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12TH WORLD SOARING CHAMPIONSHIPS June 21 - July 4, 1970, Presidio County Airport, Marfa, Texas, U.S.A

Congratulations to our team representing Canada at Marfa, Texas, and especially to Wolf Mix of Toronto who finished 4th in the Standard Class. Wolf's placing is the highest ever attained by a Canadian pilot in a World contest. Results of both classes are included in this report and are taken from the Daily Bulletins.

All members of the Ground Teams deserve a special vote of thanks for volunteering to do vital jobs at their own expense.

Ann Welch, editor of the Daily Bulletins, wrote some interesting accounts of the flying during the competition. Undoubtedly these will appear in SOARING and other gliding magazines in detail; the ones included with this report are those in which Canadian pilots are mentioned.

A visiting celebrity, Neil Armstrong of Apollo 11, summed up the appeal of soaring in his address to the briefing on June 27th . . .

"I am here as a representive of the President and it is a privilege to meet the World's finest pilots. I hope to meet more of you individually.

I hope you can appreciate why I like soaring. It has 3 good ingredients:

- Fine machines.
- Challenge to head work, and
- The element of luck. I don't ask for good luck, but for the absence of bad luck.

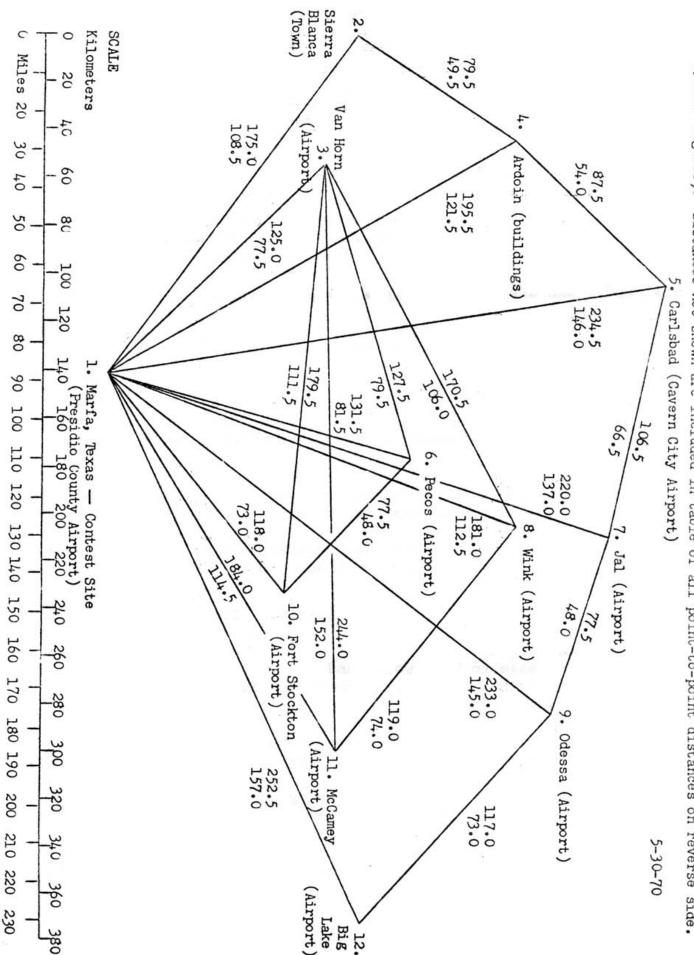
In Apollo 11 we had these same 3 ingredients, but we had one advantage over you here at Marfa - we could see our turn point all the way.

To the winners of this contest, I offer my congratulations, and to the others who will end up down the list, where I do, you have me as a friend.

In my future visits to different countries, I hope to see something of your gliding and meet you on your own ground."

Signed: Neil Armstrong, APOLLO 11

DIAGRAM OF TURN POINTS (lower figures). Distances not shown are included in table of all point-to-point distances on reverse side. Distances between points are given in kilometers (upper figures) and statute miles



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FIRST CONTEST DAY, JUNE 22nd

The Flying:

Launching started at 1152 hours, and the 2 classes, separated by a 5-minute break, were airborne by 1243 hours. Launching went well, and everyone disappeared into a sky full of moist-air cumulus, with no relights. One tow plane also disappeared into the air towing half a rope.

The seemingly obvious direction to go was downwind towards Sierra Blanca or Ardoin, and this is what most pilots did, disappearing into a 6/8 soft-cumulus sky, with bases which never rose more than about 3,000 a.g.l.

The day stayed difficult, diffuse thunderstorms developing in substantially overcast sky. Up north in the mountains near Ardoin, cloud and ground sometimes met. Many pilots landed at Carlsbad Airport with plenty of height in hand rather than risk landing in the uncivilized terrain. Three gliders landed in quite inaccessible country, Wödl (Austria), Deleurant (Canada), who walked out 28 miles, and Neubert (Germany), who was not located until the next morning (23rd). He had landed 20 miles north of Eagle Flat Station, where there was no telephone, and was found by one of the seven search planes sent out. Neubert's Kestrel was reported to have minor landing damage.

There were a number of problems on this first day. Of the several highway landings, John Rowe (Australia), was fined \$100, and Pat Beatty (South Africa) \$150. Pat's BJ-4 had one wing broken by a car while derigging there. John Firth (Canada), damaged a wing on a fence post, but due to help from Fred Jiran, Ken Briegleb and Dick Schreder, who was fetched from bed, the HP-11A was ready to fly the next task.

The best flights in both classes were made by the Poles, Makula in the 17-metre Kobra being the only pilot to crack 500 kms. (386 mi.). Wroblewski and Kepka made 491 and 490 km., respectively, in the Standard Class, landing in the Fort Davis area on their way back to Marfa. Altogether 35 pilots exceeded 300 km. (186 miles) which was a great achievement in the really difficult weather; 18 of these being Standard Class.

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For many of the top-seeded pilots it was a day of disaster. Henri Stouffs, the Belgian pilot who led the Standard Class in Poland until the last day, summed up the first day of this year's Champion-ships by saying, "It was not gliding; it was adventure."

THE FLIGHT REPORT OF "SIERRA ROMEO" ON JULY 1ST TO PECOS AND BACK

By Willi Deleurant

Ed Butts and the forecast for the weather report at the pilots' meeting mentioned the weather conditions were marginal and the task was the only one that could be chosen. Therefore in preparing for the flight I took out the oxygen bottle to lose a little weight and have better climb in the thormals. To stay airborne was the main factor, according to the weather forecast. When I was launched, the conditions weren't too good. With a late launch I got dropped out in nowhere with sink and headed out to some gliders circling in the vicinity of the airport.

By 1330 I had flown towards the mountains and checked out the weather conditions. Noticing that several gliders were heading back to the airport, probably to make a gate start, I also decided to do this. It was a good start and soon I was at about 8,300 ft. progressing slowly towards the mountains, noticing that the cloud base itself had not risen yet. I proceeded nearer the mountains and in the direction more or less to Ft. Davis trying to stay in the vicinity of a road. With cloud base not higher than 8,500 ft. and only being about 3,000 ft. above ground, I decided to just take it easy and make sure that I made it back. In the mountains I had to keep a little bit to the west of course where the best looking clouds were. The average climb did not go better than approximately one to one and one-half meters.

Coming over Lake Balmorhea, the area ahead was looking a little better towards the turning point. The gliders ahead were pointing out the thermals and so I made a dash for the turnpoint. Unfortunately for me I had lost quite a bit of height in getting around the turnpoint by which time the clouds were gone, as usual. At the same spot as I had been before I found a nice thermal slowly rising at first at & meter and eventually 2 meters, up to 7,000 ft., collecting all the gliders in the vicinity in the thermal. Then there was a big gap before the mountains where the clouds were forming. By searching the area I noticed that a little wisp directly above the road to Lake Balmorhea was just forming. So I made a dash for it, and sure enough it gave me a thermal up to 8,500 ft. which was good enough to enable me to join the others who had turned the turnpoint before me. The area to the west was getting dull. The sunlight was shaded off and you could see in the cloud that it didn't have any belly and it didn't look too well. Therefore I had to turn to the east, joining up, with a little bit of detouring, a cloud street which was pointing towards the Marfa area. When reaching those clouds I rose up to 9,000 ft.

Another glider, I believe it was the Japanese pilot, joined me too and we nicely, and not bothering each other, rose up to cloud base. We continued together up to the hills and towards Marfa. When coming up into the area around Ft. Davis at 8,300 ft., I contacted a cloud which was just forming off the ridges towards Ft. Davis, and in a 500-feet-per-minute thermal was soon up to 8,700 feet. I could now make a straight glide into Marfa, but even after I came out of the mountains I hit some lift at 90 mph. To get rid of my height was quite a problem. I pushed up my speed to 100 mph; then I came into the sink area I expected but still at 5,000 feet I could make the final gate quite high. Anyway, the flight was finished and I was happy that I made it.

Helmut Reichmann, West Germany, LS-1, Tuesday, June 23rd

All you Silver Badge pilots take heart! Helmut Reichmann, second in the Standard Class after two days and winner of today's out-and-return speed race to Van Horn, can be your leader. At age 28, a mere neophyte with only 250 hours in sailplanes and no Gold Badge, Reichmann has won the German Junior Nationals and placed first and fourth in the Standard Class in the German Nationals - all in borrowed sailplanes. Does soaring have a second Dr. MacCready?

In Reichmann's opinion, today's was a real weather task, where timing made all the difference. Crossing the starting gate at 2:30 P.M., he found consistent 700- to 900-fpm lift under the closely spaced clouds above Marfa. With a cloud base of 4,600 feet and this strong lift, Reichmann proceeded rapidly to a large dark cloud over Mt. Livermore. Here he encountered even stronger lift. From cloud base, Helmut detoured north of course to take advantage of lift generated by a grass fire. (This fire was first discovered by the early pilots out on the search for Neubert, and was still seen burning by Marfa Air last night. Ann Welch). Here he skyrocketed to 5,300 feet in lift approaching 1,200 fpm.

After this excellent start, Reichmann found the clouds ahead dissipating rapidly. So he turned the MacCready ring down from 800 fpm to 100 fpm, and was content to take advantage of any lift. Despite his scratching, he sank to 1,200 feet above ground, only 60 miles out from Marfa. At this point he encountered a weak thermal and climbed slowly to cloud base where he met Canadian Wolf Mix (Std. Cirrus), who was later to end up in second place for the day.

Seeing a barrier in the form of a huge, overdeveloped cloud between them and Van Horn, both Reichmann and Mix gained all possible altitude in preparation for their glide over the turnpoint and back to their present source of lift. Their timing proved perfect for the pilots who followed them were unable to gain as much altitude for the run over Van Horn, and some were consequently forced to detour from the turnpoint merely to stay in the air.

Again, both Mix and Reichmann were forced to proceed on cats' feet through the midsection of the course. By this time large thunderstorms were threatening them from every side, requiring the two pilots to zig-zag to avoid the rain and lightning. As they approached the Mt. Livermore area, conditions improved rapidly and Reichmann pushed slightly ahead of Mix. In strong lift, he climbed to 5,900 ft. and began his final glide nearly 45 miles out from Marfa. Despite this, Helmut slightly underestimated his LS-1 and ended up diving across the finish line at over 125 mph, the first to arrive back at Marfa.

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For Helmut Reichmann, arriving at the right place at the proper time enabled him to make a quick start, gain the necessary altitude to make the turn point easily, and avoid most of the major thunderstorms which later blocked the course for others.

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LAST CONTEST DAY, July 3rd

The Flying:

On this last contest day the sun shone and the cumulus developed early. There were no relights except Gombert (France) who returned to deal with instrument problems. Although some thunderstorms developed, they were neither numberous nor extensive. Ax (Sweden) found the early part of the flight straight forward, getting 4-metre lift immediately after the start. He made very good time up to Sierra Blanca, flying with compatriot Pettersson. Near the turn point they caught up with a number of others, and worked NNE over the Sierra Diablo Mountains to Ardoin. Here difficulties started, and Ax rapidly descended in 4-metre sink. When only 1,000 ft. above the ground he saw Wödl using zero lift and joined him. Together they lost 20 minutes having a tourist-eye view of Guadalupe Peak and the dry lakes before getting going again. This was not because they moved out of the area, but more because it started working again. got good lift which brought him near Valentine. There was a storm here, with some heavy rain, which Ax went round, but which brought down Webb (Canada). After this, towards Marfa, lift was excellent, up to 5 metres. All pilots from the Standard Class task (Van Horn-Pecos) got back, and all but three of the Open Class. Moffat (U.S.A.), like many other pilots today, came in high and safe, even crossing the line with his tail parachute deployed. Another pilot who deployed his parachute prior to crossing the line, had it fail to open properly. At the far end of the ramp he turned and landed going the way he came. Some pilots, having crossed the line, could not bring themselves to land, and thermalled in the sunshine over the field until summoned in. So the last task of the 12th World Championships ended. Moffat, after coming only 21st on the first day, worked himself steadily, and rapidly, to the top. (Grosse (Germany), new holder of the world soaring goal record (1060 km. or 658.6 mi. claimed) obtained shortly before the Championships, was second, and Mercier (France) third. In the Standard Class Reichmann (Germany) is the decisive World Champion, with Wroblewski and Kepka (Poland) in second and third place and Wolf Mix (Canada) fourth.

The flying throughout was of an exceptionally high standard and free of accidents, apart from minor, repairable landing damage. The International Jury had no protests to consider.

Photo by J.C. Fish

Wolf Mix and one of his crewmen, Ulrich Werneberg, shown beneath the tail of the Standard Cirrus that he piloted to fourth place in the Standard Class.

Wolf is wearing one of the flying suits of "Nomex" high temperature nylon that was supplied to our four Canadian Pilots through the courtesy of DuPont of Canada. The squall jacket that Ulrich is wearing is also of "Nomex", and similar models were supplied to the Canadian crew members.

Nomex, was previously confined to exotic applications such as Apollo "moon-walk" suits and Grand Prix racing driver uniforms. At present it is being investigated to determine if it is possible to make arrangements for the flying suits and squall jackets to be made available for purchase by club members. through the Soaring Association of Canada. Details of availability and costs will be presented in the next issue of "Free Flight".

