

WESSEX XC LEAGUES

Rules & guidelines

Purpose of the League

To encourage cross country flying within the club.

To record all flights made by our members.

To recognise cross country achievements with the award of trophies.

To enter the League

Join the BHPA.

Join the Wessex Hang Gliding & Paragliding Club.

Register with the National XC League (see link below).

You have 2 options. You can choose to only enter the Wessex Club league which is free,

Or pay the enrolment fee to see your flight entries in the National table.

If you have difficulty, contact the league secretary. xcleagues@wessexhpgp.org.uk

Online Entry Form for National league, sign up here <http://tinyurl.com/6dyxvct>

General Rules

To enter XC flights in the league you can be CP rated but you must obtain Pilot rating as soon as possible. Checks are done by the XCL admin and failure to achieve Pilot rating will result in deletion of your flights.

Coastal flights are admissible with a maximum of one turnpoint.

Any flight including 50% or more distance on sea cliffs will be classed as a coastal flight.

Only one coastal or ridge run flight (the best) from each site submitted will be allowed.

Coastal flights will not be allowed for the Airmail Rookie Award.

Only flights within the UK and in compliance with air law and club rules are admissible.

The season starts on November 1st and ends on Oct 31st.

The minimum distance will be 5 km in the Wessex league (see XCL rules for other types).

There is no limit to the number of flights that can be entered but only the best 6 will score in the Wessex leagues and the best 6 in the Go-for-It league.

Only flights from Wessex sites will score in the Wessex leagues.

Flights from Wessex sites will be eligible for the 'Go For It League', along with other flights in the UK provided you are registered in the National League with Wessex as your primary club.

Failure to maintain your BHPA or Club membership up to date will result in any flight entries being removed for the period of non membership. WARNING – the BHPA will allow you to renew and back date your membership. This is usually the cheapest option as it avoids paying the joining fee.

Submission of Flights

Flight data should be submitted to the National League website as an IGC file from an approved instrument within the described time limit.

Please read the rules of the XCL as they explain turnpoints, flight types, declarations and enhancement factors.

The submission of flights without a tracklog are no longer accepted by the XCL or the Club.

The software used by the XCL will provide scoring options when you enter a flight. Please ensure you complete the required fields correctly especially if you are entering a declared flight. Once you have entered a tracklog it cannot be deleted but you can EDIT the other data fields.

Where difficulties exist please contact the League Secretary. xcleagues@wessexhpgg.org.uk

The Wessex Area

Defined as any launch site within an area bounded

to the west by grid line 360000 (runs through Maiden Newton)

to the east by grid line 425000 (runs through Barton on Sea)

to the north by grid line 130000 (runs through Salisbury).

Launch sites outside these boundaries will qualify for the Go-for-It League.



Paragliding Trophies and Awards

Trophy	Rules
Wessex XC League	Awarded for the 6 best flights in the Wessex region by a Wessex member.
Wessex Weekenders League	Awarded for the 6 best weekend and bank holiday flights in the Wessex region by a Wessex member.
Go For It League	Awarded for the 6 best flights in the UK provided the pilot is registered in the National league with Wessex as their primary club.
Tandem League	Awarded for the 6 best tandem flights in the UK by a Wessex member. Passengers can be non members.
Longest Wessex flight	Longest open distance flight from a Wessex site by a Wessex member.
Longest UK flight	Longest open distance flight in the UK by a Wessex member provided the pilot is registered in the National league with Wessex as their primary club.
Lemmings Trophy	The highest scoring out-&-return or triangle flight, without enhancement, from a site in the Wessex region by a Wessex member. If no entries meet the criteria then the trophy will be awarded to the best attempt.

Hang Gliding Trophies and Awards

Trophy	Rules
Wessex XC League	Awarded for the best 6 flights in the Wessex region by a Wessex member.
Wessex Weekenders League	Awarded for the best 6 weekend and bank holiday flights in the Wessex region by a Wessex member.
Go For It League	Awarded for the 6 best flights in the UK provided the pilot is registered in the National league with Wessex as their primary club.
Tandem League	Awarded for the best 6 tandem flights in the UK by a Wessex member. Passengers can be non members.
Longest Wessex flight	Longest open distance flight from a Wessex site by a Wessex member.
Longest UK flight	Longest open distance flight in the UK by a Wessex member provided the pilot is registered in the National league with Wessex as their primary club.
Barnett-Dignand Trophy	The highest scoring out-&-return or triangle flight, without enhancement, from a site in the Wessex region by a Wessex member. If no entries meet the criteria then the trophy will be awarded to the best attempt.

Updates 11 May 2013

Removed incorrect references to solo flights in some leagues.
Tandem league now all UK flights, not just Wessex region.

Updates 18 August 2013

Clarified that longest flight leagues are measured by open distance.

Updates 26 November 2013

Added no coastal flights counted to the table description of the Airmail Rookie Award. This rule was already described under General Rules.

Updated 3 Nov 2018

Simplified wording. Deletion of witness flight entries.

Pilots must be registered in the national league with Wessex as their primary club to score in the Go For It league and to claim longest UK flights.