

# **Interglide 2025**

# Interglide is an established CONTEST Eurotour F5J / FAI World Cup competition, this year taking place 28-29 June at Hamilton Farm (near Ashford, Kent, England).

Hamilton Farm is a fantastic location on a private airfield only a few miles from Dover and the Tunnel. EU fliers do not require a visa. This year, as before, we offer ...

- 'InterFeast' gourmet BBQ Event Meal.
- Full-size aerobatic display by airfield owner Richard Thomas or guest.
- **Tailored booking arrangements** to help pilots who may be affected by minimumnumber requirements for national team selection.

And this time ...

• Presentation by the celebrated **Philip Kolb** (who will also be competing!).

Come and join us.



## The details

#### WEBSITES:

- <u>https://www.interglide.co.uk/online-entry-form/</u> <u>book here</u>.
- <u>https://www.interglide.co.uk/pilots/</u> <u>check registrations so far</u> / historical info.

**ORGANISING BODY**: British Association of Radio Control Soarers. (BARCS is a Specialist Body of the British Model Flying Association.)

#### Organisers:

Steve Knowles, Alex Maxfield, Nick Jackson, Greg Lewis, Peter Mitchell, Peter Allen, Al Lipscombe, and Mike van Erp

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Interglide 2024 winners

#### CATEGORY: FAI F5J Thermal Duration Gliders

**RULES**: The competition will be run according to the current F5J rules in the FAI Sporting Code. All AMRT devices must conform to the specifications published in the F5J Altimeter/Motor Run Timer Technical Documentation. This means that AMRT devices must be set to either the FAI setting or the setting that permits an emergency motor re-start but then records a zero flight score.

**MATRIX:** The matrix will comply with Eurotour F5J requirements.

**JURY**: Members of the Jury will be chosen nearer the time, according to the FAI rules.

LANGUAGES: English

**LOCATION**: The Hamilton Farm Airstrip, Bilsington, Ashford Kent, TN25 7JJ. Wonderful location with a choice of basic or deluxe camping available (see below).



Website for more information: https://www.hamiltonfarm-cl.co.uk/

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**COSTS AND REFUNDS:** 'Earlybird' reduction for those booking before May:

- Early bird entry (up to 30 April)<sup>1</sup>: Seniors £30 | Juniors £10
- Full price entry (1 May 16 June): Seniors £40 | Juniors £15

Final date for entries is Monday 16 June (unless we are full earlier). In the event of a withdrawal just email <u>whitstable.nick@outlook.com</u>. If necessary, an entry can be cancelled up until Monday 23 June.

We're very aware that some countries now impose a minimum number of pilots in a contest for results to count towards national F5J team selection. We hope these arrangements allow pilots potentially affected to book for Interglide with confidence – you've the option to withdraw later.

**NUMBERS**: Entries are limited to a maximum of 60 and booking will close before 16 June if the maximum is reached earlier. In this case, any further entries will be kept on a reserve list in sequence and allocated places if any competitor withdraws. The current number of registrations, updated in real time, will be available at <u>https://www.interglide.co.uk/pilots/</u>

ENTRY FORM: Please enter online using the website:

https://www.interglide.co.uk/online-entry-form/

Any problem with online entry, please do contact Nick Jackson (details above).

**MEALS**: These meals may be booked when registering: buffet lunch Sat and Sun: £10 person per day; 'InterFeast' Event Meal Sat evening: £22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As well as reduced fees, Earlybird entrants will go into a draw: one flier will win free entry for 2026.

**CAMPING**: Two sorts of camping are available:

- Basic facilities will be available on the field, in the area outside of the fenced off Caravan Club site. These consist of a fresh water supply and portable toilets. They do not include use of the Caravan Club site showers or toilets. Please camp well away from the boundary fence of the Caravan Club area. Charge for basic camping - £10 per unit per night for units including motorhomes / caravans, £5 per unit per night for tent and car only.
- Full facilities are available on the Caravan Club site. These need to be booked separately, with the site owners: <u>www.hamiltonfarm-cl.co.uk</u> +44 (0)1233 720829 +44 (0)7753 818385

**OTHER ACCOMMODATION:** Details of local hotels and bed & breakfast can be found on the Interglide website - <u>https://www.interglide.co.uk/travel-and-accommodation/</u>

**FAI SPORTING LICENCE:** Because this is a Eurotour / World Cup competition, all fliers must have an FAI sporting licence. UK competitor with no licence? No problem. You'll be contacted by Interglide organisers and there's a short online form. You pay £10 for a one-year licence (or £30 for a five-year).

CAA: CAA (UK Civil Aviation Authority) has two requirements to fly a model in the UK:

- <u>Display an Operator ID</u> the organisers will supply a valid registration number on a small slip of paper for non-UK pilots. This can be carried in the cockpit or taped to the model.
- <u>Obtain a Flyer ID</u> simple online test (free and no-stress<sup>2</sup>)
  <u>https://register-drones.caa.co.uk/individual/prepare-for-the-drone-theory-test</u>

**INSURANCE**: UK fliers must show proof of BMFA insurance or equivalent cover. Non-UK fliers will if necessary be covered by BMFA contest insurance.

**FREQUENCIES**: Frequencies allowed in the UK are 35Mhz and 2.4Ghz.

**LIABILITY**: The CD, organisers and organising body take no responsibility for any losses made by pilots or by anyone else, except where (and to the extent that) is not permitted or not reasonable to exclude or limit liability.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> You are welcome to use the CAA guidance when doing the test. No time-limit. No limit on retakes.

# Schedule

Campsite open from Midday Thursday 26 June (unless arrangements have been made before then with the Caravan Club site owners). *No Flying on the Field before Friday.* 

- Friday 27 June: Practice day (Frequency control is at your own risk)
- Saturday 28 June: Briefing 09:15, Flying starts 09:30 (Rounds 1-6)
- **Sunday 29 June**: Briefing 09.15, Flying starts 09:30 (Rounds 7-9 + 3 Rounds Fly Off). Prize giving after the contest, departure.
- Campsite must be vacated by Midday Monday 30 June
  The flying schedule is subject to change according to weather conditions and the number of entrants.



### Improving arrangements

We've made several detailed improvements over the last few years - many of them in response to feedback from fliers. For example: full random draw complying with Eurotour requirements – no 'teams'; grass will be cut short and cleared; portable toilet available next to the flightline; high-quality wireless PA with full flightline and pits coverage; full independent timing for the fly-off and extensive independent monitoring of score for the preliminary rounds; real-time results published online end of each round.