



## IGC – FAI Challenge Cups

### Part 3 – History of the FAI Standard Class Challenge Cup

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#### History

1956 Before 1958 the World Gliding Championships were organised in 2 classes, the Open Class (single-seater) and Two Seater Class. The FAI Challenge Cup, was awarded to the winner of the 1956 Two Seater Class to the Team Luis Juez and Roberto Bermúdez, Spain. At the 7<sup>th</sup> WGC (1968) in Leszno/Poland the Two Seater Class was replaced by the Standard Class and the FAI Challenge Cup was transferred to that class

Description of the Cup: The FAI Challenge Cup donated by the Royal Aero Club of Spain is a 52 cm high classic two-handles silver trophy on a wooden base.

Engraving:

*Campeonato del Mundo de Vuela a Vela Categoria "D" (Biplazas),  
Trofeo cedido por el Real Aero Club de Espana  
a la Federacion Aeronatica Internacional*



Rules and Regulations: see page 1 – IGC FAI Challenge Cups 1.1 – 1.1.4

#### List of the Two Seater World Champions and events:

1952	4 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Luis Juez, R. Bermúdez, Spain	Madrid / Spain
1954	5 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Zvonimir Rain, B. Komac, Jugoslavia	Camphill / UK
1956	6 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Nick Goodhart, Frank Foster, UK	Saint-Yan / France

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1958	7 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Adam Witek, Poland	Leszno/Poland
1960	8 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Heinz Huth, Germany GER	Colonge/Germany
1963	9 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Heinz Huth, Germany GER	Junin/Argentina
1965	10 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Francois Henry, France	South Cerney/Great Britain
1968	11 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Andrew J. Smith, USA	Leszno/Poland
1970	12 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Helmut Reichmann, GER	Marfa/USA
1972	13 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Jan Wroblewski, Poland	Vrsac/Yugoslavia
1974	14 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Helmut Reichmann, GER	Waikerie/Australia
1976	15 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Ingo Renner, Australia	Räyskälä/Finland
1978	16 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Baer Selen, Netherland	Chateauroux/France
1981	17 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Marc Schroeder, France	Paderborn/Germany
1983	18 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Stig Oye, Denmark	Hobbs/USA
1985	19 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Leonardo Brigliadori, Italy	Rieti/Italy
1987	20 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Markku Kuittinen, Finland	Benalla, Australia
1989	21 <sup>st</sup> WGC	Jaques Aboulin, France	Wiener Neustadt/Austria
1991	22 <sup>nd</sup> WGC	Baer Selen, Netherland	Uvalde/USA
1993	23 <sup>rd</sup> WGC	Andrew Davis, Great Britain	Borlänge/Sweden
1995	24 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Markku Kuittinen, Finland	Omarama/New Zealand
1997	25 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Jean-Marc Caillard, France	Saint Auban/France
1999	26 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Jean-Marc Caillard, France	Bayreuth/Germany
2001	27 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Laurent Aboulin, France	Mafikeng/South Africa
2003	28 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Andrew Davis, Great Britain	Leszno/Poland
2006	29 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Leigh Wells, Great Britain	Eskilstuna/Sweden
2008	30 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Michael Buchthal, Germany	Rieti/Italy
2010	31 <sup>st</sup> WGC	Sebastian Kawa, Poland	Prievidza/Slovakia
2012	32 <sup>nd</sup> WGC	Sebastian Kawa, Poland	Gonzalez Chavez/AR
2014	33 <sup>rd</sup> WGC	Bert Schmelzer, Belgium	Räyskälä/Finland

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2016	34 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Louis Boudérique, France	Pociunai / Lithuania
2018	35 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Sjaak Selen, Netherland	Ostrow Wielkopolski / Poland
2020	36 <sup>th</sup> WGC	<i>postponed to 2021 due to Covid</i>	Châlon-en-Champagne / France
2021	36 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Simon Schröder / Germany	Montlucons-Gueret / France
2023	37 <sup>th</sup> WGC	Tom Arscott / GBR	Narromine / Australia