

2nd FAI Pan-American Gliding Championships

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Welcome:

The Argentine Gliding Federation, formerly FAVAV (Federación Argentina de Vuelo a Vela), kindly invite all National Aeroclubs of the Americas and special guests, to participate in the 2nd FAI Pan American Gliding Championships in the Standard and 15m classes in December 2017.

The Championship will take place at the Otto Ballod Gliding Club, with more than 80 years of gliding experience, located in Adolfo González Chávez, 450 Km from Buenos Aires.

The Otto Ballod airfield is strategically located in the pampas, has excellent flying conditions and no airspace restricted areas. This allows beautiful and relaxed flights in an unparalleled landscape.

The Club has a very nice camping area, pilots and crews can enjoy it for free and the City of González Chávez, National capital of gliding in Argentina has an enthusiastic community that will welcome you as old friends.

Come and enjoy not only the experience of flying in the pampas but also our food, our culture, our hospitality.

We look forward to sharing with you what will be an unforgettable experience.

*(Consejo Superior FAVAV)
Buenos Aires, June 2017.-*

Organization Team Leader: **José Carlos Damiano**
Director of the Championships: **Eduardo Toselli**

Location of the Competition

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Adolfo Gonzales Chaves Airfield

Province of Buenos Aires.
Site of the **“Otto Ballod” Gliding Club.**

Location:
Lat 38° 02' 169 S; Long 60° 08' 051 W; Elevation 194 m

Two runways:
18-36 (1500 x 200) m, grass
13-31 (1500 x 200) m, grass
Frequency: 123.00 Alternative 123.2

New airfield limits because overall improvements including runways and facilities: 140 gliders

Address for Official Correspondence

Federación Argentina de Vuelo a Vela (FAVAV)
Anchorena 275, CP 1170, Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires, AR.
Tel/Fax: +54-11-4862-3123
There will be a mobile phone number soon available on the website.

Time Schedule

Basis

November 27 to 29, 2017 Non Official training
December 30 to 2nd, 2017 Official Training

December 3, 2017 Opening Ceremony
December 4 to 15, Competitions days
December 16, reserve day, Closing Ceremony

Spec.

1- Opening of on line registration	April 15, 2017
2- Preliminary entries due:	July 16, 2017
3- Argentine gliding license revalidations:	August 30, 2017.
4- Final entries due	September 6, 2017
5- New GNSS FR approval due:	September 30 2017
6- Non official Training:	November 27 to 29, 2017.
7- Registration:	November 27 to 30 2017; 16:00 to 19:00
8- Scrutinizing:	December 2 nd 2017 for pilots with exceptional situations
9-Configuration Changes close:	November 25 to 30, 2017 and December 2 nd 2017. 8:30 to 12:30 and 15:00 to 18:00
10- Official Training:	December 1 st 2017, 20:00 November 30, 2017 to December 2 nd , 2017.
11- Briefing #00	December 2 nd , 2017, evening
12- Mandatory Official Training	December 2 nd , 2017
13- Open Ceremony:	3 rd December, 2017, 17:00 hr
14-First Team Captains Briefing:	3 rd December, 2017, 19:00 hr
15- Competition Dates:	December 4 to 15, 2017.
16- International night:	December 9, 2017
17- Argentine night	December 13, 2013
18- Closing ceremony and prize giving	Saturday 15 th December 2017, 20:30 hr
19- Farewell Party:	Saturday 15 th December 2017, 22:00 hr

Competition Officials

Organization Team Leader, Site Preparation Manager	José Carlos Damiano
Competition Director	Eduardo Toselli
Director Assistant	Eduardo Barrera
Deputy Director – Task setter	Javier Sondon/Juan Souza/Juan Vastik
Chief Scorer	Sergio Reinaudo
Assistant Scorer	Sergio Solfa/Luis Barrera
Meteorology	Lucas Berengua
Flights Operations Director	Enrique Lippi/Roberto Vogt
Chief Tow Pilot	Javier Sondon
Scrutinizing team	Pedro Choma. Martina Acosta,
Administrative Office, Webmaster	Soledad Grasso / Luciano Brusesse
Financial administration	Diego Sanchez, Ariel Contini, Alejandro Narvaez

International Jury

Jury President: Angel Casado

Jury members: TBD

Stewards

Chief Steward: Angel Casado

Steward Fernando Repicky

Steward TBD

Postal address and Entries

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Other contacts

2nd Pan-American Championships Director - Mr. Eduardo Toselli: edtoselli@gmail.com
Organization Team leader Mr. José Carlos Damiano: damianojosecarlos@gmail.com
Argentine Gliding Federation (FAVAV): infofavav@gmail.com

Championship classes

The 2nd Pan American Championships 2017 will be held in two classes:

- Standard Class
- 15m Class

Using same type of gliders for each Class, Std. Jantar for the Standard Class and ASW-20 for the 15m Class, no handicap will be applied

Rules

The FAI Sporting Code General Section and Section 3 (SC3) with its Annexes will apply. In particular, the championship will be organized and run according to the Annex A (SC3-A) **“Rules for World and Continental Soaring Championships” of the FAI Sporting code Section 3.**

The latest versions of these documents published on the FAI-IGC website (<http://www.fai.org/gliding>) prior to the date of start of the championship will apply: www.fai.org/igc-documents.

Water-ballast will be allowed in both classes, additionally to improve fairness of the competition, a maximum wing loading limit will be imposed also in both Classes. Any additional weight restriction or mass limits (SC3, paragraph 6.1.4; SC3-A, paragraph 4.2.1.g) will be detailed in the Local Procedures.

The Local Procedures will be issued after approval by IGC and will be published on the competition website: www.pagc2017.com.ar

Flight documentation will be by IGC approved GNSS FR only. All flight recorders, which have received IGC approval for championships by September 30, 2017, will be admitted.

A valid GNSS FR calibration for primary and secondary FRs will be required before the first competition day.

Allowed gliders

As the event is intended to be a monotype, no handicap, (h=1) championship event, only **Jantar Std** will be accepted in the std class, and only **ASW 20** in the 15mts class, this type of gliders are very common in our country so there is going to be no problems renting such gliders locally. Other similar Gliders for both Classes will be allowed as alternative.

National Teams

Each NAC may enter 3 **pilots per class** and submit a **list of reserve pilots**. Reigning World Champions are entered in addition to their NAC 3 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 maximum number of gliders is 50, including reigning World Champions and up to 8 guests from countries outside the Americas.

The initial targets are 20 gliders per class. If a class is under-subscribed, unused spots will be made available to the other class or overseas guest

Pilot requirements

The requirements for pilot eligibility will be as defined by the Sporting Code, Annex A to Section 3 (SC3-A) Paragraph 3.2, with this modification: Pilots must hold a gold badge OR hold a silver badge AND have competed in at least ONE National Championship.

Required documentation will be as defined in SC3-A, paragraphs 3.5.3 and 3.5.4.

Any additional requirements and safety equipment for pilots and gliders will be described in the Local Procedures to be published on the competition website after approval by IGC.

Argentine License

Pilots flying an Argentinean glider will have to hold an Argentinian license issued by the Argentine Civil Aviation Authority (ANAC).

The Argentine Gliding Federation (FAAVAV) will handle the revalidations for pilots who need it. The pilot must send the pilot's license, the physically capable, the last page of the flight recorder and the FAI license before August 30. (This process is free)

Pilot who already did this for WGC2012, must send the documentation too.

Notice: Pilots cannot fly during official training without argentine license.

Entry fee and Payment instructions

The entry fee for each competing glider is U\$D 600. This includes all IGC sanction fees and covers all operational costs during the Championships except aero tows.

The full payment (net sum of U\$D 600) shall be received on the bank account below by September 6, 2017. Please ensure that the bank transfer documentation includes identification of the entrants.

International wire instructions:

1. Receiving Bank:

Banco de la Nación Argentina First Tennessee Bank
Federación Argentina de Vuelo a Vela
Swift Code: FTBM US 44 ARG
Acc. Number 140395/38
CBU 011000132000014039538

Aerotows

Aero-tow fee is U\$D 50.- (500 m / 1800 ft. QFE). The organizer will require paying for 10 aero-tows in advance to staff at the contest site. This payment must be done at the latest before the start of first training flight. Aero-tow fees if unused will be refunded in full.

Accommodation

Camping site: Large and beautiful Camping area at the Airport for free to Pilots and Crews, Restaurant and others facilities at the Site, also will be available Caravans for hire at the Airfields

Hotels and guest houses: A list of hotels, bed-and-breakfast, and houses for rent in the near vicinity of the airfield is available on the competition website ("lodging" menu entry). The airfield is only at 3 km from the down town of Gonzales Chaves.

Gliders rental

Foreign pilots are encouraged to establish contacts on their own with South-American glider owners to arrange exchanges, trades, or rental of gliders for the competition. The organizers will publish on the competition website all information and contacts available to them about glider rental or availability.

Insurance

The glider shall be covered by third party insurance -**not excluding competitions** – in conformance with the standards for ANAC Sanctioned Contests

Personal medical insurance is required for all team members, covering accidents and sickness, including hospital costs and transport back to the team member's country of residence.

Documentary proof of all insurances shall be made available to the organizers in English at check-in, in the form of original documents or copies.

Downloading of GNSS FR records

Flight logs shall be delivered to the scoring office on USB Memory Sticks or SD cards labeled with the name or contest number of the competitor. Competitors must bring their own cables and equipment for downloading their flight logs from their FR to their memory stick or SD card. An alternative delivery way based on Email will be detailed in further bulletins

Units

Due to the expected predominance of Argentine based gliders (owned or rented) at the contest; the championship will use some units typical of metrics instruments.

Altitudes and heights in meters (**mts**)

Pressures in milibars (**mlb**)

Distances in kilometers (**km**)

Speeds in kilometers per hour (**kph**)

Sailplane weights will be in kilograms (**kg**).

Foreign competitors who will be using Argentines gliders with Metric instruments should familiarize themselves with correspondence of units, particularly for altitude (meters versus feet) and pressure altitudes (millibars versus inch-mercury) to respect airspace, start, and finish altitude requirements.

Mobile Telephones

There are many mobile operators in the Argentina. Several companies offer phones and SIM cards with prepaid communication time and no long-term plan. These are widely available at general stores at reasonable prices. Foreign competitors using their own phone should ensure compatibility with US GSM networks.

The organizers are working to make them available to foreign teams by the time they arrive comp. site , please check furthers bulletins

Team captains must have a mobile phone capable of receiving SMS messages and Argentina calls.

Internet Access at the airfield

Public Internet access will be available at the field near the registration, administration office and Airport hall all the time and at other selected locations on the field at specific times.





New information will be posted soon.