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## **Report to IGC Plenary Meeting 2023- Copenhagen**

### FAI Challenge Cups

The FAI gliding sport calendar showed a full programme for 2022. Four World Gliding Championships have been successfully carried out. Nine World Gliding Champions have been crowned and awarded the FAI Challenge Cups and Gold Medals. The FAI Challenge Cups and the Special Challenge Cups such as the Robert-Kronfeld-Challenge Cup, the Göran Ax Memorial Trophy, further the FAI Challenge Cup for the Team World Champions have been presented to the winners on the podium at the Prize giving Ceremony except for one trophy. The FAI Challenge Cup 20m Multi Seat Class was not available at Szeged. The Cup finally has been presented to the World Gliding Champions Ivan Novak & Petr Krejcirik / CZE in December 2022.

### WSC Competition

The WSC competition among nine World Gliding Champions from four World Gliding Championships according to the FAI Sport Calendar 2022 was scored on the basis of the valid rules. The WSC competition scoring was conducted by Gisela Weinreich and checked by Peter Ryder. The scoring documents were submitted to the IGC Bureau immediately after the last World Gliding Championships 2022 was over. The winner of the WSC competition, Conny Schaich / GER, will be honoured with the trophy as well with the WSC Diploma at the IGC Plenary Meeting 2023 in Copenhagen, the location according to her wish.

### List of Cat1 WGCs events and the name and country of the champions

4<sup>th</sup> FAI WGC 13,5 m Class, Pociunai, Kaunas, LTU

World Gliding Champion 13,5 m Class is Nick Hanenburg / Netherland

37<sup>th</sup> FAI WGCs Open-, 18 m Class and 20 m Multi Seat Class, Szeged, Hungary

World Gliding Champion Open Class is Felipe Levin / Germany

World Gliding Champion 18 m Class is Christophe Abadie / France

World Gliding Champions 20 m Class Ivan Novak & Petr Krejcirik /CZE

Team World Champion is Team France

12<sup>th</sup> FAI JWGCs Club Class and Standard Class, Tabor, Czech Republic

Junior World Gliding Champion Club Class is Finn Sleigh / GBR

Junior World Gliding Champion Standard Class is Simon Briel / GER

Team World Champion is Team Germany

11<sup>th</sup> FAI WWGCs Club Class, Standard Class and 18 m Class, Husband Bosworth, Great Britain

Women's World Gliding Champion Club Class is Petra Piskata / CZE

Women's World Gliding Champion Standard Class is Conny Schaich / GER

Women's World Gliding Champion 18 m Class is Anne Ducarouge / France

Women's Team World Champion is Team Germany

**IGC Champion Pilot of the Year 2022 is Conny Schaich / Germany**

**Return of the FAI Challenge Cup** - Rules and Administration see "IGC- FAI Challenge Cups"

The Organiser of the 12<sup>th</sup> WWGCs at Garray / ESP will expect the return of the FAI Challenge Cups with the engraving already carried out by the holders of the Cups, who have been awarded the trophies at the 11<sup>th</sup> WWGCs Husbands Bosworth.

WWGCs Cup Holder Club Class is Petra Piskata / CZE

WWGCs Cup Holder Standard Class is Conny Schaich / GER

WWGCs Cup Holder 18 m Class is Anne Ducarouge / FRA

WWGCs Team Cup Holder is Team Germany

The Organiser of the 37<sup>th</sup> WGCs at Narromine / AUS will expect the return of the FAI Challenge Cups with the engraving already carried out by the holders of the Cups, who have been awarded the Cups at the 36<sup>th</sup> WGCs / Montlucon-Guéret / FRA.

36<sup>th</sup> WGC Cup Holder Club Class Uwe Wahlig / GER

36<sup>th</sup> WGC Cup Holder Standard Class Simon Schröder / GER

36<sup>th</sup> WGC Cup Holder 15 m Class Sebastian Kawa / POL

All Cup Holders or the NACs have been requested by the Trophy Manager to submit a brief report on the current condition of the trophies e.g. about damages or lack of space for further engravings. The feedback was manageable. Chief Stewards should be tasked to make a survey, when they see the Challenge Cups and report back to the Trophy Management.

The Final of the 11<sup>th</sup> FAI / SGP will be held at Pavullo/Italy at the end of August 2023. The Sailplane Grand Prix events, the Champions and awardees are chronicled on the FAI SGP Website and well archived there. A FAI Challenge Cup is not provided for the prize-giving ceremony so far.

European Gliding Championships

FAI Challenge Cups are awarded at World Gliding Championships, not currently at Continental Championships. The European Gliding Championships events and the name of the winners have therefore not been archived until now. This shall be changed in 2023. A decision has been taken to chronologically record and archive the Cat 1 events of the Continental Championships, the European Gliding Championships and the Junior European Gliding Championships in the Club and Standard Class, as well as the events of the FAI Pan American Championships. The Trophy Management will also record the winners of the championships. New pages will be added in "History" FAI events and Champions, which will be updated and published every year for the IGC Plenary Meeting.

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