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New State Records

Colorado. Dist. & Goal. Sr. & Open. 215.7 miles by James W. Leland on April 21 in 1-26, completing his Diamond badge.

Colorado. Altitude Gain. Junior. 5,000 feet by Ralph Kolstad in 1-26, earning his Silver badge altitude leg.

International News

England. The British National Gliding Championships which were held in Lasham, May 6th through May 24th, were plagued with soggy weather resulting in only four contest days out of the nine.

As last year, the contestants were divided into two Leagues. League 1, consisting of pilots with extensive contest experience and holders of at least a Gold badge and League 2, comprising of pilots with limited competition background and lesser awards. Both Leagues were subdivided into Standard and Open classes.

The wet weather did not dampen the spirit of competition however. On one day, May 22nd, five distance flights of over 250 miles were

made, the longest being 265 miles by Dr. Brennan James in a Skylark 4, the next best, 262 miles, by John Williamson in the new Slingby Dart. Four Darts were entered in the contest but none placed above 10th position in final scoring, though on several days they were in second and fourth places in Standard class, and Williamson's splendid distance flight speaks for the good qualities of the sailplane. The Darts were still brand new, their pilots undoubtedly still unfamiliar with them and added to it all were the poor meteorological conditions.

Winner of the British National Gliding Championships was John Fielden (League 1) of the Devon and Somerset Gliding Club and a television relay company director in private life. He flew a Skylark 3B. In League 2, first place went to A. W. Doughty who piloted a Skylark 3F.

Poland. During the Polish Soaring Championships held in Leszno, a day's 535 km. (331.7 mi.) triangle course task was completed by 34 Fokas out of 36 competing.

U.S.S.R. It is rumored that the Russians will compete in the 1965 World Soaring Championships, flying a KAI-14 in Standard Class and the new 60-foot span, 28.6:1 aspect ratio KAI-19 in Open.

Record News

The FAI has announced that the following world records have been officially recognized:

Speed over 300-km Triangle; Feminine; Single Place; 86.66 kmh (53.81 mph); Anne Burns—Great Britain; January 5, 1964; Standard-Austria sailplane, course at Kimberley, So. Africa.

Speed over 500-km Triangle; Feminine Single Place; 103.33 kmh (64.16 mph); Anne Burns—Great Britain; December 25, 1963; Standard Austria sailplane, course at Kimberley, So. Africa.

Speed over 500-km Triangle; Masculine; Two Place; 83.74 kmh (52.00 mph); Helmut Sorg, pilot; Heinz Sorg, copilot; West Germany; January 7, 1964; Ka-7 sailplane, course at Kimberley, So. Africa.