1. Annual Meeting of the Austrian Society for Aviation Medicine

The Austrian Society for Aviation Medicine (www.flugmedizin.net) had a very successful meeting in Niederöblarn (Styria) from 10.5.-11.5.2014. Topics: Accident Aviation Medicine, Military and civil Accident Aviation Investigation, ENT, Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Report from the Austrian Aeroclub about the responsibility regarding Pilot licenses, Medical Aspects in Aviation Medicine: “Would you fly with this pilot “, Aeromedical Evacuation by the Austrian Armed Forces.

2. Air Sport Events

“Super Paragliding Testival 2014”, “Event of the Paragliding Industry” www.fly-koessen, (29.5.-01.06.14)


POPS Austria, Rauschelesee, (26.07.-27.07.14) www.popsaustria.at

The POPS Austria competition includes 5 rounds accuracy and the special POPS competition the Hit and Rock. Accuracy is the eldest skydiving disziplin. The athletes jump from 800-1000m over ground, than they have three to twelf seconds freefall and get highest speed of 190km/h. After opening their parachute they glide down to the target. The electronic disc (3cm diameter) there shows deviation to 16cm. The competitor has to hit the disc with his heel, the first contact counts. There are scorings for:

POPS - Parachutist over Forty, SOS - Skydivers over Sixty, JOS - Skydivers over Seventy, JOES - Jumpers Over Eighty and our joung competitors PUPS - Parachutists under Forty.

The Hit & Rock includes landing precision with the parachute and swiftness when the competitor tries to reach as quick as possible the chair.
3. Aviation Accident Statistics Austria

The number of accidents in the aviation sector increased by 22.0% from 100 in 2011 to 122 (+22) in 2012 with a peak in the second and third quarter (1. quarter: 20, 2. quarter: 41, 3. quarter: 34, 4. quarter: 27). In general aviation, there was a decrease of 6.5% to 58 accidents (2011: 62) and in commercial aviation a growth of 26 accidents or 68.4% to a value of 64 (2011: 38) registered.

In 2012 the total number of accidents causing material damage increased by 16.1% to 101 (2011: 87) with 98 events (2011: 73) related to motor flights and 3 events (2011: 14) related to gliding flights.

14 people were slightly injured (+3 compared to 2011), 10 were seriously injured (+1 compared to 2011) and 9 people were killed (2011: 14) in accidents during the year 2012.