

International Hand Launch Glider Festival 2003

June 7 - 8 2003
Poway Flight Center

The Torrey Pines Gulls and *Airtronics*, the host sponsor, invite you to participate in the 10th annual International Hand Launch Glider Festival (IHLGF) on June 7 - 8, at the TPG Poway Flight Center, located in Poway (San Diego), California.

This should be the most exciting IHLGF in its short but dynamic history. The discus style launch (DSL) has changed the face of HLG competition. No longer is it the craze -- it is the establishment. Now that the pilots who were sitting on the sidelines last year have decided that the DSL craze is for real, we fully expect that this will be the largest turnout in IHLGF history. We invite you to join in the fun of this great event.

In our attempt to further enhance it's world class reputation, the IHLGF Committee, together with valuable input from a number of the top HLG pilots in the world, has further refined the tasks and rules for this years IHLGF. We believe that we have come up with a set of tasks and rules that will make the IHLGF 2003 a fun and challenging event. Enclosed you will find the tasks and rules for this year's IHLGF. Please review them, practice them and feel free to use them in contests you may be holding.

While there have been a few changes, a number of things remain the same. There will be three classes of pilots this year: Open; Junior (15 and under); and Eagle (55 and better). Each class will have their own set of awards. Open class will have awards through 10th place and the Junior and Eagle classes will have plaques through 3rd place. Only Open Class pilots will be eligible for the Championship Fly-Off. There will be no separation of the Junior and Eagle classes from the Open classes. In short, all pilots will have the opportunity to compete against each other during the ten rounds of open competition. As such, each pilot must launch his/her own plane. If you qualify (age) and wish to fly in a class other than Open, you must register as such on the entry form.

Once again we will have a "throw-out" round. Your best nine out of ten rounds will be used to calculate your score. The top ten Open Class pilots will be in the Championship Fly-Off and will carry their adjusted scores into the Fly-Off.

One of the things that make the IHLGF so special is the social aspect. We begin Friday evening with a "Post Practice Social" which will be held at the Hamburger Factory. Saturday evening we have an old fashioned "all you can eat" Pizza Party planned at Round Table Pizza in Poway.

The field will be available beginning Thursday, June 5, for practice. Toilet facilities will be available beginning Thursday. RV parking is allowed at field, however, there are no hook ups.

For complete information on the IHLGF, local hotels, car rentals, maps, and a wealth of other information, please visit the TPG web site at www.torreyпинесgulls.org. If you have any questions please give me a call at (619) 725-5434 or e-mail me at Scharck@kw.com

Ron Scharck
IHLGF Registrar

Please do not mail your completed entry form and check before April 1

The Torrey Pines Gulls

in cooperation with

invite you to attend the

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June 7 and 8

TPG Poway Flight Center - West Garden Road, Poway, California

(15 miles north-northeast of San Diego)

Ten Rounds of Competition -- Three Fly-Off Rounds for Open Championship Awards through 10th place -- Open Class; 3rd place -- Eagle & Junior Class

Pilot Check-in: 7:00 a.m. Pilots Meeting: 8:45 a.m. First Round - 9:00 a.m.

Entry Fee: \$50 (Includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday). **No Entry Fee Refunds**

Pizza Party Saturday evening at Round Table Pizza -- Poway \$10 per person

Lodging: LaQuinta Inn 858-484-8800 / Ramada Inn 858-748-7311

RV Parking at field - no hook ups

CD: Steve Condon - (760) 295-5594 or e-mail - stevecondon@cox.net

Entry limited to 90 Pilots marked no earlier than APRIL 1

Please complete the following information, together with your check made payable to TPG, and return to

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(619) 725-5434

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (____) _____ AMA #: _____
E-mail: _____

Class: Junior () Senior () Eagle () Age: _____
Frequency: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____
Tee-Shirts: M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____
Polo Shirts: M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____

Entry Fee \$50.00
T-Shirts (\$15 x _____) _____
Polo Shirts (\$30 x _____) _____
Pizza Party (\$10 x _____) _____