

FAI Sailplane Grand Prix report for IGC Plenary Meeting 2025.

12th series FAI/SGP contests.

The first six events of the 12th series FAI/SGP took place in 2024 the seventh event was in Australia in January 2025. The remaining three events will take place in spring 2025. To date 116 pilots from 18 countries have competed. With the remaining 2025 three events being oversubscribed there will be more than 170 pilots who will have competed in series 12.



12th Series final.

The 12th series final will be held at St Auban in France, preparations are well advanced with the appointment of Jean-Marc Caillard as the contest manager and Benjamin Neglais as the Sporting director. The FAI/SGP team will manage the media output with live coverage including in flight commentary.

The thirteen winners and runners up from the completed events have all accepted their invitation to compete in the 12th series final at St Auban in August 2025.

More information can be found at https://sgp.aero/final2025

FAI/SGP media

The FAI/SGP team have created new SGP web pages which are more compatible with use on mobile phones and tablets. For the 12th series all national event activities results etc will be managed on the main SGP site. We will no longer create a new web site for each event. In parallel, the new website will eventually integrate all archives/material from older series to ensure continuity and access to older competition results.

We continue to expand our reach on social media with the introduction of an FAI/SGP Instagram channel.

12th Series Rules

12th series rules are available at https://www.fai.org/sites/default/files/sgp_rules_v12.docx.pdf.

FAI/SGP future.

There are three issues under discussion by the SGP team that will be raised during the FAI/IGC plenum for discussion by the delegates.

Ther Aalen contest in 2024 allowed entry from Standard and 15m sailplanes with variable radius turn points to compensate for performance difference. This was a very successful event and we anticipate more events that allow mixed classes in future series.

The 12th series event at Aalen in Germany included a 20m class contest with 13 competitors, the event was considered a great success by all involved and discussion is taking place for the development of future 20m SGP events.

The FAI/SGP management team.

We welcome Issabelle Jodin into the FAI/SGP team who will help with the social media platforms and the tracker management during the final.

We continue to seek new members for the FAI/SGP team who can make a contribution to the work and future development of the SGP. In particular we seek members with commercial skills who are able to seek sponsorship and event partners.

The current FAI/SGP team is:

Brian Spreckley, Alexander Georgas, Rene Vidal, Angel Casado, Claire Heliot, Benjamin Neglais Antoine Havet Sebastien Chaumontet Issabelle Jodin