

Major decisions taken at the IGC meeting in Lausanne March 1-2

■ Awards:

- The Lilienthal Medal for 2001 was awarded to Jim Payne of the United States of America.
- The Pelagia Majewska Medal for 2001 was awarded to Carol Clifford of South Africa.
- The Pirat Gehriger Diploma for 2001 was awarded to Cedric Vernon of the United Kingdom.

■ Other Decisions:

- As it seems that the Organising Committee for the multiclass World Gliding Championships in Rieti, Italy in 2003 does not have the powers and resources necessary to run a successful championships, the Plenum voted unanimously with 1 abstention to send a letter via the Italian Delegate to the Aeroclub of Italy asking that the Organising Committee be given such powers and resources. In the event of an unsatisfactory outcome by March 20, the Bureau was given the powers to cancel the Rieti WGC and look for another venue in Europe in 2003.
- The Commission decided to accept that the World Air Games will not be World Championships. A paper from WAG specialist and VP Roland Stuck was accepted with slight modification to be the basis for the event.
- The Commission voted unanimously to actively seek participation in the World Games in Duisburg 2005.
- The Commission decided to change from the FAI sphere to the WGS84 Ellipsoid for distance measurements.
- Annex A will be rearranged for clarity and in the future be produced in the same format as the IGC Sporting Code.
- Based on feedback from Championships, Tasks and Scoring will be simplified.
- The Commission decided against introducing new levels of Flight Recorders at this time.
- The Commission supported the proposal from the Bureau to introduce a Bureau meeting in the fall.
- To take part in John Roake's Membership Challenge working group, Waldemar Ratajczak from Poland and John Karatsalos of Greece volunteered.
- A working group led by VP Brian Spreckley will develop a Championships Organisers' handbook to be available on the IGC web site.
- A working group led by VP Eric Mozer will study the championships calendar after 2005 and related subjects, e.g. participation per class per NAC, and submit proposals for the IGC meeting 2003.

■ Elections

The following were elected to the Bureau:

- President: Tor Johannessen, Norway
- First Vice President: Bob Henderson, New Zealand
- Vice Presidents: Eric Mozer, USA, Waldemar Ratajczak, Poland, Tapio Savolainen, Finland, Brian Spreckley, UK, Roland Stuck, France
- Secretary: Larry Sanderson, USA

- Next meeting: The next IGC Meeting will be held from 28 Feb to 01 Mar 2003 in Prague.