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## Nomination for CIA Montgolfier Diploma for 2019 Sporting Year

### Best Performance in Hot Air Ballooning

**Nomination for:**

Kimberly Magee  
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**Narrative:** Kim Magee has been involved in ballooning all 28 years of her life and has had her hot air balloon license for the last 8 years.

On March 17, 2019 Kim flew a 42,000 cubic foot AX5 hot air balloon from Mitchell, South Dakota USA and landed near Bloomfield, Iowa USA. Kim flew an overall distance of 363.4 miles (584.9 kilometers). For this flight Kim claimed two new women's world records and one general category world record, exceeding previous records by an impressive amount. The previous records are listed below.

Category	Year Set	Name	Old performance	Kim's Performance
AX5 Women	2001	Deborah Young	179 Miles	<b>363.4 Miles</b>
AX6 Women	1974	Denise Wiederkehr	228 Miles	<b>363.4 Miles</b>
AX5 General	1998	Mike Emich	270 Miles	<b>363.4 Miles</b>

In addition to this notable flight, on January 29 2019 Kim also set three world records for altitude and distance in an AX2 hot air balloon.

***For this notable flight in 2019, we proudly nominate Kimberly Magee for the Montgolfier Diploma, Best Performance in Hot Air Balloons 2019.***

Sincerely

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Awards Chairperson

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