



## FAI Awards for Ballooning 2023

Nomination Form

*(one nomination per form)*

Name of the Award:

- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Gas Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.1)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Hot Air Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.2)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Roziere Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.3)
- Montgolfier Diploma / contribution to development of ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.4)
- Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal (By-Law 7.2.2)


Submitted by:

NAC: Svenska Flygsportförbundet (Sweden)

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Position: Secretary General

Date: 01/05/2023

Signature and stamp:   
Kjell Folkesson, Secretary General



Nomination for:

Name: **John Grubbström**

Birthdate: 13/01/1948

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Reasons for nomination (maximum 250 words, English only):

The FAI President of Honour Dr. John Grubbström is an aeromedical examiner who got his AX licence in 1974 and BX licence in 1978.

He initiated continental HAB Championships and directed the first European HABC in 1976 and also the World HABC in 1979. At this event he came up with the scoring system still in use (the Akerstedt formula) and re-wrote the Rules to the chronological order they still are in.

He has been Steward, Scorer and Jury member at numerous Events all over the World and competed in numerous Championships and three WAGs.

Apart from having been President of the Swedish Balloon Federation and NAC Sweden he has served as the FAI President of FAI 2010-2016, being re-elected for the maximum time. As such he implemented and enforced the World Air Games in Dubai, the most successful air sport event so far with 100+ balloons flying in competition over the city. He moved the FAI from being Eurocentric to global and initiated the Air Sport Federation of Asia as well as that of Africa and the Middle East.

He has received the FAI Air Sport medal, the FAI Tissandier diploma and the Royal Swedish Aeroclub Gold medal as well as the Badge of Honour from the Swedish Sports Confederation.

Dr. Grubbström still has his license and enjoys crewing for his son Thomas. He is also active within CIA as member of the Jury board.

NAC Sweden commends Dr. Grubbström for his life long commitment to air sports in general and ballooning in particular and proudly nominates him for the Montgolfier diploma for contributions to the development of ballooning in connection with his 75th Birthday.

Please provide at least one high resolution picture of the nominated person, if possible taken while practicing his/her sport or beside his/her (model) aircraft. All nominations must be received at the FAI Head Office by 15 January 2023 at the latest in electronic format (to [members@fai.org](mailto:members@fai.org)) preferably or by fax or post.