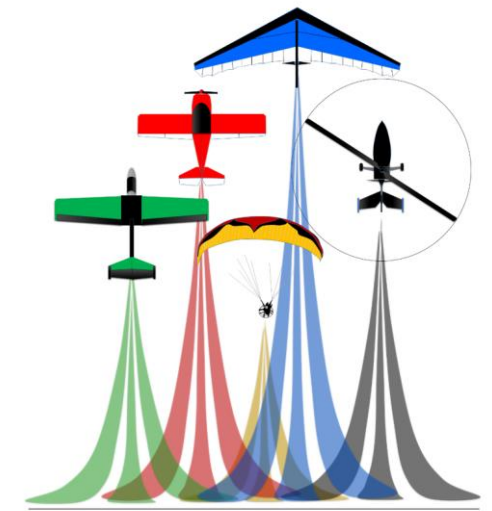


Welcome

Ethos and aims of the Grande Open 2023

- To Fly safely
- Enjoy the Flying and have fun
- Reward and recognise improvements and flying accuracy
- Learn in preparation for WMC204

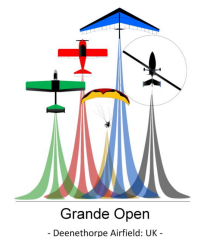


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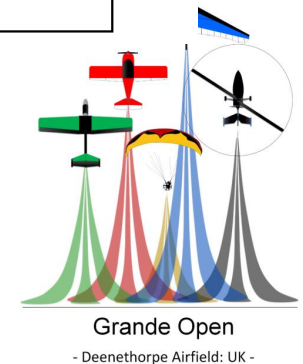
Differences

This is Cat 2 - Grand Open 2023	This is Cat 1 – WMC2024
Programme may change - 4 day event	
No out landings at other airfields	Visiting other airfields planned
No jury or appeal process, please raise a concern	Official protest with Jury in place
Self-quarantine	Monitored quarantine
Scoring balance – accuracy, photo, timings (can stifle)	Equal balance of disciplines
Wi-Fi / facilities improving – be patient	Improvements planned for 2024 – more showers etc
Early starts	Early starts
WhatsApp communication	WhatsApp
Constructive feedback please	
No Fuel tasks to save time	Mix of all tasks
No medals – one class	Medals, all classes



Overview of Competition – Pilots

Wednesday 19 th July	Thursday 20 th	Friday 21 st	Saturday 22 nd	Sunday 23 rd
Arrive set up	Welcome / Registration Practice task – all systems go ?	Task 2 – sequential Navigation along a known and unknown track	Task 4 – Decisions, Decisions, Decisions Navigation task along a known task with photos determining your route, will you make the right decision ?	Task 6 Slalom or fun precision task
Welcome Briefing / Registration	Task 1 – enjoy the view ? Navigation around a known track.	Task 3 – Snakes and Ladders Down the snake focusing upon accuracy and up the ladder flying a known and unknown task.	Task 5 – ½ Cog Circular nav along a known and unknown track	Presentation and certificates
	Precision / circles	Precision	Precision	



Task 0 – All systems go !

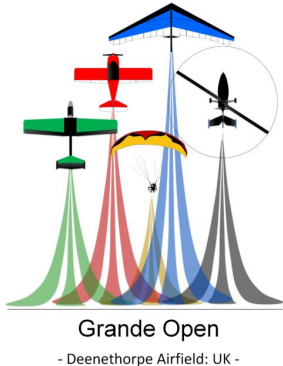
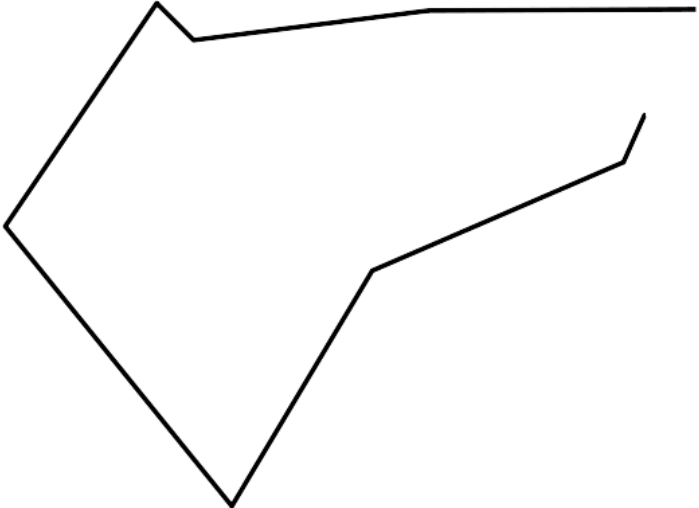
Simple known track

This is a short navigation task flying along a known track at your declared ground speed. There will be photos to spot and some ground speed sampling.

The goal of this task is to become familiar with the local area and test the scoring systems.

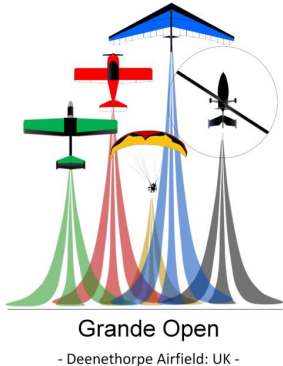
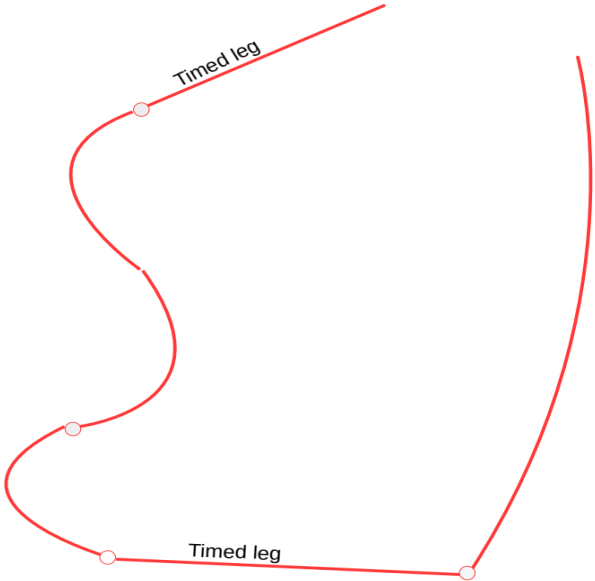
There will be hidden accuracy gates

Results will be published, but will not contribute to the main competition



Task 1 – Enjoy the View !

Follow the straight and curved lines around the area, focusing on accurate flying, hitting hidden gates, identifying photos. Ground speed will be assessed.



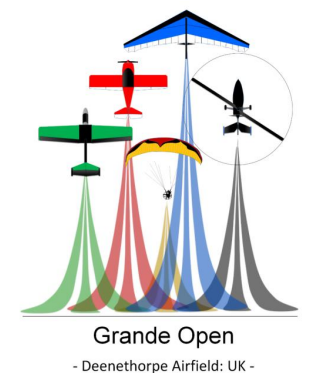
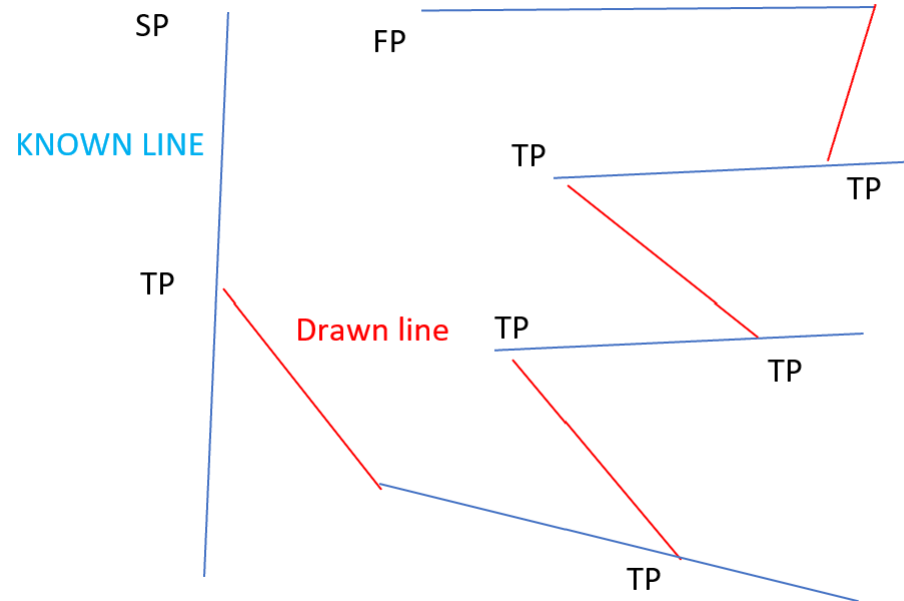
Task 2 – Sequential

Unknown track and track construction

This is a navigation task flying along known and unknown tracks. Fly along the first track line looking for photos, maintaining a declared ground speed and flying an accurate track. If you see a TP photo then mark this on your chart and then draw a line to the next start point on the next leg. Fly along this drawn line looking for photos, flying accurately until you arrive at the next known track line. Repeat until to reach the FP. The last leg (leg 4) you fly to the FP.

Ground speed will be measured along **known** track legs

If you **do not** see the TP photo then continue along to the end of the track and draw a line from the end of the track to the next start point.



Task 4 – Decisions, Decisions, Decisions

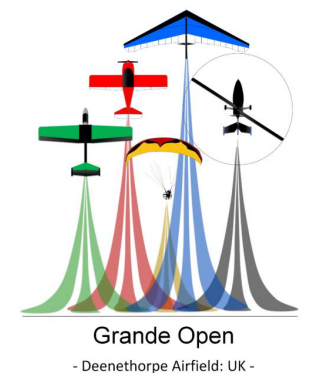
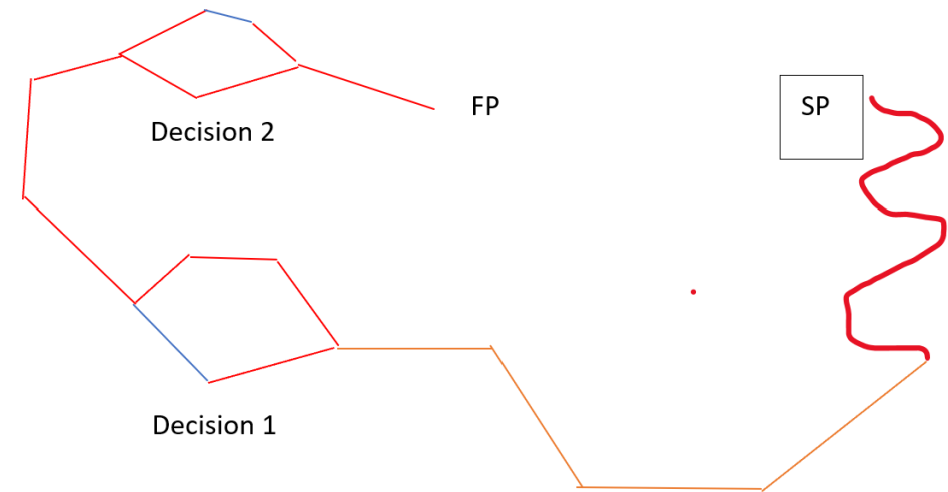
Known track and unknown track

This is a navigation task flying along known and unknown tracks. Fly along the first track which is a geographical / chart feature. You will be given the track length of this 'feature' **and you must nominate a ground speed which you will fly this feature.** Fly down this 'feature' looking for photos and aiming to match your nominated time. Upon completing this interesting leg you will join a known straight track line look for photos, maintain a declared ground speed and fly an accurate track.

You will be given a sequence of photos which indicate when the track splits you will take either the NORTH or the SOUTH route. There are two decision gates therefore there are two sequences that you must look out for.

Mark all photos that are on the correct track in the normal way.

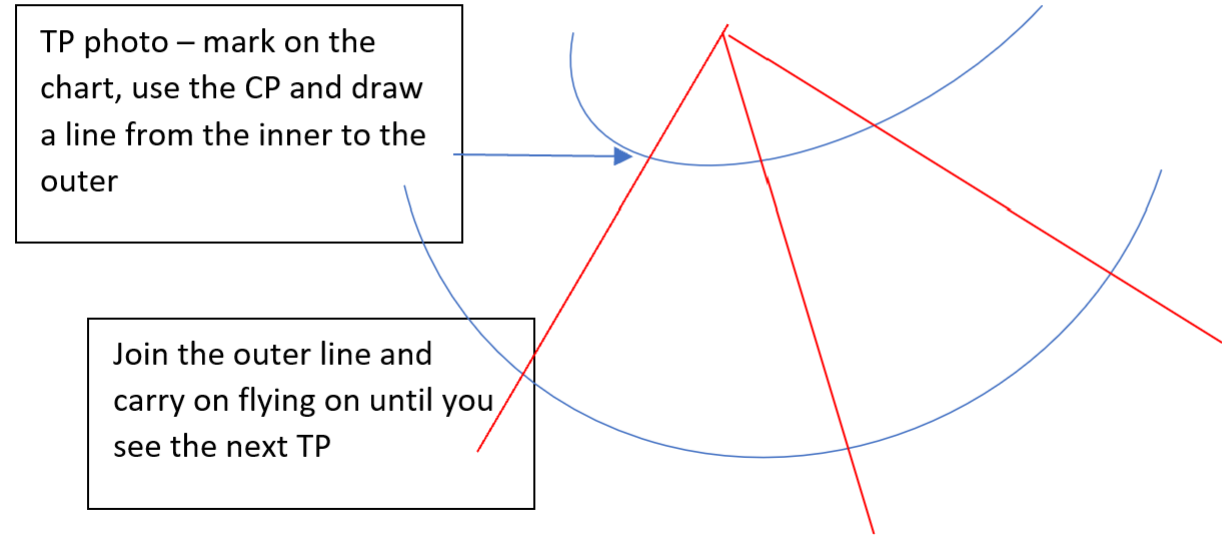
Ground speed will be measured along the **known** track leg **BEFORE** the decision junctions.



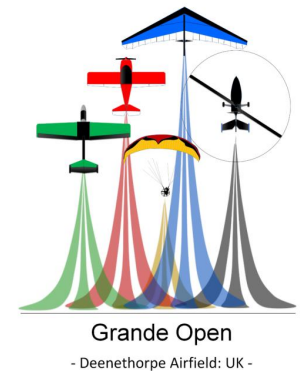
Task 5 – half a cog

This is a complicated task which will test your observation skills and your ability to plot a track accurately. There are two Arcs an inner arc and an outer arc. You start on the inner arc and then fly anti-clockwise around it until see a TP photo, these are shown on your photo sheet with a TP1, TP2, TP3, TP4 etc

There are hidden gates and timing gates along the track. There are also non TP photos which you should identify. You will score for passing through the correct FP which is not known. You will only be scored for your time on known drawn lines.



Unknown track and track construction

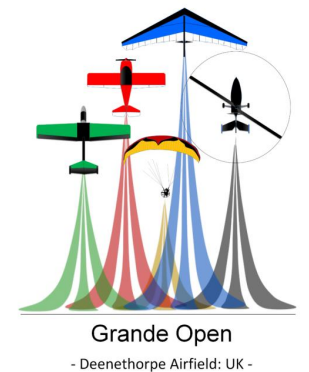
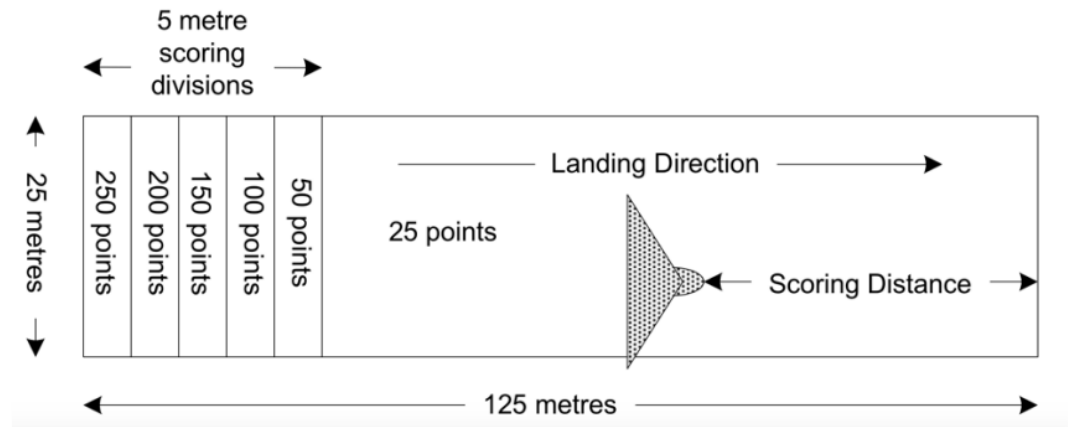


Precision Task – landing

End of task – 10m box - 100pt

No stopping distance – simples !

Precision tasks (independent) 250



Precision task - Circles in the sky

Objectives

The objective is to fly a precise 360 degree circle around a marker in a range of radius of minimum 200 meters to a maximum of 750 meters. The competitor may choose the radius within the given limits. To fly into the circle the competitor has to overfly the start point (SP) as well as the center marker (CM) in a straight line initially.

The scored 360-degree circle has to be flown in any desired height, but without exceeding 200ft (61m) between lowest and highest height.

Something a bit like this:

