

Report on microlight flying in Hungary in 2013

Presently in Hungary there are four organizations dealing with microlight and paramotor flying. There are 994 microlight pilots flying in 62 microlight clubs with 483 microlight aircraft, and there are 371 paramotoring pilots flying 362 PM devices. From among the four organization there are two bigger organizations which are official member organizations of the Hungarian Aeronautical Association.

Competitions are organized only for microlights and only by the bigger microlight organization. As in other countries classic competitions attract in our country also only a small number of pilots. Hungary took part on the EMC in Slovakia only with one aircraft.

At about ten years ago Hungary restarted running team competitions (with two aircrafts and four persons per teams). The tasks were created under the concept of being easily understandably both for spectators and media and being enjoyed by the participants from the beginning to the end. Differently from the classic competitions there was a constant increase in the popularity of such competitions and a continuous growing in the number of participants. In the past ten years we were running special competitions, also with great success with flying being the main kind of activity, but autos and jet skies are participating, too in these events. Ten years later became very difficult to organise these events, no young participants, lack of interest and money from sponsors.

Regarding our relations with CAA we meet problems because they want to introduce private pilot licenses for sport aircraft pilots. At this moment we try to work out a converting method.