

1960 WORLD CONTEST NEWS ITEMS

SITE SELECTED

The Deutscher (German) Aero Club has announced that the 1960 World Soaring Championships will be held from June 4th through 19th at an airport near Cologne. A practice period will run from May 29th through June 3rd.

If the rules prohibit the crossing of frontiers, the longest run will be 350 miles SE to Austria and the shortest 125 miles due east to East Germany. Switzerland is 230 miles away and Denmark 275. However, most of the tasks will probably be closed course speed events.

INTERNATIONAL TEAM CREW MEMBERS

Members of the pilots' crews for the U.S. International Team which will fly in Germany in 1960 will soon be picked. While the choice of these crew members is up to the individual pilots on the team, it is sometimes difficult to find qualified crew members who can take the five weeks necessary to make this trip. (Sometimes they have to pay part of their expenses too.)

In order that we have as big a list as possible of qualified crew members to choose from, any SSA members who would like to be considered should send their name and qualifications to Paul Schweizer at Box 147, Elmira, N.Y.

TEAM FUNDS NEEDED

Fund raising plans are now under way to help defray the expenses of the U.S. team's participation in the 1960 World Soaring Championships, to be held in West Germany next June. Paul A. Schweizer, chairman of the SSA International Team Subcommittee is coordinating these activities. Individuals wishing to contribute should make their checks payable to "SSA International Fund" and send them to Box 66071, Los Angeles 66, Calif.

TEAM CAPTAIN CHOSEN

Paul Schweizer has been selected by a special committee to captain the 1960 U. S. Soaring Team at the Internationals in West Germany next June. The committee consisted of the top three seeded pilots, Dick Johnson, Dick Schreder and Paul Bikle; Bill Ivans, Chairman of the SSA Contest Board; and SSA President Dr. Harner Selvidge. Schweizer was already chairman of the permanent SSA International Team Subcommittee of the Contest Board and had begun to initiate the U. S. team efforts.

SSA EUROPEAN EXCURSION

A great deal of interest has been shown in SSA's plan to charter one or more commercial airliners to take its members to Europe in 1960 so that they might attend the World Soaring Championships and tour a bit. People to fill over 150 seats have responded to previous announcements. Round trip cost per person is expected to be about \$250.00 from New York and \$425.00 from Los Angeles. If you are interested, please mail the coupon below (or a reasonable facsimile).

SSA's up-to-date booklet on

SOARING in america



The purpose of this booklet is to describe American soaring and answer the initial questions of those whose curiosity in this sport has been aroused. It features:

Eight photographs of American sailplanes.

Two full-page drawings describing types of soaring and methods of launching.

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18 pages - size: 5 1/2 x 8 1/2

Price: 15 cents, postpaid
10 or more, 10 cents each

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Please put my name on the mailing list for further information on the proposed SSA 1960 International excursion. I understand this implies no obligation.

Name:

Street Address:

City: Zone....., State.....

Probable number in my party:

We would like to join the trip at: Los Angeles ☐, New York ☐

We would prefer to return after 2 wks. ☐, 3 wks. ☐, 4 wks. ☐