### IGC Plenary 2010

# **Report of IGC Web Specialist**

#### Private Area

The IGC now has a "private" area, i.e. pages with restricted access, which can be used for example by working groups to exchange documents which are not intended for, or not yet ready for general publication. At present this area is used actively by:

- the IGC Bureau, particularly for assembling the documents for the IGC plenary meetings, and
- the IGC History Working Group.

This facility is of course open to other working groups. Please contact me or Thierry Montigneaux for further information.

## **New Sections**

There are also two new public section of the IGC site:

- Position recorders (http://www.fai.org/gliding/position\_recorders): information about the newly-defined recorders which may be used for silver and diamond badges.
- Handicaps (http://www.fai.org/gliding/handicapcommittee): a collection of documents related to the handicap factors, including the latest official handicap table.

#### Further Use of the Internet

The Bureau has been discussing the possibility of using some of the numerous internetbased communication systems and "social networks", such as YouTube, Facebook, Twitter etc., for increasing the visibility of the IGC. As a start, we have created a Twitter account: http://www.twitter.com/FAI\_IGC. If this is to have any success at all, it is important to keep it fed continuously with information which will attract "followers". At the moment, Thierry is passing on information about records and competitions, and I am adding any new news items from the IGC web site.

Peter Ryder, January 14, 2010.