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The most important glider manufacturers and suppliers were in attendance – in 2026, the trade fair will once again be without gliders.
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The journey through Iran, Afghanistan, and over the Karakorum Highway to Pakistan was a hellish trip – the flight over K2 was like riding through heaven.
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You can't just pull a 2,011 km flight out of your sleeve; in addition to a lot of experience, it requires precise preparation.
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Cumulus clouds increase the humidity difference below the cloud, creating better thermals.
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Belgium appears to be an impenetrable jungle of overlapping airspaces – but at weekends the airspace is often uncontrolled and free up to FL 75.
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The sun sets over the desert quite suddenly – so the final approach after a long flight in Namibia has to be spot on.
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Our author tested the popular two-seater. His conclusion: ideal for long-distance training.
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The first three months of the sports promotion group's program have flown by.
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The accident shows how several factors contributed to the pilot becoming overwhelmed and ultimately rashing the aircraft.
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A look back at the gliding camp in Fayence, which has become a highlight for young glider pilots.
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The LOM 57/1 is flying again – after ten years reconstruction, the dragonfly is back in the air.
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Safety, support, and camaraderie promote community spirit in your club.
- 82 **The optimal winch launch, part 3**
What influence do wing area and cable weight have?
- 88 **And always, always keep your nose on the outer wing tip.**
... at least that's the standard instruction for flying in formation behind a tow plane.
- 92 **Otto Lilienthal's legacy**
In 1894, the first two gliding clubs were founded to take off with Lilienthal's "sailing apparatus."