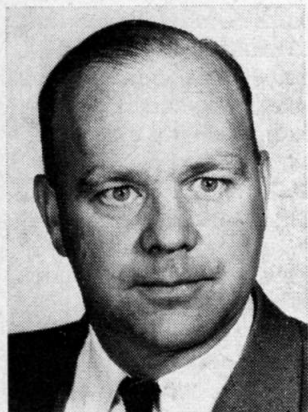


OSTIV Diplomas

Three OSTIV Diplomas have been awarded for papers, presented at/to the XIIth OSTIV Congress at Alpine, being of particular value to OSTIV:

Paul F. Bikle

for his technical paper
«Sailplane Performance Measured in Flight»



Paul F. Bikle, recently retired as director of NASA's Flight Research Center at Edwards, California, was born in 1916.

Before graduating from the University of Detroit with a B. A. in aeronautical engineering in 1939, his activity in the student chapter of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences and in the school flying and gliding club led to flight instructor and qualification for a CAA pilot's license.

Mr. Bikle is the author of more than 40 technical publications, and is an avid soaring enthusiast who established two world soaring altitude-records in 1961.

Dr. George R. Whitfield Dmitriy A. Konovalov

for his technical paper
«Automatic Recording and Analysis for Glider Performances Testing»



Dr. George R. Whitfield, born in England in 1931, obtained a degree in physics and Ph. D. (doctor) in radio-astronomy at Cambridge.

He got his Silver «C», being a member of the Cambridge University Gliding Club.

Dr. Whitfield spent 9 years on radar research at the Royal Radar Establishment in Malvern, England, and is now a lecturer in electronics at Reading University.

His interests in gliding include performance testing and meteorological research; he also made a study of fossils of the prehistoric Pterodactyls.

for his meteorological paper
«On the Structure of Thermals»

Dmitriy Alexeevich Konovalov, born 1938, graduated from Leningrad Hydro-Meteorological Institute in 1962.

Thereafter he worked in the capacity of a scientist in the Main Geophysical Observatory, named after V. I. Voyeykov, in Leningrad, where he studied experimental physics of the boundary layer of the atmosphere. Mr. Konovalov has published a number of scientific papers, and works since 1970 in the Institute of Experimental Meteorology.