



Report from OLC Representative Christof Geissler to the IGC 2015 Plenary

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OLC record season 2014 is over



The OLC season 2014, which ended on the 22nd of September, is definitely the most successful season in the history of OLC. Exactly 14.935 pilots (2013: 14.183) announced their flights – that's a new record! Same fact applies for the number of flights scored, over all the years the trend points upwards, with 115.159 flights the results of 2013 (112.377) were excelled again!

The OLC developed its international top position by including France and Austria to our unique league system. Pilots of these countries may now find their OLC League champions, as did the USA, Switzerland, Australia and Germany since years.

Besides the championship, many pilots appreciate all other offers of the OLC portal. The OLC magazine publishes not only the weekly league reports but also pilot portraits, background and flight reports as well as news of OLC sponsors.

Our news ticker delivers latest news, and the central championship ticker shows latest news on running central competitions.

The increasing popularity of this offer is proved by steadily increasing page views. During the 2014 season 3.235.501 users visited the OLC pages almost 110.000.000 times.

Innovations for Soaring

„Innovations for Soaring“ is not just a slogan, our team is highly motivated to develop new tools and features for our users. During last season we were happy to introduce a new feature, the OLC meeting point system. As soon as you are logged in, you can see info's where and when you met other gliders, even hang- and para gliders, during your flight. That also works with model gliders.

It really looks like a master piece of techniques, as this feature works reliably even during extremely high server loads, when thousands of flights are announced after a good soaring day.

The OLC Discus, a springboard to top-class sport

Supporting young pilots is one of the main issues of the OLC, because they assure the future of our sport. Top performances are rewarded not only with certificates but also with cash or non-cash awards. The winner of the German Junior Challenge may use the OLC 18-m Discus for one full season for free.

Obviously this support is very successful as a short glance into the scoring lists proves. German junior pilots can be found even in the top results of the international championship lists.

Meanwhile the OLC Discus is cult within our junior pilots scene. The level of flying skills tends upwards, flights beyond 1.000 points, rare results in the past, are found more often year by year. the BRAASCH Club Challenge rewards clubs, engaged in good youth work, with a cash award. The Bitterwasser Junior Cup is running in a two years cycle, the winner gets a 10-day stay at Bitterwasser, all-inclusive!

Announce flights, 365 days a year, 24 hrs. a day.

The voluntary OLC team makes the OLC portal available to everyone around-the-clock and across-the-globe. On top days the system mastered over 3.000 flight announcements within a few hours.

The OLC is the most popular and most successful portal for gliding sports worldwide. This motivates our team to carry on with its voluntary work.

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