

# **Report from IGC President to the 2016 Plenary - Luxembourg**

Greetings. Welcome to Luxembourg. I would like to thank Arny Weber, Carlo Lecuit, and the Luxembourg Aeronautic Federation for hosting the 2016 Plenary.

#### **IGC Secretary**

At the 2015 Plenary, IGC secretary Peter ERIKSEN announced his intention to step aside from the position he had so capably worked in for many years. In a sign of appreciation for his years of service to IGC, the Plenary unanimously named Peter Secretary-of-Honour of IGC.

In the months following the Plenary, Peter assisted me in the search for his replacement. In June, Vladimir FOLTIN agreed to assume the role of IGC Secretary. Vladimir quickly took charge of the duties and in the months since has performed exceptionally and with professionalism.

## <u> Mid-Year bureau meeting - Freudenstadt</u>

The IGC Bureau was hosted at their mid-year meeting in Freudenstadt, Germany. We were invited by and hosted by Axel Reich, Christof Geissler, Fliegergruppe Freudenstadt and the Deutsche Aero Club. The meeting coincided with the annual German Gliding Day celebration and meetings. It was a very productive bureau meeting and a wonderful opportunity to interact with hundreds of German glider pilots.

#### FAI World Air Games 2015 - Dubai

The IGC participated in the very successful FAI World Air Games (WAG) in Dubai, UAE. Six highly ranked pilots competed in the event especially created for the WAG; the FAI Glider Match Racing Championships. The Champion and winner of the Gold Medal of the GMR is Sebastian KAWA (POL). The runner-up and Silver medallist is Werner AMANN (AUT) with Tilo HOLIGHAUS (GER) winning the bronze medal. A full report will be made to the Plenary in Luxembourg.

## IGC Ranking List

The top three pilots on the IGC Ranking List (as of 9 January, 2016) are:



1<sup>st</sup> Sebastian KAWA (POL)



2<sup>nd</sup> Michael SOMMER (GER)



**3**<sup>rd</sup> Karol STARYZAK (POL)

## 2015 FAI/IGC Championships, Competitions and Records

Our World Champions from the 8<sup>th</sup> FAI Women's World Gliding Championships held in Arnborg, Denmark are:



**Club Class - 1**<sup>st</sup> Sabrine VOGT (GER)



**Standard – 1<sup>st</sup>** Aude GRANGERAY (FRA)



15 Meter – 1<sup>st</sup> Anne DUCAROUGE (FRA)

Our World Champions from the 9<sup>TH</sup> FAI Junior World Gliding Championships held in Narromine, Australia are:



**Standard Class - 1**<sup>st</sup> Matthew SCUDDER (AUS)



Club Class – 1<sup>st</sup> Tom ARSCOTT (GBR)

The Champions from the 18<sup>th</sup> FAI European Gliding Championships (20m Multi Seat, 18m, Open) held in Ocseny, Hungary are:



20 Meter Multi Seat – 1<sup>st</sup> Wolfgang JANOWITCZ, Andreas LUTZ (AUT)



18 Meter Class – 1<sup>st</sup> Sebastian KAWA (POL)



**Open – 1**<sup>st</sup> Lukasz WOJCIK (POL)

The Champions from the 18<sup>th</sup> FAI European Gliding Championships (Club, Standard, 15m) held in Rieti, Italy are:



Club Class - 1<sup>st</sup> Ondrej DVORAK (CZE)



Standard Class – 1<sup>st</sup> Lukasz BLASZCZYK (POL)



**15 Meter – 1**<sup>st</sup> Didier HAUSS (FRA)

The Champions from the 1<sup>st</sup> FAI Pan-American Gliding Championships (Handicap, 15m) held in Chilhowee, USA are:



Handicap Class - 1<sup>st</sup> Phil GAISFORD (USA)



15 Meter Class - 1<sup>st</sup> Jerzy SZEMPLINSKI (CAN)

I would like to congratulate the winners of our 2015 Championships and all of the pilots and teams that competed.

## IGC- OLC World League- 2015

IGC President report to 2016 IGC Plenary Page 3 The OLC concluded its 2015 season with 2137 kilometers per participant with the average flight being 273 km. Total activity for the OLC in 2015 had 15,008 participants (an increase of 0.80% from 2014) claiming 117,504 flights (an increase of 0.50% from 2014) and achieving a total distance of 32,082,995 kilometers (a decrease of 0.43% from 2014). The statistics were taken from the OLC website (www.onlinecontest.org)

The 2015 season of The IGC-OLC World League saw entries from 1095 teams and gliding organisations. Congratulations to the top three placed clubs for 2015:

- 1<sup>st</sup> LSG Bayreuth (GER)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> LSV Scharzwald (GER)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Moriarty Soaring (USA)

#### **Record Claims – 2015** (*source FAI website*)

SUB- CLASS	TYPE OF RECORD	PERFORMANCE	DATE	CLAIMANT	STATUS	ID
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 1 000 km - General	140.00 km/h	2016-01-06	Sebastian Eder (AUT)	Prel. record claim received	17795
DO	Free out-and-return distance - General	1251.00 km	2016-01-04	Max H.S. Leenders (NED)	Prel. record claim received	17794
DO	Out-and-return distance - General	1251.00 km	2016-01-04	Max H.S. Leenders (NED)	Prel. record claim received	17793
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 500 km - General	170.9 km/h	2015-12-18	Philip Jeffery (GBR)	preliminary record claim received	17790
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 750 km - General	170.9 km/h	2015-12-18	Philip Jeffery (GBR)	preliminary record claim received	17789
D15	Speed over a triangular course of 1 000 km - General	149.06 km/h	2015-12-05	Johan Luyckx (BEL)	preliminary record claim received	17757
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 300 km - General	186.89 km/h	2015-12-03	Renato Mussio (ITA)	preliminary record claim received	17756
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 300 km - General	178.82 km/h	2015-11-29	Renato Mussio (ITA)	preliminary record claim received	17754
D15	Speed over a triangular course of 500 km - General	184,99 km/h	2015-11-13	Terrence Raymond Delore (NZL)	preliminary record claim received	17750
D15	Speed over a triangular course of 100 km - Female	145,46 km/h	2015-10-24	Akemi Ichikawa (JPN)	preliminary record claim received	17722
DO	Speed over a triangular course of	193.00 km/h	2015-07-16	Sibylle Andresen	dossier under review	17604

SUB- CLASS	TYPE OF RECORD	PERFORMANCE	DATE	CLAIMANT	STATUS	ID
	100 km - Female			(GER)		
DW	Free out-and-return distance - Female	405.00 km	2015-05-27	Ghislaine Facon (FRA)	dossier under review	17521
DW	Out-and-return distance - Female	402.00 km	2015-05-27	Ghislaine Facon (FRA)	dossier under review	17520
DO	Free out-and-return distance - General	1039.52 km	2015-02-07	Peter Rudi Temple (AUS)	dossier under review	17420
DO	Out-and-return distance - General	1032.0 km	2015-02-07	Peter Rudi Temple (AUS)	dossier under review	17419
D15	Speed over a triangular course of 100 km - General	191.7 km/h	2015-01-23	Jan Ritsma (NED)	dossier under review - additional information requested and not yet received	17407
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 100 km - General	191.7 km/h	2015-01-23	Jan Ritsma (NED)	dossier under review	17408
DO	Speed over a triangular course of 750 km - General	167.12 km/h	2014-12-13	Bostjan Pristavec (SLO)	dossier under review	17350

In conclusion, I would like to thank the many volunteers that contribute to do the work necessary to make the IGC an organization that meets the needs of its constituency. A special thanks to the members of the IGC Bureau and especially to Brian Spreckley, First Vice-President, for their efforts and support that they provided to me during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

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