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U.S. Soaring Team Day Reports & Results



Friday, June 18, 2004 Competition Day 3

Rain showers on course made this the most difficult day of flying yet.

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NEWS BRIEF - June 18, 2004 Friday at 9:30 p. m. in Norway Hello Race Fans!

If you like rain, you would have loved today. We gridded as usual, but the clash of two airmasses created an unstable situation - one ripe for rain showers and quick changes. The assigned area task was set for a minimum of two hours, but within 15 minutes of the last launch, it looked like this was too optimistic. A heavy rain shower parked right over Starmoen while I was taking the pilots' start times. We expected many landouts today and were not disappointed!



were the subject of some interest by the farmer's wife. She was thrilled at the sight of all of these guys in the field, and had them pose with Tim's Libelle for a group picture.

Manfred Franke landed out first, while trying to take a second start. Then Tim McAllister landed in a field in the hills north east of Hamar. He and the 8 other pilots in the field (including Petr Krejcirik "CX", the current first place pilot)



Then she got everyone's autographs. We can only imagine that this picture will hang in a place of honor over her mantle!

Bob Barber started slightly before Manfred and Tim and had much better luck with the weather. He was able to skirt around the showers and was at 6,000 feet when Tim was looking at possible landing fields. Bob turned in a 108 km flight, not getting the second turn point, but landing at Starmoen while almost everyone else was streaming out with their trailers.

We have heard that two Lithuanian pilots completed the course and that several more pilots did at least 100 km, the distance that at least 25% of the competitors must achieve to make today a valid day. Watch www.wgc2004.com for the latest results while I am asleep tonight!

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. Bob Barber and Tim McAllister consider the task note ominous clouds in the direction of the first turnpoint. (June 18)
2. "Arneberg International," the field where Tim landed. (June 18)

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 Standings after Competition Day 3

Class	Pilot	Sailplane	Contest Number	Day Place & Points	Overall Place & Points
Club	Bob Barber	ASW-19	H8	17th 111	48th 1108
Club	Manfred Franke	LS-7 WL	IM	56th 17	34th 1671
Club	Tim McAllister	Libelle 201b	EY	24th 65	14th 1825

See the official scores [here](#)

Points of Interest

JUN 19
NCD

JUN 20
NCD

JUN 21
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NCD

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JUN 24
NCD

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NCD & Closing

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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

- ▶ The official World Soaring Championship web site [Click Here](#)
- ▶ FAI Web coverage of the World Gliding Championships [Click Here](#)
- ▶ See the team photo gallery [Click Here](#)
- ▶ What time is it at the site? [Click Here](#)

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