

4th FAI Pan American Gliding Championships

Bulletin #1.1



Location

Sunflower Aerodrome
Yoder, Kansas USA
37.9262778N, 97.9066944W
Elevation: 1582 Feet MSL

Schedule

Preliminary entries due	Tuesday, 28 February 2023
Final entries due	Friday, 31 March 2023
Reserve Pilots Accepted after	Sunday, 30 April 2023
Deadline for approval of new GNSS FRs	Sunday, 30 April 2023
Airfield availability for training flights	Saturday, 3 June 2023
Registration period begins	Saturday, 3 June 2023
Registration period ends	Monday, 5 June 2023
Technical inspection period begins	Saturday, 3 June 2023
Technical inspection period ends	Monday, 5 June 2023
Configuration change closes	Monday, 5 June 2023
Mandatory Safety Briefing	Monday, 5 June 2023
Unofficial training begins	Thursday, 1 June 2023
Unofficial training ends	Saturday, 3 June 2023
First official Team Captains' briefing	Saturday, 3 June 2023
Official training begins	Saturday, 3 June 2023
Official training ends	Monday, 5 June 2023
Opening Ceremony	Monday, 5 June 2023
Contest flying begins	Tuesday, 6 June 2023
Contest flying ends	Friday, 16 June 2023
Farewell party	Friday, 16 June 2023
Closing Ceremony and Prize giving	Saturday, 17 June 2023

Championship Officials

Director of the Championships: Rick Sheppe

Deputy Director: TBA

Task Setter: TBA

Chief Scorer: Ron Gleason

Meteorologist: TBA

IGC Officials:

International Jury

- President Alfonso Soto
- Member tbd
- Member tbd

Stewards

Chief Steward Renato Tsukamoto

- Steward tbd
- Steward tbd

Organizing NAC

Soaring Society of America

PO Box 2100

Hobbs, NM 88241-2100

Phone: 575-392-1177

Organizing Club, Entries

Kansas Soaring Association

911 N Gilman St

Wichita KS 67203

Phone: 515-291-0089

Email: abcondon@gmail.com

General Competition Rules and Local Procedures

FAI Sporting Code Section 3 and Annexes will apply. Local Procedures will be distributed once they are approved by the IGC and will be published on the competition website. The competition website will be www.soaringspot.com

Championship Classes

Championships will be held in two classes:
Club Class as defined in Section 3 Chapter 5, 5.2.7.

15 Meter & Standard Combined Class which will be handicapped according to handicap list available in the Local Procedures.

National Teams

Subject to IGC Approval, each NAC may enter **5 pilots per class** and submit **a list of reserve pilots**. Reigning World Champions are entered in addition to their NAC 5 pilots per class quota. Reserve pilots may be allowed to enter the competition after the close of final entries if the total number of allowed gliders has not been reached. The procedure for acceptance and entry of reserve pilots will be described in the Local Procedures and published on the Competition website after IGC approval.

Total Number of Allowable Entries

The number of entries will be limited to 65

Competitors

The requirements for pilot eligibility will be as defined by the Sporting Code, Annex A to Section 3 (SC3-A) Paragraph 3.2 with no modification.

Insurance

The glider shall be covered by third party insurance **-not excluding competitions** – in conformance with the standards for SSA Sanctioned Contests. The competing aircraft should have no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit of bodily injury and property damage; however, this limit can be reduced in the following ways: 1. Excluding passenger liability 2. Limiting each passenger to \$100,000. Reducing the liability limit to \$100,000 “any person” is not approved

Entry Fee and Charges

Entry Fee per Pilot -	\$650 US
Towing Charges -	\$70 US to 2000 ft
Camping Charges –	Free Tent Camping
	\$10/Night 20 amp RV Hookup
	\$15/Night 30 amp RV Hookup
	\$25/Night 50 amp RV Hookup

The Entry Fee must be paid in full by bank transfer to:

Banking information:

Millennium Corporate Credit Union, Wichita, Kansas

Routing & Transit (ABA) #301180111

Further Credit to: Skyward Credit Union

Routing & Transit (ABA) #301180027

Final Credit to: Kansas Soaring Association

Member Number : 1034950

By March 30, 2023.

US Based pilots may pay by check. Credit Cards may be accepted but will incur additional transaction fees.

Accommodation

VisitHutch.com – Lodging

List of Hotels, Motels, RV Parks, and other lodging options in the greater Hutchinson KS area.

<https://www.visithutch.com/lodging/?compact=&sort=&cat=Lodging>

Airbnb – House and Apartment Rentals

There are 7 listings within Yoder KS. For more options, expand your search to “Reno County, KS” to see listings in Hutchinson and the surrounding area.

<https://t.ly/pV7k>

ICT Campers – RV Rental Business Located in Wichita

<https://www.ictcampers.com/>

Outdoor Adventures RV – RV Rental Business located northeast of Wichita
<https://www.outdooradventuresrv.com/>

Ramsey RV Rentals – RV Rental Business located east of Wichita.
<https://www.ramseysrvrental.com/>

Outdoorsy.com – RV Rentals

Search for RV rentals in the Wichita or Hutchinson area, or search for RV rentals that can be picked up along your route.

<https://www.outdoorsy.com/rv-search?page%5Boffset%5D=0&address=Hutchinson%2C%20KS>

Campground at Sunflower Gliderport – RV and Tent Camping

Tent camping and limited RV camping is available onsite at Sunflower. For more information or to reserve a spot please read the pdf at the link below.

<http://www.soarkansas.org/variovd/campground2019.pdf>

Rooms at a local club members home may be available

Contact the organizers for information. abcondon@gmail.com

Glider Rental

The Organizers will be happy to help to the best of their abilities in arranging glider rentals for overseas pilots. Some local gliders, especially in Club Class, may be available. Contact directly at abcondon@gmail.com

Foreign License Conversion

We have the ability on site to convert a foreign license to a US Private Pilot Certificate based on Foreign License. This will be necessary if you wish to fly a US Registered glider in the competition. You will have to request a Foreign Verification Letter from your home country and work through the iacra.faa.gov system. You will need to provide the following documents:

Foreign Pilot Certificate – In English or English Transcription

Foreign Medical Certificate

Photo Identification (Passport etc.)

IFP Knowledge Test Report, if applicable

Foreign Verification Letter

You will need to take a flight review with a Flight Instructor. This can all be arranged on site but must be coordinated ahead of time. Notify the organizers at abcondon@gmail.com if this is needed.