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World Scouting Leader Sets Record

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Steve Fossett has set the "last great aviation record" by piloting an airplane alone around the world without refueling or stopping.

Thursday, 3 March, he landed in Salina at about 19:50 GMT.

Monday, February 28, Steve Fossett took off from Salina, Kansas to begin his journey toward Europe and the Middle East, over Asia and the Pacific, and back to Kansas. The flight is expected to take about 70 hours.



Scouts around the world are proud to see him displaying the World Scout emblem on his plane, and they are cheering him on! Steve is an elected member of the World Scout Committee of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

Visit GlobalFlyer.com site.

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*Geneva, World Scout Bureau, 1st March 2005 -???*I think that each record I break is like earning a new and higher Scout award? Steve Fossett declared recently. He is always keen to underline the importance of Scouting in his life, and his attachment to the Scout Movement, one of the supporters of his latest challenge to circumnavigate the globe alone in about 60 hours.

His main sponsor and partner in the Virgin Atlantic GlobalFlyer Challenge, Sir Richard Branson, was also a Scout, in the United Kingdom.

Steve Fossett is an elected member of the World Scout Committee. Like Neil Amstrong, the first man to land on the moon, he too was an Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America.

His reserved smile hides an eagerness to set new challenges for himself, serving as an example to the 28 million young people in the Movement founded by Baden-Powell.

Steve Fossett is the patron of the new programme 'Scouts of the World', an initiative to help young people meet the challenges of sustainable development, as identified within the Millennium Declaration of the United Nations.



Geneva, Switzerland, 3 March 2005 -Scouts around the world are proud of the new records set by Steve Fossett with GlobalFlyer, which displayed the Scout emblem on the cockpit. Scouting has a special place among the sponsors' emblems because of Scouting's importance in his personal development. "Each record I set is like I have earned a new Scout badge. I was a Scout when I climbed my first mountain," Steve said.

Today, Steve is an elected member of the World Scout Committee, the board of the World Scout Organization which includes more than 28-million members - girls and boys - worldwide.

"Steve has demonstrated that self confidence can take one far, to continue to explore the limits of science, technology and human character," said Dr. Marie-Louise Correa, Chairman of the World Scout Committee. "This is more than just a new record by Steve Fossett and a former Scout, it opens new horizons in aeronautics and how we view the world."

Note to the editors:

- Steve Fossett's circumnavigation: [official site](#)

-Scouting is a world movement which operates at the local community level thanks to the action of groups of young people and adult volunteers supported and coordinated by their national Scout organizations. The Movement is active in some 215 countries and territories, where it offers educational programmes that meet young people's social needs and aspirations. Scouting is a partner of the United Nations and other global and local organizations, and acts in favour of peace and sustainable development.

-The World Scout Committee is the statutory body steering the World Organization of the Scout Movement, elected every three years by the World Scout Conference. Steve Fossett is a member since 2002.

-Based in Geneva since 1969, the World Scout Bureau is the executive secretariat of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), which has had consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations since 1947.