

Annual report to FAI-CIMP 2006 (Japan)

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1. Japanese CAB is discussing updating the ICAO compatible pilot medical certification standards by next year. They said they are not considering a National medical certification system.
2. For WADA out-of-competition registration, as far as I know, there still is only one lady parachutist whose base is in Arizona. The national parachuting organization dissolved in 2005.
3. Super Dimona motor glider suffered three non-fatal, two written-off, accidents in a year. AMT 200 Super Ximango had a fatal departure accident.
4. FAI 100th Year Young Artist Contest 2005 10-13y class was won by a Japanese boy. 2006 6-9y class won by a girl.
5. Statistics for 2005 and trends in each discipline are as follows:

	#people	#registered	#aircraft	trend
Hot Air Balloon	10,000	1,691	1,238	17th FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Tochigi-Nov.2006 Decline in #people, but strong interests for competitions.
Experimental	250	160	259	Needs de-regulation for promotion(only pattern permitted).
Private Airplane	15,000	550	583	Cost issue continues.
Glider	3,000	670	350	Decline in young trainees.
Model Aircraft	100,000	7,700	N/A	2006 F3C Asia-Oceania Championship, Ota-Sept.2006 High School student won a World last year.
Parachuting	N/A	800	N/A	One lady for WADA registration. 30% female.
Hang/Para Gliding	N/A	30,229	N/A	12% over 50y. Powered aircraft appeal to youths.
Microlight	N/A	4,065	3,196	Many unregistered aircraft.