

**BRITISH BALLOON AND AIRSHIP CLUB
SPORTING HANDBOOK**

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Record breaking has seen a resurgence in the last few years and it is the hope of the BBAC that this will continue with British balloonists continuing to appear in the list of World Records. It is the work of the BBAC Records and Awards Subcommittee to make the mechanics of verification as simple and convenient as possible, and unlike some other countries, this service is provided by volunteers at no charge.

The Sporting Handbook aims to bring together in one publication most of the information necessary for the administration of records and other BBAC awards. In addition to the information presented here, the latest versions of the FAI/CIA Sporting Code (General Section and Section 1: Aerostats) and the list of World Records should be consulted. These can be obtained from the FAI web site at www.fai.org.

The Silver, Gold and Diamond Awards system, which began in the United Kingdom, has now been adopted by the CIA, the section of the FAI that governs ballooning on a worldwide basis. This system provides awards for fixed standards of achievement, an arrangement that has worked well in the gliding movement. It provides recognition and motivation for exceptional flights at a time when absolute records and top competition places have become accessible to relatively few pilots.

There are a number of awards open to balloonists, mostly on an annual basis. We have received our fair share of these in the past and a list is included. As our movement expands, it becomes more difficult to ensure that recipients are identified in a consistent way, and another of the subcommittee's tasks is to cast the net as widely as possible to find the most deserving candidates. Please let us have your proposals and citations.

This information published in this handbook has, of necessity, been gathered from many sources. In particular the list of British Records has been reassembled, largely from data compiled by Norman Pritchard, but supplemented by FAI and other information. The lists of notable flights and prizewinners have similarly been assembled from fragmentary resources. If you spot any errors or omissions please write in so that later editions can be corrected.

We hope that British pilots will continue to fly longer, farther and higher, just as they have always done. The work of the subcommittee can only be to serve our members by making the paper side of it easier. Please let us know how we can help.

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HOW TO SET A RECORD

It is always unfortunate if a record is beaten, but the performance is not recognised because the paper work is not good enough. The FAI/CIA and the BBAC have done as much as possible to keep bureaucracy to a minimum, but certain procedures have to be followed to ensure that the record is true and proven. Unfortunately cheating has occurred in the past.

The answer is to do some preparation. To have an idea the night before and to make a record flight in the morning is not a realistic plan. The steps are as follows:

1. Arrange an observer. Approved observers are listed in this handbook. Barographs are essential for some flights and the BBAC has two for loan to observers. Barographs are also available from a number of other sources. Recording GPS instruments may also be useful.
2. Obtain copies of the *Sporting Code Section 1* and the *Sporting Code General Section* from www.fai.org. In Section 1 you will find the conditions for the record that you have in mind and in its Annex 1 there is a detailed observer's check list, which gives a good understanding of what is needed to trap the information. Further information is contained in the Sporting Code Supplement published [here](#).
3. Find out the current records. The British records are given [here](#) and world records can be obtained at www.fai.org

After the flight the observer must prepare a dossier with all the relevant information which will be passed to the Records & Awards Subcommittee for study before approval by the BBAC Main Committee as a British Record. If the performance is a world record the dossier will be passed through the Royal Aero Club to the FAI where it will be reviewed by the CIA Record Review committee for homologation.

For world records the FAI imposes time limits. A preliminary notification must be given to the FAI within 7 days of the performance. The record must be recognised as a national record within 90 days and submitted through the NAC within 120 days.

For world record, a gilded "Diplome de Record" is issued by the FAI. A Royal Aero Club/BBAC certificate, decorated with a rose, thistle, leek and shamrock motif is issued for British ballooning records. [Return to Contents](#)

HOW TO PROPOSE AN AWARD

As our movement grows it is important that our awards are made fairly to all achievers, not just to those who are well known. Anyone can make a proposal and there are no rules - any format will do. The proposal will be considered by the subcommittee and will be decided usually by the BBAC Main Committee.

Although there is no compulsory format, there are recommendations. Your suggestion will have a much greater chance of success if you present the full facts. Do not throw a vague idea at the subcommittee leaving it to do all the work. Do the research yourself to list the dates and details of the achievement which you wish to honour and write out a good citation. If you are not sure which award is appropriate this is less of a problem - the subcommittee can help with that.

Timing can have an effect also. The Royal Aero Club and FAI/CIA awards have deadlines around the end of the year and for BBAC awards the AGM in March is usually the time of presentation. Nominations can be made at any time during the year, but will be held until the next annual opportunity.

There are two main areas – piloting achievement and service to the sport. It is difficult to define the standard that qualifies for an award, as each case must be considered on its merits. Success in a single championship will not normally be given an award because the championship medal is an award in itself. Victory in a series of championships may well be considered, however.

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BRITISH BALLOON AND AIRSHIP CLUB - SPORTING CODE SUPPLEMENT

CHAPTER 1 APPLICABILITY

1.1 SCOPE

These sporting regulations apply as a supplement to the FAI Sporting Code, or as an amendment to it in areas in which BBAC (acting as the responsible section of the Royal Aero Club) has jurisdiction. Applicable sections of the FAI Sporting Code are the *General Section* and *Section 1 Aerostats* (Class A - Free Balloons and Class B - Airships). These are reissued every few years, usually on 1st January. The latest versions can be obtained from www.fai.org and these should be obtained before planning an important flight. In this supplement the codes will be referred to as GS and S1 respectively.

This supplement replaces all earlier BBAC regulations on the control of records and badges, which cease to have further effect.

1.2 BRITISH NATIONAL RECORDS

British National Records, in any of the categories detailed in the FAI sporting code, may be set in any country by a pilot who is a British subject, or who is otherwise qualified to represent the United Kingdom in first category international sporting events. If a world record is to be claimed, the pilot-in-command must hold a valid FAI Sporting Licence. (GS Ch 8)

Except as detailed in this supplement, the regulations for the control of British National Records are the same as those for World Records under the FAI Sporting Code.

1.3 BBAC BADGES

BBAC badges are awarded for demonstrated levels of piloting achievement detailed in Chapter 4. Applicants for BBAC badges must be current members of the BBAC but there is no restriction on nationality.

CHAPTER 2 OFFICIAL OBSERVERS (GS 4.2)

2.1 AUTHORITY AND QUALIFICATION

Official Observers are appointed by the BBAC, which is responsible for ensuring that they have demonstrated both the reliability and the technical knowledge appropriate to their category. A list of qualified Controlling Observers is maintained by the BBAC.

2.2 CATEGORIES

2.2.1 Controlling Observers are entitled to control arrangements for record flights and to prepare record claim files on behalf of the RAeC/BBAC for onward submission, after RAeC/BBAC acceptance, to the FAI/CIA. They may also carry out all the functions of Official Observers below.

2.2.2 Official Observers are entitled to certify observations and measurements for championships, and BBAC badge flights. They may also certify these for records under the direction of a Controlling Observer.

2.2.3 Temporary Official Observer status may be assumed by registered championship officials and air traffic control officers. Certain other witnesses may also be used, subject to conditions laid out in the Sporting Code. (GS 4.2.4)

2.3 COUNTRIES

Official Observers are entitled to control and certify flights of balloons and airships in the United Kingdom. In other countries the notification or permission of that country's NAC is required. (GS 6.4)

2.4 INDEPENDENCE

An Official Observer must be independent as defined in the Sporting Code (GS 4.2.2). For example an employee or fellow family member of the applicant would not be considered independent.

CHAPTER 3 - STANDARDS OF OBSERVATION (GS 6, GS 7, S1)

3.1 GENERAL

In principle any method of verification may be used provided it serves to prove the performance beyond a reasonable doubt. If an unusual means of verification is proposed, it may be advisable to seek advice from the BBAC on its acceptability before the flight.

3.2 NEED TO BE PRESENT

Official Observers may normally certify flight events only if present at the event for which certification is required. Where it is demonstrably impractical for an Official Observer to witness particular flight events, indirect evidence from instruments or from unqualified witnesses may be included in the record file. A full account of the details and limitations of the evidence must be provided to give an adequate standard of proof.

3.3 PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE

A photographic record of the flight is to be encouraged. To be admitted as evidence, rather than as part of the pilot's narrative, it must be controlled as follows:

The camera is loaded by the official observer with unused film, which is marked on the film end and/or canister with his indelible signature. The camera may be sealed.

The official observer must take a photograph of a declaration board or other identifying scene before takeoff. Following the landing, the official observer must take charge of the camera, take further identifying scenes if film remains, and have it developed. The film must either be kept uncut or must be of the type that has numbers pre-printed on the negatives. Prints must be numbered in their true sequence.

3.4 LANDINGS

Landings may be certified by independent witnesses. The official observer must interview each witness, and countersign his statement, with qualifications as necessary.

3.5 MARKER DROPS

Marker drops for badge flights should preferably be observed directly. When the marker is found afterwards the official observer must be satisfied that an opportunity did not exist for its position to be interfered with.

The task is invalid if the pilot has had an opportunity to be present with the marker on the ground before the arrival of the official observer. If the official observer is not present during the marker drop, pilots are advised to remain in flight for a great enough distance afterwards to avoid this possibility.

3.6 MEASUREMENTS

All calculations, measurements and associated conditions must be to the standard of the Sporting Code (GS and S1) except that national grid calculations may be used, in place of the great circle calculation, for distances on British national record and badge flights which claim less than the prevailing world record.

3.7 BAROGRAPHS

3.7.1 BEFORE FLIGHT

Where a barograph is used the official observer must (i) ensure that no data is recorded on the barograph before the flight, and where appropriate, a base line is scribed.

(ii) seal the barograph

(iii) seal the barograph to the aircraft and start it.

The method of sealing is not specified, but must be possible to prove that it has not been broken and resealed.

3.7.2 AFTER FLIGHT

After the flight the barograph must only be unsealed from the aircraft by an official observer. It must then remain in the possession of the observers or an approved calibrator, until the barogram is removed for evaluation, and until it is calibrated (if required).

3.7.3 OPENING

Opening of the sealed barograph and the evaluation of the barogram must be done only by a qualified official observer or an approved calibrator. The barogram should be marked with the following information:

(i) Aircraft registration,

(ii) The pilot's name,

(iii) The date of the flight,

(iv) Make and serial number of barograph,

(v) Signature of observer or calibrator.

If necessary, the base line may be scribed at this time.

3.7.4 CALIBRATION

If a barograph is used to substantiate a British altitude record, it must be calibrated during the 12 months preceding the flight, or after the flight and before the claim is submitted. Where the claim is for a world record, the barograph must be calibrated after the flight. The calibration report must be included as part of the record claim.

Where the barogram is used as a proof of time only or height only, the instrument may be calibrated for that measure alone if desired. For badge tasks, calibration is not required, unless the official observer has reason to suspect the instrument's accuracy.

The calibration of barographs and certain other instruments, and the evaluation of barograms must be carried out by a competent person who has been approved by the BBAC, by the British Gliding Association or by an NAC.

3.7.5 ELECTRONIC BAROGRAPHS

An electronic barograph which incorporates a time and date function which cannot be altered without invalidating the altitude trace may be exempt from 3.7.1 above provided that the official observer verifies the serial number of the instrument and the date and time setting before takeoff, starts the trace, verifies that the barograph was on board the aircraft at takeoff, and takes possession of it immediately after landing.

If a computer is used to upload the altitude trace for analysis and printing this may only be done by an official observer or approved calibration centre.

3.7.6 PHOTOGRAPHY OF ALTIMETERS

A photograph of an altimeter may provide evidence of altitude subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The pressure setting and the altitude must be visible in the same photograph unless the method of sealing prevents alteration of the pressure setting.
- (ii) The method of sealing must be such that it is impracticable to interfere with the mechanism of the altimeter or to subject it to a false pressure. For example an altimeter with a single static pressure tube accessible to the pilot would not be acceptable.
- (iii) Precautions should be taken to avoid photographic fraud (taking a photograph of a photograph). This may take the form of a sticker which cannot be removed without tearing, bearing the signature of the observer and placed on the instrument immediately before the flight.
- (iv) The altimeter must be used in the same way as a barograph following 3.7.2 and 3.7.4 above and the procedures for photographic evidence in 3.3 above must be followed.

CHAPTER 4 BBAC BALLOONING BADGES

4.1 STATUS OF BADGES

The BBAC badges are standards of achievement in free balloons (FAI Class A) which do not require to be renewed. (See [list of badges](#).)

4.2 QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

4.2.1 SILVER BADGE:

Distance: A flight of at least 100 km.

Duration: A flight of at least 3 hours.

Altitude: A flight to an altitude of at least 3000 metres.

Goal: a prior-declared-goal flight of at least 3 kilometres with a marker drop or landing within 10 metres of the goal.

4.2.2 GOLD BADGE:

Distance: A flight of at least 300 km.

Duration: A flight of at least 6 hours.

Altitude: A flight to an altitude of at least 6000 metres.

Goal: a prior-declared-goal flight of at least 3 kilometres with a marker drop or landing within 1 metre of the goal.

4.2.3 DIAMONDS:

There are four diamonds:

- Diamond distance: A flight of at least 500 km

The badges are 16mm diameter.

CHAPTER 5 CLAIM STATEMENTS

5.1 CLAIM STATEMENT - RECORDS

The statement in support of a record claim must include sufficient evidence to show that the requirements of the Sporting Code, and this supplement (as applicable) have been satisfied and that the performance is proven beyond a reasonable doubt. The claim forms and the Controlling Observer's Checklist from the Sporting Code (S1: Annexe 1) should be used.

5.2 CLAIM STATEMENT - BADGES

The official observer must send claim statements for each task to the BBAC using the form shown below:

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CLAIM FORM FOR SILVER / GOLD / DIAMOND* BADGES

Pilot name..... Date of flight.....
Address.....

I certify that the pilot named above has completed

Task.....Measured Result.....

- *(a) I have been present and directly observed all critical parts of the flight, or
- *(b) I have accepted indirect evidence (details attached)

Narrative:

Signed.....BBAC Official Observer.....
(* = delete as appropriate)

BRITISH RECORDS: CLASS A - BALLOONS - HISTORY

This listing gives the history of British Records, the last and highest entry in each heading being the current record. (* Indicates that the performance was a world record at the time of its achievement.) WORLD RECORDS are maintained by the FAI in Lausanne from whom the latest versions can be obtained (www.fai.org).

SUB CLASS AX - HOT AIR BALLOONS - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASS AX-1: - 250 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|----------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Duration: | 1h14m44s | 02/02/03 Rob Franklin | Griffin AX1 |
| Distance: | 6.036km | 02/02/03 Rob Franklin | Griffin AX1 |
| Altitude: | 451.89m | 02/02/03 Rob Franklin | Griffin AX1 |

SUB CLASS AX-2: 250 - 400 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Duration: | 52m 3s | 05/10/94 Crispin Williams | G-BVKX Colt 14A |
| | 1h 1m 7s | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |
| | 1h14m26s | 31/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |
| Distance: | 23.114 km | 05/10/94 Crispin Williams | G-BVKX Colt 14A |
| Altitude: | 1221.0m | 05/10/94 Crispin Williams | G-BVKX Colt 14A |
| | 2293 m | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |

SUB CLASS AX-3: 400 - 600 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Duration: | 1h34m22s | 06/08/93 Emma Williams | G-MLGL Colt 21A |
| | 1h54m20s | 27/12/95 Marcus Green | G-BVRL Lindstrand 21A |
| | 2h16m37s | 29/03/96 Crispin Williams | G-BTNN T&C 21A |
| | 4h20m50s | 09/02/04 Andrew Holly | G-BVRL Lindstrand 21A |
| Distance: | 37.87 km | 06/08/93 Emma Williams | G-MLGL Colt 21A |
| | 59.57 km | 05/06/94 Julia Dean | G-BVFL Lindstrand 21A |
| Altitude: | 5274 m | 14/08/85 Per Lindstrand | Cloudhopper |

SUB CLASS AX-4: 600 - 900 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Duration: | 3h01m | 17/04/73 Don Cameron | G-BAGI Cameron O-31 |
| | 3h09m | 17/10/92 Mark Shemilt | G-BEUY Cameron N-31 |
| | 4h20m50s | 09/02/04 Andrew Holly | G-BVRL Lindstrand 21A |
| Distance: | 54.0 km | 17/04/73 Don Cameron | G-BAGI Cameron O-31 |
| | 70.789 km | 17/10/92 Mark Shemilt | G-BEUY Cameron N-31 |
| Altitude: | *6941 m | 12/10/78 Geoff Green | G-COOL Cameron O-31 |

SUB CLASS AX-5: 900 - 1200 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Duration: | 6h01m | 21/12/75 Nigel Tasker | G-BCEU Cameron O-42 |
| | 8h03m | 07/01/94 Mark Shemilt | G-BAMD Cameron N-42 |
| | 10h41m7s | 19/11/98 Mark Shemilt | G-BUPP Cameron V-42 |
| Distance: | *178.0 km | 18/11/78 Simon Faithfull | G-BEEP Thunder 42 |
| Altitude: | (as AX-4) | | |

SUB CLASS AX-6: 1200 - 1600 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|----------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Duration: | *11h20m | 17/04/78 Julian Nott | G-BERE Thunder 56A |
| Distance: | 221.0 km | 17/04/78 Julian Nott | G-BERE Thunder 56A |
| Altitude: | *9296 m | 25/08/77 Geoff Green | G-BEXV Cameron O-56 |

SUB CLASS AX-7: 1600 - 2200 M3

Duration: (as AX-6)

Distance: *564.47 km 25/01/78 Philip Clark

Altitude: 11286 m 10/06/76 Julian Nott

G-BEPO Cameron N-77

G-BDAZ Thunder 77A

SUB CLASS AX-8: 2200 - 3000 M3

Duration: 13h40m 02/09/78 Julian Nott

Colin Prescott

G-BGAS Colt 105A

Distance: (as AX-7)

Altitude: *10964 m 14/07/72 Julian Nott

11286 m 10/06/76 Julian Nott

G-AXVU Omega 84

G-BDAZ Thunder 77A

SUB CLASS AX-9: 3000 - 4000 M3

Duration: (as AX-8)

Distance: *675.0 km 30/09/80 Geoff Green

Altitude: (as AX-7)

VH- Cameron A-140

SUB CLASS AX-10: 4000 - 6000 M3

Duration: 19h7m55s 21/05/00 Lindsay Muir

Distance: (as AX-9)

Altitude: (as AX-7)

G-FVBF Lindstrand 210A

SUB CLASS AX-11: 6000 - 9000 M3 (as AX10)

SUB CLASS AX-12: 9000 - 12000 M3

Duration: (as AX-10)

Distance: (as AX-9)

Altitude: *13971 m 25/01/74 Julian Nott

Felix Pole

*16805 m 31/10/80 Julian Nott

G-BBGN Cameron A-375

G-BIDT Cameron A-375

SUB CLASS AX-13: 12000 - 16000 M3

Duration: *18h56m 21/11/75 Don Cameron

Jean Costa de Beauregard & Christopher Davey

19h7m55s 21/05/00 Lindsay Muir

G-BCFZ Cameron A-500

G-FVBF Lindstrand 210A

Distance: (as AX-9)

Altitude: (as AX-12)

SUB CLASS AX-14: 16000 - 22000 M3

Duration: (as AX-13)

Distance: (as AX-9)

Altitude: *19811m 06/06/88 Per Lindstrand

G-FLMS Colt 600A

SUB CLASS AX-15: 22000 M3 AND ABOVE

Duration: *46h15m 17/01/91 Per Lindstrand

Richard Branson

Distance: *7671.91km 17/01/91 Per Lindstrand

Richard Branson

G-OWWF Colt 2500A

G-OWWF Colt 2500A

Altitude: (as AX-14)

SUB CLASS AX - HOT AIR BALLOONS - FEMININE CATEGORY

SUB CLASS AX-1: - 250 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS AX-2: 250 - 400 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Duration: | 1h 1m 7s | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |
| | 1h14m26s | 31/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |
| Distance: | 16.38 km | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |
| Altitude: | * 2293 m | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |

SUB CLASS AX-3: 400 - 600 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Duration: | 1h34m22s | 6/08/93 Emma Williams | G-MLGL Colt 21A |
| Distance: | *37.87 km | 6/08/93 Emma Williams | G-MLGL Colt 21A |
| | *59.57 km | 05/06/94 Julia Dean | G-BVFL Lindstrand 21A |
| Altitude: | 718.97m | 06/08/93 Emma Williams | G-MLGL Colt 21A |
| | *2293 m | 28/01/95 Janet Folkes | G-BHOJ Colt 14A |

SUB CLASS AX-4: 600 - 900 M3 (as AX-3)

SUB CLASS AX-5: 900 - 1200 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Duration: | *7h7m46s | 20/03/94 Jacqueline Hibberd | G-BUPP Cameron V42 |
| Distance: | 120.5 km | 20/03/94 Jacqueline Hibberd | G-BUPP Cameron V42 |
| Altitude: | (as AX-3) | | |

SUB CLASS AX-6: 1200 - 1600 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Duration: | (as AX-5) | | |
| Distance: | (as AX-5) | | |
| Altitude: | 3868 m | 25/12/79 Gail Roy | G-BHGX Colt 56B |

SUB CLASS AX-7: 1600 - 2200 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Duration: | 6h36m | 22/10/88 Lindsay Muir | G-BNFG Cameron O-77 |
| | 7h02m38s | 06/03/93 Julia Dean | G-ULIA Cameron V-77 |
| | 7h17m32s | 19/03/93 Christine Luffingham | G-BPLF Cameron V-77 |
| Distance: | 163.98 km | 26/10/87 Lindsay Muir | G-BNFG Cameron O-77 |
| Altitude: | 6250m | 16/08/89 Daniella Maimone | G-LYTE Thunder 77 |
| | 6961m | 12/02/98 Lindsay Muir | G-SKIL Cameron N-77 |

SUB CLASS AX-8: 2200 - 3000 M3

| | | | |
|-----------|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Duration: | 7h15m | 11/01/88 Karen Coombes | G-BNFN Cameron N-105 |
| | | Maria Roche | |
| | 7h41m | 07/10/89 Lindsay Muir | G-BUBL Colt 105 |
| | 10h28m30s | 16/03/99 Mandy Dickinson | G-OMDD T&C 90S2 |
| Distance: | 375.1km | 11/01/88 Karen Coombes | G-BNFN Cameron N-105 |
| | | Maria Roche | |
| | *447.115km | 07/10/89 Lindsay Muir | G-BUBL Colt 105 |
| Altitude: | (as AX-7) | | |

SUB CLASSES AX-9: (as AX-8)

SUB CLASSES AX-10:

Duration: *19h7m55s 21/05/00 Lindsay Muir G-FVBF Lindstrand 210A
Distance: (as AX-8)
Altitude: (as AX-8)

SUB CLASSES AX-11 TO AX-15: (as AX-10)

SUB CLASS AM - ROZIERES - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASS AM-1: - 250 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS AM-2: 250 - 400 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS AM-3: 400 - 600 M3

Duration: *6h30m26s 09/03/85 Jacques Soukup & Don Cameron G-CICI Cameron R-15
Distance: *155.11km 09/03/85 Jacques Soukup & Don Cameron G-CICI Cameron R-15
Altitude: *3722 m 22/05/98 Janet Folkes G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M
*6866 m 04/11/98 Janet Folkes G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M

SUB CLASS AM-4 TO AM-6: (as AM-3)

SUB CLASS AM-7: 1600 - 2200 M3

Duration: *45h13m 03/10/90 Don Cameron G-BRGU Cameron R-60
Gennadi Oparin
Distance: *499.958km 29/11/83 Julian Nott G-BPAH Colt 69A
*1705.2km 03/10/90 Don Cameron G-BRGU Cameron R-60
Gennadi Oparin
Altitude: *5029.2m 03/10/90 Don Cameron G-BRGU Cameron R-60
Gennadi Oparin
*6866 m 04/11/98 Janet Folkes G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M

SUB CLASS AM-8: 2200 - 3000 M3

Duration: 124h34m15s 21/09/92 Don Cameron G-BUFC Cameron R-77
Rob Bayly
Distance: 4823.725km 21/09/92 Don Cameron G-BUFC Cameron R-77
Rob Bayly
Altitude: *10589m 25/11/96 Per Lindstrand G-BWEP LindstrandAM2200
*12557M 23/03/04 David Hempleman-Adams G-BYZX Cameron R-90

SUB CLASS AM-9:

Duration: 132h22m 03/06/00 David Hempleman-Adams G-BYZX Cameron R-90
Distance: (as AM-8)
Altitude: (as AM-8)

SUB CLASS AM-10:

Duration: *96h24m 30/07/78 Don Cameron G-BIAZ Cameron AT165
Christopher Davey

| | | | | |
|-----------|-------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| | 124h34m15s | 21/09/92 | Don Cameron Rob Bayly | G-BUFC Cameron R-77 |
| | 132h22m | 03/06/00 | David Hempleman-Adams | G-BYZX Cameron R-90 |
| Distance: | *3339.086km | 30/07/78 | Don Cameron Christopher Davey | G-BIAZ Cameron AT165 |
| | 4823.725km | 21/09/92 | Don Cameron Rob Bayly | G-BUFC Cameron R-77 |

Altitude: (as AM-8)

SUB CLASSES AM-11 TO AM-14: (as AM-10)

SUB CLASS AM-15

| | | | | |
|-----------|------------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Duration: | *17d17h41m | 07/03/99 | Andy Elson Colin Prescott | G-CWCW Cameron R-900 |
| | *19d21h47m | 21/03/99 | Bertrand Piccard Brian Jones | HB-BRA Cameron R-650 |
| Distance: | *40814km | 21/03/99 | Bertrand Piccard Brian Jones | HB-BRA Cameron R-650 |
| Altitude: | *11737m | 21/03/99 | Bertrand Piccard Brian Jones | HB-BRA Cameron R-650 |
| | *12557M | 23/03/04 | David Hempleman-Adams | G-BYZX Cameron R-90 |
| Time RTW: | *15d10h24m | 21/03/99 | Bertrand Piccard Brian Jones | HB-BRA Cameron R-650 |

SUB CLASS AM - ROZIERES - FEMININE CATEGORY

SUB CLASS AM-1: - 250 M3 (No records)
SUB CLASS AM-2: 250 - 400 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS AM-3: 400 - 600 M3

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|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Duration: | *1h17m33s | 22/05/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |
| | *1h38m | 04/11/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |
| Distance: | *32.238km | 22/05/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |
| | *69.7km | 04/11/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |
| Altitude: | *3722 m | 22/05/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |
| | *6866 m | 04/11/98 | Janet Folkes | G-BXEP Lindstrand 14M |

SUB CLASSES AM-4 TO AM-15: (As AM-3)

SUB CLASS AA - GAS BALLOONS - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASSES AA-1, AA-2, AA-3, AA-4, AA-5: (No records)

SUB CLASS AA-6: 1200 - 1600 M3

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|-----------|-----------|----------|---|------------------|
| Duration: | 28h49m | 04/10/99 | Simon Forse & Janet Folkes | G-BWOK LBL105G |
| Distance: | 1930.8 km | 10/07/58 | Colin & Rosemary Mudie Tim & Bushy Eiloart | G-APOB RFD 53300 |

Altitude: 3027m 04/10/99 Simon Forse & Janet Folkes G-BWOK LBL105G

SUB CLASS AA-7: 1600 - 2200 M3 (as AA-6)

SUB CLASS AA-8: 2200 - 3000 M3

Duration: (as AA-6)

Distance: (as AA-6)

Altitude: 9000m 05/9/1862 Henry Coxwell & James Glaisher "Mammoth"

SUB CLASSES AA-9 TO AA-15: (As AA-8)

SUB CLASS AA - GAS BALLOONS - FEMININE CATEGORY (No records)

SUB CLASS AS - PRESSURISED BALLOONS - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASSES AS1 to AS7 (No records)

SUB CLASS AS8: 2200 - 3000 M3

Duration: * 33h8m42s 20/11/84 Julian Nott & Spider Anderson G-BLHF Nott/Cameron

Distance: * 58.89km 01/11/84 Julian Nott G-BLHF Nott/Cameron

Spider Anderson, Brian Smith

*2391.47km 20/11/84 Julian Nott & Spider Anderson G-BLHF Nott/Cameron

Altitude: * 4101.4m 01/11/84 Julian Nott G-BLHF Nott/Cameron

Spider Anderson, Brian Smith

* 5415.4m 20/11/84 Julian Nott & Spider Anderson G-BLHF Nott/Cameron

SUB CLASS AS9 to AS15: (as AS8)

SUB CLASS AS - PRESSURISED BALLOONS - FEMININE CATEGORY
(No records)

BRITISH RECORDS: CLASS B - AIRSHIPS

SUB CLASS BX - HOT AIR AIRSHIPS - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASS BX-1: - 400 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS BX-2: 400 - 900 M3 (No records)

SUB CLASS BX-3: 900 - 1600 M3

Duration: * 1h12m 26/08/81 Don Cameron G-BGEP Cameron D-38

* 1h23m 01/09/82 Geoff Green G-SMHK Cameron D-38

Distance: *10.636km 26/08/81 Don Cameron G-BGEP Cameron D-38

*24.4km 01/09/82 Geoff Green G-SMHK Cameron D-38

Altitude: * 1585m 01/09/82 Geoff Green G-SMHK Cameron D-38

SUB CLASS BX-4: 1600 - 3000 M3

Duration: (as BX-3)

Distance: 73.03 km 02/05/90 Philip Porter

G-BVAX T&C AS

Altitude: (as BX-3)

SUB CLASSES BX-5 TO BX-10: (as BX-4)

SUB CLASS BX - HOT AIR AIRSHIPS - FEMININE CATEGORY (No records)

SUB CLASS BA - GAS AIRSHIPS - GENERAL CATEGORY

SUB CLASS BA-1: - 400 M3

Distance: *94.86km 12/10/90 Don Cameron

G-BRDU Cameron DG-14

SUB CLASS BA-2 AND BA-3: (as BA-1)

SUB CLASS BA-4: 1600 – 3000 M3

Distance: (as BA-1)

Speed: *92.857kph 19/01/00 James Dexter N606LG American Blimp A60+
Michael Kendrick

SUB CLASS BA-5 TO BA-10: (as BA-4)

SUB CLASS BA - GAS AIRSHIPS - FEMININE CATEGORY (No records)

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OTHER NOTABLE FLIGHTS

The CIA has begun to assemble a list of notable flights, which, while not current records, are significant enough in achievement and interest to be recorded as a history. The following list is on the same basis but is restricted to flights by British pilots, flights over the U.K. or flights in British-made balloons. There is no exact definition of "notable" but suggestions for inclusion will be welcome.

SUB CLASS AA:

7/01/1785 Blanchard & Jeffries

First Channel Crossing, Dover to Foret de Guines, Calais 1h30m

29/06/1785 George Biggin & Letitia Sage

First woman to fly in UK

8/11/1836 Charles Green, Robert Holland, Thomas Monck-Mason

London - Nassau 608km, 18 hours, first long distance flight, first use of trailrope

24/07/1837 Charles Green, Robert Cocking

Death of Cocking in attempted parachute descent.

12/12/1958 A Eiloart, T Eiloart, C & R Mudie G-APOB RFD53300
Atlantic Attempt E-W (Tenerife -) 1930 km, 94h30m

17/08/1978 Ben Abruzzo, Maxie Anderson, Larry Newman Skypower
First Atlantic Crossing (Presque isle Maine - Miserey, France)

SUB CLASS AM:

15/06/1785 Pilatre de Rozier & Pierre Romain
First Roziere flight - first air fatalities Tour de Calais

30/07/1978 Don Cameron & Christopher Davey G-BIAZ Cameron AT-165
Atlantic attempt (St Johns Nfld - 48N/7W) 3339 km, 96h24m

2/09/1986 H Brink, W Hageman, E Brink PH- Cameron R-225
Atlantic crossing St Johns Newfoundland - Amsterdam 4183km 51h14m

3/10/1990 Don Cameron & Gennadi Oparin G-BRGU Cameron R-60
First flight from UK to Soviet Union (Cardington - Ledurga) 46h

14/02/1992 Thomas Feliu & Jesus Gonzales Green G-BRGU Cameron R-60
First Atlantic Crossing East to West 5093km 130h30m (Canary Islands - Venezuela)

16/09/1992 First Transatlantic balloon Race from Bangor, Maine, USA
Verstraeten & B Piccard G-BUFA Cameron R-77 to N. Spain
E Krafft & J Maas G-BUFB Cameron R-77 to mid Atlantic
Don Cameron & Rob Bayly G-BUFC Cameron R-77 to Figuera da Foz, Portugal
E Louwman & G Hoogslage G-BUFD Cameron R-77 to Celtic Sea
R Abruzzo & T Bradley G-BUFE Cameron R-77 to Morocco

22/02/1995 Steve Fossett G-BVUO Cameron R-150
First solo Pacific flight (Seoul, Korea - Mendham, Canada) 8748km

20/01/1997 Steve Fossett G- Cameron R-210
Round-the-world attempt (St Louis USA to India) 146h44m 16673.81km

7/02/1998 Bertrand Piccard, Andy Elson, Wim Verstraeten HB-QBV
RTW attempt, world duration record 233h55m Cameron R-500
(Chateau d'Oex, Switzerland - Sitkwin Minhla, Myanmar)

25/12/1998 Richard Branson, Steve Fossett, Per Lindstrand G-
RTW attempt passing Himalayas & China Lindstrand
(Marrakech, Morocco - Oahu, Hawaii)

7/3/1999 Andy Elson, Colin Prescott G-CWCW Cameron R-900
World duration record. Longest flight of any aircraft to date.
(Almeria, Spain - 33 deg 54 min N, 138 deg 17.12 min E nr Japan)
17d 17h 41m

21/3/1999 Bertrand Piccard, Brian Jones HB-BRA Cameron R-650
First round-the-world balloon flight, absolute distance, duration,

AM-15 altitude. Longest flight of any aircraft to date.
(Chateau D'Oex, Switzerland - Mut, Egypt)
19d 21h 55m 40813km (45633 km track)

3/06/00 David Hempleman-Adams G-BYZX Cameron R-90
Flight to within one degree of the North Pole
Spitzbergen and return to within 300 km of Spitzbergen)
Duration: 132h22m

4/7/2002 Steve Fossett G-? Cameron R-550
First Solo Flight around the world (Australia to Australia)
Time around the world: 324h 10m

26/9/2003 David Hempleman-Adams
Solo Atlantic crossing in an open basket. Sussex, New Brunswick to Blackpool, England.
4423 km in 83 hours 17 minutes.

SUB CLASS AX:

25/08/1784 James Tytler The Grand Edinburgh Fire Balloon
First flight in the United Kingdom

25/03/1963 Ed Yost and Don Piccard Raven "Channel Champ"
First Channel crossing by hot air 3h17m

15/08/1967 Gerry Turnbull, Don Cameron, Mark Westwood
First cross-country flight in a British-made modern hot air balloon
Weston-on-the-Green – Bicester airfield Bristol Belle G-AVTL

21/08/1972 Don Cameron & Mark Yarry G-AZUW Cameron A-140
First crossing of Swiss Alps by hot air (Zermatt - Biella)

17/11/1972 Gron Edwards, Richard Barr & ? G-BANG Cameron O-84
Release of parachutist (1st in modern HAB?) (Staffordshire)

21/11/1975 Don Cameron, J Costa de Beauregard, Chris Davey G-BCFZ
Channel crossing, duration record 18h55m Cameron A-500
(Melbury Bubb - Angers)

5/02/1979 Richard Barr, Dave Howerski, Leo Dickinson Colt 77A
Release and recovery of parachutist on rope ladder (Atbara, Sudan)

4/11/1986 Richard Barr & Oliver Holmes G-BMVI Cameron O-105
Crossing Irish Sea. (Glendaloch, Co Wicklow - Aberporth, Wales)

3/07/1987 Per Lindstrand & Richard Branson G-USUK Colt 813
First Atlantic crossing by hot air

6/08/1988 Oliver Holmes, Richard Barr, John Derricott G-RAPE
Crossing North Sea (Mintlaw Scotland - Fabjerg Denmark) Colt 300A

18/08/1988 Henk Brink etc. "Nashua 1" Cameron A-850
First balloon flight with 50 people aboard.(Leylstad Airport - Holland)

2/11/1989 Vishwa Gupta, Oliver Holmes, Richard Barr G-RAPE
India duration record 9h00m (Rajpath - Mainpuri) Colt 300A

17/01/1991 Per Lindstrand & Richard Branson G-OWWF Colt 2500A
First Pacific crossing by hot air.

21/10/1991 Chris Dewhirst & Leo Dickinson G-LCIO T&C AX11-240
Andy Elson & Eric Jones G-LGIO T&C AX11-240
First flights over Mount Everest (Nepal to Tibetan plateau).

11/12/1998 David Hempleman-Adams G-BYDJ T&C 120A
Flight over the Andes (Santiago, Chile – Paredito, Argentina)

SUB CLASS BA:

07/08/1910 E T Willows Willows airship
Flight from Cardiff to London 224km 10h

6/11/1918 G Meager & TB Williams SR1
First flight from Italy to UK: Ciampino, Rome to Pulham, England

SUB CLASS BR:

06/07/1919 Major George H Scott, captain + 29 crew HMA R34
First Atlantic crossing by airship (East Fortune - Mineola NY)
First double crossing of Atlantic by any aircraft

SUB CLASS BX:

04/01/1973 Don Cameron & Teddy Hall G-BAMK Cameron D-96
First public flight of a hot air airship (Newbury at Icicle meet)

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MEDALS AND AWARDS

The governing bodies of the air sports administer a number of awards, which are open to balloonists, and some of these are listed below with past awards to British (and some other) balloonists.

FAI AWARDS:

FAI Gold Air Medal (contribution to development of aeronautics)

1999 Brian Jones

FAI Bronze Medal (for service or administration)

2002 Neil Robertson

De La Vaulx Medal (for establishing an absolute record)

1999 Andy Elson & Colin Prescott

1999 Bertrand Piccard & Brian Jones

2001 James Dexter & Mike Kendrick

FAI Air Sport Medal (for contribution to the sport)

1992 Les Purfield

2002 Norman Pritchard

2002 Victor Thorne

2003 Jonathan Thornton

FAI Honorary Diploma for Groups (contributions to progress)

Paul Tissandier Diploma (for service to cause of aviation)

1970 Anthony Smith

1975 Tim Godfrey

1979 Nigel Tasker

1994 Peter Bish

1995 Derry Moore

1998 Rita Boyle

1998 Barbara Moreton

1999 Brenda Howard

2001 Ally Odell

CIA AWARDS:

Montgolfier Diploma (best flight in a gas balloon)

1975 Anthony Smith

1990 Don Cameron & Gennadi Oparin

Montgolfier Diploma (best flight in a hot air balloon)

1972 Julian Nott

1977 Nigel Tasker

1978 Philip Clark

1987 Per Lindstrand
1992 Andy Elson and Chris Dewhurst
1997 David Bareford

Montgolfier Diploma (best flight in a Roziere balloon)

1999 Bertrand Piccard & Brian Jones
2003 David Hempleman-Adams

Montgolfier Diploma (for service to ballooning)

1960 George Ernest (Gerry) Long
1976 Don Cameron
1978 Geoff Green
1982 Dick Wirth (posthumous)
1992 Les Purfield

Santos Dumont Gold Airship Medal

1993 Don Cameron
1996 Tom Sage

CIA Hall of Fame

Charles Green
Anthony Smith
Dick Wirth

OTHER INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

The NAA Harmon Trophy for Aeronauts (Smithsonian Museum, Washington)

1976 Don Cameron
1988 Per Lindstrand

ROYAL AERO CLUB AWARDS:

Britannia Trophy (for meritorious performance in the air)

1980 Julian Nott
1987 Per Lindstrand & Richard Branson
1992 Don Cameron & Rob Bayly
1997 David Bareford
1999 Bertrand Piccard & Brian Jones

Salomons Trophy (for performance in a British-built aircraft)

1990 Don Cameron & Gennadi Oparin
1991 Andy Elson, Leo Dickinson, Chris Dewhurst, Eric Jones
1999 Don Cameron
2003 David Hempleman-Adams

Gold Medal (for achievement in aviation)

1910 Hon. C S Rolls
1974 Julian Nott
1978 Don Cameron & Christopher Davey
1988 Per Lindstrand
1991 Per Lindstrand & Richard Branson
1996 David Bareford
1999 Andy Elson & Colin Prescott
2000 David Hempleman-Adams
2002 Steve Fossett

Silver Medal (for achievement in aviation)

1910 John D Dunville
1911 Charles F Pollock
1972 Julian Nott
1973 Don Cameron
1978 Philip Clark
1980 Geoff Green
1985 Crispin Williams
1998 Ian Ashpole
2000 Lindsay Muir

Bronze Medal (for achievement in aviation)

1921 Henry Spencer
1972 Don Cameron
1972 Roger Monks
1974 Joe Philp
1975 Peter Langford
1976 Julian Nott
1977 Geoff Green
1982 Philip Hutchins
1993 Lindsay Muir
2002 Luc Trullemans

Prince of Wales Cup (for a team or group)

1997 British Hot Air Balloon team at World Air Games – D Bareford, L Muir, C Williams

Royal Aero Club Diploma (for service, meritorious endeavours)

1999 Breitling Balloon Construction Team at Cameron Balloons
2003 David Hempleman-Adams Support Team

Royal Aero Club Certificate of Merit (as Diploma, but lesser)

1990 Rodney Whittaker
1991 Gerry Turnbull
1993 Peter Bish
2002 Paul Spellward

The President's Rolex Trophy (for young person(s) aged 14-21)

2002 Jonathan Gowing

The Old & Bold Trophy

1998 Gerry Turnbull

Nexus Trophy (for aviation journalism)

2001 John Christopher

The Royal Aero Club Certificate of Appreciation

1999 The Breitling Company

The Gould Trophy

1906 Hon. C S Rolls

OTHER BRITISH AWARDS

The Lipton Trophy (for exceptional ballooning achievement – held at the RAF Museum)

1908 Charles F Pollock

2000 Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones

2004 Jean-Francois and Vincent Leys

Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators Sword of Honour

1989 Geoff Green

BBAC AWARDS

Honorary Vice Presidency of the BBAC

Don Piccard, David Liddiard, Victor Thorne, Neil Robertson, Norman Apsey, Nigel Tasker, Alex Jenkinson, Peter Bish

Honorary Life Membership of the BBAC

2002 Peter Sadler

The Charles Green Salver (major achievements, flying or service)

1988 Per Lindstrand and Richard Branson

1990 Rodney Whittaker

1992 Andy Elson

1993 Don Cameron & Rob Bayly

1998 Andy Elson

1999 Andy Elson & Colin Prescott

1999 Bertrand Piccard & Brian Jones

2001 David Hempleman-Adams

2004 David Hempleman-Adams

Dick Wirth Medal (for contributions to safety or other major achievements in ballooning. A total of four medals will be presented.)

1984 Tracy Barnes

1992 Wyn Morgan

2002 Tony Pinner

The Adams Sparks Trophy (pilot of year, by election at AGM)

1976 Terry Adams
1980 Simon Faithfull
1982 David Bareford
1984 Crispin Williams
1985 Victor Trimble
1986 Crispin Williams
1988 Karen Combes & Maria Roche
1989 Lindsay Muir
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1991 Per Lindstrand
1992 Lindsay Muir
1993 Julia Dean
1994 Emma Williams
1995 Mark Shemilt
1996 Lindsay Muir
1997 David Bareford
1998 David Bareford
1999 Brian Jones
2000 Steve Rowlands
2001 John Christopher
2002 David Bareford
2003 David Bareford
2004 Rob Franklin

The Debbie Warley Award (for contribution, non-flying)

1982 Anne Lewis-Smith
1983 Peter Bish
1984 Rodney Whittaker
1986 Ann Brown
1991 Kevin Meehan
1992 Nigel Tasker
1994 Giles Camplin
1996 Mike Moore
1997 Charles Saffery
1999 Julia Dean
2000 John Baker
2001 Derek Grimshaw
2002 Andy Caie
2004 Marcus Green

BBAC Diploma (for recognition of any achievement or contribution)

1988 Lindsay Muir, Mike & Lesley Willoughby
1992 Alex Jenkinson, Charles Meisl, Ali Odell, Colin Wolstenholme
1993 Roy & Rita Boyle, Barbara Green, John & Sheila Green
1994 Norman Apsey
1995 Ian Ashpole, David Davis, Per Lindstrand, Norman Pritchard, Mark Shemilt
1996 Alan Fraenkel, Benedikt Haggene

1997 Derek Belton, Ian Bridge, Marie Claude Cousin, Chris Dunkley, Joe Philp, Laurie Ryan, Crispin Williams
1998 Andy Caie, Ray Hunt, Patricia Pedler
1999 David Jenkinson
2000 Gerry Turnbull, Mike Moore, David Hempleman-Adams, Neil Gabriel
2001 Mike Watts-Miller, Bob Howes, Carol Howes, Graham Scott, Ian Hooker, Dave Ling
2002 David Body, Jean-Pierre Lauwers
2003 Steve Jones
2004 Andrew & Caroline Gibson, Howard Peel, Sue Zgraja

BBAC Silver Badge Awards (by index number)

1 Lindsay Muir
2 Paul Spellward
3 Piers Glydon
4 David Bareford
5 Rob Bayly
6 Chris Duppa-Miller
7 Richard Allan
8 David Court
9 Crispin Williams
10 Tom Donnelly
11 Andrew Evans
12 Ross Powell
13 Lars Ekstedt
14 Nigel Hicks
15 Derek Maltby
16 Neal Parry
17 David Hempleman-Adams
18 Ed Macholc
19 Lawrie Ellis
20 Tony Brown
21 Richard Parry
22 Pat Pruchnickyj
23 David Metcalf
24 Andrew Holly

BBAC Gold Badge Awards

1 David Bareford
2 Rob Bayly
3 Chris Duppa-Miller
4 Lindsay Muir
5 Crispin Williams
6 David Hempleman Adams

BBAC Diamond Awards

David Bareford (altitude)
Crispin Williams (altitude)
Lindsay Muir (altitude)
David Hempleman-Adams (Altitude, Distance, Duration)

Long Jump Winners (distances in statute miles)

1984 136m Ian Jones
1985 115m Spider Anderson & Tim Woodbridge
1986 190m Oliver Holmes & Richard Barr
1987 191m Giles Lantos & Paul Spellward
1988 152m Giles Lantos & Paul Spellward
1989 198m Geoff Lane
1990 254m Giles Lantos & Dave Boxall
1991 220m Phil Dunnington & Lindsay Sadler
1992 112m Robert Waycott & Nigel Appleton
1993 256m Rob Bayly
1994 274m Andy Elson & Stephen Budd
1995 262m Lenny Vaughan & Stuart Seager
1996 269m Mike Forster
1997 220m Paul Johnson
1998 226m Paul Johnson
1999 Paul Johnson
2000 Mike Forster
2001 (no contest)
2002 Mike Scholes

Counties Challenge Winners

1994 Ailsa Spindler
1995 Ailsa Spindler
1996 Piers Glydon
1997 Piers Glydon
1998 Andrew Holly
2001 Andrew Holly
2003 Andrew Holly
2004 Andrew Holly

National Championship Winners

| | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
|------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1975 | Bernard Hockley | Dick Wirth | Giles Hall |
| 1976 | Dick Wirth | Tom Donnelly | David Barker |
| 1977 | Crispin Williams | Tom Donnelly | Phil Hutchins |
| 1978 | Alan Dorman | Colin Wolstenholme | Chris Kirby |
| 1979 | Crispin Williams | Tom Donnelly | Robin Batchelor |
| 1980 | Ian Jacobs | Robin Batchelor | Dick Wirth |
| 1981 | Ian Bridge | David Bareford | Peter Morgan |
| 1982 | Ian Bridge | David Bareford | Dick Wirth |
| 1983 | Crispin Williams | David Bareford | Geoff Westley |
| 1984 | Crispin Williams | Ian Bridge | David Bareford |
| 1985 | Ad Haarhuis | Ian Bridge | Alan Dorman |
| 1986 | Tony Pinner | Ad Haarhuis | John Coleman |
| 1987 | David Bareford | Ian Bridge | Steve Hollingworth |
| 1988 | Lindsay Muir | Jenny Robinson | Tony Pinner |
| 1989 | David Bareford | Neil Gabriel | Ian Bridge |
| 1990 | David Bareford | Neil Gabriel | Tony Brown |
| 1991 | Ian Bridge | Crispin Williams | David Bareford |

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| 1992 | David Bareford | Neil Gabriel | Ian Bridge |
| 1993 | Ian Bridge | David Bareford | Neil Gabriel |
| 1994 | Ian Bridge | Thomas Fink | David Morgan |
| 1995 | Crispin Williams | David Bareford | Colin Brown |
| 1996 | Lindsay Muir | David Bareford | Ray Hunt |
| 1997 | David Bareford | Colin Brown | Crispin Williams |
| 1998 | David Bareford | Paul Spellward | Lindsay Muir |
| 1999 | David Bareford | Paul Spellward | Crispin Williams |
| 2000 | Crispin Williams | Ailsa Spindler | Paul Spellward |
| 2002 | Mike Howard | Paul Spellward | David Bareford |
| 2003 | David Bareford | Richard Parry | Crispin Williams |

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