



## FAI Sailplane Grand Prix report for IGC Plenary Meeting 2023.

Summary of 11<sup>th</sup> series, 9 contests 119 competitors.

	Sweden	Borås Segelflygklubb	8 - 14 May 2022
	Poland	Żar	14 - 21 May 2022
	Lithuania	Paluknys	29 May - 4 June 2022
	Italy	Varese	5 - 11 June 2022
	Germany	Eisenhüttenstadt	24 - 30 July 2022
	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Livno	30 July - 6 August 2022
	France	Vinon	4 - 10 September 2022
	Australia	Gawler	2 - 8 Jan 2023
	South Africa	Worcester	22 - 28 January 2023

During 2022 there were 7 national FAI/SGP events and in January 2023 the remaining 2 events from the 11<sup>th</sup> series took place in South Africa and Australia. One hundred and nineteen pilots took part in the qualifying National events.

There was one significant accident involving a pilot being injured and we are pleased to report he is making a complete recovery.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Series World final.

The organisation team for the 11<sup>th</sup> world final in Pavullo Italy has been established and the FAI/IGC team and the Pavullo team are working closely together to ensure a successful event. The video team has been appointed and work has begun on the preparation of branding and social media platforms.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Series Virtual FAI/SGP

The VSGP team organised a virtual series closely replicating the actual races of the National events, allowing virtual pilots compete on the same circuits, on the same day. In total, about 600 entries were received for this second edition of the VSGP. There were 9 qualifying competitions, and twenty virtual pilots have qualified for will compete in the world final in September 2023.

### Series 12

The next series of SGP national events (series 12) will be held in 2024 with a World final in 2025. The closing date for bids to host a 12<sup>th</sup> series national event will be 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

Bid forms and advice to bidders is available at <http://www.sgp.aero/>

### FAI/SGP media

The FAI/SGP team are currently evaluating the social media output and the organisation of the event web pages. The use of social media changes rapidly and we are conscious of the need to update the way we communicate with the SGP followers.

### FAI/SGP future.

AS reported at the 2021 and 2022 meeting we are seeking to enhance the SGP team with new members and a commercial developer, to date there has been no progress in attracting a partner.

A project is currently being considered by the FAI and the SGP management team and will be discussed at the 2023 IGC Plenum.

**The FAI/SGP management team**

We sorry to announce that Roland Stuck has decided he no longer wishes to serve on the SGP team. Roland is one of the founders of the SGP project and organised the first FAI/SGP final at St Auban. He has made an enormous contribution to the development of the SGP and both the organising teams and many competing pilots are very grateful for the time and energy Roland has devoted to the series.

**The current FAI/SGP team is:-**

Brian Spreckley,  
Alexander Georgas,  
Rene Vidal,  
Angel Casado,  
Claire Heliot,  
Benjamin Neglais  
Antoine Havet