

Christmas Round Robin
To all members and friends of Heli-Team Austria

2011 is drawing to a close and I would like to take this opportunity to look back over the year but also to hazard a guess at the future.

2011 was a positive year for the Heli-Team Austria, with a noticeable upward trend:

1. After a protracted period of consultation, the Austrian Army finally decided to continue the involvement of military crews with the Heli-Team Austria for the period 2011/2012.

Our top team, Günther Kremlicka, Gerd Luxbauer and Holger Thimet were withdrawn by the military and would therefore not be able to participate in the next world championships 2012 in Russia. However, at the beginning of 2011, two teams from the multipurpose helicopter squadron in Langenlebarn were established, flying the OH-58, thus filling the gap.

Welcome to the crews **Christian Kappl / Paulo Gutscher / Thomas Pribasnig** and **Josef Kern / Armin Taucher / Markus Giritzer and Martin Weghofer !**

There was also a positive trend to be noted among the civilian teams and among the judges. Heli-Team Austria now has a total of 28 members!