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## Public Foundation Japan Students Aviation League (JSAL)

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## **Outline of Organization**

- 1. Capital Basic Funding 13.858MYen, Total Assets 218.525MYen
- 2. Activities ① Trainings of Sports Aviation for students.
  - ② Operation of CAB Designated Training Institute for glider pilot license.
  - ③ Implementations of "All Japan Student Gliding Competitions", other students glider competitions, and participation to international youth competitions.
  - 4 Research / exhibitions on aviation and gliding sports.
  - ⑤ Assistance to participating students and the supporting members on their lifetime gliding sports activities.
  - 6 Publicity and generalization of gliding sports by publications, HP, etc.

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## **Glider Sports**

Many universities are organizing their students gliding sports clubs, and approx. 860 students are practicing and enjoying glider as sports activities in 56 schools.

Students after the basic glider flight training will consciously try to soar higher catching natural power of uplifting thermal airflow, learn the attractiveness of soaring and cross country flights. Then, they may pursuit Private Glider Pilot certification through the knowledge of weather, aviation code and aerodynamics, as well as Domestic and FAI Badge tests (Silver C Badge: 5hours, 1000m height, and 50km distance flight), and finally to be the winner of All Japan Students Glider Championship.

The gliding sports will have long lasting attractiveness for the life after the graduation, such as cross country flights, many international matches, challenges to distance flight, height, or speed record

flights.



Glide Ratio of gliders is from 30 of trainer to 60 of racer, which means it has a performance of 30km to 60km of distance to fly if the glider is cruising at 1000m height. And the gliders are employed with the ultimate state of arts technologies. Glider sports is a combination art of using these performance and the knowledge on the power of natural

circulating air flow energy to fly high, fast and far.

For example, "All Japan Students Glider Championship", held at Menuma Glider Port in March every year, is cruising speed competition among 20 gliders using 24km to 46km triangle course depending on the weather condition of the day.

## **History**

### (Foundation)

- 'Japan Student Aviation League' was established in 1930 fully sponsored by Asahi Newspaper Company. Members at that time were 8 colleges as Hosei, Waseda, Senshu, Keio, Jikei Medical, Meiji, kanto Gakuin, Yokohama. In 1935, glider training was included.
- After that, Added to the original members, Kansai, Tokai, Tohoku, Kyushu, and Hokkaido Branches are formed and became one of major nationwide students sporting organization.
   First 'Student Gliding Competition' was held at Kirigamine Highland in

1938.

#### (Interruption and Restart)

 All the activities were suspended due to WWII, and still wait for the restart until 1952 after 7 years of flight prohibition. 20 colleges gathered and organized in 1952 right after the prohibition the became Non-Profit Foundation for glider sports under Ministry of Education in order to promote aviation culture.

#### (Current)

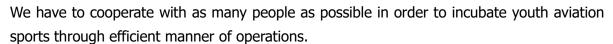
The most of universities and high schools which have Glider club (59 including 2 high schools) are participated and forming 4 geographical regions (Kanto, Tokai, Kansai, and Seibu(Kyushu)). We have approx. 30,000 flights each year with 119 gliders, 10 winches. This is dominating over 50% of total glider flights in Japan as the largest glider sports organization in Japan.



- No. of students membership is 719, 270 registered instructors as of Sep/2020.
- > Supported by over 20,000 alumni including 2,000 licensed glider pilots, and 800 CFIs.
- > Student exchange program with Australia, Germany.
- Our operation of CAB designated private pilot training course since after 1989 have been incubating 50-60 private pilots a year.
- FAI "Diplome D'Honneur" was awarded in 1990, as for our contribution to gliding sports.
- In 2012, our organization was stepped into the new stage as 'Public Foundation Japan Students Aviation League' under the Ministerial Government.

In our new article of association, our key objectives are stated as follows:

- Gliding sports training
- ② Gliding sports competition
- 3 Publicity & promotion of aviation sports





• To realize our dream, we are eager to jump into our new step, with more stable financial base, more slim and efficient organization, more participants and supporting organizations.

## **Annual Events**

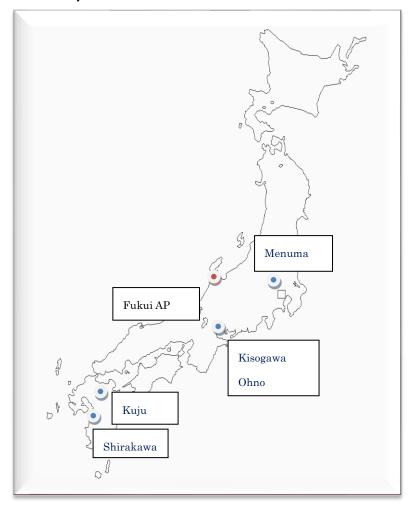
Apr.	Recruiting new member		
May	Training sessions for new entries		
Jun	Glider school for public		
Jul			
Aug	Ridge soaring matches at Mt. Kuju, Glider school for kids and the parents		
Sept	All Japan Jr. Students competition , Tokyo 6 university match		
Oct	Many local competitions held in this season.		
Nov			



Dec		
Jan		
Feb		
Mar	All Japan Students Glider Championship	
Other	Competitions, Instructor Training, CFI course, Glider Pilot course, Mechanics Course, Radio	
	Handling Training, Winch Tow Operator Training, Guests Flight Meetings	

## **List of Leaguer School, Airfield**

#### **Glider Port / Airfields**



Seibu			
(Kyushu)			
area			

Fukuoka, Kumamoto, Kumamoto Kenritsu, Kyushu, Kyushu Tech, Seinan Gakuin, Kitakyushu Shiritsu, NipponBunri, Suukei, Fukuoka Edu, Daiichi Tech (11)

2023 Act	Membership	No. of Gliders
Kanto area	474	83
Tokai area	87	12
Kansai	208	23
Seibu(Kyushu) area	87	11
Total	856	129

# Leaguer School

## Kanto area

Aoyama Gakuin, Chuo,
Hosei, kanto Gakuin,
Waseda, Gakushuin,
Gakushuin Women's,
Tokyo, Tokyo Tech,
Tokyo Rika, Tokyo Metropolitan, Tokai, Keio, Nippon,
Kogakuin, Rikkyo. SDF
Academy, Chiba Tech, Meiji,
Shinshu, Tohoku, Tokyo
Maritime, Keio High (23)

## Tokai area

Nagoya, Nagoya Tech, Nanzan, Meijyo, Aichigakuin, Gifu, Aichi Tech, Mie, Nakanihon Aviation High. (9)

## Kansai area

Doshisha, Kansai, KwanseiGakuin, Ritsumeikan, Osaka Furitsu, Osaka, Osaka Tech, Kobe, Kyoto Women's, Ryukoku, Fukui, Osaka Sangyo, Kyoto (13)

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