From the Editor

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Congratulations to Ward Hindman, who has completed the monumental task of scanning the full set of *Technical Soaring* back issues going back to the first issue (July, 1971) and posting them to the *TS* website at journals.sfu.ca/ts. This is a tremendous service to the soaring science and technology community. Thanks to Ward, *TS* readers and authors now have ready access to a significant body of soaring research.

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One of the most frequent questions the *TS* Editorial team hears comes from authors who wish to post their articles on their personal or other websites. To clarify this and related matters, OSTIV has adopted the following Open-Access Policy for *TS*, effective immediately. The policy is inspired by the "HowOpenIsIt Open Access Spectrum Guide," published by the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition (SPARC, www.sparc.arl.org/) along with the Public Library of Science (PLOS, www.plos.org) and Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association (OASPA, www.oaspa.org).

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This policy will be posted in future issues of *TS* on the Table of Contents page and updated from time to time as needed.

OSTIV Congress XXXIII

OSTIV Congress XXXIII will be held in conjunction with the 34th World Gliding Championships in Benalla, Australia, 8–13 January, 2017. The call for papers appears in this issue. We encourage everybody to attend and present their latest work.

Octave Chanute ... now in Paperback

Simine Short writes to advise us that her book, "Locomotive to Aeromotive" (reviewed in *TS* 38:1, January-March 2014) has been published in paperback. The hardcover edition is out of print but one might still find a copy from the usual used book sources.

Reminders to Authors

Please submit all manuscripts, revisions, figures etc. directly to the Editor-in-Chief. You should receive confirmation of receipt within a few days. If not, please drop me a line.

As previously announced, OSTIV has elected to discontinue the paper version of *TS* journal. *TS* will be available only in electronic form to registered subscribers at *TS*-online (journals.sfu.ca/ts). To register, please contact our OSTIV webmaster, Jannes Neumann at Jannes.Neumann@t-online.de.

Despite this change, the question of whether to include color graphics in articles remains. Certainly color photographs present no problem, but we strongly discourage the use of color in data presentations. For one thing, papers should be legible when printed on B&W printers. Second, even when viewed in color, chances are that some readers will have difficulty distinguishing certain color pairs. Rather than color, please present data in figures and graphs in B&W and use line style, different symbols, and/or fill patterns to differentiate data.

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This issue kicks off Volume 39 of TS corresponding to calendar year 2015. For the record, we are going to press in February, 2016.

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Respectfully,

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