

Date: 1996-01-10	Pilot: Steve Fossett	1944-	United States
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:	
Round-The-World Attempt.			
Stratobowl, Rapid City, South Dakota - Bay of Fundy, New Brunswick			
RTW flight attempt no 7			
Aerostat: Cameron R-200.		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 6 000 m3
Distance: 2 927,00 km	1 819 Miles	Duration: 51 h 13 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Aerostat 96:1		Updated: 1999-04-16	
Date: 1996-01-17	Pilot: Jens Petersen		Germany
Copilot		Passengers:	
5th World Hot Air Airship Championships. 1st place			
Aosta, Italy. 12-17 January 1996			
12 competitors			
Aerostat:		Hot Air Airship	Volume: m3
Distance: 0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration: 0 h 0 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Result list		Updated: 2005-01-19	
Date: 1996-03-01	Pilot: Mark Sullivan		United States
Copilot		Passengers:	
Awarded third CIA Gold Badge with three diamonds			
Distance 1 280 km Duration: 65:15			
Altitude: 9 022m Precision: 0,56m			
Aerostat:			Volume: m3
Distance: 128,00 km	80 Miles	Duration: 65 h 15 min	Altitude: 9 022 meters
Source: CIA records		Updated: 2005-03-30	
Date: 1996-03-01	Pilot: David N. Levin	1948-	United States
Copilot		Passengers:	
Awarded fourth CIA Gold Badge with three diamonds			
Distance 964,20 km Duration: 45:36			
Altitude: 10 191m Precision: 0,92m			
Aerostat:			Volume: m3
Distance: 964,20 km	599 Miles	Duration: 45 h 36 min	Altitude: 10 191 meters
Source: CIA records		Updated: 2005-03-30	
Date: 1996-04-21	Pilot: Franz Josef "Jojo" Maes	1933-	Germany
Copilot		Passengers:	
Jojo Maes gas balloon flight no 1 111			
Also 1075 hot air balloon flights			
Aerostat:		Gas Balloons	Volume: m3
Distance: 162 030,00 km	100 681 Miles	Duration: 7250 h 0 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Jojo log book		Updated: 1996-07-30	
Date: 1996-04-21	Pilot: Ivan André Trifonov		Austria
Copilot		Passengers:	
First solo flight at the Geographical North Pole by Hot Air Balloon			
Aerostat: Thunder&Colt 21A		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: m3
Distance: 1,00 km	1 Miles	Duration: 0 h 3 min	Altitude: 120 meters
Source: Ivan Trifonov		Updated: 1996-10-04	
Date: 1996-06-12	Pilot: Josef Starkbaum	1934-	Austria
Copilot		Passengers:	
Altitude World record, AX 6			
Heilbrunn to Edelberg, Austria			
Aerostat: Colt 56A, OE-ZGS (ex OE-CZC)		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: 1 600 m3
Distance: 21,87 km	14 Miles	Duration: 2 h 36 min	Altitude: 12 326 meters
Source: FAI file 3189, HÅ		Updated: 2004-03-25	

Date: 1996-09-02	Pilot: Thomas Fink						Germany
Copilot Rainer Hassold		Passengers:					
9th World Gas Balloon Championships. 1st place							
Bitterfeld, Germany, 26 August-2 September 1996							
18 competitors							
Aerostat:		Gas Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2005-01-19
Date: 1996-09-14	Pilot: David Bareford						Great Britain
Copilot		Passengers:					
10th European Hot Air Balloon Championships, 1st place							
Schielleiten, Austria. 6-14 September 1996. ED: Hans Huber							
80 competitors, 8 flights, 20 tasks							
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2008-09-03
Date: 1996-10-01	Pilot: Wilhelm Eimers				1950-		Germany
Copilot Bernd Landsmann		Passengers:					
40th Gordon Bennett race 1996. 1st place							
Warstein, Germany to Petrosani, Romania							
Fifth nation to win Gordon Bennett 5 times							
Aerostat: D-OCOL Columbus 2		Gas Balloon		Volume:		1 047 m3	
Distance:	1 286,90 km	800 Miles	Duration:	72 h 1 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	Gordon Bennett result list						Updated: 2004-03-20
Date: 1996-10-01	Pilot: J. Michael Wallace						United States
Copilot Kevin Briemann		Passengers:					
40th Gordon Bennett race 1996. 2nd place							
Warstein, Germany to Szatmargseke, Hungary							
Aerostat: N-1636S		Gas Balloon		Volume:		1 047 m3	
Distance:	1 087,30 km	676 Miles	Duration:	54 h 18 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	Gordon Bennett result list						Updated: 2001-10-14
Date: 1996-10-06	Pilot: David N. Levin				1948-		United States
Copilot Alan S Levin		Passengers:					
2nd America's Challenge 1996, 1st place							
Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA							
14 competitors							
Aerostat:		Gas Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	706,60 km	439 Miles	Duration:	38 h 6 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2005-01-18
Date: 1996-11	Pilot: Yasihiko Asaoka						Japan
Copilot		Passengers:					
4th Pacific Hot Air Balloon Championships, 1st place							
Saga, Japan							
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:							Updated: 2005-01-20
Date: 1997-01-20	Pilot: Steve Fossett				1944-		United States
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:					
Around the World attempt. First over 3 continents. First to make 2 Atlantic crossings.							
St Louis, USA to Varanasi, India. Lost time avoiding Libyan airspace.							
RTW flight attempt no 8. Absolute World Distance and Duration records.							
Aerostat: Cameron R-210, 5947 cu m helium		Rozière Balloon		Volume:		7 587 m3	
Distance:	16 674,00 km	10 361 Miles	Duration:	146 h 44 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source:	CIA Record Subcommittee						Updated: 2008-11-07

Date: **1997 Jan** Pilot: **Per Axel Lindstrand** 1948- **Sweden**
 Copilot Richard Branson, Alex Ritchie Passengers:
Round the World attempt from Marrakech, Morocco
 Forgot safety catches on fuel couplings. Aborted flight
 RTW flight attempt no 9
 Aerostat: Lindstrand Rozière "Virgin Global Challenger" Rozière Balloon Volume: 28 317 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: 20 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Aerostat 97:1 Updated: 2002-07-28

Date: **1997 Jan** Pilot: **Bertrand Piccard** 1958- **Switzerland**
 Copilot Wim Verstraeten Passengers:
Round the World attempt from Château d'Oex, Switzerland
 Landed Mediterranean after gasoline leak
 RTW flight attempt no 10
 Aerostat: Cameron R-450 Rozière Balloon "Breitling Olympic Orbiter" Rozière Balloon Volume: 12 743 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: 6 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Aerostat 97:1 Updated: 2002-07-28

Date: **1997-02-01** Pilot: **Don Piccard** **United States**
 Copilot Passengers:
Free Balloon Pilot licence holder during 50 years
 Aerostat: Volume: m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Don Piccard Updated: 1998-06-04

Date: **1997-02-03** Pilot: **Michio Kanda** **Japan**
 Copilot Hirostake Takezawa Passengers:
First flight over 50 hours in Hot Air Balloon. AX 10
 Chestmere, Alberta, Canada 1 Feb to Jordan, Montana, USA 3 Feb
 World duration record AX 10
 Aerostat: Cameron N-210, "Mambo". JA-A757 Hot Air Balloon Volume: 5 947 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: 50 h 38 min Altitude: meters
 Source: FAI file 4002 Updated: 2001-03-06

Date: **1997-04-20** Pilot: **Jan Fröjdman** **Finland**
 Copilot Timo Sulin-Saaristo Passengers:
First flight across Gulf of Finland with hot air balloon
 Östersundom, Sipoo, Finland 12:30 to Kostivere, Jöelähtme, Estonia 16:09
 Custom officers welcomed the aeronauts. Return by ferry 18:30
 Aerostat: Thunder&Colt 77A, OH-TPM. "3M" Hot Air Balloon Volume: 2 180 m3
 Distance: 85,00 km 53 Miles Duration: 3 h 39 min Altitude: 100 meters
 Source: Jan Fröjdman Updated: 2004-03-29

Date: **1997-05-22** Pilot: **Eduardo Vaqués Correa** **Argentina**
 Copilot Passengers: Laura Prudencio (26), Eduardo Alcaide (30)
First wedding in a Hot Air Balloon performed by the balloon pilot
 Pilot authorised by law 17.285
 Aerostat: Cameron. LV-WCY Hot Air Balloon Volume: 2 200 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Copy of Marriage license Updated: 1998-06-06

Date: **1997-09-04** Pilot: **Jean Sax** **Belgium**
 Copilot Passengers:
50th years of gas ballooning in Sint-Niklaas
 50 years of gas balloon events, 25 years with hot air and 10 with Special Shapes
 Aerostat: Volume: m3
 Distance: 0,00 km 0 Miles Duration: 0 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Jean Sax Updated: 2003-03-04

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Vincent Leÿs** **France**
 Copilot Jean-François Leÿs Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 1st place
 Warstein, Germany to Varna Veche, Romania
 Aerostat: F-PPSE "Petit Prince" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 732,50 km 1 077 Miles Duration: 44 h 27 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-20

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **David N. Levin** 1948- **United States**
 Copilot Mark Sullivan Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 2nd place
 Warstein, Germany to Varna Veche, Romania
 Aerostat: D-OWML Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 732,30 km 1 076 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Rien Jurg** **Netherlands**
 Copilot Ron van Houten Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 3rd place
 Warstein, Germany to Varna Veche, Romania
 Aerostat: PH-KTS "Festo" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 732,20 km 1 076 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Josef (Bepperl) Höhl** **Germany**
 Copilot Thomas Fink Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 4th place
 Warstein, Germany to Mangalia, Romania
 Aerostat: D-OCOL "Isenbeck" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 726,90 km 1 073 Miles Duration: 45 h 38 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2001-10-14

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **J. Michael Wallace** **United States**
 Copilot Kevin Brielmann Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 5th place
 Warstein, Germany to Constanza, Romania
 Aerostat: N-1636S "Spirit of Springfield" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 725,70 km 1 072 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Wilhelm Eimers** 1950- **Germany**
 Copilot Bernd Landsmann Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 6th place
 Warstein, Germany to Sulina, Romania
 Aerostat: D-OOWE "Warsteiner" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 719,30 km 1 068 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Heinrich Brachtendorf** **Germany**
 Copilot Karl-Heinz Huthmacher Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 7th place
 Warstein, Germany to Tulcea, Romania
 Aerostat: D-OBCW "Warsteiner" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 690,70 km 1 051 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Stefan Makne** **Poland**
 Copilot Piotr Hallas Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 8th place
 Warstein, Germany to Cahul, Moldavia
 Aerostat: SP-BZO "Polonez" Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 570,50 km 976 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-09** Pilot: **Christian Stoll** **Switzerland**
 Copilot Werner Najer Passengers:
41st Gordon Bennett race 1997. 9th place
 Warstein, Germany to Jurasti, Romania
 Aerostat: D-OCFT Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 550,80 km 964 Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-15

Date: **1997-09-19** Pilot: **Uwe Schneider** **Germany**
 Copilot Passengers:
1st World Air Games. Hot Air Balloon Event. 1st place
 Kapadokya, Turkey
 59 competitors
 Aerostat: Hot Air Balloon Volume: m3
 Distance: 0,00 km 0 Miles Duration: 0 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2002-03-12

Date: **1997-10-05** Pilot: **Richard Abruzzo** 1963- **United States**
 Copilot Jacob Traub Passengers:
3rd America's Challenge 1997, 1st place
 Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA
 16 competitors
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Volume: 1 050 m3
 Distance: 1 465,30 km 910 Miles Duration: 45 h 42 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2005-01-18

Date: **1997-11-25** Pilot: **David Bareford** **Great Britain**
 Copilot Passengers:
13th World Hot Air Balloon Championships. 1st place
 Saga, Japan, 15-25 November 1997
 112 competitors
 Aerostat: Hot Air Balloon Volume: m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: h min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2005-01-19

Date: **1997-12-31** Pilot: **Kevin Uliassi** **United States**
 Copilot Solo flight Passengers:
Round the World attempt from Rockford, Ill, USA
 Gas cell burst at ceiling (21 000 ft). Emergency landing Northern Indiana
 RTW flight attempt no 12
 Aerostat: Cameron R420 Rozière Balloon. "J Renee". Rozière Balloon Volume: 11 893 m3
 Distance: 290,00 km 180 Miles Duration: 3 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Aerostat 98:2, 98:6 Updated: 2002-07-28

Date: **1998-01-09** Pilot: **Dick Rutan** **United States**
 Copilot Dave Melton Passengers:
Round the World attempt from Albuquerque, USA
 Envelope split during climb. Crew parachuted after 120 km flight. Envelope flew 885 km
 RTW flight attempt no 13
 Aerostat: Cameron envelope. Rutan spherical capsule. "Global Hilton" Rozière Balloon Volume: 7 000 m3
 Distance: 120,00 km 75 Miles Duration: 2 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Aerostat 98:2 Updated: 2002-07-28

Date: 1998-01-05	Pilot: Steve Fossett	1944-	United States
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:	
Fastest Atlantic crossing. First to make 3 Atlantic crossings.			
St. Louis, USA to Krasnodar, Russia. RTW attempt no 11 but landed after attempts 12 & 13			
Total track distance about 11500 km			
Aerostat: Cameron R-210		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 7 587 m3
Distance: 9 338,00 km	5 802 Miles	Duration: 108 h 23 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Internet		Updated: 1998-06-04	
Date: 1998-02-07	Pilot: Bertrand Piccard	1958-	Switzerland
Copilot Andy Elson		Passengers: Wim Verstraeten	
Around the World attempt. Absolute World duration record. AM 14			
Château d'Oex, Switzerland to Sitkwin Minhla, Myanmar.			
RTW flight attempt no 14			
Aerostat: Cameron R-500, "Breitling Orbiter 2"		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 17 832 m3
Distance: 8 473,00 km	5 265 Miles	Duration: 233 h 55 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Record file		Updated: 2008-11-07	
Date: 1998-03-01	Pilot: Nini Boesman		Netherlands
Copilot		Passengers:	
Gas Balloon Pilot licence holder during 50 years			
Aerostat:		Volume: m3	
Distance: km	Miles	Duration: h min	Altitude: meters
Source: Der Freiballon 98:2		Updated: 1998-06-04	
Date: 1998-06-27	Pilot: Stephane Bolze		France
Copilot		Passengers:	
11th European Hot Air Balloon Championships, 1st place			
Katrineholm, Sweden. 19-27 June 1998. ED: Bengt Stener			
77 competitors, 9 flights, 16 tasks			
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: m3
Distance: 0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration: 0 h 0 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Result list		Updated: 2008-09-03	
Date: 1998-07-21	Pilot: Josef Starkbaum	1934-	Austria
Copilot		Passengers:	
Altitude World record. AX 8			
Stolzalpe to Knittelfeld, Austria			
No pressure cabin, no pressure suit			
Aerostat: Kubicek BB-30, OE-ZJS		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: 3 000 m3
Distance: 50,80 km	32 Miles	Duration: 2 h 15 min	Altitude: 15 011 meters
Source: FAI file 5606, HÅ		Updated: 2008-11-07	
Date: 1998-08-16	Pilot: Steve Fossett	1944-	United States
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:	
Around the World attempt. First South Atlantic crossing, first Indian ocean crossing.			
Mendoza, Argentina 7 Aug to Chesterfield Reef, Coral sea 16 Aug.			
RTW flight attempt no 15. Absolute Distance Record. Ditched in Coral Sea due severe weather			
Aerostat: Cameron R-450		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 15 222 m3
Distance: 22 910,00 km	14 236 Miles	Duration: 205 h 59 min	Altitude: 9 358 meters
Source: Record file. Web site		Updated: 1999-01-15	
Date: 1998-09	Pilot:		France
Copilot		Passengers:	
42nd Gordon Bennett race cancelled due to weather			
Paris, France			
Aerostat:		Gas Balloon	Volume: 1 050 m3
Distance: km	Miles	Duration: h min	Altitude: meters
Source: Gordon Bennett result list		Updated: 2001-10-14	

Date: 1998-09-07	Pilot: Jacques-Antoine Besnard						Switzerland
Copilot		Passengers:					
6th World Hot Air Airship Championships. 1st place							
Gatineau, Québec, Canada. 2-7 September 1998							
16 competitors							
Aerostat:				Hot Air Airship		Volume:	m3
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2005-01-19
Date: 1998-10-09	Pilot: Troy Bradley					1964-	United States
Copilot Tami Stevenson-Bradley		Passengers:					
4th America's Challenge 1998, 1st place							
Albuquerque, New Mexico to Cat Lake, Ontario, Canada							
15 competitors							
Aerostat: Gas Balloon				Gas Balloon		Volume:	1 048 m3
Distance:	2 235,06 km	1 389 Miles	Duration:	58 h 55 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Troy Bradley						Updated: 2005-04-04
Date: 1998-10-09	Pilot: Mark Sullivan						United States
Copilot Crispin Williams, UK		Passengers:					
4th America's Challenge 1998, 2nd place							
From Albuquerque							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	m3
Distance:	1 784,76 km	1 109 Miles	Duration:	60 h 6 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2002-06-14
Date: 1998-10-09	Pilot: Richard Abruzzo					1963-	United States
Copilot Jacob Traub		Passengers:					
4th America's Challenge 1998, 3rd place							
From Albuquerque							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	m3
Distance:	1 723,45 km	1 071 Miles	Duration:	47 h 6 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2002-06-14
Date: 1998-10-09	Pilot: David N. Levin					1948-	United States
Copilot Alan S. Levin		Passengers:					
4th America's Challenge 1998, 4th place							
From Albuquerque							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	m3
Distance:	1 670,66 km	1 038 Miles	Duration:	46 h 36 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2005-01-21
Date: 1998-10-18	Pilot: John K Ninimoya						United States
Copilot		Passengers:					
Flight with cluster of 72 Latex Balloons							
Temecula, California							
Aerostat: Homebuilt cluster balloon. 72 elastic balloons				Gas Balloon cluster		Volume:	m3
Distance:	km	Miles	Duration:	h min	Altitude:		6 553 meters
Source:	CIA Record Subcommittee						Updated: 1999-04-19
Date: 1998-12-11	Pilot: David Hempleman-Adams					1956-	Great Britain
Copilot Solo		Passengers:					
Flight over the Andes in a hot air balloon							
From Santiago de Chile to Argentine							
Aerostat: Thunder&Colt A120, G-BYDJ. "Typhoo Challenger"				Hot Air Balloon		Volume:	3 398 m3
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	3 h 30 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	David Owen, web, Aerostat 1999:1						Updated: 2004-03-28

Date: 1998-12-25	Pilot: Per Axel Lindstrand	1948-	Sweden
Copilot Richard Branson, Steve Fossett		Passengers:	
Around the World attempt. First flight across Asia			
Marrakesh, Morocco to near Honolulu. 21 countries overflown.			
RTW flight attempt no 16. Landed due unfavourable weather. Total track distance flown: 21 500 km			
Aerostat: LBL AM-25000, "ICO Global Challenge"		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 36 000 m3
Distance: 19 962,00 km	12 404 Miles	Duration: 177 h 57 min	Altitude: 10 500 meters
Source: Web site, Interview Per L., Track log		Updated: 1999-09-15	
Date: 1999-03-04	Pilot: Peter Blaser	1945-	Switzerland
Copilot		Passengers:	
First Hot Air Balloon flight in Myanmar (Burma)			
Vangon, Mandalay, Bagan			
1st International Balloon Meeting			
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: m3
Distance: 0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration: 0 h 0 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Peter Blaser		Updated: 2005-01-21	
Date: 1999-03-07	Pilot: Andrew Charles (Andy) Elson		Great Britain
Copilot Colin Kenrick Prescott		Passengers:	
Around the World attempt. Absolute duration record			
Almeira, Spain 17/2 to 270 km SE Tokyo, Japan 7/3			
RTW flight attempt no 17. Ditched 270 km SE Tokyo			
Aerostat: Cameron R-900, G-CWCW, "Cable and Wireless"		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 30 065 m3
Distance: 14 408,00 km	8 953 Miles	Duration: 425 h 41 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Record file 5953, 5956		Updated: 1999-04-14	
Date: 1999-03-21	Pilot: Bertrand Piccard	1958-	Switzerland
Copilot Brian Jones		Passengers:	
First Around-the-World Flight.			
Château d'Oex, Switzerland to Dakhla, Egypt.			
RTW time 370h 24 min, Total track 45755 km. 7 World Records			
Aerostat: Cameron R-650, "Breitling Orbiter 3", HB-BRA		Rozière Balloon	Volume: 23 544 m3
Distance: 40 814,00 km	25 361 Miles	Duration: 477 h 47 min	Altitude: 11 737 meters
Source: FAI file 5958, HÅ		Updated: 2005-01-20	
Date: 1999-May	Pilot: David Hempleman-Adams	1956-	Great Britain
Copilot Phil Dunnington		Passengers:	
First flight across the North West Passage			
Polaris off Milne Island N75.23 W96.52 to off Somerset Island, N74.05 W95.13			
Aerostat: Thunder&Colt A120, G-BYDJ. "Typhoo Challenger"		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: 3 398 m3
Distance: 152,40 km	95 Miles	Duration: 5 h 30 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Dawid Owen, web, Aerostat 2000:4		Updated: 2004-03-28	
Date: 1999-09-05	Pilot: Bill Arras		United States
Copilot		Passengers:	
14th World Hot Air Balloon Championships. 1st place			
Bad Waltersdorf, Austria. 28 August-5 September 1997			
90 competitors			
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon	Volume: m3
Distance: km	Miles	Duration: h min	Altitude: meters
Source: Result list		Updated: 2005-01-19	
Date: 1999-10-05	Pilot: Philippe de Cock		Belgium
Copilot Ronny Van Havere		Passengers:	
43rd Gordon Bennett race 1999. 1st place			
Albuquerque, USA to Amory, Mississippi			
Eighth victory for Belgium. Second most successful nation so far			
Aerostat:		Gas Balloon	Volume: 1 050 m3
Distance: 1 666,54 km	1 036 Miles	Duration: 40 h 9 min	Altitude: meters
Source: Gordon Bennett result list		Updated: 2004-03-20	

Date: **1999-10-06** Pilot: **Danielle Francoeur** **Canada**
 Copilot Leo Burman Passengers:
43rd Gordon Bennett race 1999. 2nd place
 Albuquerque, New Mexico to Goodman, Mississippi
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 1 562,75 km 971 Miles Duration: 43 h 28 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2005-01-20

Date: **1999-10-06** Pilot: **Johann Fürstner** 1939- **Austria**
 Copilot Gerald Stürzlinger Passengers:
43rd Gordon Bennett race 1999. 3rd place
 Albuquerque, New Mexico to Avery Island, Louisiana
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 1 495,88 km 929 Miles Duration: 61 h 22 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2000-02-06

Date: **1999-10-06** Pilot: **Jurg Rein** **Netherlands**
 Copilot Ron van Houten Passengers:
43rd Gordon Bennett race 1999. 4th place
 Albuquerque, New Mexico to Grosse Tete, Louisiana
 33,33 km competition penalty not deducted here
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 1 525,98 km 948 Miles Duration: 59 h 7 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Gordon Bennett result list Updated: 2000-02-06

Date: **1999-11-09** Pilot: **Richard Abruzzo** 1963- **United States**
 Copilot Carol Rymer Davis Passengers:
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 1st place
 Front Range Airport, Colorado to Wales, Maine
 20 competitors, eight balloons flew more than 2000 km
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 2 869,62 km 1 783 Miles Duration: 64 h 17 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Remax Cup Result list Updated: 2005-01-21

Date: **1999-11-09** Pilot: **John Kugler** **United States**
 Copilot Ralph "Red" Sheesh Passengers:
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 2nd place
 Front Range Airport, Co to Ft Davens, Massachusetts
 Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 2 751,66 km 1 710 Miles Duration: 65 h 8 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Remax Cup Result list Updated: 2000-02-05

Date: **1999-11-09** Pilot: **James Hershend** **United States**
 Copilot Jack R. Holland Passengers:
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 3rd place
 Front Range Airport, Co to St. Thomas, Quebec, Canada
 Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 2 688,73 km 1 671 Miles Duration: 62 h 10 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Remax Cup Result list Updated: 2000-02-05

Date: **1999-11-09** Pilot: **Shane Robinson** **United States**
 Copilot Marsha Neal Passengers:
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 4th place
 Front Range Airport, Co to Randolph Center, Vermont
 Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium Gas Balloon Volume: 1 048 m3
 Distance: 2 667,33 km 1 657 Miles Duration: 63 h 49 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Remax Cup Result list Updated: 2000-02-05

Date: 1999-11-09	Pilot: Johnny Petrehn					United States
Copilot Sam Parks		Passengers:				
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 5th place						
Front Range Airport, Co to Chapais, Quebec, Canada						
Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km						
Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium		Gas Balloon		Volume: 1 048 m3		
Distance: 2 537,77 km	1 577 Miles	Duration: 61 h 57 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Remax Cup Result list		Updated: 2000-02-05				
Date: 1999-11-09	Pilot: Troy Bradley		1964-			United States
Copilot Bruce Hale		Passengers:				
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 6th place						
Front Range Airport, Co to NNE Matagami, Quebec, Canada						
Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km						
Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium		Gas Balloon		Volume: 1 048 m3		
Distance: 2 431,08 km	1 511 Miles	Duration: 58 h 42 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Remax Cup Result list		Updated: 2000-02-05				
Date: 1999-11-09	Pilot: Lesley Pritchard Davies					United States
Copilot Tom Davies		Passengers:				
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 7th place						
Front Range Airport, Co to near Matagami, Quebec, Canada						
Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km						
Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium		Gas Balloon		Volume: 1 048 m3		
Distance: 2 412,41 km	1 499 Miles	Duration: 60 h 25 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Remax Cup Result list		Updated: 2000-02-05				
Date: 1999-11-09	Pilot: David N. Levin		1948-			United States
Copilot Alan S. Levin		Passengers:				
RE/MAX Cup 1999, 8th place						
Front Range Airport, Co to Despinassy, Quebec, Canada						
Eight balloons flew more than 2000 km						
Aerostat: Gas Balloon, Helium		Gas Balloon		Volume: 1 048 m3		
Distance: 2 367,51 km	1 471 Miles	Duration: 60 h 35 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Remax Cup Result list		Updated: 2000-02-05				
Date: 1999-12-31	Pilot: Olli Louma					Finland
Copilot Esko Lehtonen		Passengers:				
Last flight of the twentieth century, at least in Finland						
Lappajärvi at 23:55, 31st December to Seinäjoki next Millenium at 09:00						
Aerostat: Cameron A-140, OH-IDA. "IDA"		Hot Air Balloon		Volume: 3 964 m3		
Distance: 62,00 km	39 Miles	Duration: 9 h 5 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Jan Fröjdman, Hannu Tiitu		Updated: 2005-01-21				
Date: 2000-01-01	Pilot: Olli Louma					Finland
Copilot Esko Lehtonen		Passengers:				
First flight of the new Millennium, at least in Finland						
Lappajärvi at 23:55, 31st December 1999 to Seinäjoki 1st January 2000 at 09:00						
Aerostat: Cameron A-140, OH-IDA. "IDA"		Hot Air Balloon		Volume: 3 964 m3		
Distance: 62,00 km	39 Miles	Duration: 9 h 5 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: Jan Fröjdman, Hannu Tiitu		Updated: 2005-01-21				
Date: 2000-01-30	Pilot: William E. Bussey					United States
Copilot		Passengers:				
Duration record, AX 6						
Okemah, Oklahoma to Bullard, Texas						
Aerostat: Thunder&Colt 56A		Hot Air Balloon		Volume: 1 586 m3		
Distance: km	Miles	Duration: 21 h 13 min	Altitude: meters			
Source: FAI file 6376		Updated: 2000-11-02				

Date: 2000-01-08	Pilot: Anulfo Gonzalez						Spain
Copilot Ivan André Trifonov, Faustino Mortera		Passengers:					
First flight at the South Pole							
Geographic South Pole							
Aerostat: Cameron C-60, EC-HDB		Hot Air Balloon		Volume:		1 699 m3	
Distance:	km	Miles	Duration:	1 h 35 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: Letter from pilots						Updated: 2001-04-20	
Date: 2000-02-04	Pilot: Dick Smith					1944-	Australia
Copilot John Wallington		Passengers:					
First flight across Tasman Sea							
From Kaitaia, North Island, New Zealand to Iluka, NSW, Australia							
Track distance 2286 km/1420 SM. Note that prevailing winds are from west							
Aerostat: Cameron R-77 " Australian Geographic Flyer"		Rozière Balloon		Volume:		2 811 m3	
Distance:	1 976,00 km	1 228 Miles	Duration:	55 h 17 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: Mail from J Rozycki, Australian Geographic						Updated: 2002-08-07	
Date: 2000-02-12	Pilot: Jon P. Kolba						United States
Copilot		Passengers:					
Duration record, AX 6							
Jamestown, North Dakota, USA							
Aerostat: Aerostar XP 3010		Hot Air Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	km	Miles	Duration:	21 h 55 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: FAI file 6397						Updated: 2001-03-06	
Date: 2000-03-03	Pilot: Kevin J. Uliassi						United States
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:					
Around-the-World attempt. Duration record AM 13							
Rockford, Illinois to Nyaungu, Myanmar							
RTW flight attempt no 19. Track distance 21 194 km (not verified)							
Aerostat: Uliassi AM-12 homebuilt, N761JR		Rozière Balloon		Volume:		13 727 m3	
Distance:	20 455,00 km	12 710 Miles	Duration:	243 h 28 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: FAI record file 6474, 6475						Updated: 2000-11-02	
Date: 2000-06-03	Pilot: David Hempleman-Adams					1956-	Great Britain
Copilot Solo flight		Passengers:					
First flight to the North Pole (and back)							
Took off Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen May 28 at 16:05.							
Landed 81.30N 021E June 3 at 04.27 UTC. Was at 89.9N. Track distance 2 294 km							
Aerostat: Cameron R-90, G-BYZX "Britannic Challenge"		Rozière Balloon		Volume:		3 023 m3	
Distance:	377,00 km	234 Miles	Duration:	132 h 22 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: Aerostat 00:4, Aee-mus, www.Britannicchallenge, David Owen						Updated: 2004-03-27	
Date: 2000-08-13	Pilot: David Bareford						Great Britain
Copilot		Passengers:					
12th European Hot Air Balloon Championships, 1st place							
Larochette, Luxembourg. 3-13 August 2000. ED: Dominik Haggenev							
79 competitors, 10 flights, 22 tasks							
Aerostat:		Hot Air Balloon		Volume:		m3	
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: Result list						Updated: 2008-09-03	
Date: 2000-09-05	Pilot: Laurent Lajoie						France
Copilot Christophe Houver		Passengers:					
Atlantic crossing. AM8-10 duration record							
From St. John, New Brunswick, Canada to Saon, Calvados, France.							
August 30, 03:48 to September 5, 06:37 UTC							
Aerostat: Lindstrand Rozière balloon		Rozière Balloon		Volume:		2 700 m3	
Distance:	4 792,57 km	2 978 Miles	Duration:	146 h 49 min	Altitude:	meters	
Source: FAI record claim 6701						Updated: 2000-11-02	

Date: 2000-09-10	Pilot: Jacques-Antoine Besnard						Switzerland
Copilot		Passengers:					
7th World Hot Air Airship Championships. 1st place							
Die Schlosserstrasse, Austria. 1-10 September 2000							
10 competitors							
Aerostat:				Hot Air Airship		Volume:	m3
Distance:	0,00 km	0 Miles	Duration:	0 h 0 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2005-01-19
Date: 2000-09-12	Pilot: Wilhelm Eimers					1950-	Germany
Copilot Bernd Landsmann		Passengers:					
44th Gordon Bennett race 2000. 1st place							
Saint Hubert, Belgium 9 September to Malmö, Sweden 12 September							
Sixth victory for Germany							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	1 048 m3
Distance:	795,70 km	494 Miles	Duration:	70 h 4 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Gordon Bennett result list						Updated: 2004-03-20
Date: 2000-09-12	Pilot: Tomas Hora						Germany
Copilot Volker Löschhorn		Passengers:					
44th Gordon Bennett. Participant							
Saint Hubert, Belgium 9 September to North Sea 11 September							
The team was disqualified as they landed assisted in the North Sea							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	1 048 m3
Distance:	km	Miles	Duration:	53 h 49 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2000-11-15
Date: 2000-10-10	Pilot: Peter Blaser					1945-	Switzerland
Copilot		Passengers:					
First flight in Madagascar							
Over Antananarivo							
Six flights made							
Aerostat:	Boland 50000			Hot Air Balloon		Volume:	1 416 m3
Distance:	km	Miles	Duration:	h min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Aerostat 00:5, Peter Blaser						Updated: 2005-01-20
Date: 2000-10-13	Pilot: David N. Levin					1948-	United States
Copilot Alan S. Levin		Passengers:					
5th America's Challenge 2000, 1st place							
Albuquerque, New Mexico to Gorham, Maine							
9 competitors							
Aerostat:	Gas Balloon "White Fang", Helium			Gas Balloon		Volume:	1 048 m3
Distance:	3 215,46 km	1 998 Miles	Duration:	64 h 4 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Official results						Updated: 2005-01-21
Date: 2000-10-13	Pilot: Richard Abruzzo					1963-	United States
Copilot Carol Rymer Davis		Passengers:					
5th America's Challenge 2000, 2nd place							
Albuquerque to Springville, Pennsylvania							
Aerostat:	Abruzzo GROM-1, "Zero Gravity" N96YD			Gas Balloon		Volume:	1 048 m3
Distance:	2 752,64 km	1 710 Miles	Duration:	62 h 59 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Official results						Updated: 2005-01-21
Date: 2000-10-13	Pilot: Troy Bradley					1964-	United States
Copilot Earl Miller		Passengers:					
5th America's Challenge 2000, 3rd place							
Albuquerque to Nolar, Ontario, Canada							
Aerostat:				Gas Balloon		Volume:	m3
Distance:	1 990,17 km	1 237 Miles	Duration:	52 h 25 min	Altitude:		meters
Source:	Result list						Updated: 2002-08-07

Date: **2000-10-12** Pilot: **Shane Robinson** **United States**
 Copilot Mike Wilson Passengers:
5th America's Challenge 2000, 4th place
 Albuquerque to Tofte, Montana, USA
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Volume: m3
 Distance: 1 857,04 km 1 154 Miles Duration: 39 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2001-10-14

Date: **2000-10-12** Pilot: **Mark Sullivan** **United States**
 Copilot Sid Cutter Passengers:
5th America's Challenge 2000, 5th place
 Albuquerque to Whitewater, Wisconsin, USA
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Volume: m3
 Distance: 1 761,85 km 1 095 Miles Duration: 42 h 7 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2001-10-14

Date: **2000-10-12** Pilot: **Kevin Brielman** **United States**
 Copilot Gerald Stürzlinger Passengers:
5th America's Challenge 2000, 6th place
 Albuquerque to Crookstown, Minnesota, USA
 Aerostat: Gas Balloon Volume: m3
 Distance: 1 621,07 km 1 007 Miles Duration: 41 h 0 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Result list Updated: 2001-10-14

Date: **2000-10-14** Pilot: **Michio Kanda** **Japan**
 Copilot Passengers:
First flight over Mt. Nangaparbat, Pakistan
 Mt Nangaparbat (8 125 m) , Himalaya, Pakistan
 Aerostat: Cameron N-210, "Mambo". JAA-757 Hot Air Balloon Volume: 5 947 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: 3 h 8 min Altitude: meters
 Source: Sabu Ichiyoshi 2002-01-26 Updated: 2002-01-31

Date: **2000-12-13** Pilot: **John A Cayton** **United States**
 Copilot Passengers:
Duration record, AX 6
 Sioux Falls, South Dakota, USA
 Aerostat: Aerostar AX6 XP-3010 Hot Air Balloon Volume: 1 600 m3
 Distance: km Miles Duration: 23 h 55 min Altitude: meters
 Source: FAI file 6908 Updated: 2001-06-14