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### **Nomination for the Award of the Pirat Gehriger Diploma**

The IGC Bureau nominates Mr Brian Spreckley and Mr Keith Nicholson as most worthy joint candidates for the award of the Pirat Gehriger Diploma

The Diploma is awarded annually for eminent services to international gliding.

#### **Mr Spreckley and Mr Nicholson**

Brian Spreckley and Keith Nicholson have contributed significantly to international gliding by their joint work to develop the IGC Ranking List.

Brian Spreckley created the initial desire for the development of the IGC Ranking List and Keith Nicholson took up the challenge to create the ranking list. The award of a Masters of Science to Keith Nicholson for the development of the Ranking list software recognised the high level of academic prowess and integrity applied to the development of this programme.

The Ranking list now has some 2,500 pilots registered on the List, an increase of 28% in numbers in the past 12 months.

Subsequent to the scientific development of the initial “ranking list” Brian and Keith have both contributed significantly to on-going development of the IGC Ranking List, the rules for the management of the list and the actual management of the list on behalf of the IGC. Their work has culminated this year in the preparation of a new Annex D – Rules for the Official IGC Ranking list - for the FAI Sporting Code Section 3 - Gliding.

**Bob Henderson**  
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