



BULLETIN # 1

January, 2024

INVITATION

Dear gliding friends ;)

The Pribina Cup Team cordially invites you to join Pribina Cup - International Gliding Competition – Nitra / Slovakia, organized as usual during the Easter holiday period.

This year we hope to build on the success of the previous editions over the last more than 20 years. We will try our best to make it yet another great event. Let's enjoy the Easter holidays by soaring high over Nitra together. Our special invitation goes to new and young pilots, the latter being the future of our beautiful sport.

We, the organizers and members of Aeroklub Nitra cannot wait to meet you all to have a great time and enjoy soaring together as we did many times in the past.

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CONTEST INFORMATION

Location

Airport Nitra
ICAO Code: LZNI
Coordinates (WGS84): 481647N 0180802E
Elevation AMSL: 135M/433FT

Time Schedule

Entries Closed	March 15
Late Entries	March 29, 10:00
Unofficial Training	March 23 - 28
End of Registration	March 29, 10:00
Configuration Change	March 29, 10:00
Opening Briefing	March 29, 10:00
Contest Flying	March 29 - April 6
Closing and Prize Giving	April 6, 20:00

Competition Officials

Competition Director	Dominik JANCIK
Sporting Director	Vladimir FOLTIN
Task Setters	Dominik JANCIK, Vladimir FOLTIN
Scorers	Igor ZVERKO, Emil ROHAC
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IT	Tibor ARPAS, Jozef DUC
Web Page	Jozef DUC, Lubomir 'Elfo' BALKO
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ENTRIES

On-Line Registration

The online registration is available at www.pribinacup.sk. Please carefully read all instructions and make sure that you are registered **by March 15** at the latest. Your entry can be accepted fully only when the full entry fee and aerotows deposit, according to this Bulletin, has been credited to the Aeroklub Nitra account specified below.

Entry Fee

The entry fee is:

- **170 EUR** per participating glider if credited to account below by March 15
- **220 EUR** per participating glider as of March 16 (late entries).

The entry fee covers all organizer's operational costs during the event except aero tows. Acceptance of the late entries will be decided by the organizers individually and on a case-by-case basis.

The entry fees received by March 15 will be refunded in full. The refund of entry fees received after March 15 may be reduced based on the costs accrued by the organizers.

Payments

All payments will be accepted **only using bank transfers** and to the bank account specified below.

Bank: Fio Banka, a.s.
Account Name: Slovensky narodny aeroklub, AEROKLUB NITRA,
DLHA 108, 949 07 NITRA, SLOVAK REPUBLIC
NEW IBAN: SK28 8330 0000 0029 0273 2058
NEW Bank Code: 8330
NEW Swift Code: FIOZSKBAXXX
Message: Name Surname Entry Fee

Number of Entries

The number of entries will be limited to a maximum of 50 gliders in a class and a maximum of **150 gliders in all classes**. In case of more entries than these limits or due to other yet unforeseen circumstances (e.g., health or epidemiological limitations), the organizer reserves the right to reduce the number of entries by using the selection criteria in following priority order:

1. Compliance with minimum entry criteria for participating pilots/crew members (see below)
2. The number of Pribina Cup competitions flown in the past.
3. The pilot's IGC Ranking List position as by February 29.

Winners of the previous Pribina Cup are automatically qualified and will be admitted in addition to the above limits. They must, however,

comply with all entry criteria and follow the online registration procedures as other pilots (except for payments). The above criteria are introduced to deal with the possible over registration or other limitations in a transparent and fair way.

Entry Criteria

Competing pilots/crew members must be:

- A citizen or resident of the country of one the FAI member NACs, must satisfy the conditions of the FAI Sporting Code, General Section 3.7 on citizenship and representation, and must:
- Have flown at least 250 hours as a pilot in command, of which at least 100 hours must be in sailplanes.
- Hold a valid FAI Sporting License.
- Hold a Pilot License or equivalent document issued or endorsed by the authorities of the country in which the sailplane is registered, or of the countries where the Championships take place.
- Know, understand, and abide by the FAI Sporting Codes and the Rules and Procedures issued for the event (including on health as specified below).

Health Requirements

We will be monitoring and considering the current health situation, and the decision will be made regarding a Public Health Authority of the Slovak republic recommendations at present time.

COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Competition Rules

The competition will be run according to [FAI Sporting Annex A to Section 3 – Gliding](#), with some exceptions as detailed in the Local Procedures.

Competition Classes

The competition will be held in the following four classes as described in the main body of Section 3 of the FAI Sporting Code, Chapter 7:

- **Club Class** (the current IGC index list will be used. Index span is $96 \leq \text{Club Class} \leq 109$. Sailplane with index less than 96 are allowed too and will be scored with their individual handicaps)
- **15m Class** (The recent version of Czech index list will be used)
- **20m Multi-Seat Class** (the current IGC index list will be used)
- **Open class** (The recent version of Czech index list will be used)

If some class does not have at least 10 participants on the first competition day, the pilots will be moved and scored together with another similar class

Competition area and Airspace

The competition area is under negotiation, and we will provide you more information before the start of the event. Our aim is to obtain the usual area as in the past with access to parts of Hungary, Czechia, and Poland. The maximum altitude should be generally 8000 FT with a possible extension to 9000 FT (occasionally to FL110) in the mountains. There will be a lower altitude limit in a few areas under the TMAs. For all airspace we will provide the altitude in feet and meters with reference to the QNH of the day. This information will be provided in the task sheet together with the other task data.

Contest Numbers

The rules concerning the visibility of contest numbers will be observed. If two contest numbers are identical or easily confused (e.g., "India, India" and "one, one") the competitors whose registration acceptance occurs later will be required to change his Contest Number.

Flight Documentation

Only the flight documentation using the GNSS FRs having IGC approval at the Championships Level will be accepted. This applies to both primary and secondary flight recorders. The organizers may require a copy of the valid GNSS FR calibration certificate that is not older than 60 months.

Local procedures

The Local Procedures are in preparation and once finalized, will be announced, and made available through the official website.

Turn points

The Turn Points for the event are in preparation and once finalized, will be announced, and made available in the most common formats through the official website.

Scoring Software

The official scoring software is Naviter See You Competition.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Awards

The winners of the Pribina Cup will be awarded free entry (no entry, aerotow and camping fees) to the next Pribina Cup event. The best junior participant in the overall score in each class will be awarded free entry fee for the next Pribina Cup event. In case of a 20m Multi-seat crew the award will be accepted only once (for one pilot respectively). The daily winners will be awarded small prizes at the briefings.

Insurance

Competitors' and all crew members' attention is drawn to the FAI Sporting Code Annex A to Section 3, part 3.6, paragraphs 3.6.1 and 3.6.2 quoted here below:

3.6.1. Third Party Insurance is the responsibility of the entering pilot

Third Party Liability insurance cover to include competition flying to a value of either the EU legal requirement or the insurance requirement set by the governing body of the sailplane's country of registration, whichever is the greater, is required for each participating glider.

Current EU insurance requirements are:

- *Gliders with certified MTOM up to 499kg - 750 000 SDR (approx. 830 000 EUR)*
- *Gliders with certified MTOM from 500 up to 1000kg - 1 500 000 SDR (approx. 1 660 000 EUR)*

3.6.2. Personal medical insurance is required for all crew members

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

Crew members should ensure they take out suitable personal medical insurance. Pilots should ensure that their cover will extend to accidents and injuries sustained whilst gliding. Documentary proof of such insurance in Slovak, Czech or English language shall be made available to the Organizers on request.

Aerotows

Aerotow fee is 44 EUR for Club class gliders, 49 EUR for 15m class, 55 EUR for 20m multi-seat class and Open class gliders. Airport usage fee for self-launching gliders is 15 EUR. The organizer will require paying for 5 aerotows/airport usage fees in advance during the registration. This payment **must be credited by Thursday March 28** at the latest. These deposit fees, if unused, will be refunded in full.

Aerodrome Facilities

Camping fee is 15 EUR per participant per night. Camping fee for each additional person (12 yrs old or above) is 7 EUR per night. The additional person is meant to be a person who is not participating in the competition like a family member, helper etc. Additionally, the organizers can offer basic opportunities for staying at the airport like rental of rooms and bungalows that do not have any water installations and toilets. Those are however located in the main building close to the camping area. Other possibilities to stay at the airport are:

- 2 rooms (each with 4 beds) 44 EUR per day
- 4 rooms (each with 5 beds) 55 EUR per day.

Accommodation

List of other hotels and pensions is available using the following web sites:

www.nitra.eu

www.booking.com

www.travelguide.sk

Catering

Based on very good experience and feedback from the last few years we aim to continue to offer simple meals at the airport. The meals would be available for a modest price and the dining room would be open from 7:30 to 21:00 every day during the contest period (see the schedule).

Training

The organizer offers the possibility to conduct training and site familiarization flights. These are particularly recommended to pilots who have never flown at the contest site or the competition area before. The pilots interested in such flights must contact the organizers in advance.

Gliders for Rent

There are now good possibilities to rent gliders in Nitra and elsewhere in Slovakia. There are several gliders in various classes available for affordable rent on site. If you are interested in renting one of them, please contact the organizers.

Mobile Phones

Organizer requires every pilot to have one mobile phone in operation with roaming active during all operation phases of the event for safety and Search and Rescue reasons. The reference phone number will be required to be delivered during the registration. There is usually good coverage by the cellular networks in the competition area.

Internet

The organizer will arrange Wi-Fi internet access at site during the contest. However, because all communication by the organizer (including briefings) will be digital (text, pictures, audio, and video), the participants are strongly recommended to have a sufficient mobile network data plan(s) and suitable devices (mobile phones, tablets, headsets) available so to be able to receive all information smoothly.

Official Communication

All communication by the organizer will be digital and the communication means will be specified later (only free, broadly available and known tools are being considered). Bulletins and all

public information concerning the event will be available also through the official website of the competition.

Pilot Declaration

Having the first competition take off, a competitor declares that he/she has read and understood the rules and local procedures for this Competition. Further he/she declares that he/she has all documents required in the Local Procedures and that these documents are valid for the entire competition period.