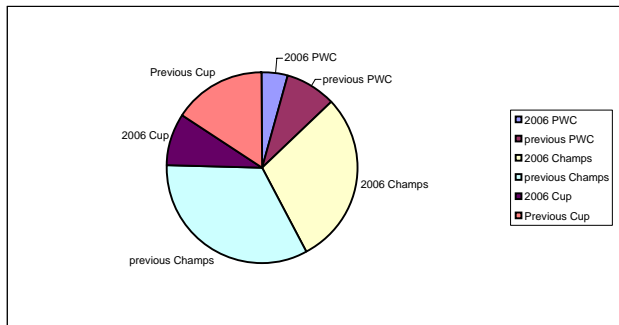


# BP Comps Pilot Survey 2006

<b>Live in the UK?</b>	no: 56	yes: 67	Tot: 123
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## Q1. What competitions do you do?

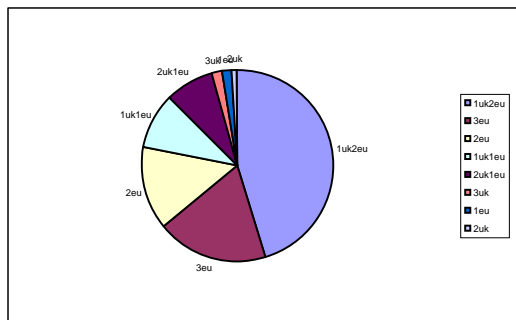
2006 PWC	12
previous PWC	23
2006 Champs	79
previous Champs	89
2006 Cup	24
Previous Cup	43
Others	tbd



## Q2. How many rounds would you like the British Champs to have ?

1uk2eu	54
3eu	22
2eu	17
1uk1eu	11
2uk1eu	10
3uk	2
1eu	2
2uk	1
1uk	0
tot	119

The majority like it the way it is with 1 UK round and 2 European rounds.



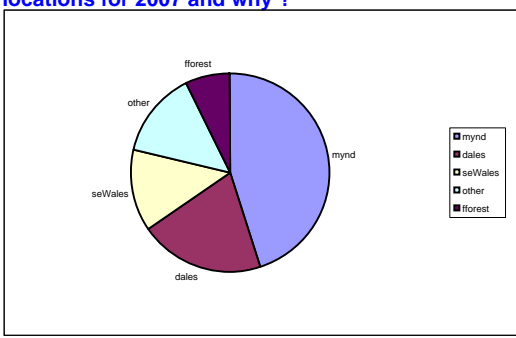
## Q3. Taking these factors into consideration, which would be your choice of UK locations for 2007 and why ?

mynd	44
dales	20
seWales	13
other	14
fforest	7
tot	91

Long Mynd is the most popular though the others are significant

others:  
Lakes, Peaks or Thames Valley  
Outside UK  
Long Mynd / Fforest Fields is almost the same venues  
joint Dales/Pennine/Lakes held at location near M6 ie Kendal  
Northern Ireland  
South Scotland  
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See below

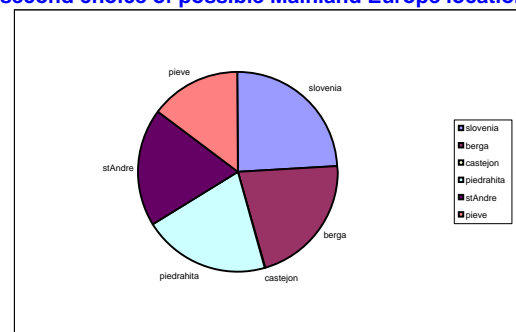


## Q4. Taking the above factors into consideration, which would be your first and second choice of possible Mainland Europe locations for 2007 and why ?

	1st	2nd	tot	tot
slovenia	31	26	57	57
berga	8	13	21	51
castejon	12	18	30	51
piedrahita	27	22	49	49
stAndre	27	18	45	45
pieve	15	20	35	35

All very close. Berga and Castejon the worst unless you lump them together as Pyrenees.

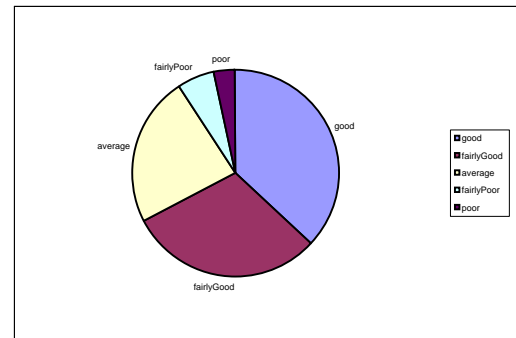
reasons are shown below



## Q6. Do you think the British Opens represent value for money?

good	44
fairlyGood	36
average	28
fairlyPoor	7
poor	4

People seem to be fairly happy.



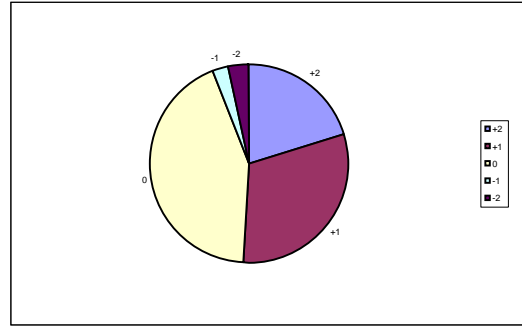
## Q7. If you had three wishes to improve our competitions, what would they be ?

see later

**For which of the following would you be prepared to pay more/less ?**

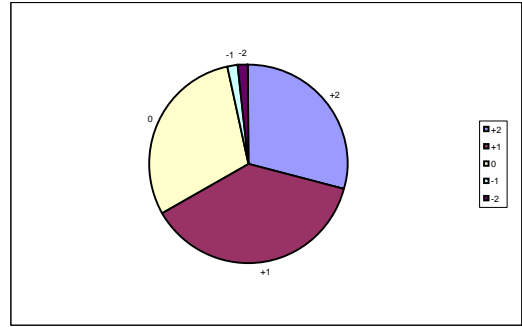
Transport to take off

+2	24
+1	36
0	51
-1	3
-2	4



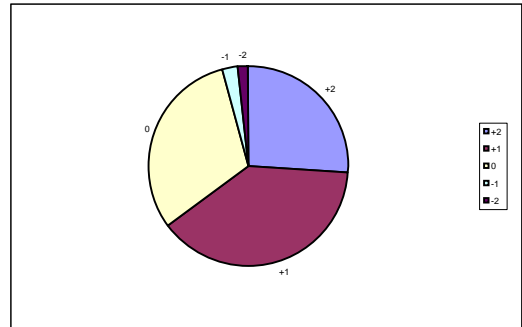
Retrieves

+2	35
+1	45
0	36
-1	2
-2	2



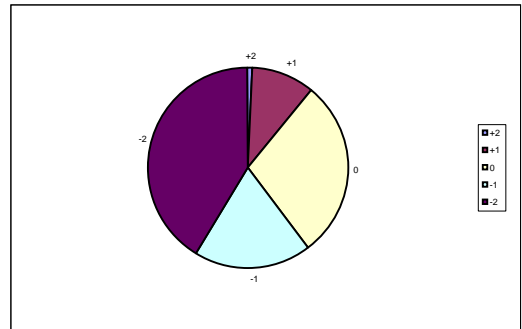
Ambulance and Paramedic

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+1	46
0	37
-1	3
-2	2



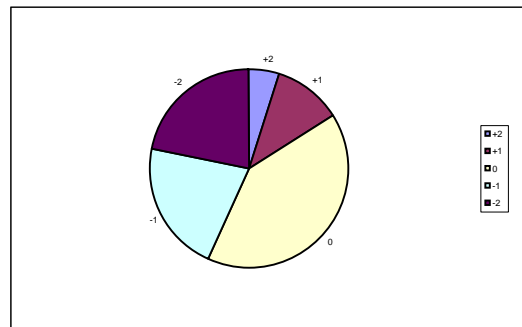
Wednesday party

+2	1
+1	12
0	34
-1	22
-2	49

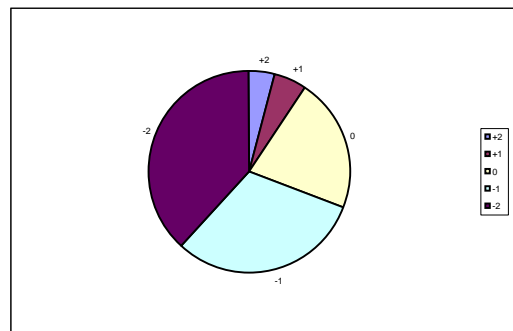


Saturday prize giving

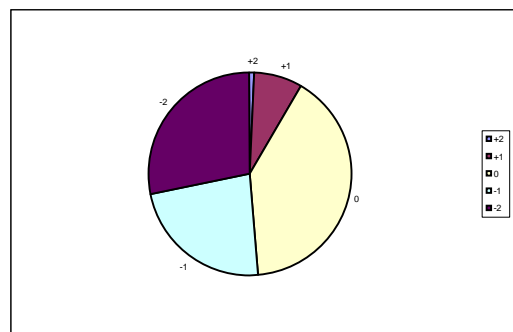
+2	6
+1	13
0	48
-1	25
-2	26



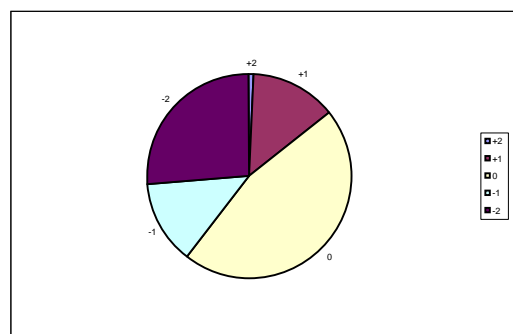
Event photography	
+2	5
+1	6
0	25
-1	36
-2	45



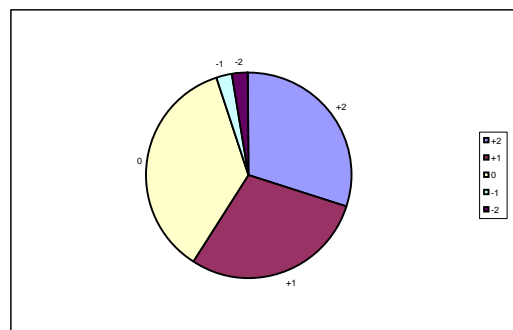
Trophies	
+2	1
+1	9
0	47
-1	27
-2	33



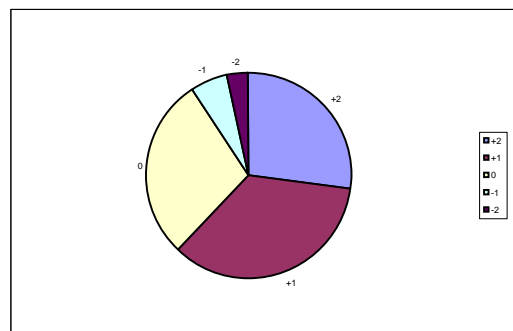
Competition T Shirt	
+2	1
+1	16
0	54
-1	16
-2	31



Dedicated meet director	
+2	35
+1	34
0	42
-1	3
-2	3



Marshalls	
+2	33
+1	42
0	35
-1	7
-2	4



**Other EU places visited this year**

Sopot Bulgaria

Pieve

Sierra Nevada granada

sopot, bulgaria

laragne

Dolomites in October would be awesome... Piedrahita is always good but maybe done to death?

Mayrhofen, Laragne, Bourg St Maurice

Bulgaria, Annecy,

Annecy

Northern French Alps, Greece

Annecy

Maybe somewhere in eastern Europe, Czech Republic!?

Annecy / Grd Bornand

Laragne

Poggio Bustone; Laragne

Larouco-Portugal

Kalavrita

Poggi bustone/italy, Greifenburg/austria

Grindelwald, Switzerland

La Clusaz near Annecy

Annecy, France

mayrhofen

Annecy

Mayrhofen !!!!!!!!

Austria, Germany or South Africa

Gd Bornand / La Clusaz

Laragne, France

Subasio/Castelluccio (Italy)

Annecy area

Mayerhoffen

Aiolia - Greece

austria , Zillertal

Myerhofen

mayrhofen

Larouco, Ager

Berga, Spain

tolmin

Castejon

Somewhere in flatlands (Berga? never heard of it).

Greece,Croatia, Serbia,Bulgaria,Turkey

ECHO VALLEY (80 KM far to Castejon (Spain)

	UK Venues	
Venue	other	Reason
dales		Its nearer to Scotland & while I think LM is fantastic I want to go somewhere else
dales		good range of sites, interest from them in having us. A change from usual uk sites.
dales		Somewhere dierent, big hills, no airspace worries, decent beer.
dales		Large sites for many wind directions
dales		Home turf and its as likely to be flyable in the Dales as anywhere else in the UK.
dales		Long Mynd is reliable but how many times have we set a task to Bridgenorth. The Dales may be worth a shot but would have to be early in the season May
dales		BPC proved that there were plenty of options for wind directions etc
dales		Because
dales		I haven't flown this area before.
dales		Somewhere different. Make sure its the best time of year for the location.
dales		I've never bin there and the foto's from de location looks great.
dales		SE Wales is a pit. Long Mynd is restricted on wind direction. Yorkshire Dales has been the 'best' XC area for 2006
dales		It was the best place to fly xc in the country this year.
dales		change from Wales
fforest		Excellent location: all wind directions covered, no airspace, can reasonably drive to SE Wales or Long Mynd if required.
fforest		Lots of hills taking all directions. 2nd choice is LM
fforest		Goo site for NW and light winds. Bache Hill also not too far away and big enough for the comp in SE. I east it's not too far to Pandy. Good big camping site.
fforest		Superb flying sites.Nice campsite
fforest		mid-wales is a mystery zone I would like to explore further. However I think there would need to be a retrieve system in this area as the road links are more complicated and hitch-hiking harder to do as well as there being litle public transport.
mynd		its the best site in the uk and has some great other sites.
mynd		Good site, and lots of other good sites nearby!
mynd		Not flown there for years
mynd		It's the only UK flying site I know.
mynd		It is the only one I know that has good xc potential.
mynd		It's the only place I know (and I love it!)
mynd		Previous success, good choice of sites.
mynd		Flying reliability & scope for task setting
mynd		Easy access to lots of sites, but only if proper camping sorted out, ie not just a field
mynd		centrally located, good task potential
mynd		Close to so many possibilities
mynd		Other sites nearby,If I could I would also choose f.fields
mynd		I know the site better !
mynd		Probably best chance of taskable conditions
mynd		Location
mynd		Flexibility and convenience
mynd		access for UK pilots
mynd		Reliability of conditions
mynd		Best UK XC Site
mynd		Most potential
mynd		Flying reliability and ease of retrieves
mynd		I don't fly much in the UK but really enjoyed the tasks there last year, having never flown there before. Thought Mark and his merry gang looked after us well too and if given another chance, things will be even better - like not running out of beer.
mynd		Central location
mynd		Flying reliability and best possibilities for all wind directions.
seWales		Every wind direction covered by an A1 flying site
seWales		Good range of sites.
seWales		Good choice of sites and good camping
seWales		every wind direction covered by a quality site
seWales		Good for flying that isnt only downwind.
seWales		perfect location in 2006,
seWales		Best choice of Sites, Most reliable for taskable XC's Adequate infrastrucures, stuff to do when it pisses it down... like it probably will !!
seWales		not too far, good flying area, good camping site. long mynd would be nice too
seWales		more available flying sites
seWales		Scope for tasks setting
other	none	not worth the money/risk to go there
other	No opinion	Haven't flown in UK before.
other		I don't know those spots and I surely can't come in UK to compet next year so I can't choose.
other		I have no idea. Never been there or flown there.
other	Lakes, Peaks or Thames Valley	
other	I pass this one	I will never go to uk for flying
other	Outside UK	I enter comps basically in Europe and America + Australia and do this because of flying reliability and the possibilly to get good tasks.
other	Long Mynd / Fforest Fields is almost the same venues	
other	Can't comment	Have only flown SE Wales.
other	joint Dales/Pennine/Lakes held at location near M6 ie Kendal	large choice of sites within 2hr drive, main road access close and available accomodation/nightlife in town
other	Northern Ireland	New UK location.Cheap travel.Wide choice of sites.
other	any	dont know flying in UK
other	spain	is near for me
other	South Scotland	High Quality Hills and weather that's no worse than anywhere else in Britain

	Europe venues choices
berga	its close by ,reliable and varied
berga	Flying reliability, Scope for tasks setting, Cost of getting there.
berga	Not been to these sites
berga	I like the Spanish flatlands.
berga	I like the pyrenees
berga	Reliable flying
berga	reliable weather
berga	Good site. Works well. Big
berga	less travelling
berga	Somewhere new but known well in international comps
berga	Nice friendly area.
berga	Good conditions and lots of tasks
berga	Excellent flying
berga	its a place where you always can fly (fermals)
berga	Like to try a new country
berga	Big mountain but still safe
berga	Haven't been there but sounds good.
castejon	Cool lying
castejon	good racing flying in fantastic mountains
castejon	Cracking flying and lovely place
castejon	real montain flight, wondrefull take-off and good conditions
castejon	favourable reports from previous round held there
castejon	the palce is very good for paraglaging
castejon	Good flying conditions. Nice mountains.
castejon	was fun last time
castejon	Same type as Ager, which was a geat place for comps.
castejon	Reliable, good flying
castejon	See the reasons in the first choice.
castejon	It's a classic
castejon	More Advanced flying, weather more reliable
castejon	race in big mountains
castejon	Flatland...Somewhere well known and enjoyed for its reliable and safe (so long as you show respect and fly a gider within your skill) flying
castejon	perfect xc potential with fast retrieve.a little bit dry.
castejon	It seems to suit me
castejon	havent flown here
castejon	I heards good things about the flying there
castejon	Because I live here and is a beautiful and fantastic place to fly
castejon	Good flying conditions. Nice mountains.
castejon	Castejon is a very good place for race.
piejarahita	less travelling for me. As I assume we will have to do 2 foreign events. in the likelihood of only 1 event abroad, I would choose differently
piejarahita	Reliable flying and easy retrieves
piejarahita	You have to know that my choices are strategical. For a lot of reason and factors above I absolutly want an event in Spain... So I vote for the two most popular location in order to "assure" at least one of them. In fact my really choice is to do one event in Spain on a really well know spot (don't mind where exacty), and the other one in another original place: I rather prefer Italia.
piejarahita	Location, the flying safety relative good in flatlands, climate
piejarahita	Generally reliable conditions and a good,known infrastructure
piejarahita	have not been to these places, heard they are good and offer contrasting sites
piejarahita	Time taken to get there
piejarahita	Some kind of flying guaranteee looking the past years,
piejarahita	I like Piedrahita
piejarahita	Reliable, flatland flying
piejarahita	I know it
piejarahita	BIG tasks, awsome summer skies, easy retrieve, nice town. Love it.
piejarahita	One of the best places in the world
piejarahita	such a nice place to fly,and the people really like us
piejarahita	Consistent weather nice town
piejarahita	Strong thermals and flatlands
piejarahita	reliable and consistently get some memorable days
piejarahita	Previous good experiences.
piejarahita	Been there, great place to fly when it's good weather
piejarahita	Like flying there.
piejarahita	Great site but very unreliable at times. Used to be my local site. KOBARID is a much better option for a comp although Tolmin for XC.
piejarahita	Reliability of weather. Quality of tasks. Like to fly the Dolomites.
piejarahita	big flying on big days like everywhere
piejarahita	Somewhere new
piejarahita	Somewhere I havent flown yet
piejarahita	I chose Piedrahita as my second option as i believe that this basically a flatland flying area and along with my first choice and a UK round gives a full spread of the diferent types of flying and therefore a varied and fairer overall competition series
piejarahita	flights bigger
piejarahita	Been there and saw it could be good but weather was bad.
piejarahita	Reliability of quality flying
piejarahita	i flew well there
piejarahita	In Piedrahita is very safe the fly, and is possible to do records of Europe, of distance and speed-
pieve	Flying reliability, racing tasks or those racers
pieve	Reliable site weatherwise; good infrastructure for retrieval by car.
pieve	Never been there bur heard good things.
pieve	Would love to fly in Northern Italy.
pieve	Italian food & wine
pieve	The tjeck have had good comps there with very long tasks. Very good food in italy
pieve	This is a great place with lots of good task possibilities and it is a safe place.
pieve	long race tasks, good reliable wether
pieve	Fast racing tasks,easy retrieves
pieve	amazing landscapes
pieve	its nice consistant fast flying, with good pizza
pieve	long racing tasks & great pizza!
pieve	Well, I love it.
pieve	same
pieve	Would like to fly Tolmin.
pieve	very nice flying, climate bit less in summer
pieve	spain always good weather almost. I have never been in berga so nice to se something new if I can go
pieve	Place got a good recomendation.
pieve	Cheap to get to, great flying, beautiful
pieve	Reliable.
pieve	Big tasks,Good value
pieve	Stunning scenery
pieve	somewhere new, good value
pieve	I heard a lot about this Beautiful country that i have never visited till know

slovenia	Always wanted to fly there
slovenia	Somewhere known and reliably, easy retrieves etc.
slovenia	Because it's huge potential and reliable
slovenia	Curiosity, I've never been there.
slovenia	Not been there before
slovenia	It seems very racey. We need to go the areas which allow for racing
slovenia	Looks and sounds good flying from all reports I've seen
slovenia	I'd like to go there
slovenia	Have flown there great flying, but weather?
slovenia	Never been there
slovenia	Not been but sounds good
slovenia	Mayrhofens not on list
slovenia	Location and further vacation desinations
slovenia	not been there!
slovenia	Hills / mountains, Somewhere new
slovenia	Great flying and big valley for retrieves
slovenia	best spot in europe.nice friendly and superb region.cheap and still a paradies.
slovenia	Fantastic country and well set up for paragliding
slovenia	Great for Brits abroad. Reasonble flight costs and acceses, good for fast tasking.. good sites sizeable,, make sure you get good transport up the hill. logistics need some care and organisation. Retrieves good. New place to many... Both big greann ridges, wide valley crssings, good predictable sources, big mountains if ya want em... VV good socials and opts for other activities in area... not oo expensive ..yet.
slovenia	I know and love the area
slovenia	Slovenia is amazing, is cheap, the people friendly and is possible to fly long distances or other interesting tasks
slovenia	Somewhere new for the comp and still alpine type flying and contrasts with my second choice
slovenia	Not been there and heard it's good.
slovenia	Its my country i dont have to move much and a good oporunity for foreign pilots to know how Greece is \"flying\"
slovenia	new place
slovenia	I like going to new places. Many pilots know the other sites as well as their local hills.
slovenia	landed there this year and it also looks a great place.
slovenia	heard nice things about Slovenia
slovenia	Not flown any of the others!
slovenia	Would like to fly the southern Alps.
slovenia	Not been there before
slovenia	Never been there!
slovenia	Never flown there before, heard it was great
slovenia	Mayrhofens not on list
slovenia	Reasonably consistent weather, good XC possibilities
slovenia	reliability of conditions and location
slovenia	similar area last year was good flying
slovenia	same as the first one.
slovenia	Often flatland flying in Piedrahita, so good combination with proper mountain flying
slovenia	Also excellent xc potential.
slovenia	I've never been there!
slovenia	good to race
slovenia	Somewhere new in a competition context would be beneficial
slovenia	the only other place i know from the selection
stAndre	best competition site in the world
stAndre	It is a new location for me with a good reputation
stAndre	not been there and hear its good.
stAndre	reliable flying
stAndre	Never been there, heard good things
stAndre	Great location, World Championship already settled there.
stAndre	Never been there and quite easy to reach, I understood.
stAndre	Quality of flying.
stAndre	Good area, weather seems to be good for a long period, except the mistral
stAndre	Really good flying and good options
stAndre	Liked it in 2004, would like to fly there again
stAndre	Best flying in the alps, proven over the years. Best early in the season.
stAndre	Good experiences in the past - many options for different conditions
stAndre	It's been a while since last one held there and the flying is epic
stAndre	Well Known, well established
stAndre	excellent flying roures in all directions with goal at St Andre for easy retrieve
stAndre	Tried & tested
stAndre	Excellent xc potential.
stAndre	reliable strong racing conditions
stAndre	mountains
stAndre	reliability, cheap to get there, mountain flying, big launches- no queueing
stAndre	Never flown there / have heard conditions are excellent - better than Piedrahita
stAndre	Always wanted to fly here also
stAndre	Consistently yeilds a decent comp
stAndre	French wine & food (I'm sick of tapas)
stAndre	Offers varied route choices over great terrain
stAndre	Time taken to get there
stAndre	Great country to fly
stAndre	Great mountain flying, nice for the GB comp to go somewhere new. Cheap beer and Sam will put on a great party.
stAndre	established site, has previous experience of rounds held there
stAndre	I don't know it
stAndre	Don't know the place but it is something different from the norm.
stAndre	weather
stAndre	new place
stAndre	best place to race
	Beautiful place, amazing flying, problems at 2004 Euros could be rectified and locals would, I am sure, be delighted to help us do just that. Army might do retrieves again.
	because it was one of the best comps i ever fly to
	New site - never flow there and heard it is good.
	I haven't flown this area. so something new.
	have not been there!
	Cos its wicked !!

Wish1 results to get to the webmaster faster  
Wish1 4000m + cloudbase  
Wish1 Dropping tasks 1/4 that kind of thing  
Wish1 Me winning (or doesn't that count?). Cheaper - how much did you say the Spanish champs are?  
Wish1 less of them  
Wish1 dropping tasks for the championship  
Wish1 I would like to see some sort of mentoring program or new pilots. Maybe nothing to be organized but some of the top pilots aren't that bothered or the team comp they could be in a 'club' team and help the less experienced pilots with task planning etc.  
Wish1 Reliable weather! For BPCup this could mean traveling further to take off to find the best location.  
Wish1 bikini clad girls on take off  
Wish1 That i win!! Sorry they're just fine with me how they are.  
Wish1 The ability to drop tasks if enough are flown, this promotes racing instead of cagey XC rambling, the Austrians do this as do the PWC, it depends if we as a nation ever want to have a chance of competing against the Alpine nations.  
Wish1 Can't think of any - all the proper competitions I have been to over the years have been excellently run and offered good value for money. As a mostly crappy pilot, I appreciate the bus that picks up people that don't make goal all the time! Whilst I don't expect it to have reclining seats and a DVD player, I'd be busted with out it :-)) I am not experienced enough to offer any serious flying suggestions.  
Wish1 Better support for visiting pilots who travel from afar. Nicki was not helpful when it came to helping me get from Barcelona to Ager  
Wish1 Safety team not competitors  
Wish1 I wish that all the locations we'll go have a "main camp" (kind of "competition tow") where all the competitors sleep, eat and drink together... Just like in Ager. I really think that a great problem at Larouco was that the pilots were't all together. That kind of competition must stay a permanent kind of party and an exangng place!! It's also easier for the organisation. And that's will be perfect if that "main camp" is at the landing field. (The perfect example was Ager, that was so great!). I wish all the competition happens in the same configuration: Camp with all the pilots at the landing field!!  
Wish1 Less long and in combination with other countries. This way you could participate different competitions in one week. Then you have more variance. I love participating in the combination British and Dutch. But two week is too much.  
Wish1 To be honest, I'm more the less happy with the UK comps. When you've ever joined a german comp, you're satisfied easily;-) You're doing a good job!!  
Wish1 Block booked pilot accommodation, makes it easier for pilots just to sign up to it an everyone's happy because they're in the same hotel  
Wish1 The dates can be in July and August as I am a school teacher.  
Wish1 Keep up the good work!  
Wish1 Less complaining by pilots who do not help with the organising. Most people have something to offer and should be told this when they first become involved. If not offering help or solutions then don't complain.  
Wish1 Can you ban asshole pilots?  
Wish1 Task discards.  
Wish1 Dropping Tasks  
Wish1 Check in with your tracklog from the bar via email (if GPRS / internet).  
Wish1 Dates and venues agreed and published further in advance, also notification that you have been accepted. This aids with planning and getting cheaper air fares.  
Wish1 cheaper, it to expensive.  
Wish1 more competitions in Portugal  
Wish1 More sponsorship, day prizes are fun and keep the sponsors profile up.  
Wish1 A web space linked to comp page for use of pilots wishing coordinate transport sharing to foreign locations and accommodation.  
Wish1 They are already very good  
Wish1 Stop threatening to penalize people if they don't show up for briefings / turn the wrong way / fly in clouds etc. One warning should be enough, then follow through and apply the appropriate penalties. Otherwise the whole thing becomes a joke.  
Wish1 Somehow attract a younger set of pilots. I think unless we get younger pilots off for competing in our sport we will be a bunch of sad old buggers within 10 years. Why don't we offer 5 places free of charge to first timers in the comp?  
Wish1 Better and faster retrievals  
Wish1 rounds would take place outside of peak holiday times [especially august] - dates would be circulated asap in order to permit booking of leave for comp weeks  
Wish1 Calvo remains in charge.  
Wish1 That the BP cup was not organised around everything else, its not for people who go to the top competitions and should be as accesable as poss.  
Wish1 Make sure Calvo does not leave  
Wish1 Transport to the venue e.g. Barajas to Piedrahita would be nice if the cost were realistic.  
Wish1 never ever a comp in AGER or similar areas again,  
Wish1 Back to back comps with a two day break between each comp. This allows for planning and travel expenses etc  
Wish1 retrieve system always - even in UK  
Wish1 Have enough transport to get everyone to launch  
Wish1 Comps run Sunday to Saturday. To enable travel out on Saturday and return on Sunday. This makes better use of Holidays for those of us with 9 to 5 jobs and limited leave.  
  
Wish1 I really can't comment, I've only done one (Piedrahita, 2005), and thought it was excellently run, great flying, and very rewarding.  
Wish1 Excellent Job. Thanks!!  
Wish1 equip the retrieve drivers with; tom tom navigator type equipment to aid retrieve, dedicated vehicle radio / antenna's, plenty of good quality local maps and a gps (and teach them to use the gps!) this would speed up retrieve and make everyone's time better.  
Wish1 The ability to drop one bad result during the series, encourage racing.  
Wish1 Run a good budget. Be wary of places that need a big retrieve budget. More cash prizes - especially serial... British Serial Champion should be a title that is recognised across Europe.  
Wish1 Your doing good, keep up the good work!  
Wish1 More relaxed atmosphere (as found in other comps I've been to) Unsportsman like behaviour in Portugal launch should be punished - no points. Lets encourage newcomers - like me!  
Wish1 come back to zillervally, austria  
Wish1 shadow at takeoff, water and food at to,  
Wish1 I wish the meet director had a bit more hair.  
Wish1 Distinct Categories of Glider with 1st, 2nd and 3rd places awarded in each category  
Wish1 More enthusiasm and interest in and understanding with the newer pilots coming into the competitions.  
Wish1 Keep on going as you are. The comps are the highlight of my year: Fantastically organised, challenging flying and a great atmosphere. It's hard to imagine a more enjoyable way to celebrate our sport and meet so many adventurous people.  
Wish1 Bit difficult to think of anything - maybe the word paragliding on the trophies and t-shirts.  
Wish1 More elapsed time tasks  
Wish1 Make the briefings ON TIME  
Wish1 Perfect weather every taskable day...!  
Wish1 keep it simple  
Wish1 retrievals in the UK events  
Wish1 "Calvo" Burns eternal comp director  
Wish1 dedicated organisers, like "Calvo" for example.  
Wish1 After doing a full series for the first time last year i thought the effort put in by the organisers and Marshalls was superb. so my only wish would be for more mashalls so the few that are there are not working their Bo\*\*\*\*ks off every day.  
Wish1 get the dates out quicker all my colluges at work have now booked there leave for next year before i even know what i need . i will have to beg borrow and steal to try and get time off. we can't all take time off at the drop of a hat, and again i doubt i'll be able to do all the comps.  
Wish1 on days when flying is unlikely, the day should be canned a.s.a.p. i appreciate that this is a difficult call, but personally i would prefer to risk missing a bit of flying, and have a chance to go and do something in the area.  
Wish1 Guaranteed retrieve (especially in Wales!)  
Wish1 That the UK leg(s) were a week long.  
Wish1 I have never been to any so i can't tell you  
Wish1 Longer tasks.  
Wish1 I have always enjoyed the British Opens, although travelling and competing from South Africa is always expensive. So if there was a way to reduce the cost, but obviously keep the same standard, it would be great.  
Wish1 lunch  
Wish1 Much more effort being put into making it a learning experience for the majority of the competitors. The arrangements at the Chabre OPen which have been demonstrated to be hugely popular should be followed. The pre and post task briefings by an experienced pilot are extremely valuable in being able to discuss both the best methods of attempting the task and making it safer by highlighting the main hazards. I avoided the 2006 Championship because having competed in 2003, 2004 and 2005 I realised I had learned very little from them, given the commitment required.  
Wish1 less bureaucracy at registration



Wish2 enough profit to keep the organisers in beer for the week  
 Wish2 8m/s+ thermals  
 Wish2 2 events instead o 3. Less meets but higher proile or each event. Gives Top pilots more chance to do PWCs etc which will help them improve more than doing the Champs.

Wish2 Not the same places every other year (ie no to Piedrahita in 2007 as we were there in 2005)  
 Wish2 If we have 2 foreign events, then nearby and back to back to reduce costs. ie, Italy and Slovenia, are close,so could be runwith a day between. or Castejon and Berga or Piedrahita also.

Wish2 cost less  
 Wish2 For me titles are everything and trophies aren't that important. Those pilots winning probably have loads o them cluttering up space, let's save money on trophies and put the money on the placings.Let's see people race when there's £1000 riding on the event!  
 Wish2 Consistently good meet directors. Recent experience has been good. Unlike a few years ago.  
 Wish2 more bikini clad girls on take off  
 Wish2 That it didn't take up all my time, money and life, but that's unchangeable!!!!!!!  
 Wish2 Keep Calvo! Or Xavier!  
 Wish2 Competitors learn how to core a thermal before entry  
 Wish2 My Second wish is to keep a great organisation like in 2006. Portugal was greatly original and exciting but organisation wasn't as good as in Ager. A balance has to be found: originality / organisation skills. For example it's true that Piedrahita isn't original at all for a British open... But at least we're sure to have a great organisation there (and maybe cheaper... see my wish #3).It's just the same in Castejon. I also think that last year the "attemp" was't so bad at all: One event in a new place (Portugal), and the last one to choose a winner in a place with a really perfect organisation (very well known place like Ager). I wish you do the same"thing" in 2007. Just work a little bit more in the "main organisation" when we are at the new place (Portugal, Italia Slovénia or other). And on the "task originality" when we are at a well known place with a perfect organisation (Ager Piedrahita Castejon Berga St André).

Wish2 Turnpoint files available to upload to your GPS before the comp. Its less hassle for the marshals. Although there may be the ability to cheat by doing this.  
 Wish2 First comp day on sunday and the last one on saturday. Gives us saturday and sunday for travelling to comp location and back home again.  
 Wish2 Increasing no of marshalls and equipment every year. Is this really needed?  
 Wish2 Short debrief from task winners on previous days successful strategy.  
 Wish2 Less meets with better pre-planning and perhaps longer meets  
 Wish2 Colour printout of glider photos & pilot names so you can catch up afterwards.Wind dummy prizes?  
 Wish2 Organize free camp. like the czech guy's the offer the same comp, with free camp for only 125 euro.  
 Wish2 retrievals more efficient, the pilots that land in goal shouldn't have to wait for the other retrievals, the bus should already be waiting for them in the goal area  
 Wish2 Have a summary of the previous task - a horse race are very interesting to see how important local knowledge is, decision making by the leaders etc.  
 Wish2 Would like some new foreign sites considered. have suggested Kalavrita because we could get some great flying and help them move on from the fiascos at the 2004 Euros. I think, Tolmin has a reputation for being wet, but there must be others that could be scouted.  
 Wish2 keep the same level and not start to take it to easy  
 Wish2 Make safety briefings that contain relevant and specific information about the area we're flying in. And present that information in a clear and concise way. That may get people actually pay attention.Mumbling in rapid fire some common sense issues ("when was your reserve last packed?" etc.) doesn't, in my opinion.

Wish2 At the morning 9am briefing ask the previous days task winner to explain how they won. This reall will help to get the whole field thinking of racing rather than just getting round the course.

Wish2 Longer tasks  
 Wish2 during rounds [where possible] earlier take-off would be permitted [rather than not being able to fly when it is 'flyable' due to awaiting the take-off window]  
 Wish2 All during school holidays.  
 Wish2 That the BP cup held at least some of the rounds during school hols, with a 4 day comp in summer hols.  
 Wish2 Always try at least one new site location each year  
 Wish2 More recognition of the fine work that the marshalls do.  
 Wish2 another comp in Mayrhofen  
 Wish2 A back to back comp  
 Wish2 few more 'placed' Sports class 'winners'  
 Wish2 More detail be given on availability of local accomodation and budget travel to the location from the UK.  
 Wish2 select sites with large take off areas as queing is the only factor that makes the competitions unfair.  
 Wish2 Competing pilots should be given the opportunity to be able to listen (but not speak or disturb) whilst the task setting committee do their stuff. It all seems very secretive.

Wish2 Know the rulebook. Apply it. But don't overdo the lecturing. Get the fun back in. Smile more.  
 Wish2 Forget the lunch, they are mostly not healthy for sportpeople. Then you can lower the fee (thats a little wish)  
 Wish2 Reduced cost (why is cost higher than other opens?)  
 Wish2 organised BBQ  
 Wish2 Assistance for pilots 'new' to the event - many have no idea about the competition venue, accomodation possibilities, general competition arrangements etc  
 Wish2 If we're flying a task over terrain with few roads, more retrieve vehicles would be nice -there were a couple of really long waits this year.  
 Wish2 packed lunches provided!  
 Wish2 Make the prizegiving ON TIME  
 Wish2 Use the May and August Bank Holidays to reduce time off work.  
 Wish2 keep it cheap  
 Wish2 talks by the top pilots in the evenings  
 Wish2 A reserve day. It is good to have 4 days at least.  
 Wish2 a reserve weekend/week (in Britain) due to the weather, will not be possible overseas.  
 Wish2 Bring in the dropping of tasks, its a attendance event at the moment and racing is not rewarded.  
 Wish2 basically everything else seems very good  
 Wish2 They be run on a break even basis with no income generation for British team.  
 Wish2 That the foreign legs weren't always in places with such strong conditions that only those pros confident and current enough (or others mad enough) can get the most out of comp wings.

Wish2 Why not have one of your legs in SA - it would be cheaper (for everyone) and I believe and excellent comp could be held at one of our larger sites - would be prepared to help set it up.

Wish2 bikini girls  
 Wish2 Less elitism.

Wish3 no accidents  
Wish3 Make a Manufacturer "team" prize best 3 "so and so" gliders regardless i there are fun teams as well  
Wish3 Pay the webmaster so that the results go on the web for those at home to follow the action (Lu telling me to write that)  
Wish3 More totty.  
Wish3 All comp track logs on a website to allow post comp analysis.  
Wish3 topless girls on take off  
Wish3 More sexy barmaids in the evenings  
Wish3 Just a little bit less expensive and that's perfect. Sorry for my poor English guys. See you soon.  
Wish3 Sports class placings results for CEN B & C wings (up to DHV2). I don't want to fragment the competition but there's a fair difference in performance between these and the comp wings. Its good to know where you stand against your peers. No prizes or extra sponsorship necessary just a results sheet.  
Wish3 Manufacturer scores.... Best three Gin. Gradient, Advance whatever.  
Wish3 Some FAI triangle tasks? Dave Prior or Jocky as MD - or anyone with a sense of humour.  
Wish3 less entry fee  
Wish3 Otherwise, I think y'all do a fab job.  
Wish3 place them in a time when I am free so I can go:-)  
Wish3 No more wishes, you're doing great! Looking forward to some British Opens in 2007!  
Wish3 On the first evening why not get a local to give some insightful talk about how the area works. This will be really useful for foreign legs where many pilots arrive with no time to practice.  
Wish3 ippi-5 pilot-rated entry to british cahmpionships would be permitted  
Wish3 Continued/Improved handicap system so the winner doesn't have to risk their life flying a dodgy glider.  
Wish3 Keep one comp leg in the uk, we known the weather is a little pants some times but a UK comp should have a UK leg  
Wish3 How about encouraging teams to take on one or two newcomers/also-rans to give them some support and encouragement?  
Wish3 competent task commitees like in Piedrahita,  
Wish3 A back to back comp  
Wish3 more daily prizes - even if small/nominal in monetary value  
Wish3 The word Paragliding be added to the comp T shirt logo so people stop asking where I play golf.  
Wish3 pack lunches were excellent! more please!  
Wish3 Pilots turn up to briefings on time!  
Wish3 Make it attractive for more women.  
Wish3 I can't come to the third one, your doing a good job. I Like to compeed the british and I'm joining the club in 2007!  
Wish3 more efficient retrieve system. I think this would apply to Portugal though noit Spain so much.  
Wish3 video from the event  
Wish3 Absolute adherence to the rules of the competition - no ambiguity, no exemptions, no favours, no shying away from the 'delicate' descisions - a perfectly level playing field for all  
  
Wish3 More beer  
Wish3 able to drop score from 1 task in the comp  
Wish3 The pilots compete to have fun, I wish Calvo would remember this.  
Wish3 Full Media and TV coverage to entice sponsors and give it all a big boost..  
Wish3 get your team selection critiria nailed down  
Wish3 high pressure system with low winds and high cloud bases throughout the week :)  
Wish3 Best retrieval system  
Wish3 lottery win  
Wish3 Better media coverage and sponsorship.  
Wish3 Can't think of one. Last year's UK Open, the only one I attended was great, and that's not just because I won it!  
Wish3 prize money