MEMORIAL HANS GUTMANN TOURIST RALLY 2016

Friday August 5th – Saturday August 13th, 2016

GEORGIA AND THE EUROPEAN CAUCASUS

Update March 30th 2016
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2016 RALLY – STATUS MARCH 30TH 2016
The month of August 2016 brings private pilots from near and far in Europe to the glorious skies of “Georgia and the European Caucasus”.

Like all of the Hans Gutmann memorial tours, this year’s edition of the “Georgia and the European Caucasus”, will incorporate mountains, deserts and National Parks, including some new destinations--as well as different slants on previous ones -- in Eastern Europe.

Pilots can either:
- Fly to Georgia, Europe with their own or club plane
- Rent a plane in Romania, Bulgaria (or Turkey) and fly from there to Georgia
- Rent a plane in Georgia (at least one C172 and one C182 available)
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<td>Friday 05 Aug</td>
<td>Anywhere in Europe</td>
<td>Jakabszállás – Hungary (LHJK) – wonderful private airport with hotel on the airfield</td>
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<td>Official starting point rally – welcome dinner – rally briefing</td>
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<td>Saturday 06 Aug</td>
<td>LHJK</td>
<td>Fuel stop at Sofia Bulgaria airport (LBSF) 300 NM– arrival in the afternoon at Tekirdağ Çorlu Airport (LTBU) 220NM - This is a military and public airport in Çorlu, west from Istanbul</td>
<td>530</td>
<td>Flight into Turkey. Overnight stay at Corlu Customs, AVGAS</td>
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<td>Sunday 07 Aug</td>
<td>LTBU</td>
<td>Samsun Carsamba airport (LTFH) refueling stop* - lunch at coastal/sea airport of Ordu Giresun airport (LTCB)* - Batumi Georgia (UGSB)</td>
<td>600</td>
<td>Flying along the black sea of Turkey - - arrival in subtropical Batumi- beach dinner</td>
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<td>Monday 08 Aug</td>
<td>UGSB</td>
<td>Natakhari airfield (UGSA)</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Arrival at the general aviation airfield north of the capital Tbilisi, which will be our home basis in Georgia</td>
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<td>Tuesday 09 Aug</td>
<td>UGSA</td>
<td>Local flight to Tblisi Georgia (UGTB) - Official welcome by Georgian Government authorities in the morning. A dedicated tourist program will be put in place covering all the Georgian highlights. Local flights to mountains and wine region. Details to be published. Farewell dinner on Sat Aug 13th – End of rally</td>
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<td>Sunday August 14</td>
<td>UGSA</td>
<td>Returning to anywhere in Europe</td>
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Sunday August 7

Samsun Carsamba airport (LTFH) refueling stop

Tekirdağ Çorlu Airport (LTBU)

coastal/sea airport of Ordu Giresun airport (LTCB)*

Batumi Georgia (UGSB)
YOUR RUNWAY TO ADVENTURE
From our hub nearby Tbilisi, Georgia pilots have options to either:

- Participate in the tourist program, which will be put together
- Discover the Georgian regions by plane
  - Svaneti and fly to the newly opened Mestia airport high in the Caucasus
  - Shkhara – the highest peak in Georgia at 5200 meter! and a part of the most beautiful and popular alpine climbing mountain chain – Bezengi
- Discover the Kakheti wine region in passing - landing in Telavi
- Discover sub tropical Batumi at the Georgian black sea coast
- Individual fly outs to Armenia and Azerbaijan
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EXPLORATION TOUR 2015
An exploration tour of Georgia was organized in August 2015 with all 4 members of the 2016 FAI organizing team.

We were welcomed by Georgian Minister of State for EU and NATO integration, Davit Bakradze, (Picture 1) who showed a profound interest to support general aviation in his country.

Meeting with Georgian Civil Aviation Agency officials (Picture 2), also showing commitment to help European pilots with practical issues.

Relations were developed with Serviceair Vanilla Sky airfield owner (Picture 3), who’s also owning the Natakhari general aviation airfield.

Contact established with Tbilisi int. Airport director.

Airfields of coastal Batumi, mountain airfield Mestia and wine region airfield Telavi as well as Tbilisi intl airport were visited from our base at Natakhari airfield (Vanilla Sky operations).

Tourist highlights and the famous cuisine of Tbilisi and Georgia were explored.

Contacts with the tourist board of Georgia were established, willingness to help.
Pic 1: our delegation was welcomed by Georgian State Minister Davit Bakradze in person and we discussed for more than an hour with him about general aviation topics. He is committed to actively support our 2016 rally to his country.

Pic 2: a fruitful meeting was held with the Georgian Civil aviation agency - willingness to support.

Pic 3: warmly welcomed by the owner Amiran of Service air and Vanilla Sky who is the first privately held company developing and promoting General Aviation in Georgia.
Natakhari airfield (33 km north of Tbilisi intl airport) from is an excellent and modern concept general aviation airport: it includes a restaurant, a hotel with swimming pool directly next to the tower.

Georgian cuisine is one the best and richest ones of the world

Runway - (10/28) 948mX18m;
Surface - cement concrete;
Taxiway - no1;
Rescue and Fire Fighting category - II;
No ICAO Code
Aerodrome used by Visual Flight Rules (VFR);
New Mestia airport

Georgia: there are palm trees in Batumi and the highest mountains and the most scenic views

Georgian has plenty of old Christian churches and monastries all over the country and its hospitality is legendary