

Note from the CIMA President

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S10 2.1.2 (and FAI Bylaws) says: *Each active member of FAI may submit the name of a candidate for consideration by CIMA which must reach the FAI Secretariat at least 2 months before the CIMA plenary meeting for inclusion in the agenda..*

The published deadline for Colibri Diploma proposals was 27 Sept 2014. If this proposal did not reach FAI Secretariat on or before that date then it cannot be considered a nomination for the 2014 CIMA Plenary.

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Nomination for FAI Colibri Diploma

30 July 2014; North sea crossing by flexwing trike commemorating Tryggve Grans flight of 1914

Pilots: Per T. Høyland and navigator Håkon Fosso (NORWAY)

Aircraft: P&M QuikR, LN-YVS

They took off at 14:07 CET from Cruden Bay, Scotland for a 250 Nm flight across the North Sea to Reve, near Stavanger, Norway exactly 100 years to the day and time of the day that Norwegian Tryggve Grans made the first flight across the North Sea in a Bleriot monoplane. It was at the time by far the longest overwater flight yet performed.

Per and Hakon dressed similar to professional North Sea helicopter pilots in the best survival gear and safety equipment the industry can offer. Their flight was a monumental organizational undertaking but they were able to depart exactly at the planned time, and with favorable tailwinds made the trip across in only 2:50 hrs. They navigated by compass only and landed exactly at the same grass field where Tryggve Grans Bleriot landed 100 years before. It was a great success for them personally, for the local microlight community and for the Norwegian Airsports Association. On arrival they were received by several hundred microlight friends, neighbours, media and notabilities.



