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U.S. Soaring Team Day Reports & Results



**Sunday, June 13, 2004
Contest Day 1**

The entire field lands out!

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**NEWS BRIEF -
June 13, 2004
Sunday at 11:30 p.
m. in Norway
Hello Race Fans!**

The weather got worse and worse through the afternoon. By 3 p.m. we saw many trailers leaving the

airport. The U.S. ground crew waited by the radio while our pilots attempted to scratch out as much distance as possible, because it certainly looked like no one would make it back to Starmoen. None did, unless they were loaded in their trailers!

All three of our pilots did their best, but by 6 p.m. they were scattered down the Osterdalen Valley in farm fields. All of our gliders and pilots are intact, for which we are grateful. Now we are just waiting for the score sheet, which may or may not be finished before I go to bed tonight.



US TEAM

E-NEWS

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We love receiving your e-mails, so do keep them coming to us at soaringteam04@sbcglobal.net We will be posting your notes of encouragement on the bulletin board at Camp USA, and we'd love to hear from you!

Susan McAllister
Team Captain/Manager

Captions for photos:

From top to bottom:

1. Tim McAllister's view of the start gate gaggle (cluster of sailplanes sharing one thermal). (June 13)
2. Manfred Franke programming today's task into his flight computer. (June 13)
3. Tim's Libelle in a farmer's barley field 13 km south of Starmoen. (June 13)
4. The French soaring team raises the "bleu, blanc et rouge" after watching France beat England in the Euro-cup soccer tournament.

About the pictures. Images are taken by the U.S. Team Captain Susan McAllister and other U.S. Team Members. Some of the images used here can be found on the official website and were taken by one of several excellent contributors.

Welcome! For the first time these reports will be filed directly from the contest site by Club Class Team Captain Susan McAllister. Bookmark this page and visit often for the latest from Norway.

| U.S. Soaring Team | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Class | Pilot | Sailplane | Contest Number | Day Place & Points | Overall Place & Points |
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- JUN 19
NCD
- JUN 20
NCD
- JUN 21
NCD
- JUN 22
NCD
- JUN 23
Day 5
- JUN 24
NCD
- JUN 25
NCD & Closing

Click the dates!

WEB LINKS

- [Meet this Team](#)
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SCHEDULE

- Official Training
9th - 11th
- Opening
12th
- Contest Flying
13th - 25th
- Closing
26th August

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|------|----------------|--------------|----|
| Club | Tim McAllister | Libelle 201b | EY |
| Club | Bob Barber | ASW-19 | H8 |
| Club | Manfred Franke | LS-7 WL | IM |

See the official scores [here](#)

Points of Interest

CONTACT THE TEAM IN NORWAY

Back by popular request you can now e-mail the U.S. Soaring Team in Norway with greetings, encouraging words and well wishes. Please note that team members are very busy while the championships are underway and may not be able to reply to your message. Click "[Send the Team e-mail](#)" or click on the GO TEAM logo.



WGC FLIGHT LOGS

All flight logs are available on the organizers site.

ABOUT DAY REPORTS

The U.S. Team Day Reports are brought to you directly by Team Captain Susan McAllister. Susan inputs each days information on site in Norway and updates these pages directly from her laptop.

YOUR TEAM SUPPORT

All US team members would like to thank those of you who have contributed to make participation in these international events possible. If you have not contributed to the team please consider making one! To see how, visit the U.S. Team Funding page [here](#) and the [Robertson Trust Web](#) here.

U.S. TEAM COMMITTEE

The U.S. Team Committee has been working to establish a more stable management structure and better resources for our soaring teams. The objective are more transparent, accountable, sustainable and competitive United States soaring teams. See the full information on the new [U.S. Team Committee](#) here.

U.S. TEAM E-NEWS

Sign up today for the U.S. Team E-NEWS. This electronic newsletter is sent out roughly quarterly and covers all the team news. The sign up process is simple - start by [clicking here](#).

TEAM NEWS, HISTORY & ARCHIVE

To catch up on all the news for the U.S. World Soaring Teams see the [U.S. Team News](#). See the U.S. [Team Archive](#) for team background since 1950. As part of the Archive tour see the [U.S. Team History](#) page for a complete listing of US Teams since 1950 or the [World Champions](#) page for a complete listing of champions since 1937.

Country and Contest Site



Elverum/Starmoen, the home of the 3rd Club Class World Gliding Championships, is located 147 km northeast from the centre of Oslo, the Capital of Norway. Gliding over the Norwegian countryside is an incredible experience. Located at 60 degrees north latitude, the Norwegian summer brings long hours of daylight, allowing gliding under the "midnight sun" (even if you have to go 700 km to the north to see the sun at midnight proper). The thermals start early in the morning, and often last until

20:00 hrs. The thermal conditions are good with a generally high cloud bases. More information on the weather conditions can be found on the weather page. Visibility of 50 to 100 km and above is not unusual on sunny days. The conditions are often perfect for long distance flights. The airspace is generally free of restrictions, with only the Oslo / Gardermoen TMA to the south-west of the task area.

Map courtesy of the CIA. See the [CIA site](#) for a fact sheet on Norway. Click images to expand.

Web Links

- ▶ The official World Soaring Championship web site [Click Here](#)
- ▶ FAI Web coverage of the World Gliding Championships [Click Here](#)
- ▶ See the team photo gallery [Click Here](#)
- ▶ What time is it at the site? [Click Here](#)