

Vale of White Horse Gliding Centre

White Horse Out and Return Challenge 2004.

There are prizes for VoWHGC Members who achieve the best “out and return” flights in non-motorized gliders from Sandhill Farm Airfield to/from 50 specified Goals. The locations of these Goals are shown on the attached map and table (GPS refs etc); all are BGA waypoints, pictures & maps are on the BGA website. Tasks lengths vary between 50km to 250km but, in this competition, all completed tasks carry equal “weight” so pilots with less experience or lower performance gliders can compete.

To qualify for the “Challenge”, a flight must meet the following conditions:

1. It must be declared in advance to a Club Officer as an “O/R Challenge Attempt” flight.
(NB: it is not necessary to declare a specific task).
2. No more than **TWO** Goals may be claimed in on **ONE** flight.
3. A specific Goal may only be claimed **ONCE** in the year.
4. To claim a Goal, the claimant must present the evidence a Club Officer and they must enter the claim on the O/R sheet within 1 week of the flight.
5. To verify a Goal claim the pilot must provide photographic or GPS evidence* of one visit to the Goal and proof of return. Where **TWO** goals are claimed on a flight, the evidence must also show a return to the **White Horse** between Goals.
6. The CFI shall **approve** the Claim in the O/R Sheet **as soon as** he/she is satisfied that it is consistent with the evidence provided and with the Club’s Flight & Tug logsheets.

* “evidence” must show the pilot’s presence near and beyond the Goal, similar to FAI-declared cross-country tasks. Logger records should be in the form of IGC files.

The Prize winner (trophy plus £100 vouchers) will be the Member who has visited the largest number of different Goals on the list between Mar & Oct 2004. In the event of a draw, the prize goes to that Member who flew the lower handicap glider on his/her longest flight. If still a draw, the prize will go to that Member who covered the longest total distance on these O/R tasks, based on the values shown on the table and adjusted for glider handicap.

There is an additional prize (£50 vouchers) for the Member who completes the most O/R Challenge Tasks in a club glider.

A Progress Chart showing Pilots’ achievements will be posted in the Clubhouse.

The tasks and distances shown on the table are based on the assumption that pilots shall not over-fly restricted airspace. The CFI may amend Goals during the year if Airspace or Safety situations change. Pilots should personally check Airspace issues on the day of the task. The CFI may issue further guidance on interpreting the above rules as the year progresses. In the event of a dispute over the status of any flight(s), evidence, or the application of the above rules, then the CFI shall decide.

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