

ESGC Ladder and Trophy Rules 2007

The ESGC Club Ladder Rules are equivalent to the National Ladder Rules, as published on the National Ladder web site, and as amended from time to time by the National Ladder Steward, with four qualifications, as follows:

1. The ESGC Club Ladder will be sorted in order of confirmed points, then in order of unconfirmed points.
2. The ESGC Club Ladder and ESGC Club Trophies are open to ESGC members only, for flights originating only from Wormingford.
3. Only the pilot's four best-scoring flights will count towards the club ladder, not six.
4. Flights that contravene the ESGC Flying Orders Manual may be penalised or disqualified, at the sole discretion of the Ladder Steward, in consultation with the CFI.

Please also note that:

- The "ESGC Ladder Year" runs in line with the National Ladder, currently January 1st to December 31st.
- The Club Ladder is a points-based ladder and is scored according to National Ladder points scoring rules, using the National Ladder web-based points calculator. Pilots should be aware that National Ladder rules periodically change, that undeclared flights and late submissions are penalised on the National Ladder, and they should regularly refer to the National Ladder web site for further information.
- The Club Trophies are speed-based trophies, and bear no relation whatsoever to the number of National Ladder points gained for the task flown. They do not need to be declared in advance, and there is no advantage obtained by pre-declaration. However, unlike National Ladder flights, they are subject to a semi-cylindrical start zone of large radius centred on WRM and extending to 1000m above the airfield elevation at WRM, with its flat vertical face perpendicular to the outbound track. They are awarded on an annual basis, according to the rules stated below.
- The Club Records are also speed-based records, and bear no relation whatsoever to the number of National Ladder points gained for the task flown. They do not need to be declared in advance, and there is no advantage obtained by pre-declaration. However, unlike National Ladder flights, they are subject to a 1000m start zone, as described above. Any record attempt will be timed from the last point logged within the start zone.

The Peter Wilby Club Ladder Trophy

The pilot's four highest-scoring flights are taken into account, scored as the National Ladder.

The Mark Roberts Wooden Glider Trophy

For the highest total points score, scored as for the Peter Wilby Club Ladder Trophy above, for flights in wooden gliders only (not metal or other materials). To claim points for any such flight, the pilot may not have flown a solo 300 km at any time before the flight.

The Paul Foulger 300k Trophy

For the flight with the highest handicapped speed around a closed circuit triangle, or an out and return, between 300km and 360km, flown from and back to WRM via the pilot's pre-declared choice of one or two BGA turning points, scored as the National Ladder.

The Eric Richards 200k President's Cup

For the flight with the highest handicapped speed around the original club 200 km closed circuit triangle from WRM via EDE and ELY in either direction, OR around any pre-declared closed circuit FAI 28% triangle of between 200 and 240 km, starting at WRM, via BGA turning points, scored as the National Ladder.

The Club 100k Trophy

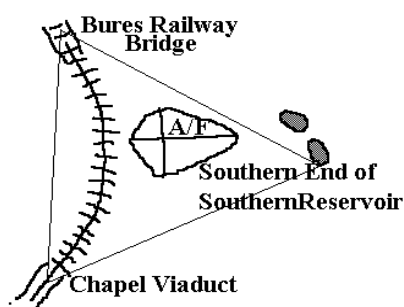
For the flight with the highest handicapped speed around the original club 100 km closed circuit triangle from WRM via RAT and NMT in either direction, OR around any pre-declared closed circuit FAI 28% triangle of between 100 and 120 km, starting at WRM, via BGA turning points, scored as the National Ladder.

The Jeff Cork Longest Flight Trophy

For the longest handicapped distance in one flight from Wormingford.

The Bob Adams Tiny Triangle Trophy

For the flight with the highest handicapped speed around the "Tiny Triangle", scored as below:



Time is defined as from take off to landing, as on the log sheet or from a logger.

Distance flown is defined as number of photographed or logged completed legs x 6 km.

The Tiny Triangle TP GPS co-ordinates are defined as:

TT1: N51 58.3367 E000 46.1345 - Bures Railway Bridge

TT2: N51 56.1175 E000 49.9570 - Reservoir Dam

TT3: N51 55.3904 E000 45.3827 - Chappel Viaduct

The Sodit Trophy

Normally awarded annually, but never presented, to the pilot whose exploit is most in keeping with the trophy title. The trophy is retained for display in the clubhouse.

The Bob Ivermee Rose Bowl

Decided by instructors and awarded to the newly qualified Bronze standard pilot who shows the most promise of successful cross-country ability.

The Instructors' Cup

Retained by the recipient. Decided by instructors and awarded to the pilot who has first-soloed in the past year and is likely both to further progress with his or her flying and to make a positive contribution to club.

The Dave Gilder Member's Cup

Decided by the committee, and awarded to the member other than a committee member, who in the opinion of the committee has made the greatest contribution to the club over the past year.

Andy Sanderson, 22nd May 2007