

Dear Gliding Friends,

We would like to invite you to our hospitable land, Ostrów.

Our airfield is well known to Polish glider pilots. Here, for 25 years, we have been organizing one of the biggest gliding contests (more than 100 competitors at several editions), known as Ostrów Glide - Polish Regionals. The FAI entrusted us with the organization of the **35th FAI World Gliding Championships in 2018**, so following a good practice, one year before that event, we will organize so called "prechampionships".

Pilots from all over the world competing with the best Polish pilots will have an opportunity to get familiar with the area before the FAI WGC in 2018, excellent thermal conditions and the already proverbial Polish hospitality. The airspace available for cross-country flights is remarkable. Our long and wide runway provides ease of use and safe operations. Our team will make every effort to make your stay in Ostrów as enjoyable and comfortable as possible.

In the first edition of our bulletin we will provide you with the key information.

In order to sign up and get always up-to-date information please frequently visit our website:
<https://ostrowglide.pl>

Please keep in mind that the deadlines for application in our competitions are:

30th April 2017 for PreWGC in June

31st May 2017 for PreWGC in July

Please do not delay your decisions until the last minute. If you have any questions or doubts, please contact our office: **info@ostrowglide.pl**

CU soon!

Do zobaczenia!

Ostrów Glide Team

1. Name of the event

26th OSTRÓW GLIDE - July 2017 – 15m, Club and Club-B classes
24th Polish Women's Nationals
42nd Polish Nationals - Open Class

2. Location

Airfield name	Aeroclub of Ostrów - Michałkow Airfield (EPOM)
Airfield Frequency	122,20 MHz
Airfield Coordinates	51 °42'06"N / 017° 51'03" E
Elevation	142 m AMSL (QNH)
Google Maps	https://goo.gl/maps/CVNBxdjrGUm
Time zone	Europe/Warsaw UTC +2h

3. Time Schedule

	Date	Time
Start of Entries submission	01.12.2016	
End of Entries submission	15.05.2017	
Entry fee deadline	15.05.2017	
Registration	13.07.2017	10:00 - 20:00
Official training	10.07 – 13.07.2017	
Opening Briefing	13.07.2017	20:00
Opening Ceremony	13.07.2017	20:00
Contest flying	14.07 – 22.07.2017	
Closing ceremony	23.07.2017	10:00 *
Reserve day	23.07.2017	

* If there are only 2 valid competition days on the last day of regular contest flying period the reserve day will also be a flying competition day. In this case the closing ceremony and Prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the results are published.

4. Classes and limits

4.1. Number of competitors

The overall number of competitors in all classes is limited to 140.

4.2. Contest will be held in following classes:

26th Ostrów Glide July 2017	Class	Maximal number of competitors
24th Polish Women's Gliding Championships	Club	50
42nd Polish Nationals - Open Class	Open	50
Pre WGC	15 m	50
	Club	50
	Club B *	50

*- Club B is a Polish recreational competition class consisting of club training gliders like Junior, Pirat, Cobra, Puchacz, Astir, etc.

4.3. Safety requirements

4.3.1. Pilot skill requirements

Class	Pilot skill requirements
Open	200 flight hours as PIC on gliders 5000 km of cross country flights
15 m	200 flight hours as PIC on gliders 5000 km of cross country flights
Club	150 flight hours as PIC on gliders 3000 km of cross country flights
Club B	100 flight hours as PIC on gliders 1500 km of cross country flights

NOTE: For competitors taking part in Polish Women's Gliding Championships

For following gliders Cobra, ASW 15, LS1-0, 1-a, 1-b, 1-c, 1-d, Std. Libelle pilot skill requirements are lowered to those of Club B class

4.3.2. Additional current practice requirements for all pilots

For pilots that have less than 500h cumulative flight hours on gliders it is necessary to perform at least 5 flights of at least 10h cumulative duration in 2017 before the competition.

For pilots that have less than 50h cumulative flight hours on gliders in 2016 it's necessary to perform at least 5 flights of at least 10h duration in 2017 before the competition.

4.3.3. Additional safety hardware requirements

All gliders are required to have a FLARM instrument installed on-board.

4.4. Competition rules

Competition will be held according to Polish Competition Rules. All classes are handicapped (the current handicap list from Polish Competition Rules will be used. 1000 points scoring system will be used.

4.5. Qualification procedures

Order of qualifications for the competition :

1. Polish Nationals – Open class
2. Polish Women's Gliding Championships (if number of entries exceeds 10)
3. Pre WGC

Pilots taking part in PreWGC are qualified in the following order:

4. WGC or EGC medalists (any year)
5. Entries submitted by NAC – 2 pilots per class (if more pilots are submitted by the same NAC pilots over the limit qualify using procedure in next paragraph, if number pilots per class exceeds 50 qualification procedures from annex 1 of FAI SC3A will be applied)
6. Pilots that placed higher on the IGC ranking list from 1st of march of the current year
7. Pilots that placed higher on the Polish Ranking List published 1.03.2017

Qualification procedures are detailed in Appendix 1 to this bulletin

NOTICE: In order to participate in Standard class (National Gliding Competition) pilots must have more than 750 point in IGC ranking list (as of 01.03.2017).

5. Entries

5.1. Entry submission

Entries will be accepted through website only.

Entries will be accepted until 31.05.2017. If there are still free slots for competitors after that date, entries can still be accepted at the organizers discretion.

5.2. Fees

Entry Fee has to be credited to the organizer's account until 31.05.2017, with all transfer fees covered by the competitor. If a competitor that is qualified cancels his entry in the competition after 31.05.2017 the entry fee will not be refunded.

5.2.1. Entry fee

Competition	Class	Entry fee	Deadline	No refund deadline
24th Polish Women's Nationals	Club	137 EUR / 550 PLN	15.05.2017	31.05.2017
Polish Nationals	Open	175 EUR / 700 PLN		
	15 m	175 EUR / 700 PLN		
Pre WGC	Club	175 EUR / 700 PLN		
	Club B	175 EUR / 700 PLN		

NOTICE: For Juniors (born in 1992 and later) entry fee is reduced to 125 EUR / 500 PLN

5.2.2. Towing fee

	Class	Towing fee	Self launch fee
24th Polish Women's Nationals	Club	40 EUR / 160 PLN	10 EUR / 40 PLN
Polish Nationals	Open		
	15 m		
Pre WGC	Club		
	Club B		

First 4 aerotows have to be paid in advance before registration – either by bank transfer or on site.

6. Accommodation and food

6.1. Accommodation

6.1.1. Camping site

There is a large camping site at the airfield.

Price: 5 EUR / 20 PLN per day per person

6.1.2. Hostel

There is a hostel at the airfield of about 50 beds capacity. Reservations should be made by contacting the accounting office at the airfield by phone or email.

Prices:

- 10 EUR / 40 PLN for bed in a shared room
- 25 EUR / 100 PLN for double bed room (for two people)

6.1.3. Hotels

List of hotels nearby will be available at our website.

6.2. Food

There is a restaurant at the airfield. There will be food package deals available - it will be possible to have a dinner served even late in the evening in case of outlanding etc.

7. Organizer

7.1. Contact information

Address	Aeroklub of Ostrow, Michałków Airfield PO BOX126, 63-400 Ostrów Wlkp
Phone / fax	+48 62 735 20 23 (+ fax) +48 601 688 161 (Polish only) +48 533 121 101
E-mail	info@ostrowglide.pl
Website	www.ostrowglide.pl

7.2. Payment

Bank account (PLN)	IBAN: PL 02 1090 1160 0000 0000 1600 9522
Bank account (EUR)	IBAN: PL 10 1090 1160 0000 0001 1773 9001
BIC (SWIFT CODE):	WBKPPLPP

8. Competition staff

Competition Director	Maciej Całka	
Deputy Director	Wojciech Batog	
Managing Director	Tadeusz Malarczyk	
Task Setter	Artur Rutkowski	
Chief Scorer	Wojciech Batog	
Deputy Scorer	Paweł Kaczmarek	
Chief of Operations & Logistic	Jacek Wasiak	
Chief of Technical Staff	Antoni Kierzkowski	
Chief of Administration	Agnieszka Zembska	
Referee	TBD	