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U.S. Soaring Team Day Reports & Results



Monday, June 14, 2004 No Contest Day

Tim McAllister takes second place on day one!

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**NEWS BRIEF -
June 14,
2004
Monday**

at 7:30 p.m. in Norway Hello Race Fans!

We awoke to windy, conditions and the good news that Tim McAllister took second place on day 1. He flew 267.5 km (166 miles) actual distance before landing out. He was only 1.7 miles behind the winner, Petr Krejcirik of the Czech Republic. Manfred Franke finished 21st (869 points) and Bob Barber finished 33rd (834 points) on the day.



All of our retrieves went fairly smoothly, with the exception of Carolyn Gage's

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(Manfred's crew). She had never crewed before, so this was her first-ever

retrieve. She handled herself with aplomb, but she did get a little bit lost while looking for Manfred. After being turned back at the Swedish border (Manfred *was* in Norway, after all) she eventually found him waiting at the edge of a soft field. Fortunately, the farmer had helped Manfred move his glider to the edge. On their way back to Starmoen, Manfred and Carolyn saw a pair of moose (mooses? meese? anyway...) crossing the road. This was the perfect ending to Carolyn's time here in Norway. She left for Michigan early this morning, and we will miss her. Kudos to Carolyn for doing a great job under the toughest of crewing conditions! Manfred's new crew, Bob Fidler of Michigan has just arrived this evening.



If yesterday was a "trailer rally" today was a rigging rally. We awoke to windy conditions and cool temperatures. There might have been a soarable time period early in the day, but with a stiff crosswind blowing across runway 33, the launch had to be postponed. We waited until 2:00, when

the day was finally cancelled. Everyone rushed to the trailers to get everything put away so that they could rest or do shopping.

Tomorrow looks like another tricky day, so stay tuned! Tim will be carrying one of the Vpos live trackers because of his top-10 finish, so you should be able to see him on www.wgc2004.com.



JUN 19
NCD
JUN 20
NCD
JUN 21
NCD
JUN 22
NCD
JUN 23
Day 5
JUN 24
NCD
JUN 25
NCD & Closing

Click the dates!

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SCHEDULE

Official Training
9th - 11th

Opening
12th

Contest Flying
13th - 25th

Closing
26th August

We love receiving your e-mails, so do keep them coming to us at soaringteam04@sbcglobal.net We will be posting your notes of encouragement on the bulletin board at Camp USA, and we'd love to hear from you!

Susan McAllister
Team Captain/Manager

Captions for photos:

From top to bottom:

- 1.** Manfred and Tim consider the deteriorating weather conditions. (June 14)
- 2.** Manfred Franke programming today's task into his flight computer. (June 13)
- 3.** Bob Fidler, just arrived from the states. (June 14)
- 4.** The Stormoen tow pilots, who call themselves "Monkey Air" - Petter Flesland, Haavard Taraldsen (not a tow pilot, but our fabulous local chef), and Erik Lihagen. (June 14)

About the pictures. Images are taken by the U.S. Team Captain Susan McAllister and other U.S. Team Members. Some of the images used here can be found on the official website and were taken by one of several excellent contributors.

Welcome! For the first time these reports will be filed directly from the contest site by Club Class Team Captain Susan McAllister. Bookmark this page and visit often for the latest from Norway.

U.S. Soaring Team

Class	Pilot	Sailplane	Contest Number	Day Place & Points	Overall Place & Points
Club	Bob Barber	ASW-19	H8	33rd 834	33rd 834
Club	Manfred Franke	LS-7 WL	IM	21st 869	21st 869
Club	Tim McAllister	Libelle 201b	EY	2nd 990	2nd 990

See the official scores [here](#)

Points of Interest

CONTACT THE TEAM IN NORWAY

Back by popular request you can now e-mail the U.S. Soaring Team in Norway with greetings, encouraging words and well wishes. Please note that team members are very busy while the championships are underway and may not be able to reply to your message. Click "[Send the Team e-mail](#)" or click on the GO TEAM logo.



WGC FLIGHT LOGS

All flight logs are available on the organizers site.

ABOUT DAY REPORTS

The U.S. Team Day Reports are brought to you directly by Team Captain Susan McAllister. Susan inputs each days information on site in Norway and updates these pages directly from her laptop.

YOUR TEAM SUPPORT

All US team members would like to thank those of you who have contributed to make participation in these international events possible. If you have not contributed to the team please consider making one! To see how, visit the U.S. Team Funding page [here](#) and the [Robertson Trust Web](#) here.

U.S. TEAM COMMITTEE

The U.S. Team Committee has been working to establish a more stable management structure and better resources for our soaring teams. The objective are more transparent, accountable, sustainable and competitive United States soaring teams. See the full information on the new [U.S. Team Committee](#) here.

U.S. TEAM E-NEWS

Sign up today for the U.S. Team E-NEWS. This electronic newsletter is sent out roughly quarterly and covers all the team news. The sign up process is simple - start by [clicking here](#).

TEAM NEWS, HISTORY & ARCHIVE

To catch up on all the news for the U.S. World Soaring Teams see the [U.S. Team News](#). See the U.S. [Team Archive](#) for team background since 1950. As part of the Archive tour see the [U.S. Team History](#) page for a complete listing of US Teams since 1950 or the [World Champions](#) page for a complete listing of champions since 1937.

Country and Contest Site



Elverum/Starmoen, the home of the 3rd Club Class World Gliding Championships, is located 147 km northeast from the centre of Oslo, the Capital of Norway. Gliding over the Norwegian countryside is an incredible experience. Located at 60 degrees north latitude, the Norwegian summer brings long hours of daylight, allowing gliding under the "midnight sun" (even if you have to go 700 km to the north to see the sun at midnight proper). The thermals start early in the morning, and often last until

20:00 hrs. The thermal conditions are good with a generally high cloud bases. More information on the weather conditions can be found on the weather page. Visibility of 50 to 100 km and above is not unusual on sunny days. The conditions are often perfect for long distance flights. The airspace is generally free of restrictions, with only the Oslo / Gardermoen TMA to the south-west of the task area.

Map courtesy of the CIA. See the [CIA site](#) for a fact sheet on Norway. Click images to expand.

Web Links

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