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**History of the FAI Women’s 15 m Class / 18 m Class Challenge Cup**

1981 At Cherence / France the 2nd FAI Women’s European Gliding Championships took place in two classes: Standard Class and for the first time in the 15 m class. The FAI Women’s 15 m Challenge Cup was donated 1981 and awarded to the winner of the 15 m Class at Cherence.

Description: The FAI Women’s 15 m Challenge Cup is a 52 cm high classic silver trophy on a marble base engraved “ Vole à Voile Championnat d’ Europe Feminine” The names of the champions are engraved on labels around the base.

1999 the 11th WEGC at Leszno / Poland was the last European event. The European competitions were replaced bei World’s.

2001 The 1st Women’s World Gliding Championships took place at Pociunai / Lithuania in the Club Class, Standard Class and 15 m Class. The FAI Women’s 15 m Challenge Cup was transferred to the WWGC and was awarded to the winner of the 1st FAI WWGC, to Gillian Spreckley / Great Britain.

2011 The FAI Women’s 15 m Challence Cup was damaged and replaced by a trophy donated by FlyPink, the Italian association of female glider pilots and awarded to the champion of the 15 m class at the 7th WWGC at Issoudun / France.

Description. The new FAI Women’s Challenge Cup 15 m class consists of 2 nickel-silver cylinders, in the middle of which a wave-shaped brass structure appears. The upper cylinder is engraved.

The first Women’s 15 m FAI Challenge Cup, which was damaged, was left behind at the 7th WWGC at the aeroclub in Issoudun.

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* List of the Women’s 15 m class champions – Women’s European Gliding Championships
* 1981 Marie-Francoise Gavaret, France Cherence/France
* 1983 Gisela Weinreich, Germany St. Hubert/Belgium
* 1985 Gisela Weinreich, Germany Subotica / Jugoslavia
* 1987 Tatiana Obretonova,Bulgaria Shumen/Bulgaria
* 1989 Gisela Weinreich. Germany Oriol/USSR
* 1991 Gisela Weinreich, Germany Husbands Bosworth/Great Britain
* 1993 Hanna Zejdova, Czech Republic Ceske Budejovice-Hosin /CZ
* 1995 Maren Thomas, Germany Marpingen/Germany
* 1997 Gisela Weinreich, Germany Prievidza/Slovakia
* 1999 Valentyna Toporova, Ukraine Leszno/Poland
* **List of the Women’s 15 m class champions – Women’s World Gliding Championships**
* 2001 1st WWGC Gillian Spreckley, Great Britain Pociunai/Lithuania
* 2003 2nd WWGC Alena Netusilova,Czech Republic Jihlava/Czech Republic
* 2005 3rd WWGC Mette Pedersen, Denmark Klix/Germany
* 2007 4th WWGC Katrin Senne,Germany Romorantin/France
* 2009 5th WWGC Susanne Schödel, Germany Szeged/Hungary
* 2011 6th WWGC Susanne Schödel/Germany Arboga/Sweden
* 2013 7th WWGC Anne Ducarouge, France Issoudun/France
* 2015 8th WWGC Anne Ducarouge, France Arnborg / Denmark

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**• List of the Women’s 18 m class World Champions**

* 2017 9th WWGC Katrin Senne, Germany Zbraslacvice / Czech Republic
* 2019 10th WWGC Melanie Gadoulet, France Lake Keepit / Australia
* 2021 11th WWGC postponed to 2021 Husband Bosworth / GBR
* 2022 11th WWGC Anne Ducarouge, France Husband Bosworth / GBR
* 2023 12th WWGC Alena Netusilova / CZE Garray / Spain

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