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BGA 2011 Waypoint List Published.

The 2011 version of the BGA list of Waypoints and Sites of BGA Member Clubs was published on 20 March. The definitive BGA list including latest updates and any 'Stop Press' items can be accessed through a link from: www.gliding.co.uk/bgainfo/competitions/news.htm (dated 21st March 2011). The list can also be read directly at: www.spsys.demon.co.uk/turningpoints.htm

The formats available include MS Excel which allows WPs to be sorted in order of N/S, E/W or the nearest major main feature, or anything else.

Changes this year include Colsterworth (CSW) because the roundabout has been replaced by a bridge about 300m to the South, to which the BGA point has been re-plotted. The Sherington Club have changed their site datum (Code EDG), and Blenheim (BLE) has been moved to a junction to the North, away from the Oxford/Kidlington ATZ.

There are now some Commercial Air Transport movements at Oxford, so keep a good lookout for them when flying in this area. The main ILS pattern is from the North towards runway 19. For this reason the previous BGA WP at Heyford (HEY) has been deleted.

Other deletions due to Airfield Traffic Zones are Brackley NE (BRA), Dundee (DDE), Fareham (FAH), Ilminster (ILM), Nottingham W (NTW), and Welshpool (WPL) although a new WP Welshpool NE (WNE) has been created.

Additions have been made in the areas of Bicester, Dumfries, Edgehill, Talgarth, and due to the closure of RAF Cottesmore there are new WPs between Oakham and SE of Grantham. There are also new ridge soaring points near Bath Racecourse, Maidstone and Middlesborough.

In sum, 18 new WPs have been added and there are now 1216 WPs in the BGA list. Please use them and tell myself or Tim if you see any errors, or wish to add a new point for genuine soaring reasons. Email me at ian@ukiws.demon.co.uk or Tim Newport-Peace on tnp@spsys.demon.co.uk.

Finally, if you want to download a complete BGA list in formats suitable for many types of Flight Recorder, go to:

www.spsys.demon.co.uk/tpselect.htm

or, for worldwide Waypoints:

<http://soaringweb.org/TP>

Good soaring in 2011!

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