMZ
GGC – Cobden – Lyn – St Clet, QC – return</p> | <p>1986 John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring School
510 km tri * 12 Jun Gemini C-FTKC
Chipman, AB – Marshall, SK – Alliance, AB – return
<i>Record – 500 km triangle speed multiplace – 88.8 km/h</i></p> <p>1987 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club
525 km O&R 23 May DG-200 X1 C-GVLB
Black Diamond AB – Kipp Lake Dam, MT – ret. 105.9 km/h

Joint trophy with</p> <p>1988 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club
509.7 km tri 7 Jul Ventus b X1 C-GIJO
Black Diamond AB – Waterton reservoir dam – Brooks – return
101.2 km/h</p> <p>Lewis (Buzz) Burwash Edmonton Soaring Club
520 km quad 26 July ASW-20FP AB C-GULX
Cowley, AB – Milk River bridge – Cowley town (Esso) – Longview Hwy 22/541 – return 97.4 km/h</p> <p>Ed Hollestelle sr SOSA
500 km tri 3 Jul Discus A1 C-GJDZ
SOSA – Thamesville – Flesherton – ret 103.1 km/h</p> <p>1989 Michael Apps Edmonton Soaring Club
508 km tri 9 May Nimbus II 18 C-GAJM
Chipman, AB – Kiscoty – Stettler – return 104 km/h</p> <p>1990 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club
716.4 km * 6 Jun RS-15 EE C-GPUB
Claresholm, AB – Indian Head, SK
<i>Records – 400 km speed-to-goal Swift Current 81.5 km/h</i></p> <p>1991 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club
722.9 km poly 31 May RS-15 EE C-GPUB
Invermere, BC - Nicholson RR bridge - Elko-Golden – return 84.22 km/h</p> <p>1992 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club
515.4 km O&R * 9 Aug Ventus b X1 C-GIJO
Black Diamond, AB – Medicine Hat – return
<i>Records – 500 km O&R speed; 200 speed to goal</i></p> <p>1993 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club
652.3 km O&R * 6 Jun RS-15 EE C-GPUB
Black Diamond, AB – Leader, SK – return
<i>Record – O&R</i></p> <p>1994 David Mercer Cold Lake Soaring Club
517.5 km poly 1 May RS-15 HZ C-GPHZ
CFB Cold Lake, AB – Rich Lake – Meadow Lake – Franchère – return completes Diamond badge #83</p> <p>1995 Susan Eaves London Soaring Society
508.7 km poly * 22 May LS4 SU C-FAOS
Embroid GP - Hanover - Tillsonburg - Shelbourne helipad - return <i>Record – female free distance</i></p> <p>1996 Uwe Kleinhempel Rocky Mountain Soaring
1006.2 km poly 9 Jun Ventus b X1 C-GIJO
Golden, BC – bridge Hwy 3/railway (Elko) – Blaeberry River forestry bridge – Aberfeldie dam Bull River – (remote finish) Mt Seven – landing Golden</p> |
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SOARING TROPHIES

1997	Trevor Florence	Vancouver Soaring Assoc.
	737 km poly 28 Jul ASW-20 R2 C-GTRM	
	Invermere, BC – Moberly Pit – Elko – Mt Seven – ret.	
	7.5 hours 100 km/h; first 500 km 125 km/h	
1998	Dominique Bonnière	Gatineau Gliding Club
	Ulli Werneburg	Gatineau Gliding Club
	559.7 km poly * 31 Jul ASW-20 ST C-GYMZ	
	ASW-20b MZ C-GIKC	
	Pendleton, ON – Brockville – Bonnechere – Vankleek Hill church – return	
	<i>joint Record – Free 3 TP dist.</i>	
1999	Trevor Florence	Vancouver Soaring Assoc.
	522.1 km poly* 28 Jul Twin Astir C-GVSX	
	Invermere, BC – Swansea HG ramp – Mt Seven HG ramp – Lakit lookout – Harrogate Mill – return	
	<i>Record –</i>	
	<i>Free 3TP Open multiplace (with Dennis Turner)</i>	
2000	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies Soaring
	637.8 km 3TP** 1 Jun PW-5 C-GLYD	
	Swansea HG launch – Moberly pit – Lakit Lookout – Mt Seven HG launch – return	
	World record, World Class glider – Free 3 TP dist.	
2001	GE (Tim) Wood	SOSA
	776.1 km 3TP* 19 Jun LS3a 07 N57SS	
	(Invermere, BC) Mt Swansea – Blaeberry forestry bridge – Elko RR crossing – Mt Seven – Mt Swansea – return	
	<i>Record – Free 3 TP distance; 9:17 hours; 86.3 km/h</i>	
2002	GE (Tim) Wood.	SOSA
	871.9 km 3TP* 24 Jun LS3a 07 N57SS	
	(Invermere, BC) GPS TP Mt Swansea – Bush Arm Rd – White Peak – Donald Stn Rd – Mt Swansea –ret.	
	<i>Record – Free 3TP distance 10:29 hr, 118 km/h</i>	

OLC Scoring

2003	Vaughan Allan	Cu Nim Gliding Club	725.01 pt
	823.87 km 123.4 km/h		MG
	Claresholm, AB 30 Mar PIK-20E 91		C-GVLA
	wave flight		
2004	GE (Tim) Wood	York Soaring Ass.	725.01 pt
	781.18 km 93.41 km/h		PG
	Invermere, BC 24 Jun ASW-27 07		C-FWKR
	North – Bush Arm, South – 8 km SE of Grasmere, North – land out 6 km S of Golden Airport		8:46 hr
2004	Hans Binder	Canadian Rockies SC	825.18 pt
	1010.9 km 105.3 km/h. DG800/18 C-GKGV		MG
	Fairmont, BC 23 July		
	N to 50 km W of Saskatchewan Crossing – S to 15 km SE of Fort Steele – N to 22 km N of Golden – S to 3 km S of Canal Flats – N to 12 km S of Radium Hot Springs – S to land at Fairmont Hot Springs		9:36 hr
2005	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	622.71 pt
	681.1 km 91.24 km/h		PG
	Invermere, BC 20 Jul LS8 JS		C-GHBA
2005	Hans Binder	Canadian Rockies SC	764.76 pt
	950.7 km 99.44 km/h		MG
	Fairmont, BC 25 Jul DG800/18		C-GKGV
2006	GE (Tim) Wood	York Soaring Ass.	648.25 pt
	753.4 km 82.36 km/h		PG
	Invermere, BC 25 Jun ASW-27 07		C-FWKR
	Hans Binder	Canadian Rockies SC	750.08 pt
	900.19 km 107.1 km/h		MG
	Fairmont, BC 2 Jul DG-800/18		C-GKGV
2007	GE (Tim) Wood	York Soaring Ass.	804.12 pt
	918.4 km 103.97 km/h		PG
	Invermere, BC 23 Jun ASW-27 07		C-FWKR
	declared 1038.3 km 5TP polygon		
2008	GE (Tim) Wood	Great Lakes Gliding	1000.25 pt
	1175.2 km * 113.11 km/h		PG
	Invermere, BC 13 Jul ASW-27 07		C-FWKR
	<i>Records – 200 km Speed to Goal – Open, 15 Metre</i>		<i>Records –</i>
	<i>300 km Speed to Goal – Open, 15 Metre, Club</i>		<i>Records – Free 3TP Distance – Open, 15 Metre, Club</i>
2009	Bruce Friesen	Edmonton Soaring Club	706.78 pt
	639.7 km * 77.37 km/h		PG
	Chipman, AB 9 Jun Std. Austria SL		C-FPDM
	<i>Record – Free Out & Return Distance – Club</i>		<i>Record – Out & Return Distance – Club</i>
	Ian Spence	Canadian Rockies SC	863.89 pt
	991.9 km * 114.3 km/h		MG
	Invermere, BC 4 Jun Ventus 2cT WW		C-FYSG
	<i>Records –</i>		<i>Free Out & Return Distance – Open, 15m, Club</i>

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2010 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies SC 773.51 pt
862.8 km 101.22 km/h PG
Invermere BC 12 May Duo Discus 007 C-FDUO

2011 Bruce Friesen Edmonton Soaring Club 888.60 pt
610.5 km * 72.7 km/h PG
Chipman, AB 1 May Std. Austria SL C-FPDM
Records – Free Triangle Distance – Open & Club
Record – Triangle Distance – Club
Record – Speed, Triangular Course – Club

2012 Bruce Friesen Edmonton Soaring Club 870.66 pt
598.8 km 70.12 km/h PG
Chipman AB 26 May Std. Austria SL C-FPDM

Bruce has posted some of the best flights year after year. His winning flights in a classic aircraft have pointed many pilots toward the benefit of careful pre-flight preparation.

2013 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies SC 839.6 pt
906.4 km 104.5 km/h PG
Invermere BC 10 Jun Duo Discus 007 C-FDUO

Trevor spends a lot of time in his Duo introducing pilots and first timers to the beauty of soaring the Columbia Valley and area. His 10 June, 8:40 hour flight with passenger Chris Hildebrandt appears to be one of those special flights.

2014 Chris Gough Edmonton Soaring Club 921.7 pt
692.4 km * 89.2 km/h PG
Chipman AB 11 May ASW-15 C-GRXQ
Records – 672.4 km Free Triangle Distance
Open/15m/ Club.

Chris has demonstrated advanced skills on several flights in the ESC ASW-15. His winning flight had 3 nearly equal major legs of 213, 204 and 225 km and included Gough Lake. "I had to use it" turnpoint. Well done, Chris. A great flight showing what an accomplished pilot can do with an older aircraft.

2015 Chris Gough Edmonton Soaring Club 1041.85 pt
813.4 km * 102.71 km/h PG
Chipman AB 24 May Jantar C-GXTS
Records – 777.1 km Free Triangle Dist – Open/15m/Club
Record – 750.2 km Triangle Distance – Club class
Record – 98.4 km/h 750 km Speed Triangle – Club class

This is Chris second consecutive year as winner of the Best Flight of the Year, and again it was achieved in a nearly 40 years old aircraft, a Jantar borrowed from Carol and John Mulder. The flight was a declared 750 km triangle, which was achieved and recorded on the OLC at 813.04 km.

2016 Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA 849.6 pts
810.2 km 108.3 km/h PG
Rockton ON 4 July ASG-29/18 XG
Jerzy's Best flight of the Year award caps off his repeat win of the 2016 18 meter US National Championships.

2017 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies 975.7 pts
917.0 km PG
Invermere BC 16 July Duo Discus 700 C-FDUO

2018 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies 845.8 pts
901.9 km 101.9 km/h average PG
Invermere BC 25 July Duo Discus 700 C-FDUO

Trevor flew legs north and south along the east side of the Columbia River Valley. His longest leg was 239 km from just north of Golden to south of Cranbrook. ~9 hours on task.

2019 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies 796 pt
831.7 km 108 km/h PG
Invermere BC 12 May Duo Discus C-FDUO

Trevor flew a scored distance of 831.7 km, including a triangle of 140 km. Flew legs north and south along the east side of the Columbia River Valley. His longest leg was 307 km from the US border to Blaeberry north of Golden. At the end of the day, Trevor applied his last two legs to a dual crossing of the Valley for triangle points. Trevor displayed the quality of soaring available in 'his' valley! 7.41 hours on track.

Chester Fitchett Cu Nim Gliding Club 1191 pt
1310 km 120 km/h MG
Black Diamond AB 7 April Arcus M C-FZWW

This is the single highest scoring flight in the history of Canadian OLC participation, contacting wave lift south west of the club.

2020 Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA 814 pt
796 km Rockton ON PG
ASG-29/18 XG

A distance of 796 km including a triangle of 577 km. "A very long day".

Nick Bonnière Montreal Soaring Council 935 pt
871 km Hawkesbury ON MG
LAK 17BT, 21m

The flight of 871 km embedded a triangle of 806 km. The 'T' denotes the FES (front electric sustainer) which fits into the motorglider category. This flight was achieved in less than perfect conditions, requiring a willingness to go, and to keep working. Without declaration, this was possibly the longest free distance triangle ever flown in Canada (see free flight 2/2020)

2021 Trevor Florence Canadian Rockies SC 921 pt
1001 km Duo Discus 700 C-FDUO PG
Invermere BC

"Finally a decent day. The smoke from the forest fires was pretty bad." They were all too common during summer 2021.

2021 Chester Fitchett Cu Nim Gliding Club 985 pt
1067 km 12 Dec MG
Black Diamond AB Arcus M C-FZWW

Chester explored terrain as far north as the North Saskatchewan River and as far south as the US border. A flight of just over 8 hours represents essentially the entire legal daylight day – and cruising at 14-16,000 feet is darn cold. These are two examples illustrating the preparation and grit required.

2022 Jerzy Szempliski SOSA 1010 pt
962 km Rockton ON PG
ASG-29/18 XG

Jerzy has polished the art of navigation the airspace around the SOSA airfield and is a master of using the convergence lines north of Lake Erie. Both those skills were on full display during this flight.

Chester Fitchett Cu Nim Gliding Club 1532 pt
1601 km 16 Oct MG
Black Diamond AB Arcus M C-FZWW

Chester explored terrain as far north as just beyond the Athabaska River, past the Jasper Park entrance. The longest leg, from the US border to that point, was 547 km. "Didn't even use the whole day".

2023 Ryan Wood Saskatoon Soaring Club 801 pt
606 km 6 Aug 79 km/h PG
Cowley AB Libelle 201

On the last day of the Cowley Summer Camp, with the trip home ahead of him and great soaring conditions forecast, Ryan chose to turn his tail to the wind, and engage in that purest form of soaring, the "Downwind Dash", an inspiration for us all. The flight ended just short of his home near Saskatoon.

2023 Chester Fitchett Cu Nim Gliding Club 1146 pt
1224 km 30 Oct MG
Black Diamond AB Arcus M C-FZWW

In past years, we have remarked on the outstanding flying Chester has been doing, exploring the lee waves set up by the Rocky Mountains and enhancing our understanding of the cross-country potential afforded by that weather phenomenon. During the 2023 OLC year, Chester continued that quest. In his best flight of the year, flown on 30 Oct 2022, he earned 1146 OLC points for a flight of 1224 km. His comment: "This flight was an interesting extension. Got to fly into the USA a little and try to figure out the confused wave downstream from Glacier National Park."



Canadair Trophy

First presented in 1953
by Canadair Ltd.

Best six flights of the year

The trophy is an abstract representation of soaring flight. It is awarded to the pilot who scores the highest on his six best flights of the year originating in Canada.

Original formula 1949-1962

The National Championship was awarded to the pilot who scores highest on his five best flights of the year, originating in Canada. The pilot had to include one distance flight of not less than Silver C distance; he may not turn in more than one duration flight for soaring."

Basic scoring – one point per airline mile
one point per 150 feet free climb
ten points per hour free flight

Each flight will be given a point value for distance, altitude or duration, whichever results in the highest point number. Generally, FAI rules apply (a barograph must be carried for altitude points and duration when landing away from base). Certification by a SAC Official Observer or reliable witness is accepted for cross-country takeoff and landing location, and for duration within sight of a certifying witness.

History of changes

1963-2002 The trophy will be awarded for the best five flights of the year according to above formula.

2003 Best six flights of the year under the OLC Canada rules. Separate recognition is given to pure glider (PG) flights and motorglider (MG) flights.

2011 OLC Plus
(FAI OLC & OLC Classic with 30% bonus for FAI triangles)

* includes record flight/s
MG – motorglider
PG – pure glider



National Champion

1949*	Al Pow	London AC
1950*	Frank Brame	TGC
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1952	Al Pow	London AC
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1954	Jack Ames	TGC
1955	Frank Brame	TGC
1956	Frank Brame	SOSA
1957	Frank Brame	SOSA
1958	Gordon Oates	SOSA
1959*	Charles Yeates	SOSA
1960	Dave Webb MSC	
1961*	Julien Audette	RGSC
1962*	Julien Audette	RGSC

Trophy Winners

1963	Charles Yeates	SOSA
1964	Willi Deleurant	TSC
1965	Willi Deleurant	TSC
1966*	Charles Yeates	GGC
1967	John Firth	GGC
1968*	David Marsden	ESC
1969*	John Firth	GGC
1970*	David Marsden	ESC
1971	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim
1972	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim
1973*	Richard Mamini	ESC
1974*	John Firth	GGC
1975	Mike Gordon-Smith	MSC

SOARING TROPHIES

1976	Dave Tustin	WGC	
1977*	John Firth	RVSS	
1978	Richard Mamini	Cu Nim	
1979	Günther Geyer-Doersch	MSC	
1980	Jim Oke	WGC	
1981	Tony Burton	Cu Nim	
1982	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim	
1983*	Michael Apps	ESC	
1984*	David Marsden	ESC	
1985	Bruce Friesen	ESC	
1986	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim	
1987	John Firth	RVSS	
1988*	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim	
1989	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim	
1990	L. (Buzz) Burwash	ESC	
1991	Tony Burton	Cu Nim	
1992*	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim	
1993*	Tony Burton	Cu Nim	
1994	L. Buzz Burwash	ESC	
1995	Trevor Florence	VSA	
1996	David Frank	RVSS	
1997	Trevor Florence	VSA	
1998	Trevor Florence	EKSC	
1999	Dale Kramer	SOSA	
2000*	Tony Burton	Cu Nim	
2001*	Tim Wood	SOSA	
2002	Tim Wood	SOSA	
2003	Rolf Siebert	Cu Nim	PG
	Vaughan Allan	Cu Nim	MG
2004	Tim Wood	York Soaring	PG
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG
2005	Dave Springford	SOSA	PG
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG
2006	Tim Wood	York Soaring	PG
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG
2007*	*Tim Wood	York Soaring	PG
	Hans Binder	Cdn Rockies	MG
2008*	Tim Wood	Great Lakes	PG
2009*	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG
	* Ian Spence	Cdn Rockies	MG
2010	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG
	Ian Spence	Cdn Rockies	MG
2011*	*Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG
	Ian Spence	Cdn Rockies	MG
2012	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
	Adam Zieba	York Soaring	MG
2013	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
	Adam Zieba	York Soaring	MG
2014	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
	Ian Spence	Cdn Rockies	MG
2015*	Bruce Friesen	ESC	PG
2016	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
2017	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
2018	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
2019	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG
2020	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG

2021	Trevor Florence	Cdn Rockies	PG
2022	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG
2023	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	PG
	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim	MG

1950 Frank Brame Toronto Gliding ClubUTG 1 Loudon **CF-ZBNX**

118 mi 4 Jun Oshawa, ON – Kingston *Record – dist*
 3200 ft gain & 3 hr duration St Eugène, QC

1954 Jack Ames Toronto Gliding ClubLK10A flat top **CF-ZAS** all flights Waterloo-Wellington, ON

83 mi goal 1 Aug to Fort Erie equalled Canadian goal
 record • 4.14 hours • 6000 ft
70 mi 2 Aug Edenvale AP declared O&R,
 landed at goal • 4.33 hr • 6200 ft
158 mi 4 Aug to Mountainview a/p near Picton
 decl. goal Kingston, ON; storm enroute
73 mi 5 Aug to Schneider Farm 6 mi E Welland
117 mi 7 Aug Hajov's Farm between Muir & New
 Durham, goal was Fincal a/p • 7:40 hr

1958 Gordon Oates SOSASkylark 3D **CF-ZCW** all flights from Brantford, ON

167 km goal 4 Aug to Chatham avg 76 km/h strong Xwind
316 km 5 Aug to Whitford, NY weak thermals
370 km 8 Aug to Tri-Cities a/p, NY weak thermals;
 used ridge lift to stay airborne
490 km 18 Aug to White Lake, NY avg 87 km/h
158 km O&R 23 Aug Arthur – return avg 53 km/h
 weak thermals

1959 Charles Yeates SOSASGS 1-23 **CF-ZCJ**

418 km goal 14 June Brantford, ON to Seranton, PA
217 km tri 6 Jul Regina, SK – Peebles – Weyburn – ret.
434 km 8 Jul Regina, SK to Harvey, ND
354 km 9 Jul Regina, SK to Minot, ND
521.4 km goal 11 Jul Regina, SK to Corrington, ND
distance to goal record

1960 Dave Webb Montreal Soaring CouncilSkylark 2b **CF-ZDL**

100 km tri 2 Jul MSC – GGC – Alexandria – return
189 mi goal 20 Jul Brantford, ON – Elmira, NY contest
O&R 25 Jul Brantford, ON – Listowel – ret. contest
194 mi 14 Aug MSC – Beaumont, QC – Quebec City
186 mi 1-23D 10 Sep Hawkesbury, ON – Nôtre Dame des
 ZBY Bois, QC via Mégantic

1961 Julien Audette Regina Gliding & Soaring ClubSGS 1-23C **CF-ZDO**

7108 m gain / 9336 m absolute 1 April Pincher Creek, AB
absolute altitude & gain records
285 miles 11 Jun Regina – Portage-la-Prairie, MB 6:21 hr
224 miles 15 Jul SGS 1-23G **CF-ZBY**
 Regina, SK – Minot, ND 5:20 hr
200 km tri 23 Jul Regina, SK – Indian Head – Tyvan – ret.
Record – speed triangle (72.6 km/h)

1962 Julien Audette Regina Gliding & Soaring ClubSGS 1-23C **CF-ZDO**

603.5 km 22 Apr Pincher Crk to west of Regina 7:55 hr
free distance record: wave to 27,300 ft
before heading east; likely the first wave/
thermal flight combination in Canada.
300 km tri 26 May Regina – Davidson – Mortlach – return
speed triangle record (64.9 km/h)
285 mi 22 Jul Regina – Harvey, ND 4:51 hours
220 mi 21 Jul Regina – Brandon, MB 5:20 hours
219 mi 4 Jul Regina – Winnipegosis, MB 4:32 hr

1963 Charles Yeates SOSAStd. Austria **CF-PHH** all flights from Brantford, ON

438 km 21 Jun Harris Hill, NY – Wilkes Barre, PA
404 km 18 Aug Tunkhannock, PA
154 km tri 20 Aug Elmira, NY – Mt Hope – return
249 km O&R 21 Aug Glencoe – return
400 km goal 26 Aug Bryan, OH (Dick Schreder's field)

1964 Willi Deleurant Toronto Soaring ClubStd Austria S **CF-PDM**

1564 m absolute altitude
337 mi goal 15 Aug
300 km triangle 3 times

1965 Willi Deleurant Toronto Soaring ClubStd. Austria S **CF-PDM**

190 mi O&R 2 times
300 km triangle 2 times

1966 Charles Yeates Gatineau Gliding ClubAustria SH-1 **CF-PZP**

375 km O&R 7 May GGC – St Guillaume d'Upton, QC –
 return *Record O&R*
396 km goal 11 Jun GGC – Elmira, NY first flight to SE
300 km goal 5 Jul Regina, SK to Melita, MB
370 km 11 Jul Regina, SK to Neepawa, MB
571.3 km goal 13 Aug Rockland, ON to Fall River, MA
Records – speed to goal (77.1 km/h) and distance to goal

1967 John Firth Gatineau Gliding ClubHP11A **CF-RNN**

all flights from Pendleton, ON
437 km 6 May Shawinigan Falls O&R *Record distance*
316 km tri (HP11A **CF-URF**) Smiths Falls - Campbells - ret. 72 km/h
200 km tri Duhamel – Lachute – return 83 km/h
200 km tri Duhamel – Lachute – return 70 km/h
200 km tri 75 km/h

1968 David Marsden Edmonton Soaring ClubHP14 **CF-XFP**

335 km O&R 8 May (Blanik L-13 **C-FUZK**) Cooking Lk, AB –
 Wainwright, SK – return
142 km tri 18 May Innisfail, AB - Lacombe - Hespero - ret.
483 km 31 May Cooking Lake – Vermilion – Throne –
 Tofield failed 500 km tri
676 km goal 14 Jun Cooking Lake, AB – Regina, SK
 2nd Diamond
Records – distance to goal &
500 km speed to goal
21,000 ft gain 13 Oct Cowley, AB

1969 John Firth Gatineau Gliding ClubHP11A **CF-RNN**

272.3 km O&R 21 May
507.7 km tri 23 May GGC – Pembroke – Gananoque – ret.
Record – first 500 km triangle speed
(70.2 km/h) & distance in Canada
207 km tri 27 Jun Penhold, AB – Bluffton – Rocky Mtn
 House – return
Record – 200 km tri speed (88.1 km/h)
17,000 ft gain Lake Placid
486.8 km dist 7 Jul

SOARING TROPHIES

1970 David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club

HP14 CF-XFP		
147 km O&R	16 May	Innisfail, AB – Ponoka – return
623 km goal	18 May	Innisfail, AB – Moose Jaw, SK <i>Record – 500 km speed to goal 97.1 km/h</i>
370 km O&R	21 May	Cooking Lake, AB – Kitscoty – return
444 km	31 May	Cooking Lake, AB – Neilburg, SK cancelled Riley, AB
406 km	20 Jul	Cat's cradle Can Nats, Carman, MB

1971 Bruce Hea Cu Nim Gliding Club

Libelle 201 CF-QJS		
221 km O&R	23 May	Innisfail - Wetaskiwin - return 85 km/h
320 km tri	24 May	Innisfail - Stettler - Rosedale - ret. 5:25 hr
186 km	3 Jun	Black Diamond – Hanna 500 km O&R attempt 2.35 hr
452 km	13 Jul	Black Diamond, AB – Swift Current, SK 500 km distance attempt • 5.45 hours
444 km	25 Jul	Black Dia. – Medicine Hat – Vulcan 500 km O&R attempt 6:55 hours

1972 Bruce Hea Cu Nim Gliding Club

Libelle 201 CF-QJS		
130 km tri	20 May	Innisfail – Torrington – Didsbury – ret 1.33 hours
266 km	19 Jun	Black Diamond – Medicine Hat 500 km O&R attempt • 5 hours
519 km tri	3 Jul	Black Diamond – Craigmyle – Vauxhall return 8.3 hr <i>Diamond badge #17</i>
205 km tri	10 Jul	Claresholm – Nobleford – Milo – return
203 km tri	15 Jul	Claresholm – Blackie – Milo – return

1973 Richard Mamini Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-12 CF-ASW RM		
300 km tri	21 May	Innisfail, AB – Rosedale – Stettler – ret. Winner, Innisfail May Meet <i>Record – 300 km speed tri (110.1 km/h)</i>
505 km tri	2 Jun	Cooking Lake, AB – Castor – Kitscoty – return <i>Record – 500 km speed tri – 101.8 km/h</i>
210 km tri	29 Jun	Pigeon Lake – St Pierre – Carman – ret <i>Record – 200 km speed tr – 91.6 km/h</i>
255 km tri	30 Jun	Pigeon Lake – La Riviere – Winkler – return 70.1 km/h
310 km tri	4 Jul	Pigeon Lake – Emerson – Manitou – return 80.6 km/h Nats winner Open class, 1000 pts every day but one

1974 John Firth Gatineau Gliding Club

HP11A CF-RNN		
409 km tri	2 Jun	Buckingham, QC - Lac Mason - Mercier Dam – return <i>Record 400 km speed triangle (77.9 kmh)</i>
210 km O&R	23 Jun	
247.5 km tri	16 Jul	
310 km tri	21 Jul	
307 km dist	22 Jul	

1975 Mike Gordon-Smith Montreal Soaring Council

HP11 CF-RXX

1976 Dave Tustin Winnipeg Gliding Club

HP14 C-FHPI		
154 km	5 Aug	Pigeon Lake, MB – Deloraine – Rivers 505 km attempt, landed in Killarney
272 km O&R	14 Aug	Pigeon Lake, MB – Neepawa – return
235 km	9 Sep	Pigeon Lake, MB – Grand Forks ND 500 km attempt, landed in Grand Forks
534 km goal	19 Sep	Pigeon Lake, MB – Millbank, SD
6553 m gain	8 Oct	Cowley, AB

1977 John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring School

Kestrel 19 CF-FGR		
300 km O&R	29 May	Kars, ON - Barry's Bay causeway - ret. <i>Record 300 km O&R speed (102.7 km/h)</i>
752.5 km tri	10 Jul	Kars, ON - Bethany - South River – ret. <i>Record dist & speed; first 750 km triangle in N America</i>

1978 Richard Mamini Cu Nim Gliding Club

ASW-12 CF-ASW RM		
230.8 km tri	21 May	Innisfail, AB - Stettler a/p - Ponoka a/p – return 104.2 km/h
701 km	27 May	Black Diamond, AB 764 km attempt
272.0 km tri	3 Jul	Chipman, AB - Manville - St Paul – ret. 84.1 km/h
266.5 km tri	4 Jul	Chipman, AB - Manville - Roundhill - ret. 86.9 km/h
216.6 km tri	5 Jul	Chipman, AB - Viking - Two Hills – ret. 85.5 km/h

1979 Günther Geyer-Doersch Montreal Soaring

DG-200 C-GVLB LB		all flights from Hawkesbury, ON
375.5 km	22 May	Madawaska, Arnprior cancelled; 6:30 h
311 km O&R	13 Jun	Cowansville, QC – return 6 hrs
425 km O&R	19 Jun	Killaloe Station – return 7.10 hrs
517.5 km O&R	18 July	Madawaska – return <i>Diamond badge #33</i> 7.40 hrs
270 km O&R	11 Aug	Arnprior – return 4 hr

1980 Jim Oke Winnipeg Gliding Club

Cirrus 75 C-GLHG JO		flights from Pigeon Lake, MB
310 km tri	3 May	Morris – Cypress River – return
508 km tri	17 May	Gardenton – Killarney – return
310 km tri	18 May	Emerson – Manitou – return flights from Claresholm, AB
263.7 km tri	15 Jul	Vauxhall – Milo – return 75 km/h
328 km tri	17 Jul	Taber – Cassils – return

1981 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club

RS-15 C-GPUB EE		
402 km	18 Jul	Indian Head, SK – Roseile, MB declared goal Carman, MB 500 km distance attempt
509.4 km goal	26 Jul	Indian Head a/p, SK to Medicine Hat a/p – flight a “Dirty Upwind Dash” to complete <i>Diamond badge #38</i>
373 km	1 Aug	Cowley, AB - Bow Island - Manyberries, land Judson declared 510 km tri
327.5 km O&R	23 Aug	Claresholm, AB – Bow Island – return
331.7 km tri	23 Sep	Claresholm – Bow Island – Taber – ret.

SOARING TROPHIES

1982 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

Open Cirrus C-GORT 2L

314.8 km tri	30 May	Black Dia. AB – Claresholm – Standard – return 1st diamond • 79.5 km/h
510 km tri	12 Jun	Black Diamond, AB – Waterton reservoir dam – Brooks a/p – return 2nd diamond 82.0 km/h
315 km O&R	29 Jul	Cowley, AB – Kipp Lake dam, MT – ret. 80.8 km/h
6570 m gain	2 Aug	Cowley, AB <i>Diamond badge No.45</i> • only 16th with all legs flown in Canada
430 km tri	8 Oct	Cowley, AB – Browning, MT – Chain Lakes dam – return

1983 Michael Apps Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-20FP C-GULX AB

315 km tri	22 May	Innisfail, AB – Rosedale – Stettler – ret.
615 km O&R	27 May	Chipman, AB – N. Battleford, SK – ret. <i>Record O&R distance & 500 km speed (88.5 km/h) joint with Dave Marsden</i>
418 km quad	11 Jun	
500 km tri	12 Jun	Chipman, AB – Stettler – Kitscoty – return 83 km/h
303 km tri	15 Jul	Claresholm, AB – Vauxhall – Arrowwood – return 109 km/h

1984 David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club

DG-202/17 C-GVRR VR

514 km tri	22 Apr	Chipman, AB - Kitscoty - Stettler a/p – ret.
215 km tri	18 May	Innisfail, AB – Alix – Three Hills – return
132 km O&R	21 May	Chipman, AB – Three Hills – return
1121 km	2 Jun	Chipman, AB to Starbuck, MB
<i>Records – 1093 km straight distance and 1st 1000 km flight in Canada, incl. distance to goal 707 km Indian Head, joint with Mike Apps</i>		
316 km O&R	24 Jun	Chipman, AB – Kitscoty – return

1985 Bruce Friesen Edmonton Soaring Club

Std. Austria CF-PDM SL

315 km tri	20 May	Innisfail, AB – Rosedale – Stettler – ret. 12,000 ft cloudbase; strong lift • 5 hr
467 km O&R	1 Jun	Chipman, AB – Paynton, SK declared 256 km O&R for free dist. over 500 km 7.5 hr; ~65 km/h (too slow), 33 km short of Diamond dist, 45 km short of Chipman
292 km O&R	9 Jun	Chipman, AB - Kitscoty decl. 316 km 6 hr
313 km	14 Jul	Chipman, AB - Kitscoty declared 316 km O&R • 5.5 hours
6035 m gain	13 Oct	(1-23 CF-XKL) Cowley, AB <i>Diamond</i>

1986 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

DG-200 C-GVLB X1 all flights fm Black Diamond, AB

330 km O&R	20 April	Vauxhall – return 103.1 km/h
330 km O&R	27 April	Vauxhall – return 94.7 km/h
324.5 km tri	19 May	Fort Macleod AP - Milo - ret. 90.9 km/h
640 km	21 Jun	Maple Creek AP 698 km O&R record attempt, landed between High River and Vulcan 7.22 hours
408 km tri	9 Aug	Drumheller AP- Brooks – ret. 98.7 km/h

1987 John Firth Rideau Valley Soaring School

Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF all flights from Kars, ON

400 km tri	3 May	Killaloe Stn - Bouchette, QC – ret. 99 km/h <i>Record 400 km speed triangle</i>
480 km O&R		Algonquin Station – return 106 km/h
360 km O&R		Achray Station – return 100 km/h
400 km tri		Killaloe – Benchette – return 99 km/h

1988 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

Ventus b C-GIJO X1

324.5 km tri	8 May	Black Dia. – Fort Macleod – Milo – return 99.1 km/h
308.9 km tri	21 May	Black Diamond - Carmangay - Bassano – return 75.9 km/h
308.9 km tri	11 Jun	Black Diamond - Bassano - Carmangay – return 88.2 km/h
509.7 km tri	7 Jul	Black Diamond – Waterton reservoir dam – Brooks – return 101.2 km/h
324.5 km tri	15 Jul	Black Diamond – Fort Macleod AP – Milo – return
<i>Record 300 km speed (113.1 km/h)</i>		

1989 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

Ventus b C-GIJO X1

308 km tri	3 Jun	Black Diamond, AB – Carmangay – Bassano – return 108.7 km/h
360 km O&R	17 Jun	Black Dia. – Waterton Park gate – ret. 95.2 km/h
306 km post	27 Jun	Claresholm, AB – Longview – Blackie – Chain Lakes S dam – Blackie – return 101.0 km/h
505 km post	1 Jul	Claresholm – Blackie – Black Diamond – Arrowwood – Milo – Black Diamond – Arrowwood - Milo - Vulcan - Carmangay - return 122.8 km/h
<i>Winner of Western Interprovincials</i>		
338.3 km poly	16 Jul	Rockton, ON – Belwood Lake – Mt Forest – Woodstock – Stratford – Belwood Lake – return 106.5 km/h
<i>Canadian Nationals</i>		

1990 L. (Buzz) Burwash Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-20FP C-GULX AB flights from Chipman, AB

325 km quad	29 Jul	Innisfree – Bruderheim – Lavoy – return 74.9 km/h
333 km quad	28 Jul	Fabyan – Chipman – Mundare – return 70.4 km/h
304.7 km quad	15 Jul	Ranfurly – Bruderheim – Lavoy – return 75.8 km/h
369.3 km post	20 May	Vermilion – Kitscoty – Jarrow – Viking – Holden – return 68.9 km/h
<i>Alberta provincial contest</i>		
5450 m gain	9 Oct	Cowley, AB max. altitude 7680 m

1991 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club

RS-15 C-GPUB EE

412.2 km post	30 May	Invermere – Nicholson bridge – Invermere – Nicholson bridge – return 81.4 km/h
722.9 km poly	31 May	Invermere, BC – Nicholson bridge – Elko – Golden a/p – return 84.2 km/h
751.2 km poly	1 Jun	Invermere, BC – Nicholson bridge – Roosville border crossing – Nicholson bridge to landing 1.5 km south of Edgewater 20 km short of goal
324.5 km tri	23 Jul	Claresholm a/p– Black Diamond a/p – Waterton reservoir dam – return
308.3 km	28 Jul	Cowley – Vulcan – Cardston, landed Pincher Creek a/p declared tri, landed 14 km short of Cowley

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1992 Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

Ventus b	C-GIJO	X1
320 km tri	29 Jul	Cowley, AB – Longview bridge – Waterton Park gate – ret
533 km poly	30 Jul	Cowley, AB – Kananaskis Lake – Waterton Park gate – Elkford – Sparwood – return 107 km/h
567 km post	31 Jul	Cowley, AB – Moose Mtn – Cowley GP Eden Valley intersection – Cowley plus Waterton gas plant – return 105 km/h declared 493 km, flew 74 km more to Waterton gas plant
408 km	8 Aug	Black Diamond – Bassano – Stavely – Chain Lakes N – Moose Mtn Lookout – return (declared 302 km triangle), flew additional 106 km • 101 km/h
515.4 km O&R	9 Aug	Black Diamond – Medicine Hat – ret <i>Record speed 500 km O&R (126.3 km/h) and 200 km goal (125.9 km/h)</i>

1993 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club

RS-15	C-GPUB	EE
215.8 km post	24 May	Innisfail, AB – Stettler/RR intersection – Lacombe a/p – return 93.9 km/h Won day 2 of Alberta Provincials
493.3 km tri	5 Jun	Black Diamond, AB – Milk River – Milo – return 94.9 km/h
652.3 km O&R	6 Jun	Black Diamond, AB – Leader, SK <i>Record 15m O&R distance</i>
305 km tri	11 Jul	Swift Current, SK – Kincaid – Tompkins – return 85.5 km/h
338 km	14 Jul	Swift Current, SK – Elrose – Qu'Appelle dam. land 2.5 km N of Swift Current a/p

1994 L. (Buzz) Burwash Edmonton Soaring Club

ASW-20FP	C-GULX	AB	flights from Chipman, AB
318.8 km poly	14 May	Sedgewick – Duvernay – Lamont – ret.	81.4 km/h
303.6 km tri	29 May	Westlock – Lavoy – return	74.4 km/h
295.7 km poly	30 May	Camrose dam – Sedgewick – Lavoy – return	64.9 km/h
508.0 km tri	10 Jun	Stettler – Kitscoty – return	
		second 500 km, 4th attempt • 6:22 hr	
214.9 km	3 Jul	Black Diamond, AB – Okotoks – Carseland Arrowwood – Milo – Nanton plus 40.7 km, landed near Nanton	

1995 Trevor Florence Vancouver Soaring Assoc.

ASW-20	C-GTRM	R2
301.8 km post	24 May	Golden, BC - Canal Flats forest bdg - ret.
301.8 km post	26 May	Golden, BC - Canal Flats forest bdg - ret.
567 km post	15 Jul	Invermere, BC – Donald Stn – Elko – ret.
567 km post	17 Jul	Invermere, BC – Donald Stn – Elko – ret.
506 km poly	19 Jul	Invermere, BC – Golden – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Nicholson bridge – ret.

1996 David J. Frank Rideau Valley Soaring School

ASW-20	C-GJDJ	SR	all flights from Kars, ON
362.8 km	30 May	Hawkesbury MSC clubhouse - Perth – Russell AP – return	declared 416.5 km
313.8 km	8 Jul	Perth – Cobden a/p – Kars – Smiths Falls – return	
312.2 km	4 Aug	Smiths Falls - MSC - Smiths Falls – ret.	
340.5 km	14 Aug	MSC clubhouse – Perth – Vernon a/p – Kemptville – return	declared 462.9 km
361.6 km tri	17 Aug	Rideau Ferry bridge – Bonnechere – ret.	

1997 Trevor Florence Vancouver Soaring Assoc.

ASW-20	C-GTRM	R2	all flights from Invermere, BC
525 km post	9 Jun	Moberly Pit – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp – ret. 6.05 hr	
622 km poly	28 Jun	Moberly Pit – Lakit Lookout – Mt Seven – return 6.5 hr	
525 km post	26 Jul	Moberly Pit – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp – return 5:05 hrs	
737 km poly	28 Jul	Moberly Pit – Elko – Mt Seven – return 7.5 hours 100 km/h; first 500 km 125 km/h	
500 km poly	29 Jul	Moberly Pit – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven – return 4.45 hours. missed a 500 km record as paperwork not done	

1998 Trevor Florence East Kootenay Soaring Club

ASW-20	C-GTRM	R2
530 km poly	30 Jun	Mt Swansea HG ramp, BC – Moberly Peak – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp – return 6.45 hrs; 78.5 km/h; declared O&R
510 km poly	24 Jul	Mt Swansea HG ramp, BC – Mt Seven HG ramp – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp - ret 100.3 km/h
530 km poly	31 Jul	Mt Swansea HG ramp, BC – Moberly – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp – return 5.30 hrs; 96 km/h
510 km poly	3 Aug	Mt Swansea HG ramp, BC – Mt Seven HG ramp – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Mt Seven HG ramp – return 6:45 hrs, 75.5 km/h
650 km pst	10 Aug	Mt Swansea HG ramp, BC – Moberly Peak – Lakit Lookout – Harrogate Mill – Canal Flats forestry bridge – Radium hot pool – return. Attempted 620 km O&R; turned at Harrogate due to weather; added 100 km triangle; 6.55 hours, 94 km/h

1999 Dale Kramer SOSA

LS4a	N7LR	K1	all flights from Rockton, ON
508 km post	20 Jun	5 GPS TP - return	
506 km post	21 Jun	4 GPS TP - return	
558 km post	22 Jun	7 GPS TP - return	
633 km post	11 Jul	10 GPS TP - return	
514 km post	2 Aug	9 GPS TP - return	

2000 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club

RS-15	C-GPUB	EE
445.8 km O&R	7 May	Black Diamond, AB - Bow Is. a/p – return
535.9 km	24 May	Invermere, BC (Mt Seven HG ramp) – Nicholson bridge – Elko RR crossing – Radium a/p – return started at 1430
607.3 km	25 May	Invermere, BC (9.5 km SE of airport) – Nicholson bridge – Bull river dam – Parson bridge <i>Record free 3TP distance, Open & Club</i>
341.6 km post	5 Aug	Cowley, AB – Centre Pk – Shell gas plant – Cardston Tabernacle – Cowley – Livingstone fire lookout – Centre Peak – Pincher Crk a/p – Hwy 22 bridge – ret.
258.9 km post	27 Aug	Black Diamond, AB – Stavely – Cassils, landed west of McGregor reservoir

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2001 GE (Tim) Wood SOSA

LS3a	N57SS	07	all flights from Invermere, BC
776.1 km	3TP*	19 Jun	Mt Swansea – Blaeberry forestry bridge – Elko RR crossing – Mt Seven – Mt Swansea – Invermere <i>Record – Free 3 TP distance declared</i>
727.1 km	3TP	22 Jun	Radium Hot Springs – Roosevelt border xing - Mt Seven HG ramp - Premier Lake – Fairmont a/p – Invermere <i>Roosevelt to Mt Seven was a voluntary extension from declared TP; Mt Seven to Premier Lake change from declared Lakit Lookout TP</i>
463.9 km	3TP	24 Jun	Mt Sansea HG launch – Blaeberry forestry bridge – TP south of Elko a/p – Elko a/p
667.6 km	3TP	26 Jul	Mt Swansea HG launch – Blue Water Peaks – TP near Skookumchuck – just north of Spillimacheen River – Mt Swansea HG ramp – Invermere
323.8 km	tri	27 Jul	to north of Findlay Creek – Mt Steeples – near Mt Assiniboine – Invermere

A declared FAI triangle with Invermere along one side of the triangle, and Mt Assiniboine to Invermere closing the triangular flight.

2002 GE (Tim) Wood SOSA

LS3a	N57SS	07	all flights from Invermere, BC
872.4 km	3TP*	24 Jun	Mt Swansea – Bush Arm Road – White Peak – Donald Stn Road – Mt Swansea (landing at Invermere) <i>Record free 3TP distance (118 km/h)</i>
693.3 km		3 Jun	<i>This flight commemorates the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen on 3 June, observed by Trevor Florence, and graciously acknowledged by Buckingham Palace.</i>
643.9 km		20 Jun	
650.3 km		22 Jun	
811.8 km		5 Jul	

The above four flights are undeclared, starting at Mt Swansea – Roosevelt Border Crossing – Bluewater Peaks – Grassmere Village – Radium Hot Springs pool – return.

OLC scoring

2003	Rolf Siebert	Cu Nim Gliding Club	2738 pt
	Glasflügel 304	N304RS RS	PG
641.29 km	96.91 km/h	23 May	582.72 pt
600.45 km	126.8 km/h	07 Oct	509.90 pt
578.06 km	97.14 km/h	19 May	524.31 pt
566.82 km	88.33 km/h	08 Oct	475.26 pt
385.73 km	83.52 km/h	20 May	349.87 pt
336.45 km	90.77 km/h	21 May	296.13 pt
			Black Diamond

2003	Vaughan Allan	Cu Nim	3978 pt
	DG-80/18	C-FVBB 91	wave flights from Claresholm AB PG
960.15 km	111.7 km/h	14 Sep	716.75 pt
832.95 km	119.7 km/h	19 Sep	647.94 pt
823.87 km	123.4 km/h	30 Mar	725.01 pt
			Pik-20E C-GVLA
811.15 km	114.9 km/h	07 Oct	634.02 pt
			DG-800/18m
765.47 km	139.0 km/h	13 Dec 02	659.82 pt
			Pik-20E
708.20 km	157.7 km/h	08 Apr	594.69 pt
			Pik-20E

2004	GE (Tim) Wood	York Soaring	3514.88 pt
	ASW-27	CF-WKR 07	flights from Invermere, BC PG
781.18 km	24 Jun		682.21 pt
			Bush Arm – near Roosevelt Border creek landout 6 km S of Golden 8.4 hours
773.86 km	22 Jun		676.07 pt
			Steeple - Bush Arm - White R - ret 8.4 hrs
678.21 km	3 Jun		93.77 pt
			Bush Arm – Bull River – S of Luxor Pass - South – return 8.7 h
654.11 km	21 Jun		567.16 pt
			Canal Flats – Bush Arm – Fairmont – Edgewater – return 7.7 h
613.81 km	29 Jun		520.09 pt
			South – 6 km SE of Fairmont – Bush Arm – Swansea – Golden – return 7.4 hours
542.76 km	15 Aug		475.58 pt
			Arthur, ON – Bracebridge – Bancroft – 22 km E of Bracebridge – return 7.5 h

Tim's flights totalled 4044 km. About 49.6 hours were spent in flight for overall average speed of ~81.6 km/h. In addition to these, Tim recorded 23 others for a season total of 11,128 km and an average distance of 383.72 km.

2004	Hans Binder	Canadian Rockies SC	4468.52 pt
	DG800/18	C-GKGV	all flights from Fairmont, BC MG
			Locations listed indicate general flight track, not TPs.
1010.91 km	23 Jul		825.18 pt
			Saskatchewan Crossing – Fort Steele – Golden – Canal Flats – Radium Hot Springs – return 9:47 hours
959.20 km	8 Jun		751.27 pt
			Bush Arm - Skookumchuck - Golden - Canal Flats - Spillimacheen - Canal Flats - return 9:05 hours

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923.48 km	22 Jul	730.04 pt
	Golden – Skookumchuck – Golden – Skookumchuck - Radium - Canal Flats – ret 9:13 hours	
886.78 km	4 Jun	728.69 pt
	Columbia Icefields Info Centre – Fernie – Spillimacheen – Canal Flats – N of Fairmont – return 8:50 hours	
870.29 km	28 Jun	719.75 pt
	Fairmont – Columbia Icefields Info Centre – Four Corners E of Fairmont a/p - Bush Arm - Canal Flats - return 8:13 hrs	
861.78 km	14 Jul	713.59 pt
	Mica Creek – Fairmont – Field – S of Fairmont – return 8:50 hours	

2005 Dave Springford SOSA	2649.29 pt
LS 8 C-GIEZ F1	PG
615.91 km	20 Jul 90.90 km/h 557.91 pt
	Invermere, BC
533.30 km	21 May 104.80 km/h 485.23 pt
	Rockton, ON
540.43 km	19 Jul 89.86 km/h 496.19 pt
	flights from Invermere, BC
468.25 km	12 Jul 88.08 km/h 395.48 pt
399.05 km	23 Jul 83.24 km/h 367.59 pt
386.86 km	21 Jul 77.07 km/h 346.89 pt

Hans Binder Canadian Rockies SC	4062.89 pt
DG 800/18 C-GKGV all flights from Fairmont, BC	MG
950.68 km	25 Jul 99.44 km/h 764.76 pt
895.42 km	25 May 94.18 km/h 710.72 pt
811.42 km	02 Aug 95.88 km/h 668.41 pt
775.13 km	19 Jul 104.60 km/h 640.95 pt
780.70 km	13 Jul 94.74 km/h 639.56 pt
770.98 km	29 Jul 115.40 km/h 638.49 pt

2006 GE (Tim) Wood York Soaring	3553.04 pt
ASW-27 C-FWKR 07 flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	4141.91 km total, 690.31 km average
753.41 km	25 Jun 82.36 km/h 648.25 pt
717.41 km	23 Jun 81.92 km/h 629.31 pt
727.79 km	27 Jun 78.81 km/h 607.92 pt
712.21 km	21 Jun 88.73 km/h 607.78 pt
616.54 km	18 Jun 73.07 km/h 537.88 pt
614.55 km	29 Jun 73.54 km/h 521.90 pt

Although Tim flies out of York Soaring, his best six flights originated at Invermere, BC. Take the time to review his 29 June, 2006 flight *SeeYou* in 3D – an amazing flight.

Hans Binder Canadian Rockies SC	4146.09 pt
DG800/18 C-GKGV all flights from Fairmont, BC.	MG
	5019.69 km total, 836.61 km average
900.19 km	2 Jul 107.10 km/h 750.08 pt
901.49 km	23 Jul 108.30 km/h 746.98 pt
820.89 km	31 May 88.96 km/h 676.75 pt
823.35 km	26 Jul 93.46 km/h 675.03 pt
819.70 km	14 Jul 99.90 km/h 672.48 pt
754.06 km	27 Jun 93.73 km/h 624.77 pt

The 6 flights were the best of Hans' 58 recorded flights. Another exceptional year of soaring with 30,546 km logged on the OLC for an average flight distance of 526 km!

2007 GE (Tim) Wood York Soaring	4348.73pt
ASW-27 C-FWKR 07 all flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	5020.46 km total
918.41 km*	23 Jun 103.97 km/h 804.12 pt
	5 TP polygon, declared 1038.3 km
	<i>Record 300 km Speed distance to goal – Club (92.1 km/h)</i>
892.15 km*	26 Jun 87.58 km/h 781.49 pt
	<i>Records Free O&R distance – Open, 15 Metre, Club</i>
836.48 km	12 Jul 85.94 km/h 717.68 pt
794.65 km	19 Jun 82.54 km/h 689.74 pt
809.11 km	5 Jul 96.48 km/h 682.89 pt
	3 TP polygon, declared 641.9 km
	<i>Records 3TP distance – Open, 15 Metre, Club</i>
769.66 km	20 Jun 90.85 km/h 672.82 pt

Hans Binder Canadian Rockies SC	4361.56 pt
DG800/18 C-GKGV all flights from Fairmont, BC	MG
	5316.71 km total
938.26 km	30 Jun 104.30 km/h 775.38 pt
881.68 km	3 Jun 117.04 km/h 730.00 pt
878.86 km	1 Jun 112.10 km/h 718.94 pt
863.75 km	27 Jul 110.23 km/h 715.53 pt
899.65 km	22 Jun 106.20 km/h 711.39 pt
854.51 km	4 Jul 98.88 km/h 710.32 pt

2008 GE (Tim) Wood Great Lakes Gliding	4838.91pt
ASW-27 C-FWKR 07 all flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	5620.58 km total
1175.18 km	13 July 113.11 km/h 1000.25 pt
	<i>Records – 200 km Speed to Goal – Open, 15 metre</i>
	<i>Records – 300 km Speed to Goal – Open, 15 metre, Club</i>
	<i>Records – Free 3TP Distance – Open, 15 metre, Club</i>
1027.27 km	21 Jul 110.86 km/h 898.86 pt
1058.81 km	9 Jul 108.59 km/h 881.19 pt
	<i>Record – 500 km O&R Speed – Club</i>
853.80 km	19 Jul 97.97 km/h 741.35 pt
782.46 km	11 July 94.89 km/h 685.49 pt
	<i>Record – Free O&R Distance – Club</i>
723.06 km	4 Aug 100.58 km/h 631.78 pt

2009 Bruce Friesen Edmonton Soaring	3449.64 pt
Std. Austria C-FPDM SL all flights from Chipman, AB	PG
	3056.91 km total
639.74 km	9 Jun 706.78 pt
598.28 km	8 Jun 657.36 pt
530.59 km	13 Jun 616.01 pt
	<i>Records – Free O & R distance, Out & Return – Club</i>
494.33 km	10 May 567.74 pt
429.95 km	12 Jun 484.49 pt
364.02 km	15 May 417.26 pt

Bruce has diligently pursued his cross-country goals for many years in his red Standard Austria. His best six flights were all flown from the Edmonton Soaring Club at Chipman, Alberta. The combination of launching from a prairie airfield and flying a wooden glider make Bruce's achievement even more notable.

Ian Spence Canadian Rockies SC	4034.92 pt
Ventus 2cT C-FYSG WW all flights from Invermere, BC	MG
	4727.30 km total
991.86 km	4 Jun 863.89 pt
	<i>Records – Free Out & Return distance, Open & Club</i>
878.74 km	24 May 750.23 pt
764.29 km	22 May 629.61 pt
759.45 km	17 July 626.06 pt
682.52 km	3 July 594.56 pt
650.44 km	2 July 570.57 pt

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2010	Bruce Friesen	Edmonton Soaring	3269.90 pt
	Std. Austria C-FPDM SL	all flights from Chipman, AB	PG
	2932.28 km total – 488.71 km average/flight		
	655.65 km	11 May	726.61 pt
	660.97 km	10 May	726.15 pt
	500.38 km	15 May	549.16 pt
	402.21 km	14 May	456.47 pt
	370.05 km	15 Aug	420.94 pt
	343.02 km	12 May	390.57 pt

Bruce continues to rack up the cross-country flights in his red Standard Austria. His best six flights were all flown from the Edmonton Soaring Club field at Chipman, Alberta.

Ian Spence	Canadian Rockies	4253.86 pt
Ventus 2cT C-FYSG WW	all flights from Invermere, BC	MG
5017.44 km total, 836.24 km average/flight		
918.00 km	15 May	762.17 pt
837.87 km	4 Aug	723.45 pt
867.29 km	8 Jul	712.23 pt
836.89 km	12 May	707.23 pt
789.94 km	6 Jul	691.85 pt
767.45 km	26 Jun	656.93 pt

Ian improved his 2009 total OLC points in 2010 by 200 to win the 2010 Canadair trophy – motorglider. His qualifying flights all originated at the Invermere, BC airport.

2011	Bruce Friesen	Edmonton Soaring Club	3595.8 pt
	Std. Austria C-FPDM SL	all flights from Chipman, AB	PG
	2663.9 km total – 444 km average/flight		
	610.5 km*	29 May	888.6 pt
	<i>Record – Free Triangle Distance – Open, Club</i>		
	<i>Record – Triangle Distance – Club</i>		
	<i>Record – Speed, 500 km Triangle – Club (85.1 km/h)</i>		
	477.2 km	20 May	652.1 pt
	442.5 km	28 Jul (at Cowley)	562.0 pt
	384.4 km	27 May	512.8 pt
	382.2 km	1 Jul	506.4 pt
	367.1 km	23 Jul	473.9 pt

Bruce's third year as winner of the Canadair trophy – pure glider – is a demonstration of the disciplined approach he brings to flight planning. The Standard Austria, C-FPDM, has been his ride since 1984 – it's clear that knowing one's aircraft makes a difference when it comes to winning! The 28 July flight with an average speed of 103.8 km/hr, a wonderful speed for the Scarlet Lady, was flown from Cowley.

Ian Spence	Canadian Rockies	3646.5 pt
Ventus 2cT C-FYSG WW	all flights from Invermere, BC	MG
4053.9 km total, 675.7 km average/flight		
792.7 km	30 May	705.0 pt
727.4 km	5 Jun	660.8 pt
687.2 km	10 Jul	619.1 pt
622.3 km	6 Aug	563.4 pt
609.4 km	4 Aug	552.8 pt
615.0 km	18 May	545.3 pt

This is the third year in a row that Ian has won the Canadair trophy – motorglider. His qualifying flights all originated at the Invermere, BC airport in his Ventus 2cT.

2012	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	3728.76 pt
	Duo Discus C-FDUO 007	all flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	3804.39 km total, 634.06 km average/flight		
	825.27 km	5 Jul	818.33 pt
	814.26 km	19 May	748.21 pt
	619.59 km	6 May	589.93 pt
	548.20 km	26 May	558.87 pt
	510.19 km	15 Aug	528.05 pt
	486.88 km	12 Jun	485.37 pt

Adam Zieba	York Soaring	3861.26 pt
ASW-28E/18 C-GAXH 28	all flights from Arthur a/p, ON	MG
3599.24 km total, 599.76 km average/flight		
668.89 km	29 Aug	728.46 pt
674.52 km	29 Jul	727.21 pt
595.18 km	22 Aug	663.13 pt
578.72 km	25 Aug	601.29 pt
533.38 km	10 Sep	573.26 pt
548.55 km	30 Jul	567.91 pt

2013	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	3882.0 pt
	Duo Discus C-FDUO 007	all flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	H301 Libelle		
	3829.8 km total, 638.3km average/flight		
	906.4 km	10 Jun	839.6 pt
	682.6 km	31 Jul	752.4 pt
	595.0 km	23 Jul	612.7 pt
	563.4 km	26 Jul	594.4 pt
	567.6 km	6 Jun	553.2 pt
	514.8 km	3 Jul	529.7 pt

Five of Trevor's qualifying flights were flown in his Duo Discus from the Invermere airport in BC. His 31 July flight was in his venerable 1968 Glasflügel H301 Libelle.

Adam Zieba	York Soaring	4083.3 pt
ASW-28E/18 28	all flights from Arthur a/p, ON	MG
3861.9 km total, 643.6 km average/flight		
766.9 km	25 Jul	827.7 pt
632.9 km	15 Aug	698.5 pt
645.0 km	16 Aug	696.6 pt
617.4 km	5 Aug	642.0 pt
596.0 km	24 Aug	631.5 pt
603.7 km	19 Jun	587.6 pt

This is the second year that Adam posted the six best flights of the year. Well done, Adam.

2014	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	3841.9 pt
	Duo Discus C-FDUO 007	all flights from Invermere, BC	PG
	3888.7 km total, 648.1km average/flight		
	885.0 km	6 Jun	823.8 pt
	785.2 km	27 May	754.0 pt
	633.2 km	7 May	626.3 pt
	537.9 km	13 May	560.0 pt
	556.0 km	11 May	557.1 pt
	491.3 km	12 May	520.7 pt

Your consistent results have attracted pilots to the Columbia Valley and introduced many newbies to the wonders of soaring.

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2014	Ian Spence	Canadian Rockies	4267.5 pt
	Ventus 2cT/15	C-FYSC	all flights from Invermere
			MG
			4737.7 km total, 789.6 km average/flight
	932.1 km	11 Jun	829.2 pt
	824.5 km	22 Jun	735.4 pt
	778.4 km	29 Jul	715.4 pt
	790.4 km	6 Jun	703.7 pt
	706.8 km	11 May	647.6 pt
	705.5 km	30 May	636.2 pt

Your 789.6 km average represents an excellent season of soaring in the Rockies.

2015	Bruce Friesen	Edmonton Soaring	4356.33 pt
	Std. Austria	C-FPDM	SL Discus b C-FZHT
			PG
			all flights from Chipman, AB
			3633.1 km total – 605.5 km average/flight
	744.0 km	23 May	Discus b 851.9 pt
	555.3 km	22 May	St. Austria 796.7 pt
	692.2 km	13 May	Discus b 754.4 pt
	626.3 km	24 May	Discus b 701.0 pt
	597.8 km	7 Jun	Discus b 643.6 pt
	417.5 km	19 May	Std. Austria 608.8 pt

*Records – 134.2 km/h – 400 km speed triangle – Open/15m
124.8 km/h – Club class*

Bruce has demonstrated a consistent and determined interest in making great flights by achieving a top 5 position on the OLC Champion list for five of the seven years. His 'Scarlet Lady', a Standard Austria, has been joined by C-FZHT, a Discus b, and the latter has allowed him to post higher average speeds as shown in the 23 May flight in which he recorded 134.2 km/h over a 400 km Speed Triangle. Congratulations again, Bruce, on showing Canadian pilots how preparation and persistence results in remarkable flights.

2016	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	4080.8 pt
	Duo Discus	C-FDUO 007	PG
			all flights from Invermere, BC
			4219.9 km total – 703.2 km average/flight
	808.9 km	17 June	777.1 pt
	736.5 km	30 May	725.7 pt
	715.3 km	29 July	693.2 pt
	686.6 km	26 June	666.9 pt
	674.6 km	16 May	657.3 pt
	598.0 km	6 June	560.6 pt

2017	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	4692.6 pt
	Duo Discus	C-FDUO 007	PG
			all flights from Invermere, BC
			4775.2 km total – 795.7 km average – 97.9 km/h
	973.4 km	23 June	908.9 pt
	917.0 km	16 July	975.7 pt
	864.6 km	2 July	866.5 pt
	768.4 km	26 May	710.4 pt
	709.1 km	27 May	661.4 pt
	542.7 km	28 May	569.6 pt

Another remarkable year for Trevor! His numbers come out of a consistent push for more as can be seen in the increase in flights and results over the years. His 16,886 points and 233 hours in 2012 have steadily risen to 24,155 points and 313 hours in 2017.

2018	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	4554 pt
	Duo Discus	C-FDUO 007	PG
			all flights from Invermere, BC
	901.9 km	101.9 km/h	25 July 845.8 pt
	860.5 km	93.4 km/h	21 May 816.1 pt
	798.0 km	134.6 km/h	26 June 736.8 pt
	794.3 km	89.6 km/h	22 July 722.1 pt
	738.3 km	94.2 km/h	17 July 730.8 pt
	681.6 km	96.3 km/h	17 June 682.4 pt

Trevor amasses a grand total of 22,832 OLC points during this season.

2019	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	4289 pt
	Duo Discus	C-FDUO 007	PG
			all flights from Invermere, BC
	831 km	108 km/h	12 May 796 pt
	754 km	103 km/h	28 May 759 pt
	720 km	104 km/h	4 June 761 pt
	692 km	100 km/h	11 June 677 pt
	689 km	104 km/h	22 May 706 pt
	590 km	102 km/h	6 May 589 pt

It is worth mentioning that Trevor amassed a grand total of 20,754 OLC points during the 2019 OLC season.

Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim Gliding Club	6121 pt
Arcus M	C-FZWW	all flights from Black Diamond, AB
		MG
		6799 km total – 1133 km average
1310 km	120 km/h	7 April 1191 pt
1225 km	110 km/h	18 April 1096 pt
1137 km*	122 km/h	14 Sept 1063 pt
1051 km	166 km/h	20 Dec 929 pt
1052 km	172 km/h	22 Nov 922 pt
1024 km	164 kmh	11 Dec 920 pt

*Records – Free O&R distance 838 km, Open class
Free 3tp distance 1120 km, Open class*

This OLC season, Chester wrote a new page in the book of Canadian soaring opportunities, demonstrating in dramatic fashion the potential in the Rocky Mountains wave systems for long and fast cross-country flights. Every single one of those flights had an OLC scored distance in excess of 1000 km – not even to mention the average speeds achieved! Chester snuck in yet a seventh flight over 1000 km, not shown above.

2020	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	4633 pt
	ASG 29, 18m	all flights from Rockton ON	PG
	796 km	99 km/h	19 Aug 814 pt
	773 km	96 km/h	29 June 789 pt
	766 km	95 km/h	6 Aug 792 pt
	741 km	98 kmh	31 July 764 pt
	713 km	98 km/h	14 June 739 pt
	702 km	87 km/h	14 July 735 pt

Jerzy's total during this season was "just" 19,197 points.

2021	Trevor Florence	Canadian Rockies	4474 pt
	Duo Discus	C-FDUO 007	PG
			all flights from Invermere, BC
	1003 km	110 km/h	12 July 921 pt
	789 km	101 km/h	14 May 766 pt
	755 km	117 km/h	2 May 736 pt
	716 km	101 km/h	29 May 697 pt
	664 km	95 km/h	10 July 709 pt
	646 km	97 km/h	22 June 642

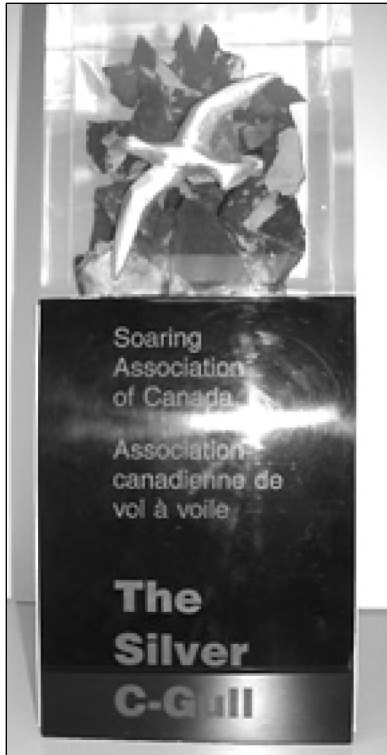
2022	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	4608 pt
	ASG 29, 18m	all flights from Rockton ON	PG
	962 km	117 km/h	14 July 1010 pt
	812 km	108 km/h	29 July 774 pt
	750 km	112 km/h	15 July 779 pt
	655 km	102 km/h	11 Aug 697 pt
	648 km	101 km/h	10 June 702 pt
	565 km	82 km/h	31 July 646 pt

Jerzy posted flights totalling almost 9400 points. Runner up? Chris Gough, with 4546 points from his best six flights, only 60 points (~1.5%) behind the OLC Canadian Champion.

2023	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	3875 pt
	ASG-29	all flights from Rockton, ON	PG
	720 km	115 km/h	2 June 731 pt
	680 km	95 km/h	17 June 700 pt
	611 km	94 km/h	19 July 641 pt
	565 km	97 km/h	18 July 610 pt
	547 km	103 km/h	1 June 623 pt
	512 km	105 km/h	31 May 571 pt

	Chester Fitchett	Cu Nim Gliding Club	4283 pt
	Arcus M	C-FZWW	MG
		all flights from Black Diamond, AB	
	1224 km	143 km/h	30 Oct 1010 pt
	1109 km	125 km/h	25 July 1060 pt
	1000 km	192 km/h	27 Oct 897 pt
	500 km	74 km/h	19 May 482 pt
	437 km	71 km/h	22 July 420 pt
	426 km	99 km/h	9 July 414 pt

Each of the high scoring wave flights lasted over nine hours. In spring and summer he explored the Rocky Mountains.



Silver C Gull Trophy

original name

Jonathan Livingston Seagull Trophy

Youngest Silver C badge holder under 21

This trophy is an original design featuring a gull in flight beside granite chips arranged to give the impression of a cliff, encased in a block of clear plastic. Dimensions – 6" wide x 5" deep x 14" high.

1969 Trophy was proposed by Kerry Bissell of the Edmonton Soaring Club, and designed by Jim Carpenter, of SOSA.

1972 The Soaring Association of Canada presented the Jonathan Livingston Seagull trophy to the Air Cadet League of Canada to be awarded annually to the most deserving air cadet who had also been trained to become a glider pilot.

1987 Trophy was retired by the Air Cadet League of Canada and returned to SAC. It is now awarded to the youngest SAC junior member earning the Silver badge that year.

1996 Association's directors decided to give this prestigious trophy a new life. It was renamed the **Silver C Gull**, and is presented to the youngest pilot under the age of 21 who earns the Silver badge.

In 1972, SAC had obtained permission from Mr. Richard Bach to name the trophy after Jonathan, the gull in the book "Jonathan Livingston Seagull", written by Bach. It was a best seller in the United States, and was the subject of a major story in "Time" magazine. Mr. Bach was unable to present it at the presentation ceremony to the Air Cadet League, but he sent this message:

"It is a delight to me, and an honour to Jonathan Seagull, that you would consider an Air Cadet Trophy to bear his name. If the elements in qualification for the trophy include the love of flight and demonstrated excellence in the air, and a certain striving to seek out and understand the meaning behind one's own attraction to the sky, then Jonathan is certainly an excellent symbol for the trophy."

Jonathan Livingston Seagull

1987 Trophy not awarded

1988 **Toni Lindschinger** York Soaring **Silver badge 763** for completing his badge with a flight of 61.6 km flying a Schweizer 1-23 from Arthur GP, Ontario.

1989 **Chris Apps** Edmonton Soaring **Silver badge 779** licensed on 6 June 1989, his 16th birthday; 6 days later – 12 June – he completed his badge with a flight of 62.6 km in a Schweizer 1-23 from Chipman, AB.

1990 **Jason Beattie** Kawartha **Silver badge 807** On 27 July 1990, at 16 years • 8 months • 10 days, he completed his badge with a flight of 61.0 km, flying a Cherokee II.

1991-93 Trophy not awarded

1994 **Peter Vados** SOSA **Silver badge 858** At age 16, he completed his badge with a flight of 82.8 km, 4.10 hours, in a Schweizer 1-26 from Rockton GP, Ontario • 10 Sept 1994.

1995 **Chris Luxemburger** COSA **Silver badge 869** At age 19, he completed his badge with a flight of 67.4 km, flying a Skylark 4 from Omemee, Ontario • 30 July 1995.

Silver C Gull

1996 **Bryan Deans** Vancouver **Silver badge 877** At age 17, he completed his badge with a flight of 53.4 km (Invermere BC, Radium Hot Springs, Canal Flats, return), altitude gain of 2320 m and a duration of 5:24 hours flying an Astir CS 77. He flew all his Silver badge legs during the VSA Invermere camp in July 1996.

1997-98 Trophy not awarded

1999 Chris Gough SOSA Silver badge 920

At age 15, he completed his badge with a flight of 62.6 km to Arthur gliderport, ON and a duration of 5:13 hours in a 1-26 in July, and in September with a gain of altitude of 1250 metres in a Blanik L-13 out of Rockton, Ontario.

2000-2002 Trophy not awarded

2003 Nicholas Kirschner Vancouver Silver badge 973

At age 18, he completed his badge with flights of 52.3 km (Grob 102), duration of 5:52 hours (Grob G102) and altitude gain of 1130 m (Blanik L-13). All flights were flown out of Hope, BC.

2004 Taylor Scott Pemberton Silver badge 986

At age 21, he completed his badge in one flight on 28 July 2004. He flew a Blanik L-23 for 5:11 hours, covered a distance of 55.6 km with a 2380 metre gain of height.

2005 Jeremy Sawyer York Soaring Silver badge 993

At age 18, he completed his Silver badge with an altitude and distance flight on 10 July 2005. Jeremy flew an Astir CS 77 out of Arthur E, ON.

2006-2011 Trophy not awarded

2012 Robert Zachemski SOSA Silver badge 1071

At age 17 and 346 days, Robert was the youngest pilot to do so in 2012. Robert's five OLC flights totalled 825.9 km for an average of 165.2 km per flight. We look forward to seeing your flights on the OLC in the years to come. Robert flew an SZD-55-1 and SZD Junior.

2013-2018 Trophy not awarded

2019 Cole Bishop York Soaring Silver badge 1130

Cole was born in July 2003.

2020 Trophy not awarded

2021 Julia Clitheroe SOSA Silver badge 1151

Julia achieved her Silver distance and altitude requirements on 12 July 2021. She embedded the requisite 50 km distance within a flight of 133 km under OLC six-leg rules, flying an SZD 51 Junior. She completed the third badge requirement, a flight of over five hour duration on 22 July. Julia was born in December 2003.

2022-2023 Trophy not awarded



Stachow Trophy

**First presented retroactively
for the 1981 year**

highest absolute altitude above 5000 m gain

This trophy is presented annually to the Canadian soaring pilot who has obtained the maximum absolute altitude in a flight in Canada, provided that the height gain has been at least 5000 metres.

The 20 inch high trophy features a small pewter sailplane suspended within a solid block of plastic shaped to represent a classic mountain wave scene. It symbolizes the unique tranquility and beauty of high altitude wave flight.

It was commissioned and donated by Klaus S. Stachow of the Cu Nim Gliding Club to the Soaring Association of Canada in 1982 to recognize excellence in high altitude flight. It was presented at the 10th Cowley summer camp by SAC president Russ Flint. The trophy was designed by Tony Burton.

History of changes

2004 The normal use of the Cowley Block [FL280] airspace can result in several ties at 28,000 feet. In a tie for absolute altitude, the winner is the pilot with the greatest altitude gained above his low point.

* – absolute altitude record
** altitude gain record

Unless otherwise indicated, the listed flights took place at Cowley, AB

1981*	10485 m	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		31 Oct	Libelle 201 CF-QJS
1982*	10280 m	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		23 Oct	Libelle 201 CF-QJS
1983	9854 m	Jay Beattie	Regina Gliding & SC
		8 Oct	SGS 1-23 CF-ZDN
1984	8840 m	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		6 Oct	DG-200 C-GVLB X1
1985	9450 m	Michael Apps	Edmonton Soaring
		13 Oct	ASW-20FP C-GULX AB
1986-1988		Trophy not awarded	
1989	7850 m	Jim Oke	Winnipeg Gliding Club
		3 Aug	ASW-20 C-GPON 77
1990	9302 m	Sylvain (Bingo) Larue	Cold Lake SC
		9 Oct	Slingsby Dart C-FOAK
1991	8986 m	Deirdre Duffy	Edmonton SC
		15 Oct	ASW-15b C-GRXQ
1992	9591 m	Jay Poscente	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		10 Oct	Mini Nimbus C-GLYD 54
1993	7620 m	David Fowlow	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		31 July	Blanik L-13 C-GAUK
1994	9510 m	Rod Crutcher	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		9 Oct	Ventus C-GVRS 26
1995**	10,363 m	Dave Mercer	Cold Lake SC
		9 Oct	RS-15 C-GPUB EE
1996	8595 m	Tony Burton	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		10 Oct	RS-15 C-GPUB EE
1997		Trophy not awarded	
1998	~7000 m	Ted Chernecki	Vancouver Soaring
		8 Oct	Grob 102 C-GVST
1999	8536 m	Al Hoar	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		7 Oct	Std. Cirrus C-GEOD 4E
2000	7929 m	Orlan Dowdeswell	Regina G&SC
		8 Oct	Jantar CF-DPJ AU
2001	5420 m	Philip Stade	Cu Nim Gliding Club
		8 Oct	Std. Cirrus CF-DFN JM

SOARING TROPHIES

2002 FL 280

For one day – 9 October 2002 – during the Cowley wave camp in Alberta, mountain wave conditions were un-usually good. Six pilots achieved Diamond height gain, while reaching Flight Level 280, the highest altitude ASC normally sets with NavCanada for the block airspace.

Co-winners are:

Jeff Anderson	Cold Lake Soaring
Blanik L-33	C-GIER <i>ER</i>
Mel Blackburn	Canadian Rockies
PW5	CF-EPW <i>PW</i>
Derek Brown	Cold Lake Soaring
Blanik L-13	CF-YCV
Alan Hoar	Cu Nim Gliding Club
Std. Cirrus	C-GEOD <i>4E</i>
Dave Rolland	Cu Nim Gliding Club
Std. Cirrus	CF-DFN <i>JM</i>
Phil Stade	Cu Nim Gliding Club
Std. Cirrus	CF-DFN <i>JM</i>

2003 7772 m **Mark Westphal** Regina Gliding & SC
8 Oct DG-400 C-GJVF

2004 7040 m **Gordon Taciuk** Cu Nim Gliding Club
7 Oct Jantar C-GGFG

The flight originated at the Cowley airfield and took just over 5 hours to complete. After release lift was not steady enough to get into the wave and the flight returned to the airfield where lift was encountered as Gordon was preparing to enter the circuit. A long struggle to 28,000 feet followed and the results were recorded on a borrowed barograph.

2005 7350 m **Martin Argerami** Regina G & SC
6 Oct Jantar C-GDPJ

2006 Trophy not awarded

2007 7724 m **Phil Stade (P1) & Steve Hogg** Cu Nim
30 Sept IS32 C-FAOA
absolute 7724 m / 25,342 feet
gain 6322 m / 20,741 feet
low point 1402 m / 4,601 feet

2008 7975 m **John Mulder** Central Alberta
1 Aug Genesis 2 C-FQZK *2J*
absolute 7975 m / 26,165 feet
gain 5475 m / 17,965 feet
low point 2499 m / 8,200 feet

2009 Trophy not awarded

2010 7508 m **Mitch Dryzmala** Cu Nim Gliding Club
10 Oct Jantar C-GGFG
absolute 7508 m / 24,635 feet
gain 5070 m / 16,635 feet
release ~ 8000 feet

The flight was flown at the Fall Cowley Camp in Alberta. But a technicality prevented Mitch from qualifying for his Diamond altitude with this flight, however, it was his first solo wave flight.

2011 Trophy not awarded

2012 8374 m **Tim Wood**
2 Sept DG-400/17 C-GETW
absolute 8374 m / 27,474 feet
gain 5807 m / 19,052 feet

This flight originated from Pincher Creek airport. It is appropriate that Tim wins this year's Stachow Trophy since he has dedicated a number of years' flying effort toward understanding the potential for long distance flights in the lee wave in Alberta. Congratulations Tim and good luck with your record attempts.

2013 8534 m **Gary Hill** Edmonton Soaring Club
7 Oct Puchacz C-FMJS
absolute 8534 m / 28,000 feet
gain 5822 m / 19,100 feet

One of the notable parameters of this flight is the five minutes climb after release. Gary gained 6972 feet in that time for an average of 1394 feet per minute. The entire flight was only 1.23 h, a notably short flight for a climb to 28,000 feet.

2014 8297 m **Patrick Pelletier** Winnipeg GC
4 Oct DG-300 C-GGZA
absolute 8297 m / 27,221 feet
gain 5203 m / 17,070 feet

Patrick first attended the Cowley camps in 2012 and has been producing delightful videos of his flights there. Check them out at <https://www.youtube.com/user/peanut425etac/videos>

2015 8424 m **Wilf Plester** Cu Nim Gliding Club
12 Oct ASK-21 C-FLTY
absolute 8424 m / 27,637 feet
gain 5995 m / 19,669 feet

This was a particularly memorable flight for Wilf since his son Colin was with him. Although Wilf has attended the Cowley wave camps numerous times, this was his first time above 22,000 feet.

2016 Trophy not awarded

2017 9287 m **Patrick Pelletier** Winnipeg GC
6 Oct
absolute 9287 m / 30,471 ft
gain 7274 m / 23,865 ft

It's not often that a pilot climbs to nearly 30,000 ft, descends to 8100 ft and then climbs again to 30,471 ft for a total climb of 45,671 ft in two climbs, and posts 359 points and 312 km on OLC in the same five hour flight!

2018 Trophy not awarded

2019 8546 m **Patrick Pelletier** Winnipeg GC
6 Oct
absolute 8546 m / 28,038 ft
absolute 8696 m / 28,530 ft
gain

At the Fall wave camp, Patrick topped out at 8546 m. "I can do better than that," because the next day he achieved 8696 m. Remarkably, on both days Patrick achieved his highest points in the secondary wave, out in the middle of the valley – quite unusual. Good hunting, Patrick.

2020 9831 m* **Melanie Paradis & Patrick Pelletier**
ESC & Winnipeg GC
6 Oct Perkoz SZD54-2 C-GPKZ
absolute 9831 m / 32,254 ft
gain 7275 m / 23,868 ft
Record – multiplace absolute altitude
and gain of height

Patrick mentored Melanie in the art of flying the wave, acting as P2 while Melanie captained the glider to a two-seat Canadian records – absolute altitude and gain of height. The experience, planning and coordination required for safe execution of a flight of this nature are well illustrated by these pilots. (see free flight 2/2020)

2021 9784 m **Patrick Pelletier Edmonton SC**
3 Oct
absolute 9784 m / 32,100 ft
gain 7490 m / 24,575 ft

2022 8235.7 m **Predrag Kupcevic SOSA**
10 Oct ASW 20 C-FBKN MR
absolute 8235.7 m / 27,020 ft
gain 6597 m / 21,644 ft
low point 1638 m / 5376 ft

2023 7842 m **Alex Depoutovitch SOSA**
8 Oct Discus C-GVXS AD
absolute 7842 m / 25,729 ft
gain 5647 m / 18,527 ft
low point 2195 m / 7203 ft



Hank Janzen Safety Award

First presented for 1989

This trophy was created from the propeller blades of Hank's towplane.

Outstanding contribution for safety in soaring

This trophy was designed and donated to the Soaring Association of Canada by members of the Rideau Gliding Club in 1989 in memory of the late Hank Janzen whose main goal in the sport was safety – yet he fell victim to a “safety issue”.

The trophy is presented to a person, group or club for outstanding contributions to safety in our sport. It is awarded on the judgement of the Flight Training & Safety Committee, reflecting the high regard the recipient has earned amongst his safety officer peers.

1989	Gordon Bruce	Montreal Soaring Council
1990	Roger Smith	Bluenose Soaring Club
1991	Ken Brewin	Gatineau Gliding Club
1992	George Eckschmiedt	Vancouver Soaring Ass.
1993	Peter Foster	York Soaring Ass.
1994	Gerhard Dittbrenner	Winnipeg Gliding Club
1995	Glenn Lockhard	Gatineau Gliding Club
1996	Hugh McColeman	Edmonton Soaring Club
1997	Larry Morrow	Winnipeg Gliding Club
1998	Daniel Cook	Gatineau Gliding Club
1999	Sylvain Bourque	AVV Champlain
2000	Heidi Popp	Vancouver Soaring Ass
2001	Chris Wilson	SOSA Gliding Club
2002	Marc Lussier	Montreal Soaring Council
2003	Spencer Robinson	SOSA Gliding Club
2004	Chris Wilson	SOSA Gliding Club
2005	Roger Hildesheim	Gatineau Gliding Club
2006	David Ellis	Toronto Soaring Club
	David Gossen	Toronto Soaring Club
2007	Ian Oldaker	Chairman, Flight Training & Safety SOSA Gliding Club
2008	Scott McMaster	
2009	AVV Champlain	
2010	SOSA Gliding Club	
2011	Trevor & Bryan Florence	Canadian Rockies Soaring Club
2012	Pierre Gavillet	Montreal Soaring Council
2013	Dan Daly	Gatineau Gliding Club
2014	Edmonton Soaring Club	
2015	Jo Lanoë	CVV de Québec
2016	Bill Volmer	SOSA Gliding Club
2017	Dale Brochu	Edmonton Soaring Club
2018	Larry Morrow	Winnipeg Gliding Club
2019	Dale Brochu	Edmonton Soaring Club
2020	Susan Snell	Winnipeg Gliding Club
2021	Mike Busuttil	Cu Nim Gliding Club
2022	Kenneth Voort	York Soaring Ass.
2023	Pierre Gavillet	Montreal Soaring Club

Citations from previous awards are not available

2002 Marc Lussier Montreal Soaring Council

Marc Lussier a toujours été un ardent promoteur de la sécurité à MSC où il a été tout à tour, officier de sécurité et chef pilote. Présentement il occupe la fonction de chef instructeur adjoint. Il a contribué à de nombreux séminaires, cliniques de mise à niveau pour étudiants et forums sur la sécurité. Les contributions de Marc débordent le cadre de son club et pour comprendre l'ensemble du Québec et le mouvement des cadets de l'air. Il a animé plusieurs programmes de formation pour instructeurs dont celui de 2002 à Québec.

Marc Lussier has always been a promoter of flight safety in the club, having held positions in the club of Safety Officer, Chief Tow Pilot and he is now the deputy Chief Flying Instructor. He has contributed numerous lectures, student refresher clinics and safety talks. In addition to his efforts at MSC, Marc's contributions are also recognized in other regions of Québec and in the Air Cadet movement. He has run several instructor courses including the one at CVVQ in 2002.

He is well appreciated by his colleagues and his students and is considered a worthy winner of this award.

2003 Spencer Robinson SOSA Gliding Club

Spencer Robinson of SOSA Gliding Club earns the award this year for his work with NavCanada, WestJet and other airspace users to implement special arrangements for notifications and traffic advisories when gliding is active at the club.

Spencer headed up a team that managed a potentially serious situation between WestJet flying close to the SOSA club on the let-down into Hamilton. Spencer established a working relationship with the Chief Pilot of WestJet and agreed on a procedure to minimize conflicts between SOSA traffic and WestJet jetliners. He negotiated a new Memorandum of Understanding with the Toronto Centre of Nav-Canada, and this agreement has worked very well. This work required an enormous amount of effort and diligence on Spencer's part. With the greatest respect to SOSA members, this was more difficult than attempting to herd a few hundred cats!

In summary, Spencer did an outstanding job to promote safety in a difficult environment.

2004 Chris Wilson SOSA Gliding Club

Chris Wilson has served as the SOSA Gliding Club Safety Officer for the past seven years. During that time he developed an analytical framework to help the club develop a better understanding of the causes of accidents and incidents.

He also encouraged the use of the "Blue Book" anonymous reporting system while regularly analyzing these reports during the gliding season.

His desire to really understand the reasons for accidents and incidents while preserving confidentiality has been a hallmark of his tenure. Chris also made sure that both the instructor body and the general membership put the focus on the reasons why an accident occurred while avoiding *blame*.

Chris Wilson has been a glider pilot for 30 plus years and he has extensive cross-country soaring experience. He is also one of the most senior instructors at SOSA and student feedback has been highly positive over this time. He comes highly recommended for this award by his club.

2005 Roger Hildesheim Gatineau Gliding Club

Roger has been instrumental in setting up Gatineau Gliding Club's web based Club Operating Manual and Safety Management Program. He has spent many hours collaborating with other clubs sharing his knowledge and helping out establishing similar programs.

Roger has worked tirelessly on improving the safety culture in the club and has documented the many procedures to mitigate hazards as a result of extensive risk analysis of the club operations and safety practices. He has prepared in depth annual analysis of incidents and produced concrete recommendations to reduce hazards.

He has also presented several safety seminars during the summer at Pendleton and shared his findings with SAC FTSC. Roger's work has been used at the national level to help prepare safety management material for other clubs.

Roger was highly recommended for this award.

2006 David Ellis Toronto Soaring Club David Gossen Toronto Soaring Club

When it was found that wind farm companies were planning to surround the Toronto Soaring Club with large wind turbines and had not planned for any aeronautical activities, David Ellis (President) called an emergency meeting at the club and The Team was activated.

Ultimately, David Ellis and David Gossen (Treasurer) shouldered the burden attending many town meetings and strategizing with lawyers. They found there was little hope of legal action resulting in reserved airspace, so they embarked upon a more constructive initiative. The two Davids met with company project planners, the township and neighbours, and attempted to mobilize various aviation groups. The meetings with the project planners and the township were fruitful. A meteorological tower was relocated from the planned position off the end of one of the club's runways to remove the hazard. In addition, the company followed through by agreeing to consider locating the turbines off the approach/departure paths for a reasonable radius of the airfield to prevent them from becoming a hazard to club operations. The town agreed

to include the club operation in the Town Plan as a unique characteristic of the township, a nod to our 35-year history.

The wind farm project has stalled – but now is expected to proceed with the renewed push for Green Energy. The outcome is not certain and their work is far from over, but David Ellis and David Gossen gave freely and tirelessly of themselves to expertly steer an industrial giant to become as good neighbours as possible under the circumstances.

2007 Ian Oldaker, Chairman (ret.) Flight Training & Safety Committee

Ian Oldaker stepped down last year after 30 years as the chairman of the Flight Training & Safety Committee, first serving in the position in 1977. In the past, his exemplary work in aviation safety has been recognized outside our organization, earning him the Canadian Air Line Pilots Association (CALPA) award in 1993, the Canadian Aviation Safety Award from Transport Canada in 2000, and he became the chairman of FAI's OSTIV Training & Safety Panel in 2004 (and 2008).

His major recent work has been the hundreds of hours of effort that has gone into developing the Safety Management Program for soaring. Borrowing practical ideas from similar programs in government and industry, this dynamic and interactive club safety process is beginning an effective and positive Safety Culture within SAC – it has already helped to reduce accidents.

Ian's groundwork really makes him a champion for safety and I am proud to present the Hank Janzen award to Ian for his outstanding contributions to safety in our sport.

2008 Scott McMaster SOSA Gliding Club

Scott has been training towpilots for SOSA and many other clubs' pilots. Scott's professional attitude, genuine concern for safety and dedication to provide the best towpilot training has greatly contributed to improving safer tow operations. Scott's efforts continually exceed the club's expectations.

2009 AVV Champlain

Le trophée Hank Janzen pour la sécurité est accordé à l'Association de Vol à Voile Champlain (AVVC) pour son étude et adaptation au curriculum canadien et implantation du matériel d'entraînement de la Fédération Française de Vol à Voile. Ce matériel fournit aux étudiants et instructeurs information et outils complets et récents permettant de normaliser la formation. Ce projet pilote entrepris par les instructeurs de l'AVVC, dont les résultats sont destinés à être partagés à la communauté, démontre le profond désir d'améliorer la formation et la sécurité de façon durable.

Hank Janzen Trophy is awarded to AVVC (Association de Vol à Voile Champlain) for their work to study and adapt to the Canadian curriculum, and successfully use the *Fédération Française de Vol à Voile* training materials from France to develop up-to-date, complete and valuable information for the francophone students. This demonstrates a strong desire in improving training and safety in a sustainable way.

2010 SOSA Gliding Club

SOSA has been awarded this year's Safety Award for their work as a club to equip all their club gliders with transponders in order to mitigate the risk of collision with commercial aviation in the Toronto/Hamilton area. This effort was also recognized by Transport Canada and commended.

Honourable mention goes to:

Aeroclub des Canton de l'Est for efforts to promote use of PowerFLARM for the club and soaring community.

2011 Trevor & Bryan Florence Canadian Rockies SC

Trevor and Bryan Florence provided the accident analysis following the glider mid-air collision at Invermere in 2011. Their detailed work with the GPS data and accident analysis showed that the accident was a head-on collision and not a thermalling accident as originally thought by witnesses. In addition, their analysis found the sun's angle behind one aircraft and the likeliness of terrain masking behind the second aircraft were possible factors making visual detection more difficult.

Ironically, in the weeks before this accident in which Ray Perino was fatally injured, he was discussing with the chairman of the Flight Training & Safety Committee our shared concerns about the higher risks of collisions in the Invermere area due to terrain and traffic factors. He indicated he was an advocate of PowerFLARM when it became available to reduce the risk. He was always very careful in his instruction to students on safety matters, and meticulous in detail about proper lookout technique to reduce risk.

The work done by these members of CRSC demonstrate the risk and the limitations of a diligent look out. We hope this award draws attention to the importance of wide use of this technology for risk mitigation and the importance to maintain an effective look out.

2012 Pierre Gavillet Montreal Soaring Council

Pierre made a huge effort at researching, designing and applying the principles of Safety Management System techniques over the last three years at MSC. His leadership in the development and introduction of a Safety Management Program for MSC has been exemplary. In particular, his risk assessment for the Lake Placid wave camp, for the many SAC members from various clubs who fly at Lake Placid, has made a difference in this very different environment.

2013 Dan Daly Gatineau Gliding Club

Dan has been the SAC Safety Officer and most active member of FT&SC for the past 3 years. He has been commended for his detailed and thorough Annual Safety reports and insightful analysis and recommendations. He has been instrumental in providing safety information on the new SAC website and in assisting with coordinating the implementation of PowerFLARM and liaison with Industry Canada.

2014 Edmonton Soaring Club

The Edmonton Soaring Club (ESC) is awarded this trophy for club safety. ESC has been diligent in applying a systems approach to safety and moving the club to a generative safety culture. Chris Gough is the current safety officer and has continued to develop work done by past safety officers and CFIs including Henry Wyatt, Guy Blood and Gary Hill, to name a few. This year's Club Safety Report was the most comprehensive and detailed of any submission received by SAC demonstrating an effective and dynamic safety program.

2015 Jo Lanoë CVV Quebec

Jo's safety report was superior to all the other club reports for 2015. His work in the club as Safety Officer was thorough and his report made good recommendations for corrective actions. As well, his follow-up has been exemplary, analyzing what went wrong and taking corrective actions to prevent re-occurrence. His efforts contribute to cultivating an excellent safety culture at the club.

2016 Bill Volmer SOSA

Bill provided dedicated work on safety and initiated a newly formed safety committee. As a result, there were significant safety improvements. These actions included a couple of a pilot safety briefings to discuss airspace after the CADOR report of a near miss and the club's safety culture. As a result of Bill's leadership SOSA has taken a very proactive stance by addressing major safety hazards and risk reduction strategies.

2017 Dale Brochu Edmonton Soaring Club

Dale has been the ESC Safety Officer for the past two years. He has made a significant impact on improving club safety policies, procedures, and practices which has contributed significantly to the growth of a safety culture at the club. His incident investigations have led to more open discussions and improvements to safety in club operations. He has found innovative ways to maintain an active, quality safety dialog amongst members and has effectively led the club annual safety seminars.

Dale is also an active member of the Alberta Soaring Council Safety Committee and Safety Officer for the 2017 Provincial Soaring Competition. He has engaged in recommendations

for improving safety for provincial competitions and for operations at the Cowley National Soaring site. Dale's consistent and persistent commitment to safety and leading by personal example, has made him an excellent safety advocate.

2018 Larry Morrow Winnipeg Gliding Club

Larry has been involved with soaring at the Winnipeg Gliding Club for over 40 years, holding his current position of Safety Officer for many years. He provides his club with the full annual cycle of safety guidance including a pre-season all-pilots safety meeting, regular emails to all members on safety topics with links to relevant reading and videos, and compilation of annual incident reports for discussion at the club AGM and submission to SAC.

During the season, he quietly mentors junior members in all aspects of the club operation, and is a current instructor and tow pilot. Larry also produced a PowerPoint presentation on proper scanning techniques and vision.

2019 Dale Brochu Edmonton Soaring Club

Dale has seized the role of club Safety Officer at the Edmonton Soaring Club with both hands, and in his thorough, thoughtful fashion has actively promoted the safety culture in that club. Dale is relatively new to gliding (5 years) but has been very active on the safety front including being Safety Officer for the Alberta Provincials, and this coming year's Nationals. He is very proactive on his work as Safety Officer. He also spoke at the 2020 ASC annual safety meeting.

2020 Susan Snell Winnipeg Gliding Club

Susan used a systematic approach to developing the club's safety culture. Her analysis of club incidents throughout the season produced a thorough annual report. This included assisting in a full review of the club's flying rules. Her support to the club also includes many years instructing and web page maintenance.

2021 Mike Busuttil Cu Nim Gliding Club

Mike was recognized by his peers in the Flight Training and Safety Committee for tackling his role of club Safety Officer with a remarkable level of dedication and professionalism. He has been very active in building a safety culture backed up by process and documentation.

2022 Kenneth Voort York Soaring Association

This year's award is presented to Kenneth. This award comes on the judgement of the Flight Training and Safety Committee, reflecting the high regard Kenneth has earned amongst his safety officer peers.

2023 Pierre Gavillet Montreal Soaring Club

The award nomination form submitted by Pierre's club provides an extensive list of accomplishments. A summary, touching only the highlights, includes rewriting and maintaining the club Safety Manual, introduction of a hazard identification system, introduction of an online incident reporting system, proactive and responsive collaboration with the club CFI, and organization of regular MSC Safety talks.

Besides excelling in his role as Safety Officer, Pierre has also made outstanding contributions to flight training at MSC going back to 2017.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

The SAC Board of Directors recognize long serving members who have dedicated decades of service on SAC executive boards or committees.

It is to honour those members who have made significant and specific contributions to the Canadian soaring community. The Board decision is to acknowledge this service beyond a simple gesture of gratitude with an honour that will not normally be given lightly.

1949 Beverly Shenstone

1956 Norm Bruce
for his many contributions to the sport

1967 Arthur (Chem) LeCheminant
Helen Piercy
Walter Piercy

1973 Marg Mix

1989 Robert Kurzwehnart
Joe Phillion
Paul Schweizer

1995 Don MacClement

One of the founding fathers of the Soaring Association of Canada, Don inspired the highest standards of instructions in numerous gliding clubs and has made a lifelong commitment to the art and sport of soaring.

1995 Oscar Boesch

A pioneer in aerobatic show flying, Oscar has made the public aware of the sport of gliding by his attendance at air shows in Canada and around the world.

1995 Ovila Boudreault

Ovila (Shorty) Boudreault est un membre fondateur de l'Association Canadienne de Vol à Voile en vertu de son appartenance, il y a plus de cinquante ans, aux McGill Gliding Club et Gatineau Gliding Club. Ovila Boudreault est membre à vie et le plus ancien membre actif de Gatineau Gliding Club. Monsieur Boudreault est entré dans l'histoire du vol à voile au Canada en devenant le détenteur du premier insigne C d'Argent de la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale mérité au Canada.

1995 Gordon Bruce Montreal Soaring Council

Honorary life membership in the Association to which he contributed so much. If ours is to be remembered as a civilized area, it will be because of people like Gordon Bruce. Cheerful and wise, determined, but full of fun, distinguished, not only by his unique qualities, but by the excellence and good will he inspires in others, he exemplifies all that is good about our sport and our country.

2011 James (Jim) McCollum

Jim became Treasurer in 1984 and, along with a dedicated board of directors, was instrumental in getting SAC on the road to financial stability. SAC went from an organization with virtually no assets to one with net assets of about \$1.2M at the end of 2010. As well as his responsibilities as Treasurer, Jim's background made it possible for him to work very effectively with other agencies such as Revenue Canada, Transport Canada, COPA, the Aero Club of Canada, and the Air Cadets.

Jim also received a plaque (Special Recognition Award) and a letter from the Board in appreciation for the many contributions he had made to SAC. See tribute in free flight Summer 2011.

2011 Ian Oldaker

Your three decades of work on the Flight Training and Safety Committee and work as Chairman of that committee, your selection as Chairman of the OSTIV Training Safety Panel on behalf of SAC, and your authorship of the majority of the SAC training materials put you into this select group. In addition we recognize your contribution to safety in your having received the Transport Canada Safety Award from the Minister of Transportation for your work on implementing safety programs for SAC.

On behalf of the Board of Directors for SAC and the membership, we would like to honour you with a Life Membership in the Soaring Association of Canada. Thank you for your years of dedication and continuing hard work for the membership, making our organization all that much better.

Individual Awards Non-SAC

These awards & recognitions are presented by organizations outside the Soaring Association of Canada. They are prestigious and their owners deserve our respect.

The list is by no means complete, and I encourage every pilot to help complete it.

Thank you

- 1957 John (Bob) Cheston** Regina Gliding & SC
Coupe Survol (miniature trophy received)
Offerte par Monsieur Fauvel, Aéro-Club de France, pilote ayant parcouru, sur une aile volante AV-36, la plus grande distance sans escale, au cours de l'année 1956..
188 miles 10 Aug 1956
Regina, SK – Aurelia, ND • Fauvel AV-36 CF-HRO
Gold C distance, 5 hour Silver duration
- 1958 Julien Audette** Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
Lewin B. Barringer Memorial Trophy (SSA)
Awarded to a pilot making the longest straight line distance soaring flight during the previous calendar year, other than at a US National Championship.
380 km 22 July 1958
Lumsden, SK – Minot, ND • SGS 1-26 CF-ZDF
Also Canadian record – straight distance to goal

- 1977 Julien Audette** Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame

- 1989 Julien Audette** Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
Order of Flight, City of Edmonton & Canada's Aviation Hall of Fame

In deserved recognition of conspicuous contributions to this nation through involvement with manned flight, Julien Joseph Audette has been named to rank with his peers as Member. *"Canadian aviators who have set permanent records: for unparalleled adventure, for enterprise, for pioneering achievements, for stubborn struggles against impossible odds, for unfailing courage that have all stood the test of time."*

- 1966 James Long** Winnipeg Gliding Club
Per Ardua award (1-26 Association, SSA)

Presented annually to the member making the most outstanding flights and/or other noteworthy contribution toward the promotion of the 1-26 glider and the 1-26 Association.

284 miles, Aug 1966
Guthrie, OK to Hanover, KS • SGS 1-26 CF-PPM

- 1969 Harold Eley** Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
Per Ardua award (1-26 Association, SSA)

Presented annually to the member making the most outstanding flights and/or other noteworthy contribution toward the promotion of the 1-26 glider and the 1-26 Association.

523 km 14 June 1969
Regina, SK – Carrington, ND • SGS 1-26 CF-JRF
declared goal, 7:35 hours, Diamond distance
completed Canadian Diamond No.12;
No. 2 Diamond in a 1-26

- 1970 SAC presidents**
The Schweizer Gavel

Paul Schweizer, Vice-President of Schweizer Aircraft, and a good friend of SAC, who has attended our annual meeting for the past ten or fifteen years, presented a **gavel** for use by SAC Presidents. Paul said,

"Schweizer Aircraft Corp. made a similar presentation to the SSA over ten years ago, and the gavel has been passed on from one President to the next, and effectively used at the Directors meetings. We thought that presenting one of these on your 25th Anniversary would be appropriate. My brother Ernie's hobby is "wood" and making interesting things from them. The gavel is made from South American rosewood, and the bottom plate made from Cumara Rana, a South American hardwood. Ernie gets a lot of kidding, since he pioneered metal in sailplanes, and has wood as one of his hobbies."

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

1973 Gil Parcell
Certificate of Appreciation (SSA)

In recognition of Gil's many talents in producing cartoons which have, for many years, provided enjoyment and edification in *Soaring* magazine. Presented by Paul Schweizer from the Soaring Society of America. These certificates are given only for outstanding contributions.

1974 Terry Tucker
Certificate of Appreciation (Cold Lake SC)

A plaque was presented to Mrs. Terry Tucker by the Cold Lake Soaring Club in appreciation for all the work she has contributed to the Association during the year 1973.

1980 Dr. David Marsden Edmonton Soaring Club
Paul E. Tuntland Memorial Award (SSA)

Awarded each year to the person who, during the preceding year, is deemed to have made an important contribution to the science of soaring flight, as disclosed in a published article or paper discussing the results of a soaring flight made by himself during the year, as determined by the Directors of the Soaring Society of America, upon recommendation of the SSA Awards Committee.

SIGMA Flight Testing • *free flight* 1/80

1985 Hormisdas Gamelin, CM, D.Sc. i.c.
Member of the Order of Canada

Bros. Hormisdas has devoted 66 years of his life to the sciences, and, though retired from teaching, still serves as the education advisor to the School Commission of Vallée-de-la-Lièvre, Papineau County. Convinced that the development of scientific thought in the young could best be accomplished through objective and concrete experience, he founded Buckingham's Gliding Club, designed to provide students with both practical and theoretical aeronautical knowledge.

Investiture on 30 Oct 1985

1988 Ian Oldaker
Safety Award (Gatineau Gliding Club)

From Gatineau Gliding Club for contributions to flight safety. This was after a visit where Ian had noticed a safety problem that was subsequently fixed by the club.

1988 Jim Oke Winnipeg Gliding Club
Special Certificate from Russia

This certificate was given to SAC by the FAI representative from Russia, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Union of Soviet Friendship Societies. It is dedicated to the 50th anniversary of the non-stop flight of the Soviet crew under V.P. Chkalov over the North Pole to America. The certificate was brought back to Canada from the FAI meeting in Germany by Jim Oke, and it is being awarded to the same Jim Oke for this flight around a 316 km triangle at 101 km/h on 6 June 1987, the longest flight at the Canadian Nationals.

1993 Ian Oldaker
Canadian Air Lines Pilot Association (CALPA)

This special recognition award from the Canadian Air Line Pilots Association was awarded to Ian for seventeen years as leader of the Flight Safety & Training Committee of the Soaring Association of Canada.

2000 Ian Oldaker
Canadian Aviation Safety Award (Transport Canada)

Transport Minister David Collenette presented the 2000 Transport Canada Aviation Safety Award to Mr. Ian Oldaker, Chairman of the Soaring Association of Canada's Flight Training and Safety Committee. As a pilot with over three decades of experience as an instructor, he has been a mentor to many up-and-coming Canadian pilots and continues to encourage the development of partnerships within the glider aviation community.

Over the years, Mr. Oldaker has been a strong and active voice in the promotion of aviation safety, and he has volunteered countless hours to SAC as Chair of its Flight Training and Safety Committee. His leadership has greatly contributed to the continuous improvement of aviation safety in Canada. Today, he continues to motivate others within the community to promote strong organizational safety cultures – to extend safety beyond the pilot.

The award was established in 1988 to foster awareness of aviation safety in Canada and to recognize persons, groups, companies, organizations, agencies or departments that have contributed, in an exceptional way, to this objective.

2006 Walter Chmela York Soaring Association
Canada's Aviation Hall of Fame

Walter was inducted by Mr. Victor Bennett, Chairman, Canada's Aviation Hall of Fame, and Dr. Assad Kotaite, President of ICAO.

Recognized for "His tireless devotion to the grass roots promotion and growth of soaring, his enthusiasm, inspiring leadership and years of service with Air Cadet Gliding Programs have been of great benefit to the sport of gliding and to Canadian aviation in general".

2008 Charles Petersen York Soaring Association
Get Active Award for an Individual

2000 – present Director of *Youth Flight Canada*
2003 – Charles founded *Freedom's Wings*

He was selected as the winner of the *Get Active Award for an Individual*. The award recognizes those in the community who have worked extremely hard to promote inclusive, active living opportunities for people with disabilities. *Get Active Now – Active Living Resource Centre for Ontarians with a Disability* has an award program to show its gratitude and appreciation to outstanding organizations and persons. It recognizes the efforts and achievements of his commitment to the community and serves as a reminder of the goal of this disability organization, to allow everyone to get active now. The award was announced on 15 February, as well as a media release to various organizations.

The Board and staff of *Get Active Now* congratulates and thanks a dedicated individual who is such a great role model to active living and the disabled community.

Frank Prospero, Exec. Director *free flight* 2/08

2010 Carol Mulder Central Alberta Gliding Club
Anne Morrow Lindbergh Challenge Trophy

This trophy is awarded by the Women Soaring Pilots Association *womensoaring.org* based in the USA for completed badge flights, handicapped by glider and by pilot experience, based on the level of FAI badges attained prior to application. This contest runs from 1 March through the last day in February of any given calendar year.

Due to Carol's efforts, Canada was joined to the US Regions. Henceforth the regions will be called the North American Regions: Western, Central and Eastern. The fourth region is the European Region. *free flight* 4/2010

2011 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club
Pirat Gehriger Diploma (FAI)
(official presentation in Belgrad, Serbia, Oct 2011)

The FAI awarded the prestigious *Pirat Gehriger Diploma* to Tony Burton for his many contributions to gliding at the international level and in Canada. This is the second highest honour that the FAI bestows. In particular:

- Member of the Sporting Code Committee since 1998 and key contributor to a major overhaul of the Sporting Code in 1999
- 22 Canadian records
- 25 years the Executive Director of the Alberta Soaring Council
- 29 years editor of *free flight*, one of the few gliding magazines with a wide international readership
- many other contributions

2012 Walter Chmela York Soaring Association
Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal
(Govt of Canada)

Walter Chmela, the founder of York Soaring, was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal on 16 October 2012 by his MP, Chungsen Leung. The medal recognizes his over 50 years of volunteer work and devotion to soaring, mentoring young people, and flying records (his 37 year old Canadian citizen altitude record of 40,843 feet (12,449 m) still stands. Under his leadership York became one of the largest gliding clubs in Canada. It won SAC's Roden Trophy for excellence so often that the requirements were changed so other clubs would have a chance.

To encourage people to take up the sport he loved, he bought gliders and eventually an airfield with his own money. He made a point of keeping charges low to attract young people and women [ed. Multiplace absolute altitude with Anne-Marie Van Maurik in 1975]. Over 3000 glider pilots (ages 16 to over 80) and 550 Air Cadets learned to fly at York. The Hong Kong Air Cadets have been sending officers and cadets to York since 2009.

In 2000, Walter co-founded *Youth Flight Canada*, a charity offering bursaries to youth. Its affiliate, *Freedom's Wings*, gives people with disabilities the feeling of freedom through gliding. Canada's first fully accessible glider was acquired after a two-year trial. Intro flights and flying instruction are free. He ensured the success of both programs by offering free use of York Soaring's airfield and facilities. The scholarships and flights for handicapped people have now been introduced by other clubs in Canada. Now in his 80s, Walter continues with *Youth Flight Canada* as its treasurer.

His commitment and dedication to aviation prompted the FAI, the world governing body for aerospots, to award him the *Paul Tissandier Diploma* in 1993. He was also inducted into *Canada's Aviation Hall of Fame* in 2006. Of the 200 or so esteemed members, he is the only one whose occupation was not in aviation. In 2008, the club's airfield was renamed Walter's Field in his honour.

2016 Manfred Radius York Soaring Association
Bill Barber Showmanship Award (USA)
 (presented during EAA AirVenture in 2016)

Manfred started flying sailplanes in 1961 at the age of 17 in Hamburg, Germany. He immigrated to Canada in 1969 and became a glider instructor in 1972, adding the glider aerobatic instructor endorsement in 1977. For many years, Manfred was the only glider aerobatic competitor in North America. He competed in the German Glider Aerobatic Championships in 1977, 1979 and 1981; in 1985 he represented Canada in the first World Championship of Glider Aerobatics in Austria.

Manfred began flying airshows in 1986, and has since performed all over North America and as far away as Australia, flying an H101 Salto sailplane; his graceful, silent aerobatics are accompanied by a classical music soundtrack and wingtip smoke. His act is a crowd-pleasing change of pace from the noisy performances of powered aircraft. Manfred is well-known for his unique sailplane inverted ribbon cut.

See www.radiusairshows.com free flight 3/2016

2016 Soaring Association of Canada
Air Cadet League 75th Anniversary Celebration

SAC was recognized by Sean Murphy for SAC's Sponsorship activities on behalf of the cadets.

Jim McCollum Award for innovation

First presented for the 2018 year.

This new award was created in 2017 as a

means to recognize those soaring

club members who further the sport of soaring

in their club or SAC through imaginative

fundraising, organizational restructuring,

or creative financing –

through the sort of behind the scenes

organizational and administrative contributions

that otherwise go unremarked amongst the glories

bestowed on the 'hot pilots'.

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| 2018 | Tanis Scott | Winnipeg Gliding Club |
| 2019 | Alex Ackerman | Canadian Rockies Soaring |
| 2020 | Patrick McMahon | Cu Nim Gliding Club |
| 2021 | Glen Buhr | Winnipeg Gliding Club |
| 2022 | Award not given | |
| 2023 | Social Media Team | Great Lakes Gliding Club
Nataly Danylyuk, Tomek Kniat, Miguel Londono,
Natasha Londono, Harry Wentland |

2018 **Tanis Scott** Winnipeg Gliding Club

Tanis joined the Winnipeg Gliding Club in 2010 as a new student and continued with her flight training until licence stage in 2012. Within a few years of licensing, Tanis had taken on the role of Social Coordinator with a view to making monthly social gatherings more interactive and fun. She developed an "Olympic" style sporting event for after dinner fun which has run for the last four years. She has offered her house as a gathering point for the pre-season Wine and Cheese event and has gotten her husband Cam actively engaged in all club social activities.

A few years ago Tanis saw a need for some new ideas and fresh blood on the Board of Directors and was nominated and elected as one of the four Directors bringing renewed enthusiasm and challenged the old ways of doing business. To that end she engaged a few other club members and recently produced a 40-page 5-year business plan that looked at all aspects of club operation. Tanis has also taken a hard look at the club's internet based presence and has worked with the web steward to refresh and update some aspects of the web page. The result is a more user friendly and nice looking web page with still some work to continue on.

Recently Tanis injected new momentum into the promotion of the sport, arranging, along with a few other members, various promotional events (airshows, fly-ins, outdoor sports show conventions, etc). The club has gained new students, seen an increase in members of the public coming out for Discovery Flights and a different attitude (for the better) amongst all club members. She also re-jigged the Discovery Flights offered, the club adding several upgrade options that give the public more opportunity for different flight experiences.

Tanis has become an integral member of her gliding club. She has a very positive "can-do" attitude, and has engaged many members with her enthusiasm.

2019 **Alex Ackerman** Canadian Rockies Soaring

Alex creatively used social media to help raise financial donations that will be used to help fund future scholarship students. He set up a Facebook page that invites former students to share their soaring memories and photos on the site. Alex hopes that this will encourage potential students to take the initial step towards acquiring a soaring license.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/578257179667106/>

The site also encourages and suggests a donation be made to CRSC to financially assist in training more students. Donations are made to Youth Fight Canada and the funds are then forwarded to CRSC.

2020 **Patrick McMahon** Cu Nim Gliding Club

Patrick McMahon was recognized for his contributions to the Cu Nim Gliding Club. Patrick has always been quite involved in his club and SAC but last year was exceptional. Cu Nim had a tough go last year but Patrick's enthusiasm and ingenuity really helped turn the club around.

With the uncertainty of COVID-19 restrictions looming over the beginning of our season and slow membership take-up, Patrick managed to secure funds for a new ASK21, avoiding a cash struggle. His promotion of Cu Nim's Introduction to Gliding seminars to introduce gliding to the public, leading those most interested to the traditional ground school necessary for licence, and creation of the Objective Orientated Training program created many new members which increased Cu Nim's revenue flow as well as being a great vibe at the club. His tireless work on relieving the club's property tax burden late in the season allowed the club to proceed with the purchase of an LS-4.

There is a long list of additional accomplishments on the application. Since it is impossible to cover here all the things Patrick does at Cu Nim, this partial list focuses on aspects of the Jim McCollum Award:

- Through 2020, Patrick worked collaboratively with other members of Cu Nim and secured grants equivalent to ~13% of revenue, over half of which should be sustainable for years to come.
- Revamped the Cu Nim brand, maintaining a strong presence on social media and through 2020 leveraged the SAC marketing support to invest in promotional collateral to showcase the club for years to come while traditional marketing strategies were not logical due to the pandemic.
- Worked to establish relative member based benchmarks to gauge fiscal performance and to evaluate the club fleet to provide guiding frameworks to ease the challenges of managing the club.
- Managed public facing messaging for Cu Nim including the widely celebrated *Turnpoints* newsletter, Cu Nim's Instagram account, Facebook page and Linked-In profile.
- Implemented the *Slack* collaboration platform at Cu Nim which has reduced the volume of club emails, increased the level of engagement by members and supported greater distribution of workload among members.
- SAC Media & Web Editor – updating *sac.ca* and developing the Canadian soaring audience across Canada.
- Co-founder of the *Proving Grounds* XC soaring development framework now approaching 25 installations in Canada, the US and the Netherlands.
- Was an advocate for the Cowley flying camps and the unique camaraderie they support.

2021 Glen Buhr Winnipeg Gliding Club

Glen Buhr is recognized for his contributions to the Winnipeg Gliding Club. Glen has been a WGC member for over 50 years. He has maintained the WGC finances for likely half or more of his years in the club, due in part to his being a Chartered Accountant.

His attention to detail on the money side of the club has kept the club in sound financial shape. In 2018 the desire to invest heavily in new trainers had Glen devote a fair bit of time to arranging for the loans and forecasting future financial needs. He tracks every penny in the club, he was once witnessed spending over an hour looking for a couple of missing pennies in his spread sheet (he found them and then went on to enjoy his flying day).

Glen has been president of the WGC, and until a few years ago was an active instructor. He regularly flies his Apis motorglider and often will be the last to land. Frequently he can be found mentoring some of the newer and more junior members and, with his five decades of involvement in the club, also holds a fair amount of history in his memory bank.

He was heavily involved in past aircraft acquisitions by the club, from gliders to towplanes, and when the WGC stepped up to host the Canadian National Soaring Contest in the 80's and 90's, Glen was front and center offering whatever he could to ensure a successful contest.

2022 Award not given

2023 Social Media Team Great Lakes Gliding Club

The Team of
**Nataly Danylyuk, Tomek Kniat, Miguel Londono,
Natasha Londono, Harry Wentland –**

known collectively as the Great Lakes Gliding Club Social Media Team.

Starting in 2022 and continuing, a substantial effort was initiated by that team to increase the visibility of their gliding club to the public to increase potential memberships and guest flights.

Though GLGC had a Facebook and an Instagram page (the GLGC Facebook page was created in October 2011), not much attention had been given to them until this group decided to change that. Thanks to their efforts on *Facebook*, *Instagram* and *Twitter*, guest flights increased substantially from 2022 onwards. In 2023, the club had to assign many members to respond to calls from the public due to the overflow of inquiries. Their efforts contributed greatly to the number of guest flights as seen in 2022 and 2023, and the club looks forward to the growing attention the club will receive in the future.



Roden Trophy

Club soaring skills development

First presented for 1947

The Berkeley Roden Rose Bowl was donated to the Soaring Association of Canada in 1947 by Mr. Berkeley Roden, of A.V. Roe (Canada) Ltd, Montreal. It is a gleaming silver rose bowl standing ten inches high on an ebony base.

Originally, this trophy was awarded annually to the club which has demonstrated during the year the best utilization of its gliding equipment.

1998 Encourage clubs to develop and recognize the achievements of their pilots through the FAI awards system – A, B, C, Silver C, Gold and Diamond badges, records, achieved within a club over the year, relative to the club's size. Formula $R = 100 (X + 2Y + 3Z) / M$

2007 All badge *legs* will now be used in the formula since counting completed badges doesn't adequately reflect an ongoing club effort to recognize and encourage all post-solo achievement. Bronze badges will be valued at 3X to reflect their major importance to clubs as the "kick-start" step in continued growth in post-solo pilot skills and working towards other badges.

$$R = 100 (X + 2Y_1 + 2Y_2 + 3Z_1 + 3Z_2) / M$$

- X – A, B C badges
- Z1 – Bronze badge
- Y1 – Silver badge legs
- Z2 – Gold & Diamond badge legs
- Y2 – National records
- M – Number of regular flying members

Roden point score (form on SAC website)

- 1947 Toronto Gliding Club
- 1948 Queen's University Gliding Club, Kingston
- 1949 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1950 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1951 Vol à Voile Buckingham Gliding Club
- 1952 Toronto Gliding Club
- 1953 Toronto Gliding Club
- 1954 Waterloo-Wellington Soaring Council of 1954
- 1955 Toronto Gliding Club
- 1956 Southern Ontario Soaring Association
- 1957 Southern Ontario Soaring Association
- 1958 Edmonton Soaring Club
- 1959 Edmonton Soaring Club
- 1960 Aero Club Harmony, Toronto
- 1961 Saskatoon Soaring Club
- 1962 Aero Club Harmony
- 1963 Southern Ontario Soaring Association
- 1964 Aero Club of BC, Vancouver
- 1965 Van Isle Gliding Association, Victoria
- 1966 Vol à Voile Buckingham Gliding Club
- 1967 Red Deer Soaring Association
- 1968 Winnipeg Gliding Club
- 1969 Buckingham Gliding Club
- 1970 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1971 Lahr Gliding Club, West Germany
- 1972 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1973 SOSA
- 1974 York Soaring Association
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- 1978 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1979 York Soaring Association
- 1980 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1981 Southern Ontario Soaring Association
- 1982 Bluenose Soaring Club, Halifax
- 1983 Bluenose Soaring Club
- 1984 Montreal Soaring Council
- 1985 Vancouver Soaring Association
- 1986 Cu Nim Gliding Club, Calgary
- 1987 York Soaring Association
- 1988 York Soaring Association
- 1989 Cold Lake Soaring Club
- 1990 Bluenose Soaring Club

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

1991	Guelph Gliding Club	2012	Winnipeg Gliding Club 63.16 points, 38 members badges: 12 A, B or C badge legs: 3 Silver – 2 Gold/Diamond A number of additional badge legs were flown but not recorded in time. The club focus on badge flying is commendable.
1992	Aero Club des Outardes, Montreal	2013	Trophy not awarded
1993	Club de Vol à Voile de Québec	2014	Trophy not awarded
1994	Aero Club des Outardes		
1995	Aero Club des Outardes		
1996	Vancouver Soaring Association		
1997	Club de Vol à Voile de Québec		
1998	Prince Albert Gliding & Soaring Club		
1999	Vancouver Soaring Association		
2000	Vancouver Soaring Association		
2001	Prince Albert Gliding & Soaring Club		
2002	Great Lakes Gliding Club 22 A&B, 5 Bronze, 6 C, 1 Silver	2015	Edmonton Soaring Club 103 points, 51 members badges: 24 A, B, or C – 1 Bronze badge legs: 7 Silver records: 6 national records ESC has put great effort into training and encouraging students of all ages. Their youth camps and focus on cross-country flying has resulted in the club of 51 members achieving a Roden score of 103. Congratulations to all.
2003	Regina Gliding & Soaring Club 16 members: 1 C, 1 Silver, 5 Gold/Diamond legs	2016	Saskatoon Soaring Club 93.3 points, 15 members badges: 6 A, B, or C – 2 Bronze badge legs: 1 Silver
2004	Canadian Rockies Soaring Club 2 C, 1 Silver, 6 Gold/Diamond legs	2017	Saskatoon Soaring Club 228 points, 14 members badges: 11 A, B, or C – 1 Bronze badge legs: 2 Silver, 4 Gold or Diamond Saskatoon has done it again by generating a Roden score of 228. That's over 200% more than their 2016 winning score. In addition, half of them qualified for the Canada 150 award pin. Congratulations on trying hard and achieving great results.
2005	Prince Albert Gliding & Soaring Club 77.8 points, 9 members 4 A and B badges, 1 Bronze badge 1 Silver badge, 1 Silver badge leg	2018	Saskatoon Soaring Club 121 points, 14 members badges: 3 A, B, or C badge legs: 7 Silver Saskatoon has been securing the Roden Trophy for the third year in a row by actively promoting formal recognition of soaring skills development amongst their members. Congratulations to Saskatoon for trying hard and achieving great results. Now, surely some other Canadian club will take on the challenge of unseating the champions in 2019!
2006	Air Currency Enhancement Society 54.5 points, 11 members: 2 Diamond legs	2019	Saskatoon Soaring Club 75 points, 12 members badges: 9 A, B, or C
2007	Central Alberta Gliding Club 282.35 points, 17 members badges: 1 A – 5 C – 8 bronze badge legs: 6 Silver – 2 Gold/Diamond		
2008	Central Alberta Gliding Club 75.0 points, 28 members badges: 1 Gold – 2 A – 1 B – 3 C badge legs: 1 Diamond – 6 Silver		
2009	Central Alberta Gliding Club 100 points, 20 members badges: 1 A – 1 B – 2 C badge legs: 1 Silver – 4 Gold/Diamond In particular, Carol Mulder has taken on the task at CAGC of encouraging their pilots to plan tasks and to follow up by submitting the information to Walter Weir to receive recognition for their flights.		
2010	Trophy not awarded		
2011	Trophy not awarded		

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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| 2020 | <p>Cu Nim Gliding Club
95 points
badges: 4 Bronze
badge legs: 6 Silver 5 Gold or Diamond
Navigating COVID-19 constraints.</p> |
| 2021 | <p>Cu Nim Gliding Club
97 points
badges: 19 A, B or C
2 Bronze badges
badge legs: 8 Silver, 8 Gold or Diamond</p> <p>This is a repeat win for Cu Nim, emphasizing the quality of their programs that support and encourage their members to achieve their goals in the FAI badge program.</p> |
| 2022 | <p>Winnipeg Gliding Club
45.45 points, 33 members
badges: 4 A, B or C
badge legs: 5 Silver, Gold and Diamond</p> |
| 2023 | <p>Cu Nim Gliding Club
46.77 points, 62 members
badges: 10 A, B or C
badge legs: 7 Silver, Gold and Diamond</p> |

SAC Awards

since 1951

Awards and Certificates for

Achievement

Appreciation

Best Author Certificate

best *free flight* article by a Canadian writer

Honour

Merit

Special Certificate

A collection of various presentations to volunteers who have given their time and effort to make the association work. These awards are usually presented at the banquet of the Annual General Meeting.

According to *free flight*, 1951 seems to be the first year of reported recognition of volunteers since the association's inception in 1945.

These awards are not limited to the names listed here. Any additions are welcome to keep the records straight.

Special Recognition Award

First presented in 1982

The award is presented to an individual who has contributed to the growth and development of soaring over a period of several years.

1951 Professor Thomas Loudon *Certificate of Honour*
In grateful recognition of his invaluable sponsorship of the Loudon sailplane at the University of Toronto.

Waclaw Czerwinski *Certificate of Honour*
for his great contributions to Canadian sailplane design as evidenced by the Wren, Robin, Sparrow, Loudon and Harbinger.

1956 Pete Stickland *Certificate of Merit*
for spending several sleepless nights in the preparation of *free flight*.

1980 Mrs. John Agnew *Certificate of Merit*
posthumus for John Agnew
Tony Burton *Certificate of Merit*
SAC badge chairman
Brother Hormisdas Gamelin *Certificate of Merit*
Buckingham Gliding Club

1982 Terry Tucker *Special Recognition Award*
Silver Tray presented by Russ Flint, president

Most of us know Terry as "the" SAC office for the last 15 years. She was the first employee of SAC, supposedly part-time, but available 24 hours. With the development and growth of the organization, Terry was soon needed full time and 24 hours "officially". Terry was always there for us, and an adviser to the directors and chairmen. She knew just about everything that was not written down from the early SAC days, and was a real mother to us. Many of us regret her resignation last year.

When the president presented her with the silver tray, she got a long lasting ovation; it was a simple treat to her from us, the best we could do on the spur of the moment. Thank you, Terry. *free flight* 3/82

1982 Terry Beasley *Special Recognition Award*
Silver Tray, presented by Karl Doetsch, past president

Terry had been SAC director for 20 years, served four terms as president and was greatly involved in technical dealings with Transport Canada, the Sporting Committee, and the Technical committee. He is a flight test engineer at Canadair, and is presently stationed in Yuma, Arizona. *free flight* 3/82

1982 Al Schreiter *Special Recognition Award*
Silver Tray, presented by Jim Carpenter,
world contest team pilot

Jim offered gratitude to Al for his job as World Contest Team Manager. "What would you say if you had to work extremely hard across continents six months ahead of your summer holiday, looking for car reservations, accommodation, be tour guide, run after sailplanes for the pilots. Learning languages, and when all is over you normally get only little thanks for the efforts. Such is the job of the World Contest Team Manager." *free flight* 3/82

1982 Jim Henry *Certificate of Honour*

In 1973 Jim accepted the appointment to chairmanship of the Technical committee, which he passed on to George Adams this year. His tenure turned out to be an unusually busy time. In and about 1977, Transport Canada challenged the competence of SAC to continue to process and recommend the granting of Type Approvals for new sailplanes. They were becoming more sophisticated, using new materials and able to traverse longer distances at ever increasing speeds. Transport Canada was worried about granting these aircraft Type Approvals on the basis of SAC recommendations. Jim's diplomacy and unruffled demeanour prevailed throughout countless delays and vacillations until common sense and mutual respect resulted in the present improved procedure.

1982 Maurice Laviolette *Certificate of Honour*

Notre ami Maurice a eu le plaisir de recevoir un Certificat d'Honneur de l'ACVV, pour sa contribution à révolution de notre sport et sa participation active au sein du CVVQ. Il s'est joint au CVVQ au printemps de 1966, club au sein duquel il s'est attiré le respect de tous les membres, en tant que président pendant deux ans et aussi à titre d'ingénieur.

Autour des années 1970, quelques membres du club s'étaient rendus à Sugarbush, Vermont pour y effectuer des vols d'onde. Il n'en fallait pas plus à Maurice et quelques autres, pour essayer de trouver un endroit propice à l'onde, mais situé plus pros de Québec. Après quelques voyages dans la région du Mont Ste-Anne et de Charlevoix, et attiré par les lenticulaires qui survolaient Baie St-Paul, quelques tentatives y furent effectuées. Ces tentatives s'étant révélées prometteuses, Maurice entreprit les démarches auprès du Ministère des Transports afin d'obtenir un bloc d'espace aérien, ou les gains d'altitude seraient possible tout en respectant les règlements de l'air. Ce ne fut pas sans difficultés, mais un bloc d'espace aérien fut réservé aux vélivoles, et l'exploration de la région devint plus systématique. Finalement le 13 septembre 1981 tous les travaux, essais et démarches furent couronnés de succès – il s'est monté au-dessus de 20,000 pieds résultant en diamant.

1982 Dave Belchamber *Certificate of Honour*

Dave had taken over a job two years ago unaware of an upcoming explosion of badge claims. Processing of claims quickly doubled, every issue of *free flight* since 1981 has published an ever-lengthening list of badge legs and completed badges from C to Diamond badges, complete with type of sailplane and location of flight.

1983 Karl Doetsch *Special Recognition Award presented by Russ Flint, president*

Karl took over the reins in 1979 – an association of 45 clubs and about 1900 members, and a workload grown out of control for efficient volunteer leadership. Also, SAC lost non-resident status with Sports Canada because we had failed to

meet new criteria to qualify for continued federal support. Steps to overcome these problems were to hire an Executive Director who was to re-open doors and regain federal funding. Non-resident status including benefits and additional funding towards international competition was secured again; expanded provincial associations, greater club activities nationwide and extensive committee work through long-term planning. All these efforts ran parallel to his job as project manager for the *Canadarm* which demanded much time and travel and sacrifices by his family.

Karl's tireless contributions remain invaluable to the Board and to us. He gave us leadership and guided us into a new era of growth – for the love of soaring. We are most grateful.
free flight 3/83

1983 Al Schreiter *Certificate of Honour* for his work as 1982 Nationals Contest Director.

Colin Tootill *Certificate of Honour*
for dedicated service on the 1982 Nationals Committee.

Walter Piercy *Certificate of Honour*
for writing the SAC Procedures Manual and keeping it updated.

Ian Oldaker *Certificate of Honour*
for his service on the Instructors Committee, especially in dealing with Transport Canada on instructor certificate and classification.

Ursula Burton (Wiese) *Certificate of Honour*
for a job well done editing *free flight* and for completing the Soaring Site Directory.

David Marsden *Certificate of Honour*
for his contributions as Chairman of the Sporting Committee.

1984 Brian Milner, Kawartha *Certificate of Honour* for his excellent 1000 km flight in the USA.

Hal Werneburg, Cu Nim *Certificate of Honour*
for his high standing in the Internationals at Hobbs.

1985 Gil Parcell *Certificate of Honour* in recognition of his superb portrayal of the comic side of our sport. Gil made a presentation in turn – a colour caricature of one of us “birds” fully outfitted and ready for tow – complete with skateboard.

1995 Philip Backman, Bluenose Soaring *Best Author Certificate* for “Northumberland Crossing”

1996 Christine Firth *Best Author Certificate for “Cracking Up”*

1996 Ursula Wiese, Cu Nim Gliding Club
SAC Award of Appreciation
 By the SAC Board of Directors "in recognition for many years of research and documenting the history of Canadian soaring achievements", for her ongoing *Book of the Best* (SAC soaring badge, records, and trophy flight documentation) and her Cowley wave flight history book, *Stalking the Mountain Wave*.

1997 Gerald Ince, Cu Nim Gliding Club
Best Author Certificate for "*A Rookie at the Nats*".

1998 Nick Pfeiffer, VSA *Best Author Certificate*
 for "*West Coast Cross-Country*".

1999 Jörg Stieber, SOSA
Best Author Certificate – for "*Collision Avoidance*".

This article resulted in more requests for reprinting in other gliding magazines and newsletters than any other story that has ever appeared in *free flight*.

2000 the "Bald Eagle" *Best Author Certificate*
 for a series of humorous and thoughtful stories on the pitfalls and pleasures of beginning cross-country and contest flying.

2001 Barrie Jeffery, Gatineau Gliding Club
Best Author Certificate
 for his two part series on the history of the Grunau Baby in Canada. One of the original members of SAC and the first 'Gold' pilot in Canada, he passed away in the summer and will certainly be missed.

2002 Vaughan Allan *Certificate of Achievement*
 for his pioneering work in utilizing mountain wave for distance flights. Building on the achievements through the years of other wave explorers such as Dick Mamini and Mike Glatiotis, Vaughan achieved some remarkable distance flights in 2002. Furthermore, his detailed mapping and analyses of his wave flights will encourage others to test the limits of wave flying in western Canada.

2007 Ian Oldaker *Special Recognition Award*
Plaque presented by Dan Cook, Safety Officer

If you Google "Ian Oldaker" you will get about 350 hits. I also did a search preparing for an article using the *free flight* search index and had about 130 hits. All this is to say that Ian has made a significant contribution to soaring over many years as an instructor within SAC and as a member of the Flight Training & Safety committee.

His list of accomplishments includes the development of the current instructor manuals and SOAR training manual and the SAC Safety Management System documentation. In addition, he prepared hundreds of articles on safety and training, which have been printed in *free flight*, the Transport Canada *Safety*

Bulletin, and the OSTIV Congress. He has participated in the OSTIV Training and Safety Panel in Europe and has been the chairman of that committee since 2004.

Ian has received numerous gliding safety awards including the Canadian Airline Pilots Association (CALPA) award in 1993 and the Canadian Aviation Safety Award from then Transport Minister David Collette in 2000. This award was for exceptional contribution to aviation safety in Canada. The Transport Canada citation reads:

"As a pilot with over three decades of experience as an instructor, he has been a mentor to many up-and-coming Canadian pilots and continues to encourage the development of partnerships within the glider aviation community. Over the years Mr. Oldaker has been a strong and active voice in the promotion of aviation safety, and has volunteered countless hours to SAC as the chair of the Flight Training and Safety Committee. His leadership has greatly contributed to the continuous improvement of aviation safety. He continues to motivate others within the community to promote a strong organizational safety culture to extend safety beyond the pilot."

Ian is retiring from the FT&SC after 30 years as chairman. However, he will remain as a resource person to the committee when needed. He intends to assist with the production of manuals and act as an instructor course conductor when available.

A simple "thank you" does not serve justice to the work and dedication he has put in. We wish the best for him on his future projects and are unanimously grateful for his contribution.

2012 Walter Mueller, Grande Prairie Soaring Society
SAC Award of Appreciation

The award recognizes his contribution to soaring in Canada. Walter writes: "*Now I am trying to figure out what contribution I did to soaring in Canada – I never won a contest, I didn't even complete my Diamond badge, but I did show what a positive attitude and enthusiasm to our sport can accomplish even at an age where others prefer a rocking chair; my rocking chair was the sling seat of my Cirrus, which I occupied for over 500 hours beginning at the age of eighty.*"

I think what the Board of Directors was looking at was not so much my flying statistics but rather the human side of this sport, where I showed by example, enthusiasm, positive attitude, and perseverance to stay with gliding even when it looked hopeless for me (as it was sometimes with our club), and just simply be "a good sport" and help out wherever help was needed and my talent as a gadget maker was useful. And I know of at least one case where my love for this sport with the flight on my 90th birthday was the catalyst to get a former Air Cadet glider pilot back into the air. I hope it also showed that age is no limit to go and do badge flights, and the many flights in the back seat of the Blanik were a selfless contribution to soaring.

I'm honoured and humbly accept this award knowing that our Soaring Association felt I deserved it. Thank you.

2016 John Toles, Saskatoon Soaring
Special Recognition Award

SAC honoured John with a plaque commemorating 40 plus years of support to the Saskatoon Soaring Club and to the soaring community at large.

2019 Phil Stade, Cu Nim Gliding Club
Special Recognition Award

The Association extends this highest level of recognition to Phil Stade, acknowledging and appreciating his many years of contribution to soaring in Canada at the national, provincial, and club levels. Phil served as SAC Alberta Zone Director from 2002 to 2005 and was the SAC President from 2003 to 2005. During his four years as a board member (incl. three years serving as president), he helped move SAC to the current open operating structure we have. He also contributed to SAC as the Trophies Chairman from 2003 to 2016.

Phil is thanked for his leadership in developing the sport of soaring and service to the Alberta Soaring Council, acting as the Executive Director of the council for many years. That position included development of provincial programs, securing funding from the provincial government, and delivering value to pilots. Most prominent of the latter was Phil's work as Camp Director for the Summer and Fall Cowley camps, requiring a tremendous amount of organization and "running around".

Perhaps most notable is Phil's mentoring of literally a generation of soaring pilots with his genuine enthusiasm for flying, particularly flying the wave at Cowley. Countless times one rolls over in bed at Cowley to the sound of the towplane at 6 am, thinking "Yup, there goes Flying Phil", almost always with some less experienced pilot in the front seat, off to show yet another wide-eyed neophyte the awesome scenery around the Livingston Range from the silky smooth wave 'elevator'.

Just a few words about Phil at Cu Nim by Kerry Stevenson, the president of Cu Nim: He has been absolutely everything to the Cu Nim Gliding Club – pilot, instructor, mentor, and friend to all who flew with him. Phil has an infectious enthusiasm and true love for our sport. He has shared this with literally thousands of others through intro flights and instructing. Phil helps everyone do their job better, and his selfless commitment to our club led to many interesting projects he lead us into. Phil knows our club – every bolt, every aircraft, and piece of equipment! Always calm under pressure, and crazy enthusiastic for soaring, he has been wind beneath our wings at our club!

2019 Virginia Thompson, SOSA
Award of Appreciation

SAC notes with particular appreciation Virginia Thompson for her efforts 'beyond the norm' as Contest Manager for the 3rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships. At that event, teams from Canada, Argentina and the United States, a total of 40 pilots, competed in three classes.

Quoting Jörg Stieber, Chairman of the SAC Sporting Committee, "We had the best person to pull this together. She did an

absolutely awesome job. Being well known among US pilots allowed Virginia to very successfully promote the contest in the USA ... she was also instrumental in helping the Argentinian team ... Virginia is also a very effective fundraiser. She raised many thousands of dollars and non-monetary sponsorships."

Interviewed by the FAI, Virginia shared the credit, saying "Perhaps the most critical element of the contest is the need for a large group of dedicated, like-minded volunteers who are willing to give of their time." SAC seconds that thought. SAC does include in its appreciation the many members of that contest team while considering it appropriate to single out the leader of that team, Virginia Thompson, for this individual Award of Appreciation.

2020 Trevor Florence, Canadian Rockies SC
Award of Appreciation

It is difficult to put into words what Trevor did on 10 July 2020. It is impossible to fit his actions that day into a neat box within the basket of awards that SAC has presented over the years, but this one will do!

For the full details, please read the article prepared by Charlie Pastuszka for *free flight 2020* in issue 2. In short, a medical event caused a fellow glider pilot to wind up in a life-threatening situation, in response to which immediate and effective action was necessary. That pilot was fortunate to have Trevor present, alert, and prepared to act. Behind those details lies the wisdom and strength of character Trevor has fostered within himself over many years of taking responsibility for a soaring operation in terrain that while rewarding is also challenging. Trevor expects of himself complete awareness of all aspects of the soaring operation at Invermere, on the ground and in the air, particularly anything that touches on safety. That awareness was critical in this instance, positioning Trevor to notice something out of the ordinary and to marshal the response.

SAC chooses, through this Award, to recognize both that long-standing commitment to safety, and its specific application on 10 July 2020.

2022 John Toles, Saskatoon Soaring Club
Special Recognition Award

The Soaring Association of Canada has been truly fortunate to have John Toles as an active contributor over a period of many years. As John now steps away from his last committee membership, as a member of the Flight Training and Safety Committee (FTSC), it is more than appropriate to mark his long and varied service to SAC with presentation of the SAC Special Recognition Award.

John was a SAC Director from 2003 through 2010. His 'career' on the Board followed an arc starting as Prairie Zone Director in 2003, accepting the Officer role of Vice-President for two years 2004 and 2005, serving as SAC President for the four year period 2006 through 2009, and one last year as Zone Director in 2010. Back in harness in 2012, agreeing to join the FTSC, John then contributed a further 11 years at the national level.

In parallel, John was active at both the provincial and club levels. He held Officer positions, just about all of them at one time or another, with his home Saskatoon Soaring Club during the period 2010 through 2021. He was the SAC Instructor of the Year in 2008. He has been an active author of articles in Free Flight. In sum, a worthy recipient of SAC's highest level of recognition.

2022 Walter Weir *Special Recognition Award*

Walter was the Badges Guy for as long as many of us can remember. From 1992 through 2022, a period of 31 years, to be precise.

For entire generations of Canadian glider pilots aspiring to the next level of achievement in their sport, Walter was the man to whom they entrusted their hopes (and fears). Fears, because, of course, the ways in which it is possible to mess up a badge claim are legion. Walter upheld the intent and the integrity of the FAI badges process, which alone was a contribution of considerable importance. But, equally important, he did so with unfailing generosity of approach, communicating respect and support for every applicant. Even the applications that failed were experienced as constructive and educational.

Walter's achievement of that difficult balancing act in itself warrants this SAC Special Recognition Award. In parallel, he coached all those generations of Official Observers and modelled to them the expected behaviour.

Walter also served on the Sporting Committee from 2000 through 2021. In 2002, his contributions were recognized with the award of the Paul Tissandier Diploma, presented by the FAI "to those who have served the cause of aviation in general and sporting aviation in particular, by their work, initiative, devotion." Walter was also active at the club level.

Underpinning his work as Badge person was a deep familiarity with soaring tasks and soaring achievement accumulated through an impressive career in contest flying. Amongst other successes, Walter earned a Canadian National champion title in 2002, and won the US Seniors Contest multiple times. Thank you, Walter!

Significant Flight Certificate

Since 1983

This certificate is awarded to a SAC pilot who made a particularly significant flight in the previous year.

“Significant” is defined loosely, and generally a flight is deemed worthy by virtue of the unusual nature of the time of year, weather, type of glider, terrain traversed, location, course line, pilot characteristics, or some combination thereof. The speed or distance of the flight is not the primary consideration.

The purpose of the certificate is to reward “great” flights which – although not necessarily fulfilling the requirements of any other SAC trophy or FAI badge or record – are nevertheless clearly deserving of recognition.

The long term goal is to encourage excellence in the sport, and cross-country and badge soaring in general.

1983 **Bob Pearson & Maurice Quintel MSC**

Air Canada Captain Bob Pearson and First Officer Maurice Quintel for their outstanding performance in controlling the world’s largest glider, a Boeing 767, on a flight from 27,000 feet and a distance of 60 miles to an emergency landing at Gimli Airport.

Alex Fulton Gatineau Gliding Club

who at the age of 72 years, completed the gold distance flight, thus being the oldest Canadian pilot to ever achieve a Gold badge.

1984 **Mike Apps & Dave Marsden ESC**

for their joint flight of 1121 km from Chipman, AB to Starbuck, MB (official record 1093 km).

Kevin Bennett Cu Nim Gliding Club

for a 532 km flight at 122 km/h, exceeding the record of 102 km/h but not claimed as no barograph was carried.

Kerry Bissell Edmonton Soaring club

for a 508 km flight which would have completed his Diamond but for a barograph failure.

Hans Berg Windsor Gliding Club

for the first 500 km flight from the Windsor, ON area.

Walter Mueller Grande Prairie Soaring Society

for a 254 km attempt on a 350 km goal flight in a Ka6, over particularly forbidding territory in northern Alberta.

1985 **Joe Gegenbauer Vancouver Soaring Association**

for his flight across the Continental Divide from west to east, from Invermere, BC to Banff, AB.

1986 Certificate not awarded

1987 **Dick Mamini Cu Nim Gliding Club**

for an attempted out & return flight of over 750 km. Conditions were not up to expectations, and he was forced to land near Chipman, Alberta, the Edmonton club, which is over 400 km from the starting point at Cowley. After spending two nights there, he got a tow and returned to a point just south of Calgary. Total distance – over 700 km; time – four days.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

1988 Andrew Jackson Regina Gliding & Soaring
for a 640 km flight from Claresholm, AB to Regina, SK. This is the longest flight made by a Saskatchewan pilot.

Chris Apps Edmonton Soaring Club
who climbed to 26,000 feet in an ASW-15 in the Cowley wave. Unfortunately his barograph failed at 22,200 feet so he missed his Diamond, but it is a creditable feat for a 16 year old.

1989 Mike Apps Edmonton Soaring Club
for a 703 km flight from Chipman, AB to Black Diamond and return. Except for a technical problem with his turnpoint photo, this flight would have been a Canadian O&R record.

Joe Gegenbauer Vancouver Soaring Association
who soared 733 km in 8.5 hours in the Rocky Mountain Trench from Invermere, BC to Donald River to the US border and back to Brisco.

1990 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club
6 June 1990 RS15 • C-GPUB – established a 400 km speed to goal, Open class record of 81.5 km/h on the Claresholm, AB to Swift Current, SK leg of his 716 km flight to Indian Head, SK while enroute to the Nationals scheduled for Winnipeg, MB.

Walter Weir Central Ontario SA
27 April 1990 ASW 20b • C-GGWW set a 400 km triangle speed, Open citizens, record of 111.8 km/h fling from Bedford, PA to Keating VOR to Williamsport return, in the USA.

1991 Walter Weir Central Ontario SA
24 June 1991 ASW-20b Set a new 500 km triangle speed record of 105.7 km/h with a flight from Pendleton, ON and turnpoints at Gananoque and Round Lake Centre.

Nick Bonnière Gatineau Gliding Club
Walter Weir Central Ontario SA
Ulli Werneburg Gatineau Gliding Club
23 June 1991, 504.5 km triangle from Pendleton, ON with turnpoints at Mallorytown and Bonnechere airports. Speed about 106 km/h.

1992 Ulli Werneburg Gatineau Gliding Club
24 June 1991 ASW-20b Flew a 340 km triangle at 123.3 km/h from Pendleton, ON with turnpoints at Brockville airport and Shawville. This is one of the fastest speeds flown in Canada for a 300 km triangle task.

Dave Baker Vancouver Soaring Association
1 June 1991 ASW-20CL/16.6 Flew a 771 km polygon from Invermere, BC with turnpoints at Donald Station, Elko, and Nicholson bridge. This is the longest declared flight in the Columbia valley to date.

1992 Sue Eaves London Soaring Society
22 Aug 1992 LS4 – flew a 310 km Diamond goal triangle on a day near season's end when no one else in that area was able to sustain flight.

Walter Weir Central Ontario SA
25 Oct 1992 Flew a 1036 km polygon in 8.36 hours from Keystone Gliderport (Julian, PA) with turnpoints at Smith bridge, Race Track Island and Kettle Dam. If the flight had been "declared" it would have been a world record (free distance) and would have set three Canadian citizen records: O&R distance; 1000 km O&R speed, 500 km speed to goal.

1993 Walter Weir Central Ontario SA
27 April 1993 Flew a goal and return flight of 1032 km in 7:14 hours from Keystone Gliderport, PA to Tazewell, VA and return, setting four Open citizen records – 1000 km O&R speed (142.6 km/h); 500 km speed to goal (138.4 km/h), goal & return distance (1032 km) and free distance (1032 km).

Bernie Palfreeman Montreal Soaring Council
23 April 1993 Flew a goal & return flight of 727 km from Keystone Gliderport, PA in his PIK-20.

1994 Willi Terpin Vancouver Soaring Association
22 July 1994 Flew his Phoebe B to C badge, Silver duration, Silver distance, Gold distance, Diamond goal and Diamond distance, all in one flight from Golden, BC.

Philip Backman Bluenose Soaring Club
28 May 1994 Flew his Open Cirrus from Stanley NS, around Minas Basin and across 22 km of open water of Northumberland Strait to a landing near Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

Karla Hopp Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
9 Oct 1994 Climbed to 26,200 feet in her club's 1-26, achieving Diamond gain and setting four records in Canada Region of the 1-26 Association – feminine absolute altitude and gain of height in the open, senior and feminine categories.

1995 Todd Benko Cold Lake Soaring Club
22 Oct 1995 Climbed to 28,750 feet in his club's 1-26 to earn a Diamond climb, and also surpass the existing 1-26 Association altitude and gain of height records for the Canadian Region by over 2000 feet.

1996 Neil Gegenbauer Vancouver Soaring Assoc.
5 June 1996 18 year old Neil flew his Silver C distance from Golden, BC to Fairmont. He topped later in the season by flying a 300 km in an ASW 20CL and getting his Gold C.

1997– 1998 Certificate not awarded

1999 **Bruce Friesen** **Edmonton Soaring Club**

In his wooden Std Austria S, Bruce made several outstanding flights during 1999. One was a 459 kilometre flight from Chipman gliderport, AB to Newbrook, Elk Point, Smoky Lake, Willingdon and return to Chipman. He also won the provincial trophy for the best five flights of 1999 in Alberta. Bruce's intention was to demonstrate that a pilot can still have fun and compete in a less than state-of-the-art aircraft.

Dale Kramer **SOSA**

Dale, after a lengthy absence from the sport, made a series of outstanding flights in 1999 totalling over 20,000 kilometres. One, flown outside of Canada, was 1000 km and five others earned him both the SAC Canadair and "200" trophies. The year's achievement was particularly memorable because at the beginning of 1999, he had less than 80 hours of pilot-in-command glider time currently logged.

2000 **Dave Stokes** **Cu Nim Gliding Club**

for achieving 26,600 feet asl as a student pilot in a dual flight at Cowley, Alberta

Darwin Roberts **Cu Nim Gliding Club**

for altitude of 5,500 metres gained at Cowley, Alberta.

2001 – 2006 Certificate not awarded.

2007 **Allan Spurgeon** **Canadian Rockies SC**

21 June, Ventus 2cM, C-GNEO OLC points 772.96
Allan Spurgeon's flight began as a declared 1000 km flight with turnpoints at Mica Dam, Elko and Mount Seven. Poor weather conditions in the Golden, BC area resulted in that task being abandoned, but Allan pushed on after a low save at 4276 feet. The result was the longest flight in Canada to be recorded on the OLC.

Distance flown – 1006.3 km
Scoring distance – 1001.36 km
Duration – 10 hours, 39 minutes, 13 seconds
Average speed – 93.99 km/h
Total flight time – 11 hours, 21 minutes, 14 seconds

In addition to this flight, Allan recorded 28 flights on the OLC for a total of 15,090.3 km, resulting in an average of 538.94 km per flight. As well, he successfully completed his 750 km FAI Diploma.

2008 – 2012 Certificate not awarded.

2013 **Pierre Beaulieu** **CVV Québec**

ASW-19 C-GTZZ 16 Sept 2012

On 16 September 2012, Pierre climbed to 21,211 feet during the annual Baie St-Paul Wave Camp held by Club de Vol à Voile de Québec. Flights of this altitude are not common in Eastern Canada so, although the flight occurred in 2012, we still wish to recognize its significance with this award. Congratulations Pierre and all those involved with the wave camps.

2014 – 2020 Certificate not awarded.

2021 **Chester Fitchett** **Cu Nim Gliding Club**

We have all enjoyed watching Chester explore the potential of the standing waves behind the Rocky Mountains for long and fast cross-country flights, and thereby benefit the entire soaring community with both technical and airspace tools we can use to follow his lead.

On 16 October 2021, Chester achieved yet another step-change in performance, to a remarkable 1601 km under OLC six-leg measurement. Outstanding! Launching from Cu Nim, he used the available terrain all the way north to the north side of the Athabasca River Valley near Hinton, and south to the US border. The longest leg was almost 575 km. The average speed for the scored distance was 179 km/h, and the fastest leg was flown at 230 km/h. As Chester points out, those distance and speed numbers dangle the prospect of even more being possible.

In short, we as the Canadian soaring community can now claim, uncontested, ownership of one of the world's premier soaring areas. That is the very definition of a significant flight! Due to an anomaly of the current SAC Trophy rules – the use of OLC time periods – this 16 October flight will be in contention for the BAIC Trophy presentation in March 2022. But it was simply not possible to hold off on recognition until then.

2021 **Luke Szczepaniak** **SOSA**

Luke had an outstanding season during 2021, being in very close contention for both the Canadair and BAIC trophies. One flight from that excellent campaign stands out when viewed under the SAC Significant Flight Certificate lens, which speaks to "factors such as ... terrain traversed, location, course line ... or some combination thereof."

On 1 June, Luke flew the highest scoring flight within Ontario in the history of the OLC, perhaps second only to the legendary 750 km record FAI triangle flight in 1977 by John Firth.

The merits of this flight include the use of much of the available terrain, inclusion of a large triangle of over 600 km within the flight track, and the OLC total flight distance of 860 km.

2022 **Bryan Swansburg** **Alberni Valley Soaring**

May 21 and 22 Bryan departed his home field at Smithers, BC, on 21 May. Afternoon of 22 May, the folks assembled at Chipman Glider Field in anticipation of the Canadian National Contest were puzzled to see on the runway a glider that had not been launched from Chipman that day. Not long after, Teresa DeGroot pulled in, having that day towed the trailer for Bryan's Ventus 2cM from Valemount, BC. And the story was told.

No, not one significant flight but two, back to back. May 21, Bryan had flown 712 km from the Bulkley Valley to Valemount, BC. The next morning, self-launching from Valemount, he set out the further 663 km to Chipman. Count the mountain ranges, if you will. Bryan has earned a reputation for soaring the mountains from his base in Smithers. He knows the terrain and the challenges. With these two flights, on successive days, he certainly “put it all together”.

2022 Adam Zieba SOSA Gliding Club

14 July Adam is no stranger to the world of exceptional soaring performance, his name being prominent in the table of current Canadian soaring records and on the trophies pages of the Book of the Best. What makes his 14 July flight stand out is the choice of glider. Adam flew an SZD-51 Junior to 928 OLC points, covering 642 km at an average speed of almost 83 km/hour. This performance was bettered only by our two recipients of the BAIC Trophy, Chester and Jerzy.

The Junior is a glider of most modest performance, carrying a handicap of 90. It is wonderful to see a pilot demonstrate what can be done with a club glider; to see confirmation that serious cross-country achievement is not reserved to those with access to the “latest and greatest.” Well done, Adam.

2023 Certificate not awarded



Paul Tissandier

Diploma

This Diploma, created by the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) in 1952, is named after Paul Tissandier, Secretary General of FAI from 1919 to 1945.

It is awarded to those who have served the cause of aviation in general, and Sporting Aviation in particular, by their work, initiative, devotion or in other ways (non-flying contributions).

Each active member of the FAI [Aero Club of Canada in our case] has the right to submit each year to the FAI for the award of diplomas the names of one, two or three candidates, depending on the class of the member concerned.

1967 **Julien Audette** Regina Gliding & Soaring Club

First holder of a Gold badge with three Diamonds, also holder of several Canadian single-seat glider records. The success which gliding now enjoys in Canada is due, in great measure, to the great promotion of this sport by Mr. Audette.

1972 **Walter Piercy** Rideau Gliding Club

Ce diplôme est décerné à Walter J. Piercy par la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale pour l'aide qu'il a fournie au vol à voile, particulièrement en établissant le normalisation des techniques de vol et en publiant des manuels pour les instructeurs et pour les élèves pilotes de planeurs.

Paris, le 2 octobre 1972 [see also 1988]

1986 **Dr. David Marsden** Edmonton Soaring Club

Professeur d'Ingénierie Aéronautique à l'Université d'Alberta, il a publié plus de douze articles sur les dessins de profils et de planeurs. Il a fait partie de plusieurs commissions au sein de l'Association de Vol à Voile du Canada dont il a été Président en 1971 et 1972. Il a récemment établi un record de distance sur planeur monoplace au Canada avec le premier vol de 1000 km dans ce pays.

1987 **Klaus Stachow** Cu Nim Gliding Club

After immigrating to Canada, Klaus Stachow recognized that there was a tremendous potential for wave soaring in the lee of the Livingstone Range of the Rocky Mountains in southern Alberta. Diligent, tenacious and patient negotiations with representatives of the government of Alberta let to the granting of the lee range Cowley airport to the Alberta Soaring Council for exclusive use as a base for wave soaring. Concurrent negotiations with Transport Canada by other individuals ensured permanent airspace accommodation. A permanent annual trophy for the greatest altitude gain over 5000 metre in Canadian airspace has been established in his honour by the Soaring Association of Canada.

1988 **Walter Piercy** Rideau Gliding Club

Ce Diplôme est décerné à Walter Piercy (Canada) par la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

Dedicated to a sport coupled with an unswerving commitment to excellence are not common traits. When sustained over more than 40 years they are rare indeed. Walter has shown such determination in his years of dedication to soaring as a sport and flight instruction as an avocation. Many, if not most Canadian glider pilots have been trained following the syllabus developed with Walter's leadership and example. Additionally he has been a talented builder of sailplanes and provided national leadership to the sport for several years as President of the Soaring Association of Canada.

Paris, le 10 octobre 1988 [see also 1972]

1988 Oscar Boesch Air Sailing Club
Ce Diplôme est décerné à Oscar Boesch (Canada)
par la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

For 15 years audiences at Air Shows throughout the United States and Canada have been charmed and thrilled by the graceful flight and aerobatics of a Schleicher ASW 15 flown by Oscar Boesch. Accompanied by the theme music from the film "Born Free" and the narration of John Magee's poem "High Flight", Oscar has demonstrated the majesty and purity of soaring flight to over a million airshow visitors and, each summer, to thousands of devotees through his inspired flying in films at Ontario Place.

Oscar came to Canada from Austria in 1951. He has been a soaring pilot for over 45 years and continues to fly actively for his personal pleasure and as an instructor. He has been, and continues to be, an outstanding example of the consummate soaring pilot.
Paris, le 10 octobre 1988

1990 Gordon W Bruce Montreal Soaring Council
Ce Diplôme est décerné à Gordon W Bruce (Canada)
par la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

Involved in flying activities since 1936, he is one of those rare birds, a Canadian Army fixed wing pilot, one of the only 50 or so who have attained this distinction. For 54 years, he has contributed to the promotion and development of sporting aviation in many ways. He has been an active instructor in power and gliding flight and a vocal leader for flight safety.
Paris, le Octobre 1990

1991 David Webb SOSA

A most accomplished aeronaut, David Webb has been flying gliders for over 40 years. Since he first flew in England as a student in a Kirby Kadet he has accumulated over 3000 hours in gliders. He has represented Canada eleven times in World Championships finishing twice in the top ten. He continues to fly actively and builds experimental sailplanes as a hobby.

In his industrial career, he has contributed extensively to Aeronautics. Most recently he has led the development of ejection seat parachutes for pilots of high speed aircraft and recovery of surveillance drones.

1993 Walter Chmela York Soaring Association
for long service to the sport in Canada
Paris, October 12, 1993

1994 Elisabeth J. McCollum Gatineau Gliding Club
James F. McCollum Gatineau Gliding Club

We have lost count of the events, competitions, meetings of the soaring community and the Aero Club, where either or both of you have attended and participated in a helping/supporting way. Organizing, collecting, investing, advising, flying, instructing (in many senses), doing, chasing, counting, telephoning, driving, and on and on, are your natures.

There is little space on the Tissandier Diploma to describe all aspects of the contributions of the named individuals to an organization. I know you have, individually and collectively, done much. SAC and the Aero Club would be the poorer without you. These diplomas are our way of expressing our profound thanks and appreciation to each of you for your help, dedication and service.
Paris, October 12, 1994

In the tradition of Bauhaus I hope our few words speak more.
Fly safely, well and often, Live well, with health

Bob Carlson, on behalf of the Aero Club du/of Canada
and its member societies 1 March 1995

1999 Tony Burton Cu Nim Gliding Club

Tony is best known to members across the country as the editor of *free flight* since 1982. The award was announced by retiring SAC president Pierre Pepin at the SAC annual awards banquet in Laval, Quebec.

It all began in 1960 in Cold Lake AB, Tony's first posting when he was in the RCAF, where he had his first gliding flight. Tony's rich soaring history since that time includes competition in many provincial and national contests, and his name is inscribed on most of the SAC, Alberta Soaring Council and club trophies. Last year he won the SSA Region 8 Sports Class championship at Ephrata, WA for the second time. Tony is well known for building his yellow RS-15, Echo Echo, and using it to set many Canadian records, the longest being the 652.3 km Open out-and-return flight in 1993.

Nationally and regionally, Tony has freely loaned his talents. He has served as a Director, a member of the Sporting committee, a Badge chairman, is the author of SAC's Badge & Record Flying guide (now in its 7th edition) and the Contest Cookbook, and has done countless other chores to further the interests of soaring, especially in his current stint to rewrite the FAI's Sporting Code and edit the new upcoming FAI OO and Pilot Guide for gliding.

A long-time instructor, Tony especially enjoys coaching pilots who are making their early efforts at cross-country flight, and he has been an avid champion of the Club class and of encouraging pilots to set high goals in their soaring, no matter what they fly.

Pierre Pepin: "I am extremely proud and honoured that my last official function as SAC's president is presenting Tony Burton with the Tissandier Diploma." Paris, October 12, 1999

2002 George Dunbar Cu Nim Gliding Club

George has been a pioneer in Canadian soaring and an active participant since approximately 1940 when he flew with the McGill Gliding Club. After World War II, he was instrumental in the formation of the first Maritime province club, the Gull Gliding Club of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. George served as a director of SAC starting in 1954 and later held various positions such as Pacific Zone Director, Trophy & Awards

chairman, Director-at-Large, and the Alberta Soaring Council secretary-treasurer.

He has been very active in sporting and contest matters over many years including crewing at four world contests. His fame as the "Father of Computer Scoring" arose from his years as a scorer at the Canadian Nationals. He developed the first computer scoring system for the 1969 Nationals at Innisfail using a time-shared remote computer terminal connected to a mainframe in Seattle.

George continues to give his expertise and encouragement to the sport that has benefited so much from his outstanding contributions over more than 60 years.

Lausanne, October 9, 2002

2002 Walter Weir Air Sailing Club

Walter is well known within the soaring community and has been an active contributor at the national level for many years. He is the chairman of the FAI Awards Committee of the Soaring Association of Canada and has homologated Canadian applications for FAI badges for more than a decade. He is also a recognized name on the competition scene and has competed in numerous contests in Canada and the United States.

Lausanne, October 9, 2002

2021 Dan Cook

SAC was delighted to have one of its own recognized at the international level, when Dan Cook was awarded the prestigious FAI Paul Tissandier Diploma. Dan is a lifelong aviation enthusiast who has worked tirelessly and continues to dedicate countless hours to advancing aviation, in particular soaring, in Canada. With his long span of contributions to SAC and the sport of soaring, he is clearly a worthy recipient!

Dan first obtained his private pilot's licence in 1977, commercial in 1983, glider pilot licence in 1991, and his instructor rating in 1995. In 1998 he joined the SAC Flight Training and Safety Committee (FTSC) as the National Safety Officer. Dan joined OSTIV to represent Canada in 2000 as well as speaking at many Soaring Society of America conventions. He took over as the chair of the FTSC in 2007 and continues to provide leadership and direction to the FTSC and to SAC.

Dan helped establish and roll out the Soaring Association of Canada's Safety Management Document. This was a real turning point in the safety of soaring across the country. Dan was also a key contributor to the current SAC training curriculum. Dan not only helped write the book, he has conducted many instructor training and instructor upgrade courses over the years. Most recently, Dan has helped transition the SAC flight instructor training program to virtual delivery, thus enabling consistent instructor training across Canada.



Walter Piercy Award

First presented for 1964

The “**Instructor of the Year**” award was presented to the Association in 1964 by Walter Piercy, the past chairman of the Instructors committee, to be awarded to an instructor who contributes to an outstanding year to his club.

In **1979**, the “Instructor of the Year” award was renamed “**Walter Piercy Award**”

This award is won largely for achieving the most instructing flights in a club in the year, adjusted for the number of instructors and number of instructional flights in the club. Contributions such as organization of cross-country courses, ground school lectures, club offices held, and other club positions such as being in charge of aircraft maintenance also count toward this trophy.

Club CFIs submit names annually to the Flight Training & Safety committee, who select the winner.

The Glider Instructor

The instructor stood at the Pearly Gate,
His face was scarred and old.
He stood before the Man of Fate
For admission to the fold.
“What have you done,” St. Peter said,
To gain admission here?”
“I’ve been a glider instructor, Sir,
For many and many a year.”
The Pearly Gates swung open wide,
St. Peter rang the bell,
“Come in and choose your harp,” he said,
“You’ve had your share of Hell!”

1964	Hank Janzen	Queen's University Gliding Club
1965	JE (John) Shantz	SOSA Gliding Club
1966	Daniel Lizotte	CVV Québec
1967	John Agnew	Montreal Soaring Council
1968	Norman Dyck	Winnipeg Gliding Club
1969	Wolf Seufert	CVV Appalachian
1970	Alan Sunley	Winnipeg Gliding Club
1971	Brian Smith	Chatham Air Cadet Gliding Club
1972	Ben Brisson	Québec Air Cadet League
1973	Walter Chmela	York Soaring Association
1974	Dan Lewis	Montreal Soaring Council
1975	Tom Bell	Base Borden Soaring Group
1976	Frank Mueller	York Soaring Association
1977	Gordon Bruce	Montreal Soaring Council
1978	Doug Carson	Bulkley Valley Soaring Club
1979	Eric Newsome	Montreal Soaring Council
1980	Wolf D. Leers	SOSA Gliding Club
1981	Len Douglas	Base Borden Soaring Group
1982	Alan Pickard	Bulkley Valley Soaring Club
1983	Kevin Bennett	Cu Nim Gliding Club
1984	Bruno Schrein	Blue Thermal Soaring Assoc.
1985	Walter Schulz	Montreal Soaring Council
1986	David Fowlow	Cu Nim Gliding Club
1987	Jean-Marc Surprenant Jr	AVV Champlain
1988	Paul Moggach	York Soaring Association
1989	David Baker	Vancouver Soaring Association
1990	Bryan Florence	Regina Gliding & Soaring Club
1991	Uwe Kleinhempel	Vancouver Soaring Assoc.
1992	Samuel Whiteside	York Soaring Association
1993	Mark Jalbert	Gravelbourg Gliding & Soaring Club
1994	Joe Bowe	Montreal Soaring Council
1995	Terry Southwood	Cu Nim Gliding Club
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1997	Bob Mercer	Gatineau Gliding Club
1998	Paul Frigault	Cold Lake Soaring Club
1999	Gabriel Duford	AVV Champlain
2000	Norman Perfect	York Soaring Association
2001	Fred Sharp	Winnipeg Gliding Club
2002	Denis Pepin	Club de Vol à Voile Québec
2003	Karin Michel	Cu Nim Gliding Club
2004	Paul Fortier	Rideau Valley Soaring Club
2005	Pat O'Donnell	SOSA Gliding Club
2006	Anthony Kawzowicz	SOSA Gliding Club
2007	Jean Richard	Montreal Soaring Council
2008	John Toles	Saskatoon Soaring Club
2009	Doug Laurie-Lean	Gatineau Gliding Club
2010	Sylvain Bourque	AVV Champlain

2011	Tom Coulson	SOSA Gliding Club
2012	Dean Toplis	Great Lakes Soaring
2013	George Domaradzki	Rideau Valley Soaring
2014	Chris Hildebrandt	Canadian Rockies SC
2015	Fernando Garza	Saskatoon Soaring Club
2016	Laurent Gall	AVV Champlain
2017	not awarded	
2018	Michel Jacques	Club de vol à voile de Québec
2019	Fernando Garza	Saskatoon Soaring Club
2020	Christopher Gough	Cu Nim Gliding Club
2021	Fernando Garza	Saskatoon Soaring Club
2022	Mike Morgulis	Toronto Soaring Club
2023	James Wood	SOSA Gliding Club

Citations from previous years are not available.

2001 Fred Sharp Winnipeg Gliding Club

Fred has been the CFI for several years and has been a most dedicated person at the club. He has been working virtually full time on various aspects of the training and flying operations. Starting with the open house Fred helped in its reorganization and presentation with the use of advanced audio-visual formats. He continually promotes our sport and is most receptive to and invites input from younger individuals.

Fred has been working hard on revamping the club's ground school. He produced outlines for many of the lecture topics. References to the AIP and TC exams have been made to bring the courses up to date. With Fred's participation, the club spent hours attending meetings with the Air Cadets to establish better liaison. Meetings with NavCanada representatives were intended to obtain better local forecasting for soaring pilots. At the beginning of the flying season, Fred was busy arranging alternate flying sites should the club's field at Starbuck become flooded. Under Fred's leadership and initiative, we now have an alternate site where we can safely practise "off-field landings".

Safety issues remain of paramount importance in all aspects of Fred's contributions. He spearheaded a thorough review of the safety audit and identification of areas of operations needing further attention.

And yes, he does instruct. For example, the club now has a group meeting with students at the end of the flying season. In addition to having them evaluate the instruction they received, topics of interest are discussed in detail.

Fred is considered a very worthy winner of the Walter Piercy Trophy for the "Instructor of the Year 2001".

2002 Denis Pépin Club de Vol à Voile Québec

Denis Pépin a démontré, par ses actions, son professionnalisme et son leadership, une volonté ferme de promouvoir la standardisation des méthodes d'entraînement de son club. En 2002, il a organisé un cours de formation pour instructeurs et a été un des moniteurs responsables du programme en vol. Denis est reconnu par tous comme un des promoteurs de son club et du vol à voile au Québec.

Denis Pépin has demonstrated by his actions, leadership and professionalism a genuine interest in flight training standardization within his club. He organized the 2002 instructors course held in Québec and he helped in the flight training portion of the course. He is well respected by his peers and has been a long time driving force for the club and gliding general in Québec. Denis is considered to be a worthy winner of this annual award.

2003 Karin Michel Cu Nim Gliding Club

Karin is the worthy winner of this annual award. She is the chief flying instructor of her club, the Cu Nim Gliding Club, and puts in a very large amount of time to her club. Karin is positive and proactive through all her duties, while always setting the highest standards for her students and herself as an instructor. Safety and situational awareness are always a focus and Karin continually brings up incidents and experiences from her own and the club's past as opportunities for learning. She is a gifted and enthusiastic teacher. Her contribution as an instructor is much more than the considerable time she is in the air instructing students.

The contribution and inspiration that Walter Piercy provided to our sport is being carried on by Karin. She carries the same light and she comes highly recommended by her club.

2004 Paul Fortier Rideau Valley Soaring Club

Paul amassed 93 instructional flights during the year for a total of 45 hours instructing which represents almost 30% of the club's instructing effort for the season. Not only that, but Paul has been CFI since 1988, carrying this important job for the club, and being the club's NavCanada liaison person. He has also held the post of chief towpilot, maintenance expert on gliders and towplanes, and continues to hold the position of chairman of the SAC Technical Committee.

Paul Fortier is one of those people who work diligently in the background but whose contributions over the years are much valued. He is a deserving recipient of the Walter Piercy Award.

2005 Pat O'Donnell SOSA Gliding Club

Pat is one of the longest time members of SOSA Gliding Club. He has served as CFI, and continues to provide insightful and valuable suggestions regarding training and safety. Pat is highly safety conscious, and his vigilance in this regard sets a wonderful example for all club members, but especially for students.

Pat did the most instructional flights at SOSA last season (approaching 200!). For many years, Pat has been the backbone of SOSA's midweek evening student flying; this program has enabled students to consolidate skills and given them a "leg up" in attaining solo. Pat was highly recommended for this award.

2006 Anthony Kawzowicz SOSA Gliding Club

During the year, Anthony flew 155 instructional flights for 65:4 hours. Last year he flew only slightly fewer instructing flights! Anthony was responsible for training four of our eleven solos this year as well as two of our four new licensees. He also competed in the Canadian Nationals, flying SOSA's Jantar to 2nd place in the Club class. He also flew a new multiplace Canadian Speed Record for a 300 km triangle in the club's DG-505 together with John Brennan.

Anthony arrives at the field early – 8 o'clock – to meet with his students and get them flying before the weekend rush. He truly believes in mentoring students and is constantly in communication with his students to set up times to fly. The students love to fly with Anthony, and his results speak for themselves!

Anthony was also involved with the renovation project of SOSA's clubhouse. Over several weekends, he assisted with the finishing touches to the clubhouse. Never one to sit around idly, he also helps with other tasks around the airport such as glider waxing and grass cutting while waiting for the weather to improve – or the sun to come up.

2007 Jean Richard Montreal Soaring Council

Jean Richard, CFI of the Montreal Soaring Council, has been the backbone of instructing in the club. In particular this past year, he did almost half of the total instructional flights at the club, counting some 207 flights. Jean interacts regularly with the Flight Training & Safety Committee on training matters. Jean was highly recommended.

2008 John Toles Saskatoon Soaring Club

John completed 116 of the 183 training flights at Saskatoon Soaring. In addition to the lion's share of the teaching, he has been involved as a towpilot, club secretary, maintenance committee, official observer, and as the "TC Authorized Person". John was also co-organizer for the provincial soaring competition.

Despite a heavy instructor load, John finds time to teach commercial aviation at the local community college and chair the SAC Board of Directors as President of the association.

2009 Doug Laurie-Lean Gatineau Gliding Club

Doug has completed almost one quarter of the instruction at Gatineau Gliding Club (148 lessons) in 2009 and held positions as club president, membership chairman, and *Freedom's Wings* coordinator.

Doug a effectué pratiquement un quart de l'instruction total au Gatineau Gliding Club (148 vols) en 2009. Il tenait également le rôle de président du club, responsable du membership ainsi que coordinateur du program *Freedom's Wings*.

2010 Sylvain Bourque AVV Champlain

Sylvain completed 142 of the 563 training flights at AVV Champlain. In addition to more than his fair share of the club teaching, he has been involved as club treasurer, Zone director and SAC President, towpilot, winter ground school organizer /instructor, Transport Canada authorized language proficiency examiner and the clubs "TC Authorized Person". Sylvain has greatly contributed to his club and SAC and still managed to log a couple of 300 km flights in his own glider.

Honourable mentions go to these busy instructors:

Wayne Hewison York Soaring – 202 instructional flights
Ray Perino CRSC – 91 instructional flights
Yves Bastien MSC – 106 instructional flights

2011 Tom Coulson SOSA

Tom gave 165 instructor flights this year which is close to his average over the last five years (170). In addition, besides teaching, he functioned as the club's Chief Towpilot, lead instructor for weeklong summer youth camp (for seven years now), and club finance committee member for flight billing. Also he has been co-running the club's Tuesday night flight instruction for the past twenty years.

Special mention to these instructors

Daniel Houde MSC
Ray Perino CRSC
Frédéric Chauvin ACE
Phil Stade, Kerry Stevenson Cu Nim Gliding Club
Paul Chalifour, Eva Dillon, Paul Moggach York Soaring

2012 Dean Toplis Great Lakes Soaring

Dean has been the CFI for the past five years, served on the board of the club and has served as Chief Towpilot. As CFI he made 158 instructional flights and 31 tows in 2012. He organized the club's 2012 ground school attended by 18 new students and some other members of the club. Dean attended each ground school lesson and introduced the speakers as well as giving a number of the lessons himself. He wrote a huge proportion of the Great Lakes Ground School lesson plan content.

2013 George Domaradzki Rideau Valley Soaring

George completed 156 instructor flights (57 hours) and is the most active instructor of his club with over 40% of the instructing. He is also club president and has organized and taught on the *Ottawa Area Ground School* with GGC for five years. When he is not teaching, he is active with other club projects and mid-week Air Cadet training. He is often first to arrive in the morning and last to leave in the evening.

He was also the RVSS representative on the Ottawa Terminal Control Area restructuring which will result in a great increase in the airspace allotted for their use, and making it safer for cross-country pilots.

2014 Chris Hildebrandt Canadian Rockies Soaring

The 2014 trophy is awarded to Chris Hildebrandt of the Canadian Rockies Soaring Club (CRSC). Chris completed 197 instructor flights (150 hours) and is the most active instructor of his club with 97% of the instructing. He also conducts the majority of ground instruction for his club.

2015 Fernando Garza Saskatoon Soaring Club

Fernando completed 140 instructional flights with SSC in 2015. Instruction included aerotow and winch methods of launch and comprised over 65% of the club's instructing load. In addition he functioned as the club's Safety Officer, ground school instructor and simulator training instructor. The instruction flights did not include additional familiarization flights or time spent supervising student solo flights. Fernando is also deeply involved overseeing club aircraft maintenance and club growth initiatives.

2016 Laurent Gall AVV Champlain

Laurent completed 111 instructional flights (32 hours) which represents about 25% of Champlain's instructor workload. He has been the club's instructor of the year for two years in a row and he has been acting as the assistant to the chief instructor during that time. In that capacity he has been taking care of the instructor schedule, organizing instructor meetings and email communications and advising the CFI on all aspects of instruction, safety and operations and teaching the theory of flight portion of the ground school. He is one of the most appreciated and respected instructors at Champlain.

Honourable mention:

Gary Hill of the Edmonton Soaring Club as Runner up.

2017 Award not given

2018 Michel Jacques Club de vol à voile de Québec

This trophy is awarded to Michel who provided eager sailplane pilots with 62 instructional flights (not counting over 60 additional flights with the Air Cadet program). He carried the duties and responsibilities of club CFI. He is also the leader behind putting in place an aerobatic section in his club; over the past 2-3 years, Michel spent his own money and time to become an aerobatic instructor under the supervision of the aerobatic flight instructor of Champlain. Speaking as one of those glider pilots reliant on instructors to pursue our soaring dreams, may I say "Thank you, Michel!"

2019 Fernando Garza Saskatoon Soaring Club

Fernando did about 80% of the instructing at his club Saskatoon Soaring Club at 82 flights. He is involved in promoting and teaching cross-country flying and is also the club Safety Officer.

2020 Christopher Gough Cu Nim Gliding Club

Chris completed 30% of the club's instructional flights in his first year as club CFI. He successfully mentored two members into instructors for the first time in many years at Cu Nim through a well-developed simulator and practical training plan. He introduced a new PTR format, following the SAC curriculum, that

has dramatically reduced the number of repeated instructional flights. His dedication inspired past instructors to re-engage to support increased student interest.

Chris introduced the new club recruitment strategy which proved very successful in attracting new students. He was also critical in developing soaring pilots, hosting an XCSoar seminar as well as a Bronze Badge theory course followed by dual Bronze Badge training flights. He has updated the club's Operations Manual, and through his involvement in the *Proving Ground* project, coordinated a Condor flight simulator contest where competition is hosted virtually at various Canadian gliding clubs, flying *Proving Ground* tasks with an educational approach between pilots and coaches. He also helped pilots learn about flight computers and competition strategy.

2021 Fernando Garza Saskatoon Soaring Club

The Flight Training and Safety Committee expressed their huge appreciation, on behalf of the Saskatoon club, for Fernando's efforts during 2021, saying he put forth "an amazing effort to keep his club flying in 2021" and "Without his extraordinary efforts the club would not have been able to operate in 2021."

Due to a combination of circumstances, the club found itself with only one instructor at the start of the season. Fernando supported the spring commencement of club operations, trained several pilots to solo status, and trained an additional instructor during the season.

2022 Mike Morgulis Toronto Soaring Club

Mike Morgulis instructs, and does so much more. He has been a major contributor to the training program at Toronto Soaring for many years, but even for him 2022 was a standout year. Looking at just the raw instructional flight numbers, we see Mike contributing 141 flights (out of the total for his club of 250).

Beyond that, he took the lead role in organizing and delivering, during the winter non-flying season, a Zoom-based ground school series of lectures covering eleven topics. Several *ab-initio* participants subsequently came out to the club, and most of those achieved their first solos during the season. One person who missed the winter sessions was supported by a second complete set of lectures. Mike responds to queries posted to the club website with detailed information. He provides rides to the field for students. Above and beyond!

2023 James Wood SOSA Gliding Club

James has been an active instructor. During 2023, he provided support to SOSA students on 105 flights. He has also gone beyond that core role. He was a presenter at the club ground school, was involved in the season-opening primers for club members, and was one of the creators of the new SOSA cross-country Safety Program designed by the club for training of novice cross country pilots. James also serves his club as Board member and Membership Director

COMPETITION CHAMPIONS & TROPHIES

Contest site	entries/days	Open class				
	flights >350 km ▲ triangle task □ cat's cradle/area dist					
1949 Kingston, ON		Albert Pow				
1950 St Eugène, QC		Frank Brame				
1951 Kitchener, ON		Albert Pow				
1952 St Eugène, QC		Ron Claudi				
1953 Kitchener, ON		Stan Rys				
1954 Kitchener, ON		Jack Ames				
1955 Brantford, ON		Jack Ames				
1956 Cap-de-la-Madeleine, QC		Frank Brame				
1957 Brantford, ON		Gord Oates				
1958 Brantford, ON		Gord Oates				
1959 Regina, SK		Charles Yeates				
1960 Brantford, ON		Willi Deleurant				
1961 Brantford, ON		Wolf Mix				
1962 Regina, SK		Wolf Mix				
1963 Hawkesbury, ON		Dave Webb				
1964 Brantford, ON	/ 6	Dave Webb				
1965 Pendleton, ON	?	Willi Deleurant				
1966 Regina, SK	/ 7	Wolf Mix				
1967 Hawkesbury, ON	/ 6	Charles Yeates				
1968 Rockton, ON	/ 6 <u>540km dist</u>	Peter Trounce				
1969 Innisfail, AB	/ 4 354km O&R	Dave Webb				
			Std class	15m class	Sports class	best overall pilot
1970 Carman, MB	/ 2 483km □	no contest (Webb, winner)				
1971 Pendleton, ON	/ 5	Dave Webb				
1972 Rockton, ON	/ 6	Jim Carpenter				
1973* Pigeon Lake, MB	/ 5	Richard Mamini	Hal Werneburg		Don Bentley	
1974 Regional contests						
1975 Claresholm, AB	/ 6 604km □	Dave Webb	Jim Carpenter			
1976 regional contests						
1977* Hawkesbury, ON	/ 5	Dave Webb	Hal Werneburg	Bob Gairns	Walter Herten (no trophy)	
1978 Regional contests						
1979 Arthur, ON	/ 4	Dave Webb	Paul Sears	Hal Werneburg		
1980 Claresholm, AB	/ 8	Peter Lamla	Paul Sears	Hal Werneburg		
1981 regional contests						
1982 Rockton, ON	38 / 7	John Firth	Willem Langelan	Ulli Werneburg		
1983 Claresholm, AB						
split Nats –	6 / Open&15m			Ed Hollestelle		
Hawkesbury, ON						
split Nats	38 – 7 / Std		Dave Webb			
1984 Virden, MB	26 / 7 377km ▲		Ian Spence	Wilfried Krueger		
1985 St-Raymond, QC	26 / 7 355km ▲		Dave Webb	Ulli Werneburg		
1986 Arthur, ON	40 / 6		Jim Carpenter	Ulli Werneburg		Stan Janicek Bacardi
1987 Chipman, AB	25 / 6		Jörg Stieber	Jim Oke		Jörg Stieber Bacardi
1988 Hawkesbury, ON	39 / 5		John Featherstone	Ulli Werneburg		Colin Bantin Bacardi
1989 Rockton, ON	23 / 8		Ed Hollestelle	Heri Pölzl		Heri Pölzl Bacardi
1990 Brandon, MB	25 / 6		Dave Webb	Peter Masak		Peter Masak Bacardi
1991 Pendleton, ON	22 / 5		Andy Gough	Ulli Werneburg		Ulli Werneburg
						Air Canada prize
1992 Hawkesbury, ON	24 / 8		Ed Hollestelle	Walter Weir		Walter Weir (no trophy)
1993** Swift Current, SK		Richard Mamini	Jörg Stieber	Ulli Werneburg	Dave Mercer hcp	
34 / 7 Open&15m, 6 Std	387.2km ▲					
1994*** Rockton, ON	34 / 4 / 15m - 3 Std. 374.8km ▲		no contest	Wilfried Krueger		

* **1973, 1977**
First attempts at a Sports class competition.

** **1993** This contest was designed to be a Sports class competition, but the contest rules did not allow for it. The Sports class was therefore scored as an Open class contest with Dick Mamini the nominal winner and Dave Mercer the actual handicapped Sports class winner.

*** **1994** Sports class competition (handicapped) offered complete with rules, but insufficient entries; 1995 official Sports class competition, 2000 Sports class renamed Club class.

2009 FAI class – 15m and Standard classes were combined, handicapped.

2018 Open/18m class, introduced, unhandicapped

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	Contest sites	entries / days flights >350 km	Std class	15m class	Sports hcp
1995	Pendleton, ON	26 / 6	Jörg Stieber	Ulli Werneburg	Alan Wood
1996	Red Deer, AB	30 / 5	Jörg Stieber	Nick Bonnière	Ryszard Gatkiewicz
1997	Rockton, ON	38 / 5 375km □	Ian Spence	Walter Weir	Adam Zieba
1998	Brandon, MB	18 / 4	Ed Hollestelle	Jim Oke	Hans Berg
1999	St-Dominique, QC	20 / 5 15m&Std 4 / Sports too few entries	Jörg Stieber	Heri Pölzl	no contest
Club class					
2000	Pendleton, ON	28 / 7 15m / 6 Std&Club	Ed Hollestelle	Ulli Werneburg	Heri Pölzl
2001	Rockton, ON	35 / 5	Dale Kramer	Walter Weir	Adam Zieba
2002	Hawkesbury, ON	31 / 5 15m 354km TDT / 4 Std&Club	Jörg Stieber	Walter Weir	Adam Zieba
2003	Pendleton, ON	20 / 4 15m / 3 Std&Club	no contest	Walter Weir	no contest
2004	St-Raymond, QC	12 / 6 389km 4h TDT	no entries	no entries	Jörg Stieber
Racing class hcp					
2005	Claresholm, AB	24 / 4		Ian Grant	Tim O'Hanlon
2006	Rockton, ON	23 / 5 363km		Dale Kramer	Sergei Morozov
2007	Hawkesbury, ON	12 / 6 352km 4h MAT		Willem Langelaan	—
2008	no contest				
FAI class hcp					
2009	Rockton, ON	20 / 5	Dave Springford	Anthony Kawzowicz	
2010	N. Battleford, SK	25 / 6	Jörg Stieber	Bill Cole	
Club class hcp					
Club class 1 hcp hcp > .90–.98					
2011	Rockton, ON	36 / 6 FAI&Club, 2 / 5 Club1	Jerzy Szemplinski	Chris Gough	Pierre Gavillet
Club class 2 hcp hcp > .98					
Club class hcp					
2012	Arthur, ON	13 / 4 FAI, 11 / 3 Club	Dave Springford	no contest	
2013	Pendleton, ON	6 / 4 FAI, 6 / 3 Club	Jörg Stieber	no contest	
2014	Rockton, ON	12 / 4 FAI, 14 / 4 Club	Jerzy Szemplinski	Anthony Kawzowicz	
2015	Netook, AB	8 / 4 FAI, 8 / 4 Club	Dave Springford	Branko Stojkovic	
2016	Arthur, ON	12 / 7 FAI, 15/7 Club 390.5km	Jerzy Szemplinski	Krzysztof Wiercioch	
2017	no host				

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Contest sites	entries / days flights >350 km	Open/18m class	FAI class hcp	Club class hcp
2018 Rockton, ON	9/18m - 7 FAI, 11 Club 6 days - 5 days	Dave Springford	Chris Gough	Paul Parker
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships, SOSA			
2020	no contest, COVID 19			
2021	no contest, COVID 19			
2022 Chipman, AB	10 FAI, 15 Club <u>566.9km</u>		Jörg Stieber	David Cole
2023 Rockton, ON	7 Open/18m 15 Club 4 days	Jerzy Szemplinski	–	Rafael Bravo
2024 Black Diamond, AB	contest cancelled			



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Maria Szemplinska

CALPA Trophy

First presented for 1995

Club Class Champion

The trophy is a crystal hawk mounted on a granite block with a walnut base – 12" wide, 10" deep, 16" high.

The CALPA trophy was presented to the Association on the occasion of their 50th anniversary by the Canadian Air Line Pilots Association and first awarded at Pendleton ON, site of the 1995 National contest. That year, the Sports Class was re-introduced through the efforts of Contest Director Bob Mercer, Gatineau Gliding Club.

A winning non-resident pilot will be declared **winner**.

The trophy is awarded to the top Canadian pilot in the Club Class in a Canadian national contest and declared **National Champion for this Class**.

2000 Sports Class changed to *Club Class* to correspond with the new FAI Class in world championships.

2005 Racing Class
15m and Std. Classes were combined and handicapped to improve the competition. The CALPA trophy will be presented for Racing and/or Club Class.

2009 CALPA trophy will be presented for the Club Class only. The Racing Class was renamed FAI Class.

1995	Alan Wood	SOSA	1-35	C-GYSO	AR	Pendleton, ON
1996	Ryszard Gatkiewicz	CLSC	Twin Astir	C-GCXJ	CL	Red Deer, AB
1997	Adam Zieba	SOSA	Jantar	C-GEMF	MF	Rockton, ON
1998	Hans Berg	individual	Std Cirrus	C-GRJW	HB	Brandon, MB
1999	insufficient entries, no official contest					
2000	Heri Pölzl	SOSA	LS6b	C-FDIT	KC	Pendleton, ON
2001	Adam Zieba	SOSA	HP18H	C-FQCC	AZ	Rockton, ON
2002	Adam Zieba	SOSA	HP18H	C-FQCC	AZ	Hawkesbury, ON
2003	no contest – 3 days					
2004	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS8	C-GHBA	JS	St-Raymond, QC
	Club class contest only – 12 entries					
2005	Tim O'Hanlon	Cu Nim	SZD-55-1	C-GOED	TJ	Claresholm, AB
	Club class					
	Ian Grant	GGC	Discus 2b	C-GZIN	IN	Claresholm, AB
	Racing class					
	Justin Wills	New Zealand	Discus 2b	C-FCDD	DD	
	winner of the Racing class					
2006	Sergei Morozov	SOSA	LS4a	C-FAOH	DW	Rockton, ON
	Club class					
	Dale Kramer	SOSA	LS8	C-GFPQ	K1	Rockton, ON
	Racing class					
2007	Willem Langelaan	SOSA	DG800s	C-FUUH	OX	Hawkesbury, ON
	Racing class					
2008	no contest					
2009	Anthony Kawzowicz	SOSA	Jantar	C-GHDR	HK	Rockton, ON
2010	Bill Cole	Toronto Soaring	Mosquito	C-GISW	BC	N. Battleford, SK
2011	Chris Gough	SOSA	LS8/15	C-GFZD	44	Rockton, ON
	Club Class 1					
	Pierre Gavillet	MSC	Libelle 201B	C-FLIB	64	Rockton, ON
	Club Class 2					
2012	no contest					
2013	no contest					
2014	Anthony Kawzowicz	SOSA	LS4a	C-FAOH	DW	Rockton, ON
2015	Branko Stojkovic	ASTRA	Russia 5M	C-GXYU	XYU	Netook, AB
2016	Krzysztof Wiercioch	SOSA	Jantar	C-GEMF	MF	Arthur, ON
2017	no host					
2018	Paul Parker	SOSA	LS4		DW	Rockton, ON
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships, SOSA					
2020	no contest, COVID-19					
2021	no contest, COVID-19					
2022	David Cole	Toronto Soaring	ASW 20		TZ	Chipman, AB
2023	Rafael Bravo	SOSA	ASW 20C			Rockton, ON
2024	contest cancelled					
						Black Diamond AB

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Carling O'Keefe Team Trophy

First presented for 1964

This trophy was presented to SAC by Carling O'Keefe Breweries Ltd. It was initially awarded to the team that accumulated the highest score at a national contest. This was during the time when there was only one class at a national contest.

After the introduction of championship classes in the Nationals, the trophy is then presented to the highest scoring team competing in any class (rank by % of maximum score).

- There should be more than one team in each class, and
- each team member flew at least one competition day.

A Canadian pilot of a team, who is competing in any of the championship classes, is eligible to become the National Champion for that class.

1964	Guy & Pat Newman	Skylark 4		Brantford, ON
1965	Mike Stoten / Ted Henderson	Std Austria	CF-RSO	Pendleton, ON
1966	Peter Trounce / Hal Werneburg	K8	CF-ROP	Regina, SK
1967	Jack McGonigle / George Nash	Ka6CR	N....	Hawkesbury, ON
1968	Peter Folkes / Wynne Thomas	Ka6CR	CF-ZDU	Rockton, ON
1969	Henry Chabot / Kurt Kovacs	Std Austria	CF-PLM	Innisfail, AB
1970	Hillar Kurlents / Bernie Palfreeman	Diamant 16.5	CF-SYL	Carman, MB
1971	Henry Chabot / Kurt Kovacs	Std Austria	CF-PLM	Pendleton, ON
1972	Henry Chabot / Kurt Kovacs	Std Austria	CF-PLM	Rockton, ON
1973	trophy not awarded			
1974	Regional contests			
1975	Ulli Werneburg / Frank Vaughan	RS-15	C-GAYN	Claresholm, AB
1976	Regional contests			
1977	Hans Baeggli / Jim Henry	Nimbus II	C-GAYY 2C	Hawkesbury, ON
1978	Regional contests			
1979	Peter Schwirtlich / Doug Winger	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Arthur, ON
1980	Colin Tootill / Peter Schwirtlich	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Claresholm, AB
1981	Regional contests			
1982	trophy not awarded			
1983	Lee Coates / Al Poldas	PIK 20B	C-GXWD TC	Claresholm, AB
1984-1986	trophy not awarded			
1987	Jay McVeigh / Rick Zabrodski	PIK 20	C-GDXT KM	Chipman, AB
1988	trophy not awarded			
1989	Larry & Dave Springford	ASW 20	C-GVDO S1	Rockton, ON
1990	trophy not awarded			
1991	Richard Longhurst / Kerry Kirby	Ka6E	C-FOLO K6	
		Jantar	C-GGBW 69	Pendleton, ON
1992	trophy not awarded			
1993	Dave Marsden / Chester Zwarych	DG 202	C-GVRR VR	Swift Current, SK
1994	Tom Coulson / Charles Gower	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Rockton, ON
1995	Tom Okany / Hans Peter Roth	Std Cirrus	C-GCTW TW	Pendleton, ON
1996	Lee Coates / Rod Crutcher	Ventus B	C-GVRS 26	Red Deer, AB
1997	Carsten Schraeder / Pat Templeton	Grob 103	C-GGLA PC	Rockton, ON
1998	trophy not awarded			
1999	Alain Berinstain / Jeffrey Waters	Jantar	C-GDBW BW	St-Dominique, QC
2000	Pierre-André / Laurence Langlois	DG 300	C-FITD TD	Pendleton, ON

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2001	Pierre-André Langlois / Bob Katz	PIK 20B	C-GFUN	O2	Rockton, ON
2002-03	Trophy not awarded				
2004	Jean Guy Hélie / Bruno Bégin	LS 4	C-GJCR	CR	St-Raymond, QC
2005-06	trophy not awarded				
2007	Chris Gough / Jay Allardyce	Jantar	C-GEMF	MF	Hawkesbury, ON
2008-24	Trophy not awarded				

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Dow trophies

First awarded for 1964

Best flight in a national contest

The three Dow trophies were given to the Association by Dow Brewery Ltd.

The trophy suffered the years of shipping and handling abuse and was beyond reasonable repair; in 1998 it was decided to keep it "as-is" in the SAC treasure box and certificates will serve as the trophy memento.

When these trophies were first awarded at the national contests, all of the sailplanes competed in only one class – the Open class. They were awarded for accomplishment in each of the three following categories:

- best triangle flight
- best out & return flight
- best goal flight

- 1975** Std. Class added
- 1977** 15 m Class added
- 1979** best triangular tasks to 2003
- S x D1/6**
(S=speed; D=distance)
- 1989** triangular or quadrilateral courses
(Assigned and Pilot Selected Tasks)
- 1996** Sports Class added
- 2000** Sports Class renamed Club Class
- 2001** TDT Time Distance Task
- 2003** Speed trophy renamed
"Best Flight" trophy
- 2005** **Racing Class** – handicapped
15 m and Std. Classes combined
- 2009** **FAI Class** – handicapped
15 m and Std. Classes combined
- 2018** **Open/18m Classes**, unhandicapped

Contest site	best triangle	speed to goal	out & return	best distance
1964 Brantford, MB	Royden Gray SOSA 65 miles @ 32.8 mph Ka6CR CF-ZDU	–	Richard Schreder Bryan, OH 146 miles @ 45.8 mph HP11A	
1965 Pendleton, ON	Mike Stoten MSC dist @74 mph Std. Austria S CF-PDM	Willi Deleurant TSC 187 miles @ ? Std Austria CF-RSO	–	–
1966 Regina, SK	Wolf Mix SOSA 200 km @ 48.6 mph Std. Austria SH-1 CF-RXG	Wolf Mix SOSA 300 km @ 67.5 mph Std Austria SH-1 CF-RXG	–	–
1967 Hawkesbury, ON	Charles Yeates GGC 71 miles @ 45.3 mph Std. Austria SH-1 CF-PZP	Dave Webb MSC 140 miles @ 47.5 mph HP11A CF-RNN	–	–
1968 Rockton, ON	Norm Tucker GGC 200 km @ 29.4 mph HP14 CF-WHZ	Norm Tucker GGC HP14 CF-WHZ	–	–
1969 Innisfail, AB	Dave Webb MSC 300 km @ 43.5 mph Cirrus 17m CF-XGU	–	Dave Webb MSC 220.7 miles @ 43.2 mph Cirrus 17m CF-XGU	–
1970 Carman, MB no contest	George Blunden Cu Nim 200 km @ 82.4 km/h Cirrus 17m CF-QJH	–	–	Hal Werneburg SOSA 483.2 km area distance Std. Cirrus CF-AQV 24
1971 Pendleton, ON	Dave Webb MSC 116.6 km @ 45.5 km/h Kestrel 17m CF-YAW	John Firth GGC 86.7 km @ 119.6 km/h HP11A CF-RNN	–	Dave Webb MSC 197.5 km area distance Kestrel 17m CF-YAW
1972 Rockton, ON	Jim Carpenter Caledon 253 km @ 49.8 mph H301 Libelle CF-YFL 14	–	Jim Carpenter Caledon 129 miles @ 48.9 mph H301 Libelle CF-YFL 14	Jim Carpenter Caledon 278.5 km area distance Libelle H301 CF-YFL 14

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		best triangle	out & return	best distance
Open Class				
1973	Pigeon Lake, MB	Richard Mamini ESC 210 km @ 91.54 km/h ASW-12 CF-ASW RM	—	—
1975	Claresholm, AB	Richard Mamini Cu Nim 110.8 km @ 94.5 km/h ASW-12 CF-ASW RM	Peter Lamla VSA 133 km @ 53.6 km/h Open Cirrus CF-BMX PR	—
1977	Hawkesbury, ON	John Firth RVSS 114 km @ 100.75 km/h Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF	—	
Std. Class				
1973	Pigeon Lake, MB	Hal Werneburg SOSA 310 km @ 62.9 km/h Std. Cirrus CF-AQV 24	—	Jim Carpenter Caledon 165 km Libelle H301 CF-YFL 14
1975	Claresholm, AB	—	Peter Timm VSA 133 km @ 53.4 km/h Std Cirrus C-GHJD	—
1977	Hawkesbury, ON	—	Paul Sears SOSA 241.8 km @ 61.68 km/h Ka6CR CF-	—
15m Class				
1975	Claresholm, AB	—	—	—
1977	Hawkesbury, ON	Dave Marsden ESC 261 km @ 72.1 km/h Pik20 N114XX XX	—	—
Contest site	Open class	15m class	Standard class	
1979 Arthur, ON	Dave Webb SOSA 241.1 @ 90.0 km/h Tinbus CF-FEZ EZ	Hal Werneburg SOSA 241.1km @ 89.6km/h Mini Nimbus C-GSXA 24	Paul Sears SOSA 241.1km @ 81.1 km/h Libelle 201 C-GCJK JK	
1980 Claresholm, AB	Peter Lamla VSA 155.3 km @ 121.7 km/h Nimbus II N21RP PR	Hal Werneburg SOSA 155.3 km @ 109.6 km/h Mini Nimbus C-GSXA 24	Paul Sears SOSA 203 km @ 100.5 km/h Libelle 201 C-GCJK JK	
1982 Rockton, ON	John Firth RVSS 340 km @ 75 km/h Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF	Ulli Werneburg GGC 204 km @ about 75 km/h ASW-20a C-GYMZ MZ	David Marsden ESC 124 km @ ? Jantar C-GFBO	
1983 Split Nationals Hawkesbury, ON Claresholm, AB	Std. class (no Open) 15 m class	Michael Apps ESC 228.4 km @ 88 km/h ASW-19B C-GBYK YK	Dave Webb SOSA 283.5 km @ ? ASW-20FP C-GULX AB	

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Contest site	Open class	15m class	Standard class
1984 Virden, MB		Michael Apps ESC 377 km @ 111.4 km/h ASW-20FP C-GULX AB	Walter Herten SOSA 268 km @ 99.3 km/h Jantar C-GGEA SX
1985 St-Raymond, QC	John Firth RVSS 282.4 km @ 97.5 km/h Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF	Michael Apps ESC 143.2 km @ 107.4 km/h ASW20FP C-GULX AB	Jörg Stieber SOSA 225 km @ 87.9 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS
1986 Arthur, ON	–	Tom Knauff Ridge Soaring 227 km @ 91.0 km/h Ventus b KG	Jim Carpenter 207 km @ 84.8 km/h LS4 C-GMZZ ZZ
1987 Chipman, AB	–	Jim Oke WGC 316 km @ 101.2 km/h ASW-20 C-GPON 77	Jörg Stieber SOSA 316 km @ 81.3 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS
1988 Hawkesbury, ON	–	Ulli Werneburg GGC 107.1 km @ 80.2 km/h ASW-20a C-GYMZ MZ	Tom Knauff Ridge Soaring 107.1 km @ 77.6 km/h Discus N115RS KG
1989 Rockton, ON	–	Wilfried Krueger SOSA 303.1 km quad @ 65.0 km/h LS6b C-FAMV K2	trophy not awarded
1990 Brandon, MB	–	no triangular task set	Ed Hollestelle SOSA 229 km @ 87.0 km/h DG-300 C-FEQH A1
1991 Pendleton, ON	–	Dave Hogg SOSA 183.9 km @ 67.8 km/h ASW-20 C-G VQ	trophy not awarded
1992 Hawkesbury, ON	–	Nick Bonnière GGC 243.9 km @ 98.0 km/h ASW-20a C-GYMZ ST	Jörg Stieber SOSA 243.9 km @ 93.6 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS
1993 Swift Current, SK	Dave Marsden ESC 305 km @ 94.4 km/h DG-202 C-GVRR VR	Nick Bonnière GGC 305 km @ 113.7 km/h ASW-20a C-GYMZ MZ	Jörg Stieber SOSA same @ 97 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS
1994 Rockton, ON	–	Ulli Werneburg GGC 374.8 km @ 87.0 km/h ASW-20b C-GIKC MZ	Jörg Stieber SOSA 374.8 km @ 78.4 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS
1995 Pendleton, ON	–	George Moffat Marion, Mass. 306.7 km @ 98.1 km/h Ventus b N114XX XX	Jörg Stieber SOSA 340.1 km @ 83.5 km/h LS4 C-GTGO JS

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Contest site	15m class	Standard class	Sports class
1996 Red Deer, AB	Nick Bonnière GGC 271.9 km @ 88.9 km/h ASW-20a C-GYMZ <i>ST</i>	Jörg Stieber SOSA 229.6 km @ 76.8 km/h LS4 C-GTGO <i>JS</i>	Tony Burton Cu Nim 202.2 km @ 64.6 km/h RS-15 C-GPUB <i>EE</i>
1997 Rockton, ON	Heri Pölzl SOSA 375.5 km @ 98.9 km/h LS6b C-FDIT <i>KC</i>	Ian Spence SOSA 375.5 km @ 92.1 km/h ASW-24 C-FPMV <i>WW</i>	Udo Rumpf SOSA 194.1 km @ 84.8 km/h HP18 C-FETQ <i>ET</i>
1998 Brandon, MB	Jim Oke WGC 243.0 km @ 58.5 km/h ASW-20 C-GPON <i>77</i>	Ed Hollestelle SOSA 227.3 km @ 65.9 km/h SZD-55-1 C-FZQE <i>A1</i>	Hans Berg individual 220.4 km @ 61.8 km/h Std. Cirrus C-GJRW <i>HB</i>
1999 St-Dominique, QC	Walter Weir COSA 282.3 km @ 82.3 km/h ASW-20b C-GGWW <i>2W</i>	Dave Mercer GGC 282.3 km @ 84.3 km/h Genesis 2 C-GBKK <i>DM</i>	Hans Berg individual 245.0 km @ 65.1 km/h Std. Cirrus C-GJRW <i>HB</i>
Club class			
2000 Pendleton, ON	Ulli Werneburg GGC 182.8 km @ 101.6 km/h ASW-20b C-GIKC <i>MZ</i>	Ed Hollestelle SOSA 182.8 km @ 102.5 km/h LS8a C-GFZY <i>A1</i>	Heri Pölzl SOSA 193.8 km @ 85.7 km/h LS6b C-FDIT <i>KC</i>
2001 Rockton, ON 10% bonus for dist. if landing at home field	Ulli Werneburg GGC 307.5 km @ 102.5 km/h ASW-20b C-GIKC <i>MZ</i>	Dale Kramer SOSA 311.5 km @ 103.8 km/h LS8 C-GFPQ <i>K1</i>	Adam Zieba SOSA 278.3 km @ 92.9 km/h HP18H C-FQCC <i>AZ</i>
2002 Hawkesbury, ON 10% bonus	Walter Weir COSA 340.2 km @ 136.1 km/h ASW-27 C-GJSJ <i>2W</i>	Dale Kramer SOSA 389.9 km @ 130.0 km/h LS8 C-GFPQ <i>K1</i>	Adam Zieba SOSA 341.9 km @ 114.0 km/h HP18H C-FQCC <i>AZ</i>
2003 Pendleton, ON	Walter Weir Air Sailing 241.2 km @ 96.5 km/h ASW-27 C-GJSJ <i>2W</i>	Dave Mercer Cold Lake 198.8 km @ 79.5 km/h Genesis 2 C-GBKK <i>DM</i>	Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA 156.1 km @ 71.6 km/h Jantar C-GEMF <i>MF</i>
2004 St-Raymond, QC	no entries	no entries	Nick Bonnière GGC 389.5 km LAK-17a C-GHBA <i>ST</i>
Racing class			
2005 Claresholm, AB		Justin Wills New Zealand 263.8 km @ 98.8 km/h Discus 2 C-FCDD <i>DD</i>	Ron Cattaruzza ESC 185.7 km @ 70.5 km/h SZD-59 Acro C-GXKM <i>KM</i>
2006 Rockton, ON		Dave Springford SOSA 335.4 km @ 83 km/h hcp 362.6 km @ 89.7 km/h raw LS8 C-GIEZ <i>F1</i>	Kerry Kerby Great Lakes 318.3 km @ 80.0 km/h hcp 321.5 km @ 80.8 km raw Jantar 69
2007 Hawkesbury, ON		Dave Springford SOSA 275.98 km @ 79.03 km/h hcp LS8 C-GIEZ <i>F1</i>	not awarded
2008 no contest			

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	Contest site	FAI class	Club class	
2009	Rockton, ON	Dave Springford SOSA 297.78 @ 99.5 km/h 272.47 @ 91.01 km/h hcp LS8 C-GIEZ <i>F1</i>	Anthony Kawzowicz SOSA 251.79 @ 81.3 km/h 249.28 @ 80.47 hcp Jantar C-GHDR <i>HK</i>	
2010	N. Battleford, SK	Jörg Stieber SOSA 315.1 @ 99.1 km/h LS8/18 C-GHBA <i>JS</i>	Bruce Friesen ESC 298.0 @ 94.4 km/h hcp Std. Austria C-FPDM <i>SL</i>	
		FAI class	Club class 1	Club class 2
2011	Rockton, ON	Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA 272.3 km @ 88.8 km/h hcp 318.52 km @ 103.9 km/h raw ASG-29/18 <i>XG</i>	Sergei Morozov SOSA 242.2 km @ 80.5 km/h hcp 257.36 km @ 85.5 km/h raw SZD-55-1 <i>TR</i>	Pierre Gavillet MSC 145.64 km @ 72.9 km/h hcp 142.79 km @ 71.5 km/h raw Libelle 201B <i>64</i>
			Club class	
2012	Arthur, ON	Dave Springford SOSA 273.8 km @ 89.0 km/h ASG-29 <i>F1</i>	Anthony Kawzowicz SOSA 247.1 km @ 77.2 km/h hcp SZD-55-1 <i>Z</i>	
2013	Pendleton, ON	Jörg Stieber SOSA 224.07 km @ 67.65 km/h hcp LS8/18 <i>JS</i>	Pierre Cypihot AVV Champlain 194.73 km @ 62.2 km/h ASW 20 <i>S1</i>	
2014	Rockton, ON	Chris Gough ESC 284.9 km @ 94.5 km/h hcp LS8 <i>44</i>	Anthony Kawzowicz SOSA 256.2 km/h @ 80.9 km/h hcp LS4 <i>DW</i>	
2015	Netook, AB	Dave Springford SOSA 241.1 km @ 93 km/h ASG 29 <i>F1</i>	Chris Gough ESC 237.7 km @ 86.6 km/h Jantar <i>JJ</i>	
2016	Arthur, ON	Jerzy Szemplinski SOSA 324.9 km @ 107.5 km/h hcp ASG-29/18 <i>XG</i>	Krzysztof Wiercioch SOSA 390.5 km @ 94.95 km/h hcp Jantar <i>MF</i>	
2017	no host			
		Open/18m class	FAI class	Club class
2018	Rockton, ON	Dave Springford SOSA 323.76 km @ 108.25 km/h ASG 29 <i>F1</i>	Chris Gough Cu Nim 259.46 km @ 86.4 km/h Ventus B <i>99</i>	Bill Cole SOSA 264.27 km @ 77.14 km/h Mosquito <i>BC</i>
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships, SOSA			
2020	no contest, COVID 19			
2021	no contest, COVID 19			

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Contest site	Open/18 m class	FAI class	Club class
2022 Chipman, AB		Jörg Stieber SOSA 526 km @ 148.6 km/h ASG 29E JS	Marian Rakusan Cu Nim 379.2 km @ 125.8 km/h ASW 20 MR
2023 Rockton, ON	Dave Springford SOSA 245 km @ 98.2 km/h Ventus 3T F1 Sean Fidler Ionia MI, USA 247 km @ 98.2 km/h ASG 29 7T	—	Jesse Miller SOSA 250 km @ 81.1 km/h ASW 20 XC
2024 Black Diamond, AB	contest cancelled		

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Shell Trophy

First presented for 1949

This trophy – a **silver Rose Bowl** – was presented to the Association by Shell Oil of Canada. It was awarded to the National Champion – the pilot with the maximum score in a national contest. At this time, there was only one class in the national contest.

After the introduction of the FAI classes – Open, Standard, 15 metre – the trophy is now awarded to the Canadian winner of the Open class competition.

The awarding of this trophy went through several stages such as three best flights of the year – or the winners of the three meets held in the country with the most points going to the pilot who would then keep the trophy for the remainder of the year.

For several years, the trophy was not awarded, as no Open class entry had been registered, and the trophy was retired.

2018 Interest in 18m and 20m class competitions. The trophy is now awarded to the top Canadian pilot in the **Open/18m class** in a Canadian National contest and declared the

National champion for this class.

1949	Albert Pow	London AC	LK10A	CF-ZBA	Kingston, ON
1950	Frank Brame	TGC	LK10A		St-Eugène, QC
1951	Albert Pow	London AC	LK10A single seat N...		Kitchener, ON
1952	Ron Claudi	MSC	Grunau Baby	CF-	St-Eugène, QC
1953	Stan Rys	MSC	Mü13	CF-ZPQ	Kitchener, ON
1954	Jack Ames	TGC	Loudon	CF-ZBN	Kitchener ON
1955	Jack Ames	SOSA	SGS 1-23	CF-ZCJ	Brantford ON
1956	Frank Brame	SOSA	SGS 1-23D	CF-ZCN	Cap-de-la-Madeleine QC
1957	Gordon Oates	SOSA	Skylark 3d	CF-ZCW	Brantford ON
1958	Gordon Oates	SOSA	Skylark 3d	CF-ZCW	Brantford ON
1959	Charles Yeates	SOSA	SGS 1-23	CF-ZCJ	Regina, SK
1960	Willi Deleurant	AC Harmony	K8	CF-RCE	Brantford, ON
1961	Wolf Mix	SOSA	Std Austria SH-1	CF-PZP	Brantford, ON
1962	Wolf Mix	SOSA	Std Austria SH-1	CF-PZP	Brantford, ON
1963	Dave Webb	MSC	Skylark 4	CF-OUO	Hawkesbury, ON
1964	Dave Webb	MSC	Skylark 4	CF-OUO	Brantford, ON
1965	Willi Deleurant	TSC	Std Austria S	CF-PDM	Pendleton, ON
1966	Wolf Mix	SOSA	St Austria SH-1	CF-RXG	Regina, SK
1967	Charles Yeates	GGC	St Austria SH-1	CF-PZP	Hawkesbury, ON
1968	Peter Trounce	SOSA	Phoebus 17m	CF-VKY	Rockton, ON
1969	Dave Webb	MSC	Open Cirrus	CF-XGU	Innisfail, AB
1970	Dave Webb	MSC	SB-7 mod.	CF-WOV	Carman, MB
1971	Dave Webb	MSC	Kestrel 17	CF-YAW	Pendleton, ON
1972	Jim Carpenter	Caledon	Libelle H301	CF-YFL	14 Rockton, ON
1973	regionals				
1975	Dave Webb	SOSA	Tinbus DBW-2	CF-FEZ	EZ Claresholm, AB
1976	regionals				
1977	Dave Webb	SOSA	Tinbus DBW-2	CF-FEZ	EZ Hawkesbury, ON
1978	regionals				
1979	Dave Webb	SOSA	Tinbus DBW-2	CF-FEZ	EZ Arthur, ON
1980	Peter Lamla	VSA	Nimbus	N21RP	PR Claresholm, AB
1981	regionals				
1982	John Firth	RVSS	Kestrel 19	CF-FGR	JF Rockton, ON
1983-1992	no open class competition				
1993					
	unhandicapped	Richard Mamini	CuNim ASW 12	CF-ASW	RM Swift Current, SK
	handicapped	Dave Mercer	CLSC RS-15	CG-PHZ	HZ Swift Current, SK

1994-2017

no open class competitions

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Champions Open / 18 Metre Class

2018	Dave Springford	SOSA	ASG-29 F1	Rockton, ON
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships, SOSA			
2020	no contest, COVID 19			
2021	no contest, COVID 19			
2022	no entry			
2023	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	ASG 29 XG	Rockton, ON
2024	contest cancelled			

COMPETITION CHAMPIONS & TROPHIES

SOSA Trophy for best novice

first presented for the
1964 year.

The trophy – a silver Rose bowl on an oval base – was donated to the Association of Canada by the SOSA Gliding Club.

A novice is a pilot who is competing in the Nationals for the first time. A single entry may suffice to award this trophy. It is usually awarded for the best flight at a national contest by a novice pilot.

1994

The criterion was amended to *“a novice pilot who is competing in his first nationals level competition”*

(example: the US regionals or the German regionals are considered at “Canadian Nationals” level).

1964	Johann Kuhn	Detroit, MI	Ka6BR	N....	Brantford, ON
1965	Hal Werneburg	SOSA	K8	CF-RDP	Pendleton, ON
1966	Richard Mamini	Cu Nim	L-Spatz	CF-OVU	Regina, SK
1967	Duncan Laurin	MSC	Ka6E	CF-VKA	Hawkesbury, ON
1968	Willibald Krug	SOSA	Std. Austria	CF-PHH	Rockton, ON
1969	John Burrows	MSC	Ka6	CF-RBL	Innisfail, AB
1970	Bruce Hea	Cu Nim	Std Libelle	CF-QJS	Carman, MB
1971	Alex Grenville	GGC	Ka6E		Pendleton, ON
1972	Julius Nagy	SOSA	Std. Lib 201	C-FABV BV	Rockton, ON
1973	Bernie Brayshaw	VSA	Ka6CR	CF-SHG	Pigeon Lake, MB
1974		regional contests			Hawkesbury, ON
1975	Larry Riegert	CLSC	Open Cirrus	CF-XGU	Claresholm, AB
1976		regional contests			
1977	Walter Herten	SOSA	Ka6E	CF-XSX SX	Hawkesbury, ON
1978		regional contests			
1979	Al Poldas	CuNim	Mini Nimbus	C-GNZY 94	Arthur, ON
1980	Bruce MacGowan	VSA	ASW-19	C-GIXG XG	Claresholm, AB
1981		regional contests			
1982	Peter Flanagan	London	Diamant	C-GOBG BG	Rockton, ON
1983	Gilles Boily	CVVQ	Jantar	C-GBRP GB	Hawkesbury, ON
1984	Russ Flint	WGC	Std. Cirrus	C-GHJD JD	Virden, MB
1985	Walter Pille	CVVQ	Kestrel	C-FFKQ KQ	St-Raymond, QC
1986	Walter Weir	COSA	ASW-20b	C-GGWW 2W	Arthur, ON
1987	Terry Southwood	Cu Nim	ASW-20	C-GGGE PM	Chipman, AB
1988	Dave Mercer	GGC	RS-15	C-GPHZ HZ	Hawkesbury, ON
1989	Rod Crocker / Alan Wood	SOSA	1-35	C-GYSO AO	Rockton, ON
1990	Udo Rumpf	COSA	HP-18	C-FETQ ET	Brandon, MB
1991	Eddy Hollestelle	SOSA	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Pendleton, ON
1992	Charles Gower	SOSA	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Hawkesbury, ON
1993	Nick Pfeiffer	VSA	Std Cirrus	N770R SV	Swift Current, SK
1994		Trophy not awarded			Rockton, ON
1995	Calvin Devries	YSA	HP-14	C-FALT LT	Pendleton, ON
1996	Keith Hay / Gerald Ince	Cu Nim Mini Nimb		C-GLYD 54	Red Deer, AB
1997	Scott McMaster	SOSA	Hornet	C-FQMB DW	Rockton, ON
1998		Trophy not awarded			
1999	Dale Kramer	SOSA	LS4a	N7LR K1	St-Dominique, QC
2000	Ron Walker	GGC	Glasflügel 304CZ	C-FRBW CC	Pendleton, ON
2001	Roger Hildesheim	GGC	DG-300	C-GGAZ ZA	Rockton, ON
2002		Trophy not awarded			Hawkesbury, ON
2003		Trophy not awarded			Pendleton, ON
2004	Jean-Guy Hélie	CVVQ	LS4	CR	St-Raymond, QC
2005	Ron Cattaruzza	ESC	SZD 59 Acro	C-GXKM KM	Claresholm, AB

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2006	Trophy not awarded				Rockton, ON
2007	Tim Tuck	GGC	ASW-20	C-GYMZ	Hawkesbury, ON
2008	no contest				
2009	Alf Marcelissen	SOSA	ASW-20	C-GLTW TW	Rockton, ON
2010	Guy Blood	ESC	Libelle 201	C-GTQL QL	North Battleford, SK
2011	Trophy not awarded				Rockton, ON
2012	Gabriel Duford	Champlain	ASW-20	W6	Arthur, ON
2013	Martin Lacasse	GGC	ASW-24	M7	Pendleton, ON
2014	Robert Zachemski	SOSA	SZD-55-1	C-GAXG Z	Rockton, ON
2015	Trophy not awarded				
2016	Jeffrey Dixon	SOSA	Jantar	BW	Arthur, ON
2017	no host				
2018	Paul Parker	SOSA	LS 4	DW	Rockton, ON
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships,	SOSA			
2020	no contest, COVID-19				
2021	no contest, COVID-19				
2022	Marian Rakusan	Cu Nim	ASW 20	MR	Chipman, AB
2023	Predrag Kupcevic	SOSA	Glasflügel 304 CZ	1DM	Rockton, ON
2024	contest cancelled				Black Diamond, AB

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Maria Szemplinska

Wolf Mix Trophy

First presented for 1973

FAI class champion

This trophy depicts a silver swan soaring to a cumulus cloud – an upright carving in black walnut – height 16 inches.

The trophy was designed, crafted, and donated to the Association by Christine and John Firth, of Ottawa, in memory of Wolfram Mix (1925-1972) who was killed in 1972 while competing in the XIII World Soaring Championship in Vrsac, Yugoslavia. The trophy is a tribute to his outstanding performances in international soaring competition.

Until 2002, the trophy was awarded to the top Canadian pilot of the Std. Class competition in a Canadian national contest and declared the National Champion for that Class.

2009 Std. and 15m Classes were combined and renamed the FAI Class, with scores handicapped.

A winning non-resident pilot will be declared **winner**.

The trophy is awarded to the top Canadian pilot in the FAI Class in a Canadian national contest and declared **National Champion** for this class.

Standard class

1973	Hal Werneburg	SOSA	Std. Cirrus	CF-AQV	24	Pigeon Lake, MB
1974	regional contests					
1975	Jim Carpenter	Caledon	Libelle H301	CF-YFL	14	Claresholm, AB
1976	regional contests					
1977	Hal Werneburg	SOSA	Std. Cirrus	CF-AQV	24	Hawkesbury, ON
1978	regional contests					
1979	Paul Sears	SOSA	Libelle 201	C-GCJK	JK	Arthur, ON
1980	Paul Sears	SOSA	Libelle 201	C-GCJK	JK	Claresholm, AB
1981	regional contests					
1982	Willem Langelaan	Cu Nim	Jantar	C-GMSG	52	Rockton, ON
1983	Dave Webb	SOSA	ASW-19b	C-GBYK		Hawkesbury, ON
1984	Ian Spence	SOSA	Jantar	C-GDBY	WW	Virden, MB
1985	Dave Webb	SOSA	DG-300	C-GCTZ	DG	St Raymond, QC
1986	Jim Carpenter	YSA	LS4	C-GMZZ	ZZ	Arthur, ON
1987	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS4	C-GGTO	JS	Chipman, AB
1988	John Featherstone		Discus	N . . .	5J	Hawkesbury, ON
1989	Ed Hollestelle	SOSA	DG-300	C-FEQH	A1	Rockton, ON
1990	Dave Webb	SOSA	DG-300	C-FCTZ	DG	Brandon, MB
1991	Andy Gough	SOSA	LS4	C-GMZZ	44	Pendleton, ON
1992	Ed Hollestelle	SOSA	SZD-55-1	N3176T	A1	Hawkesbury, ON
1993	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS4	C-GTGO	JS	Swift Current, SK
1994	no contest – 3 days					
1995	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS4	C-GTGO	JS	Pendleton, ON
1996	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS4	C-GTGO	JS	Red Deer, AB
1997	Ian Spence	SOSA	ASW-24	C-FPMV	WW	Rockton, ON
1998	Ed Hollestelle	SOSA	SZD-55	C-FZQE	A1	Brandon, MB
1999	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS4	C-GTGO	JS	St-Dominique, QC
2000	Ed Hollestelle	SOSA	LS8a	C-GFZY	A1	Pendleton, ON
2001	Dale Kramer	SOSA	LS8	C-GFPQ	K1	Rockton, ON
2002	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS8	C-GHBA	JS	Hawkesbury, ON
2003	no contest – 3 days					
2004	Club class only – see CALPA trophy					
2005	Racing class – see CALPA trophy					
2006	Racing class – see CALPA trophy					
2007	Racing class – see CALPA trophy					
2008	no contest					

FAI class

2009	Dave Springford	SOSA	LS8	C-GIEZ	F1	Rockton, ON
2010	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS8	C-GHBA	JS	N. Battleford, SK
2011	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	LS8/18	C-GHBA	JS	Pendleton, ON
2014	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	ASG-29	XG		Rockton, ON
2015	Dave Springford	SOSA	ASG-29	F1		Netook, AB

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			FAI class		
2016	Jerzy Szemplinski	SOSA	ASG-29	XG	Arthur, ON
2017	no host				
2018	Chris Gough	Cu Nim	Ventus B	99	Rockton, ON
2019	no contest, 3 rd FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships, SOSA				
2020	no contest, COVID-19				
2021	no contest, COVID-19				
2022	Jörg Stieber	SOSA	ASG-29E 18m	JS	Chipman, AB
2023	no entry				Rockton, ON
2024	contest cancelled				Black Diamond, AB

GLIDER AEROBATIC

first World Glider Aerobatic Championship 1985 Mauterndorf, Austria

1985 Manfred Radius *Salto* 17th of 31

Nine nations participated in the first World Glider Aerobatic Championship.

Flight programs are laid out in the Aerobatic Catalogue. The program must be performed within the 'aerobatic box', which is a cube of 1000 metres in each direction. The base of the box must be not less than 200 m above the highest obstacle underneath it. Each time the glider leaves the box and flies beyond the 50m grace given, 30 penalty points are deducted. No points are awarded for a maneuver flown entirely outside the box, or in the wrong direction. Five judges, under supervision by the Chief Judge (Victor de Beauclair) observe the performance from a point well to the side of the box. A score of 0 to 10 (perfect) is awarded for each maneuver, as well as for *harmony*, *use of space* and, in case of the Free Program, also *versatility*. This number is later multiplied by the coefficient of the maneuver (a number indicating the degree of difficulty). The results of these multiplications are processed by computer according to the Bauer-Tarasov formula. This formula is designed to facilitate the fairest possible scoring, and eliminates bias by a judge and allows the monitoring of the performance of judges.

Free Flight 1/86

World Champions are crowned in these categories:

Overall • Free Program • Team competition
Known Compulsory Program
Unknown Compulsory Program

CLUB CLASS

first Club Class World Championships 9–24 January 2001 • Gawler, Australia

2001 Heribert Pölzl *LS4* 35th of 44

The FAI formally recognized a **handicapped class** – the *Club* class – as an affordable entry-level class to a world championship. It has been extremely successful, attracting some of the most talented and experienced pilots in addition to the young or impecunious it was supposed to target. Among the reasons for this are the long lifespans of gliders that invite their continued use, the relative simplicity of the class rules (eg. water ballast is not allowed) and the typically more relaxed "atmosphere" of *Club* class competitions.

The emergence of the *Club* class is a significant factor in the decline of the *World* class, as it is equally affordable, yields higher performances and allows a degree of personal choice in equipment that does not exist in the *World* class.

excerpt from FAI website

WORLD CLASS – PW-5

1998 – 2014

first World Class Gliding Championships 1998 Inonu, Eskesir, Turkey (in combination with the First World Air Games)

1999 Leszno, Poland
Charles Yeates *PW-5 C-GBVS* 20th of 25

In the mid-80s, and as the brainchild of Prof. Piero Morelli of Italy, the International Gliding Commission (IGC) began discussing the creation of a new glider class with the general requirements of:

Substantially lower cost than current new gliders • easy and safe handling, in the air and on the ground • a single design, stabilized for a period of years • performance sufficient for badges and challenging competition • simple construction • suitable for clubs, private owners, and early solo pilots

The design competition was open to all, with strict design objectives, followed by a prototype test competition. IGC would then declare one ship as the *World Class* glider with the guarantee not to allow changes from original specifications for 15 years.

1989 call for proposals

1992 5 countries with 6 prototypes tested in Oerlinghausen, Germany

1993 PW-5 selected as first *World Class* glider
Designer: faculty/student team of Warsaw University of Technology,
Manufacturer: PZL-Swidnik

2014 Year of the last *World Class* world championships

**2015 – the World Class is replaced
by the new 13.5m Class**

World Sailplane Grand Prix

**First held in 2005
Saint-Auban, France**

The *Grand Prix* was developed as a means to make our sport more accessible and physically visible to the general public while also simplifying the scoring system, so spectators can see who has won as that glider crosses the line in front of them rather than wait hours for a complicated scoring system to work it out. This competition has a completely different type of start and also of scoring.

A series of qualifying events is run in different countries over a period of around a year (with some leeway due to varying meteorological conditions and time zones). The final features the top two from each qualifier, so it is truly a test of champions.

*Difference between other
FAI Championships:*

- maximum of 20 entries
- gliders race close together around a pre-set task
- simultaneous start
- gliders must cross the short start line not above a set height and not faster than a set maximum speed
- start/finish line is generally close to the airfield so that it can be observed by spectators
- gliders race around the task
- no team flying permitted
- first one home wins as they all start at the same time and there is no handicapping
- place scoring system is used, with 1 point for every finisher you beat, plus a bonus point for coming home first (similar to a Motor Grand Prix)

Hans-Werner Grosse (from sceptic to enthusiast):
"This is real sport and has the potential to attract aviation fans worldwide... no start-line games, no gaggles, no tactics, the leading fellow cannot relax."
 e-mail 27 August 2010

The first Sailplane Grand Prix event was held in January 2001 in Gawler, Australia as a test of the concept (parallel to the first Club Class World Gliding Championships). Jim's win is recognized even though the contest was a test of the concept. The official championships followed.

	glider	place [# entries]
2001 Jim Carpenter	Ventus B	1 [20]
2016 Ionia MI, preliminary competition – USA		
<u>Jerzy Szemplinski</u>	<u>ASG-29</u>	<u>1 [16]</u>
Sergei Morozov	ASG-29	3 [16]
Krzysztof Wiercioch	ASW-27	6 [16]
Dominique [Nick] Bonnière	LAK-17b FES	12 [16]
Emmanuel Cadieux	ASW-20	13 [16]
2018 Seminole FL, preliminary competition – USA		
<u>Sergei Morozov</u>	<u>M6</u>	<u>1 [1]</u>
Jerzy Szemplinski	XG	2 [1]

INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

Junior World Championships

First in 1999
Terlet, the Netherlands

From 1991 to 1997, international junior gliding competitions (participation under the age of 26) were held as *European Junior Gliding Championships*.

Starting in 1999,
these championships were named

Junior World Gliding Championships.

They are held every two years.

		Class	Glider	place [# entries]
2009	Christopher Gough Râyskâlâ, Finland	Club	LS4 TK	34 [46]
2011	Selena Boyle Musbach, Germany	Club	LS1d T	41 [44]
2013	Emmanuel Cadieux Leszno, Poland	Club	Std. Cirrus 75 XII	44 [48]
2015	Emmanuel Cadieux Narromine, Australia	Club	Std. Cirrus 75 KC	27 [33]

INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS

FAI PanAmerican Gliding Championships

First held in 2015

As continental championships, the PAGC were governed by IGC rules with the same formalism as World championships.

The first continental championships (Level 1 competition) – PAGC – were held 6-18 April 2015 in the Americas.

The PAGC was initially planned to be held at the Chilhowee Gliderport in Benton, Tennessee. However, the area had received so much rain over the winter that the contest had to be moved to the McMinn County airport near Athens, TN.

	Class	Glider	place [# entries]
2015 McMinn County airport, Tennessee			
Bill Cole	hcp	Mosquito <i>BC</i>	7 [13]
Roger Hildesheim	hcp	SZD-55-1 <i>AT</i>	10 [13]
Jörg Stieber	hcp	LS8/15 <i>JS</i>	6 [13]
Krzysztof Wiercioch	hcp	Jantar <i>MF</i>	11 [13]
Sergei Morozov	15m	ASG-29 <i>MS</i>	4 [13]
Luke Szczepaniak	15m	ASW-27b <i>2W</i>	9 [13]
Jerzy Szemplinski	18m	ASG-29 <i>XG</i>	1 [13]
Team Cup won by Canada			

2017 Gonzales Chaves, Argentina 15m, Std. Class			
Dave Cole	15m	ASW 20 <i>LG</i>	11 [15]
Stanislaw Maj	15m	ASW 20 <i>RJ</i>	15 [15]
Marian Nowak	Std. Class	Jantar <i>PD</i>	14 [14]
Krzysztof Wiercioch	Std Class	Jantar <i>43</i>	10 [14]

2019 SOSA Gliding Club – Rockton ON, best 3 placings			
Sergei Morozov	18m	ASG 29/18m <i>MS</i>	2 [13]
Jörg Stieber	18m	ASG 29/Es18m <i>JS</i>	3 [13]
Jerzy Szemplinski	18m	ASG 29/18m <i>XG</i>	1 [13]
Dave Cole	15m/Std	SZD 55 <i>AF1</i>	10 [14]
Paul Parker	15m/Std.	Discus 2 <i>DD</i>	8 [14]
Luke Szczepaniak	15m/Std	ASW 27B <i>2W</i>	1 [14]
Rafael Bravo	Club	LS 4 <i>DW</i>	3 [13]
Sylvain Larue	Club	LS 4 <i>84</i>	5 [13]
Krzysztof Wiercioch	Club	Std Jantar <i>MF</i>	4 [13]

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World Gliding Championships

First 4-18 July 1937
Wasserkuppe, Rhön •
Germany

FAI Sporting Code

General Section 3.1.6

An international sporting event organized under the Sporting Code rules for championships in one or more disciplines of FAI recognized activities, open to participants from all FAI members and in which the winner is awarded the title of World Champion.

The President of the International Gliding Commission closed the VIII World Championships in Butzweiler, West Germany –

“They told me that the representatives of 24 nations are here. My dear friends, I see in front of me one Nation, the Nation of the enthusiastic glider pilots, the only Nation that lives in the sky.”

“Die Geschichte des Segelfluges”
 by Georg Brütting

Canada first competed in 1952 following the establishment of SAC in 1945.

1937 Wasserkuppe • Rhön, Germany
1948 Samedan, Switzerland
1950 Oerebro, Sweden

		Class	Glider	place [# entries]
1952	Cuatros Vientos, Spain			
	Albert M. Pow	single seat	Weihe	left blank in report
	Ovila Boudreault	single seat	Weihe EC-RAF	left blank in report
	Barrie Jeffery & Frank Woodward	two seat	Kranich II EC-OBN	14 [17]
1954	Camphill, England <i>(only two contest days)</i>			
	Al Pow	single seat	Olympia	22 [34]
1956	Saint Yan, France			
	Jack Ames	Open	Breguet 901S F-CCCI	1265 points
	Frank Brame	Open	Geier II	1889 points
				(1 st place scored 4891 pts)
1958	Leszno, Poland			
	Charles Yeates	Open	Breguet 901 F-CCCG	18 [37]
	Gordon Oates	Open	Geier II	29 [37]
1960	Köln-Butzweiler, West Germany		no Cdn. participation, lack of funds	

After 1960 – Open and Standard classes compete

1963	Junin, Argentina			
	Dave Webb	Open	Skylark 4 CF-OUO	9 [25]
	Charles Yeates	Std.	Ka6 LV-DEG	9 [38]
	Wolf Mix	Std.	Ka6	21 [38]
1965	South Cerney, England			
	Dave Webb	Open	Dart 17m prototype	28 [41]
	Charles Yeates	Open	Skylark IV 1069	9 [41]
	Peder Mortensen	Std.	Olympia 460 (EON “Baby”)	40 [45]
1968	Leszno, Poland			
	Charles Yeates	Open	Open Cirrus CF-XGU	9 [48]
	Dave Webb	Open	BS-1 Glasflügel prototype heavy	13 [48]
	Wolf Mix	Std.	Foka 24C	41 [57]
1970	Marfa, TX USA			
	John Firth	Open	HP 11A CF-RNN	30 [39]
	Dave Webb	Open	Kestrel CF-YAW	28 [39]
	Willi Deleurant	Std.	Std. Libelle	40 [40]
	Wolf Mix	Std.	Std. Cirrus	4 [40]
1972	Vrsac, Yugoslavia			
	John Firth	Open	Kestrel 19 CF-FGR JF	25 [38]
	Richard Mamini	Open	ASW-12 CF-ASW RM	26 [38]
	Wolf Mix	Std.	Std. Cirrus	39 [51]
	Dave Webb	Std.	Std. Cirrus	10 [51]
1974	Waikerie, Australia			
	Jim Carpenter	Open	Open Cirrus 17.5m	21 [28]
	Richard Mamini	Open	Kestrel 19	23 [28]
	John Firth	Std.	Std Libelle CZ	38 [39]
	Dave Webb	Std.	Std Libelle BW	18 [39]

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1976 Râyskälä, Finland				1997 St Auban, France			
Jim Carpenter	Open	Nimbus 2 JC	28 [39]	Nick Bonnière	Std.	ASW-24 CH	30 [40]
Dave Webb	Open	Nimbus 2 D-9480	31 [39]	<i>Other seeded pilots declined, citing unfamiliarity with mountain soaring</i>			
John Firth	Std.	PIK-20	31 [46]				
Hal Werneburg	Std.	Std. Cirrus D-4743	40 [46]	1999 Bayreuth, Germany			
1978 Châteauroux, France				Nick Bonnière	15 m	ASW-27	36 [43]
Dave Webb	15 m	Mosquito D-4436	20 [32]	Ulli Werneburg	15 m	ASW-27 8M	38 [43]
Hal Werneburg	15 m	Mini-Nimbus CF-NZY	21 [32]	Ed Hollestelle	Std.	LS8 A1	35 [47]
Jim Carpenter	Std.	Std Cirrus CD	6 [23]				
John Firth	Std.	Std Cirrus CN	11 [23]	2001 Mafikeng, South Africa			
1981 Paderborn, West Germany				Dale Kramer	Std.	LS4a K1	20 [27]
Hal Werneburg	15 m	Ventus C-GRUR	26 [42]				
Ulli Werneburg	15 m	ASW-20 D-1638	11 [42]	2003 Leszno, Poland			
Jim Carpenter	Std.	ASW-19 IS	19 [27]	Ed Hollestelle	18 m	LS8t A1	21 [23]
Paul Sears	Std.	LS4 S2	21 [27]	Dale Kramer	Std.	Discus 2b D2	38 [44]
1983 Hobbs, NM USA							
political controversy over participation of South Africa (apartheid). SAC did not sanction Canadian participation.				2006 Eskilstuna, Sweden			
Peter Lamla	Open	Nimbus 2 PR	19 [19]	<i>no Canadian entry Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open, Std.</i>			
Wilfried Krueger	15 m	ASW-20b C-GGTI K2	31 [48]	2008 Berlin-Lüsse, Germany	<i>Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open</i>		
Ulli Werneburg	15 m	ASW-20b C-GYMZ	33 [48]	Dave Springford	15 m	ASW-27 P8	37 [44]
Willem Langelaaan	Std.	Jantar C-GMSC	38 [42]	Jerzy Szemplinski	18 m	ASG-29 XG	11 [50]
Paul Sears	Std.	ASW-19b SQ	32 [42]				
1985 Rieti, Italy	no participation with South African entry			2010 Szeged, Hungary	<i>Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open</i>		
1987 Benalla, Australia				Dave Springford	15 m	ASW-27 PS	34 [49]
Wilfried Krueger	15 m	ASW-20b K2	14 [43]	Jerzy Szemplinski	18 m	ASG-29 XG	4 [51]
Dave Webb	15 m	ASW-20 YD	35 [43]	Willem Langelaaan	Open	Antares 18S OX	43 [43]
Ulli Werneburg	15 m	ASW-20 HC	24 [43]				
Mike Apps	Std.	LS4 OD	25 [44]	2012 Uvalde, TX USA	<i>Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open</i>		
Ed Hollestelle sr	Std.	Discus A1	35 [44]	Nick Bonnière	15 m	LAK-17A ST	33 [37]
1989 Wiener Neustadt, Austria				1x10th			
Peter Masak	Open	Nimbus 3 TT	11 [23]	Dave Springford	18 m	ASG-29 F1	16 [35]
Heri Pölzl	15 m	LS6b KC	23 [40]	1x2nd, 1x3rd, 1x8th			
Jörg Stieber	Std.	LS4 JT	42 [43]	Jerzy Szemplinski	18 m	ASG-29 XG	8 [35]
Dave Webb	Std.	DG-300 G2	33 [43]	1x1st, 2x4th, 1x5th, 1x6th, 1x7th, 2x8th, 1x10th			
1991 Uvalde, TX USA				2014 Leszno, Poland	<i>Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open</i>		
Kevin Bennett	15 m	Ventus X1	36 [44]	Dave Springford	15 m	ASW-27 PS	41 [46]
Peter Masak	15 m	Ventus	26 [44]	Jerzy Szemplinski	18 m	ASG-29E HD	38 [46]
Heri Pölzl	15 m	LS6b KC	42 [44]				
Ed Hollestelle sr	Std.	Discus A1	41 [46]	2017 Benalla, Australia	<i>Classes – 15 m, 18 m, Open</i>		
Jörg Stieber	Std.	LS4 JS	37 [46]	Sergei Morozov	15 m	ASG-29 MS	24 [37]
Dave Webb	Std.	DG-300 DG	36 [46]	Dave Springford	18 m	ASW-27 PS	16 [42]
1993 Borlänge, Sweden	<i>no participation, lack of funds</i>			1x2nd, 1x5th, 1x10th			
1995 Omarama, New Zealand				Luke Szczepaniak	15 m	ASW-27b 2W	33 [37]
<i>Seeded pilots did not attend, probably due to high costs.</i>				Jerzy Szemplinski	18 m	ASG-29 XG	14 [42]
Brian Milner	Open	Nimbus 3 GJ	15 [15]	Team Score, Canada 11 out of 23			
Wilfried Krueger	15 m	LS6b K2	31 [32]	2018 Ostrów Wielkopolski, Poland Club, Standard, 15m			
Heri Pölzl	15 m	LS6b KC	25 [32]	Sergei Morozov	15m	ASG 29/15 XG	19 [37]
				Luke Szczepaniak	15m	ASW 27B 2W	32 [37]
				Krzysztof Wiercioch	Club	SZD-55 M2	28 [48]
				Hosin, Czech Republic			
				18m 20m two-seat Open classes			
				Jerzy Szemplinski	18m	ASG 29/18 XG	24 [44]
				2021 Hungary	<i>Classes: Open 18m 20m two-seat no Canadian entry</i>		

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2022	Narromine, Australia	Classes: 15m Standard Club	
	no Canadian entry		
2024	Uvalde, Texas	Classes	Open 18m 20m two-seat
	Sergei Morozov	18m ASG 29 MS	26 [32]
	Jerzy Szemplinski	18m AS 33 Es XG	20 [32]