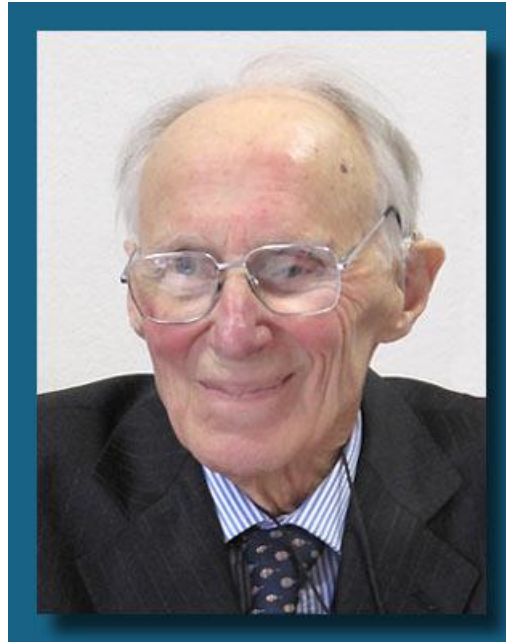




**FÉDÉRATION AÉRONAUTIQUE
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Ballooning Commission**

Hall of Fame Nomination

Audouin Dollfus



Nationality: French
Date of Birth: 1923 Nov 12
Year of Death: 2010 Oct 1

Audouin Dollfus, "the astronomer in a balloon" .. it would need books to tell a little about the vast extent of his career.

With the modesty of the Most Great, he received numerous awards and was elevated to the title of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur in 2009.

Son of Charles Dollfus, balloonist, he has discovered Janus, the "moon" of Saturn, beat world records in balloons, write books on astronomy and balloons.

With his father, the aeronautical pioneer Charles Dollfus, Audouin hold several world records in ballooning , (duration, distance, altitude) including the first stratospheric flight in France. He was the first to carry out astronomical observations from a stratospheric balloon, in particular to study Mars in a detailed way.

The results of his flight were transmitted to observatories all over the world. The NASA used these information when preparing the Apollo 11's flight to the Moon.

At the mention of his name, those of the first stratospheric flight in France, Hangar Y Meudon, Mars, Saturn, are inseparable.

Achievements, honours and awards:

Prix Janssen , highest distinction of the Société Astronomique de France

Diplôme Tissandier of FAI

Grand Prix Kodak-Pathé-Landucci de l'Académie des Sciences

Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur

Médaille aéronautique, the highest aeronautical distinction in France

Officier des Palmes académiques

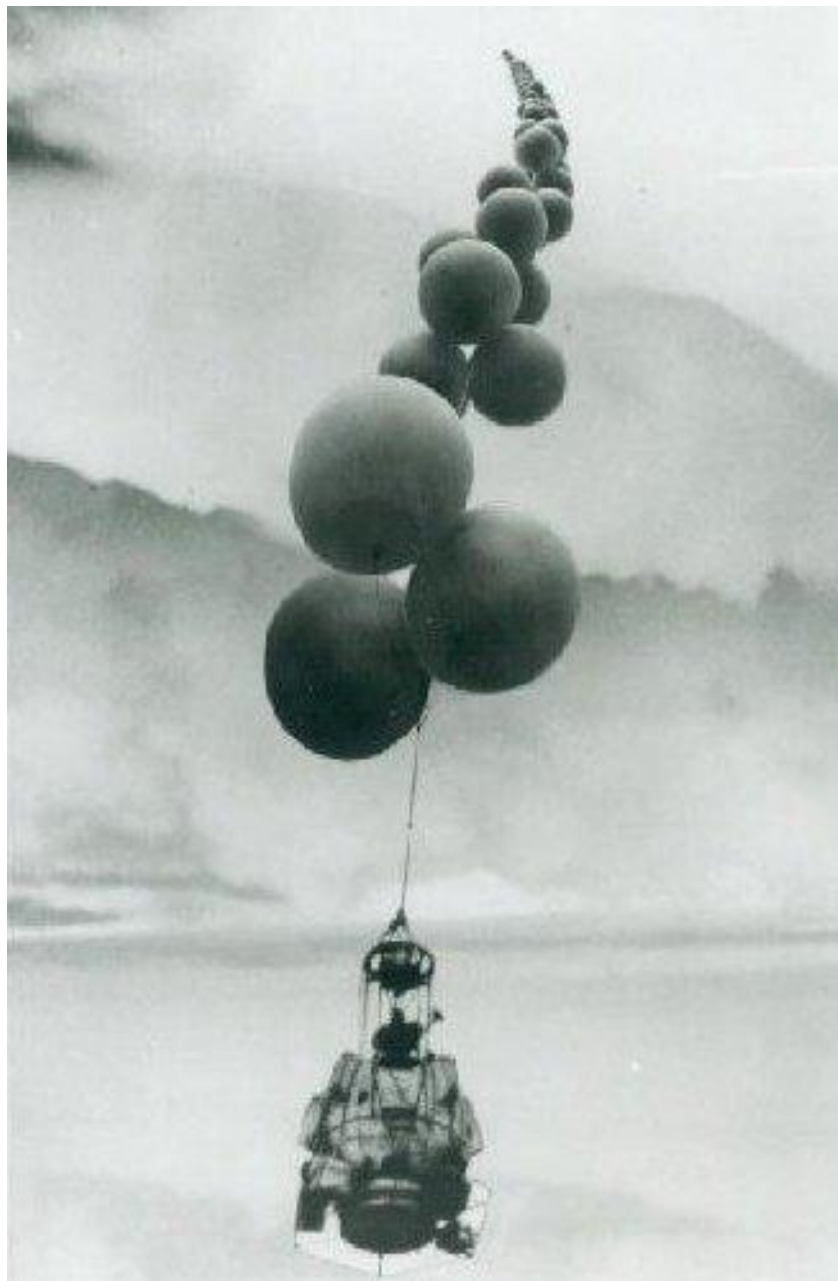
Harold Jeffreys Lecturer of the Royal Astronomical Society

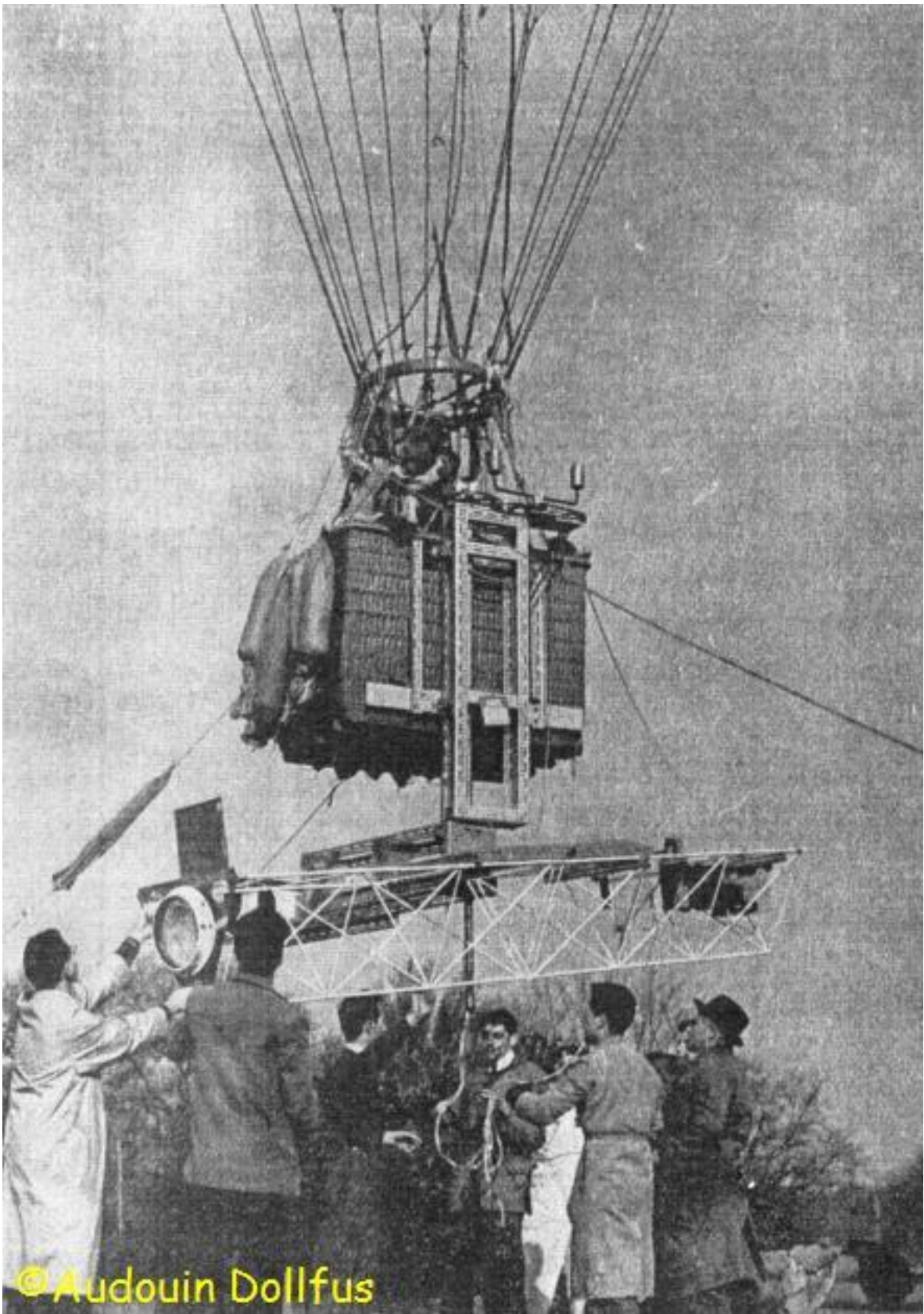
Diplôme d'honneur Aérostatique and gold medal from the French Ballooning Federation a.s.o.

He was member of the French Ballooning Federation from it's creation in 1977

Audouin Dollfus has published more than 300 works about his different experiences and observations







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