



IGC – FAI Challenge Cups

Part 5 – History of the FAI 18 metre Class Challenge Cup

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History

- 2001 *The 18 m Class was organised for the first time at the World Air Games in Lillo/Spain.*
- 2003 At the 28th World Gliding Championships in Leszno/Poland the 18 m Class was integrated in the World Championships of the Open Class, Standard Class, 15 m Class. The 28th WGC accordingly took place in 4 different classes.
- 2006 The FAI 18 m Challenge Cup was donated 2006 by the Swedish Soaring Federation at the World Gliding Championships in Eskilstuna/Sweden and was awarded to the 18 m class winner, Philip Jones, Great Britain. The 18 m Cup was awarded retroactively to the champion of the first WGC at Lillo, to Stephen Jones, Great Britain and to the winner of the 18 m class 2003 at Leszno, to Wolfgang Janowitsch, Austria.

Description of the FAI 18 m Challenge Cup: The Cup is a 22 cm wide and 9 cm high silver bowl on a wooden angularly formed base.

Engraving:

*Fédération Aéronautique Internationale,
Challenge Cup World Champion, 18 m Class.*



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

List of FAI 18 m Class World Champions and events:

2001	World Air Games	Steven Jones / Great Britain	Lillo/Spain
2003	28 th WGC	Wolfgang Janowitsch /Austria	Leszno/Poland
2006	29 th WGC	Phil Jones / Great Britain	Eskilstuna/Sweden
2008	30 th WGC	Olivier Darroze / France	Lüsse/Germany
2010	31 st WGC	Zbigniew Nieradka / Poland	Szeged/Hungary
2012	32 nd WGC	Zbigniew Nieradka / Poland	Uvalde/USA
2014	33rd WGC	Karol Staryszak / Poland	Leszno/Poland
2016	34th WGC	Killian Walbrou / France	Benalla / Australia
2018	35 th WGC	Wolfgang Janowitsch / Austria	Hosin/Czech Republic
2020	36 th WGC	<i>Postponed to 2021 due to Covid</i>	Stendal-Borstel / GER
2021	36 th WGC	<i>Cancelled due to Covid 19</i>	Stendal-Borstel / GER
2022	37 th WGC	Christophe Abadie / France	Szeged/Hungary
2024	38 th WGC	Stefan Langer / Germany	Uvalde/USA