

# FOR SOARING AWARDS



First Pilot to Win Three Diamond Awards in a Schweizer 1-26



## THE 1-26 IS TOPS

Pilots flying 1-26's have won thousands of Soaring Awards. Bill Cleary of Sailplanes, Inc., is the first pilot to earn all three diamonds in a 1-26. His 200 mile goal, 318 mile distance legs were topped off with a 30,950 feet altitude flight . . . proof that the 1-26 is a very versatile sailplane; equally at home flying locally, going across country or winning diamonds.

Many outstanding flights have been logged by 1-26 pilots. Wally Scott flew 443 miles, Helmut Roemer of Germany 373 and Wally Leland 356 miles.

Top 1-26 altitude flights include Dave Johnson's 37,500 foot Colorado Record; at Tehachapi, Carl Burson made 32,500 feet and at Sugarbush, Vermont, Grayson Brown reached 20,500 feet. Although no longer recognized as a record category, mention should be made of Gaza Vass' 36 hour 1-26 flight in Hawaii.

Conceived as the original all-metal ATC'd kit sailplane, the 1-26 has become America's favorite. With the 1-26 special one design competitions have been established including local and annual Regattas and the 1-26 Nationals.

Check the FAI Awards list in **SOARING** each month and note that the majority are made in 1-26's or better still, contact your Schweizer Dealer and check out in a 1-26.



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