Competition information 2
Nordic Championships in Katrineholm 2003

CHECK IN
At Ekbacken **11.00 – 14.00** April 30. This is where the competition centre and the secretariat is and also the **official notice board** where results are posted.

GENERAL BRIEFING
In the main hall at Duveholmsskolan at **15.00**. There is place for all and also lots of parking space.

BRIEFING
Also in the main hall of Duveholmsskolan. Provisional times are at **04.00 and at 17.30**. Doors will be opened 5 minutes before.

BREAKFAST and LUNCH
Breakfast **after flights** and lunch will be served in the restaurant at the school.

DEBRIEFING
At Ekbacken. The pilot and the observer will check in. The observer shall note the provisional results and deliver his GPS logger for downloading of waypoints and track. Then the observer and pilot finish the observer report and sign it. The observer shall bring the logger when going for debriefing.

RESULTS
Will be posted on the official notice board and will also be available at the Katrineholm homepage at www.katrineholm.se

RULES
The rules for the Swedish and Nordic Championships are based on the CIA AX MER 2003. The pilots and observers will each get one copy at check in. Rules and changes to the rules compared to version 2002 can be downloaded from the SBF website at www.ballong.org/tavling/regler/sm.php

If you have any questions on the rules, please mail them to me jan.balkedal@swipnet.se before April 27. The questions will be answered at the General Briefing.

OFFICIAL TIME
GPS time. Sunrise is at 04.55 and sunset is at 20.45 during the event.

MAPS
The competition map is the same as for the European Championships 1998. It consists of 2 sheets and is for sale at check in.

GOALS
There will be a list of about 100 **recommended** goals (road junctions). This list will be available on the SBF homepage as an Excel file before the event.

PZ
We are updating the PZ list. Many farmers have just started to take their animals out in the open. Therefore the list will be late. It looks like 10 old ones and some new. Old PZs will keep their old numbers so that old maps can be used.

GPS LOGGERS
A GPS logger will record the flight track and altitude. This is a tool to monitor the rules and to make more accurate measuring of goals and markers and a help to find lost markers. The observer will attach a logger on the balloon before inflation. The logger will be attached to a key ring on a load tape just above the mouth of the balloon.
After landing the observer will use the GPS to register the landing, markers and goals selected by the pilot.
The same equipment was used during the World Championships in France 2002.

FUELLING
will be made at the SKF factory . Two balloons can be fuelled simultaneously. There will be one REGO and one TEMA outlet. There will also be adapters so two REGO or two TEMA can be refuelled at the same time.

INFORM YOUR OBSERVER
Please pass this information to the observer you have entered. Due to workload we have not yet had time to make an email list for the observers.

Easter Day April 20, 2003

Janne