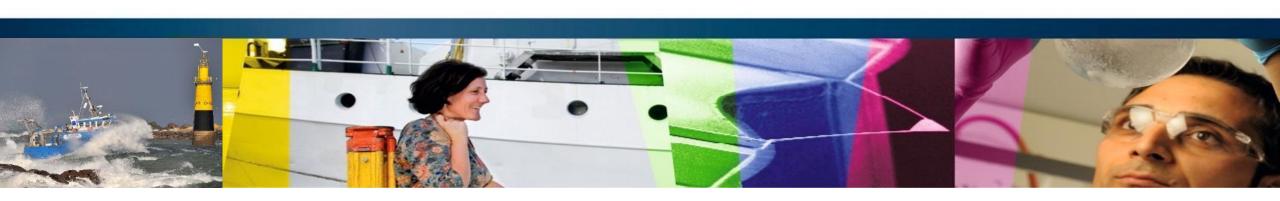


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# Managing failures and issues in the French Glider National Facility

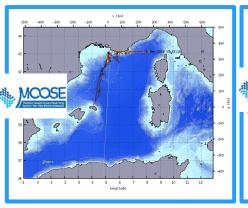
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### Our glider national facility

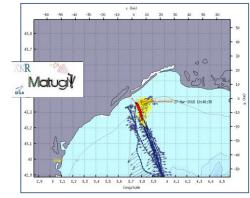






Tintin / MooseT02\_18 **Jany 2018** 

Potame / MooseT00\_40 Fev 2018



Thèque / Matugli2018 Fev 2018

La Seyne sur Mer





### Our fleet



### 2008: Creation

- 12 Slocums
- 2 Seagliders



The fleet at the beginning



Thio: our Spray



- 8 Slocums (6 G1, 2 G2)
- 1 Seaglider
- 1 SeaExplorer
- 1 Spray (in test)



Kraken: our brand new SeaExplorer



Conti : our Seaglider



divizion technique

### A rough environment



### **Normal life**

> LAM





Integration of the instrument IRDIS

> IM2NP



A ST-Microelectronics Wafer

### **Glider Facility**

> DT-INSU



Intercomparison on ThetysII



Deployment in Perou



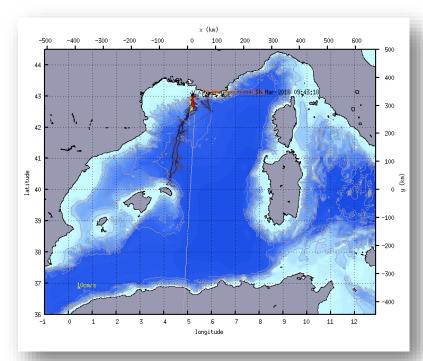
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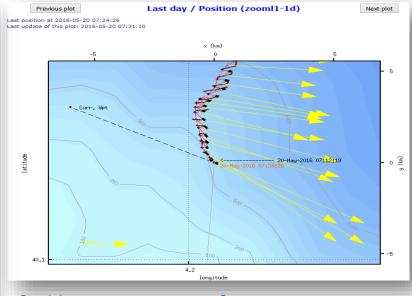


### Observing an anomaly

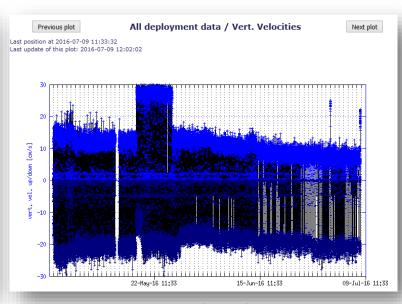


Project Moose: Tansect Marseille - Minorca

- Analysing the facts : a wing loss
- Searching an emergency solution



Sudden strong current?



Vertical velocity modified: faster climb, slowlier dive



### First Major Issue: Solved



### Campe rescued by SOCIB



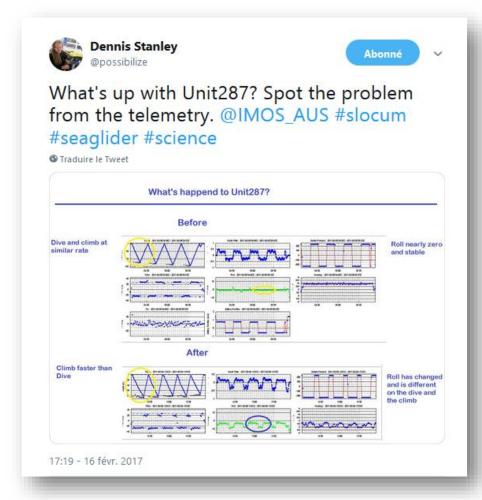


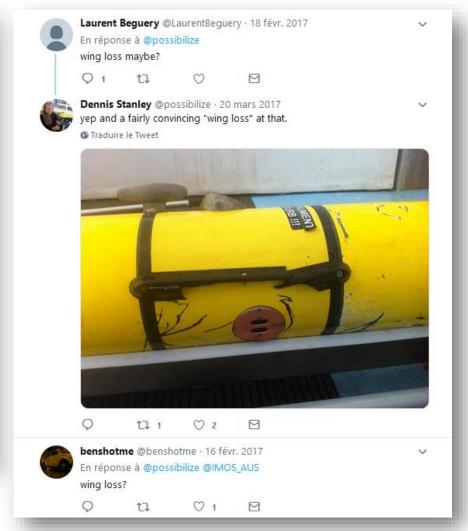




### First Major Issue: Unit 287







Obvious!





### Managing the issues: how?

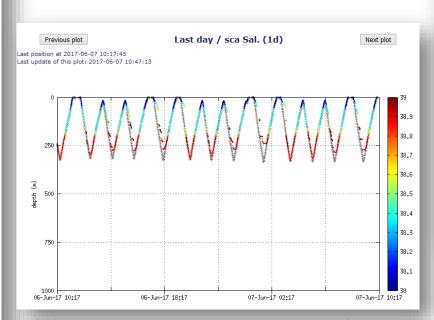


- Reporting the issues : « anomalies notebook »
  - Observations / Analysis / Solutions / Consequences / Prevention

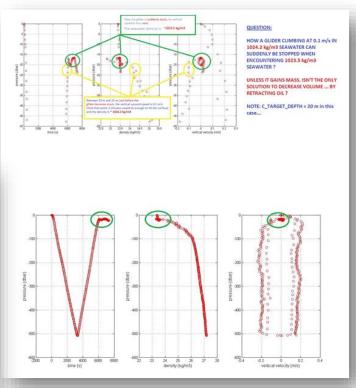
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Strange pressure measured by the CTD



Perou : problems in the oil volume coefficients

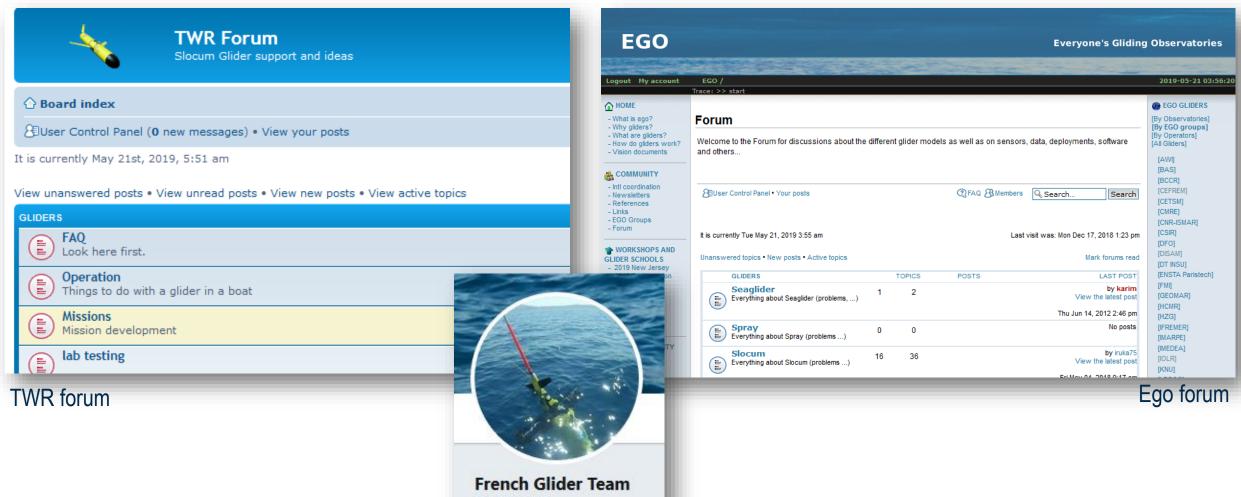






### Managing the issues: how?









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# Main sources of errors in our Facility



- Turn over : since 2018, 3 heads and 15 glidermen / gliderwomen
- Very old gliders (bought between 2007 and 2011)
- 4 different glider types



Slocum

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Seaglider

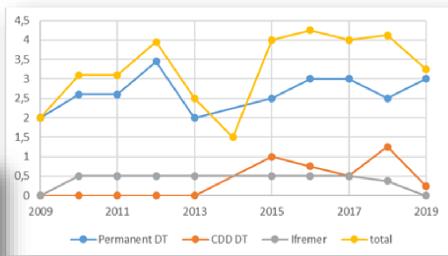
**ALSEAMAR** 



Spray SeaExplorer

Achat	Perte	Nom du Glider	Nb missions	Taux utilisation	Nb jours en mer
2008		Tintin	24	19%	817
2008		Milou	20	15%	648
2009		Bonpland	18	20%	786
2008	2016	Hannon	14	11%	<del>370</del>
2009		Campe	13	16%	650
2009		Eudoxus	12	12%	491
2009		Tenuse	12	10%	397
2009	2015	Nearchos	8	13%	<del>340</del>
2007		Potame	7	6%	305
2009		Conti	7	4%	174
2008		Himilcon	6	3%	136
2011		Crate	5	5%	175
2011		Theque	5	4%	119
2008		Wallis	3	1%	39
2009	2013	Sg509	3	8%	147
2019	·	Kraken	2	13%	47

Total utilisation by glider



Evolution of the number of glidermen/gliderwomen



### Problems involved:

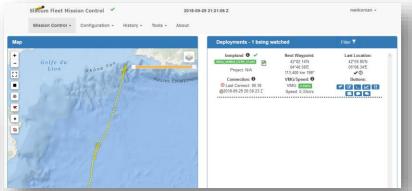


- Superficial knowledge
- Different preparations
- Different tools
- Lot of repair works
- Different piloting tools
- Immobilized gliders

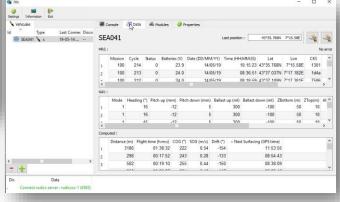




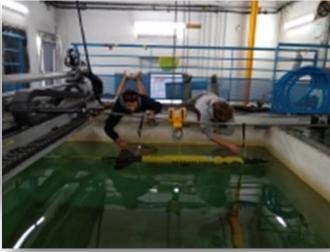
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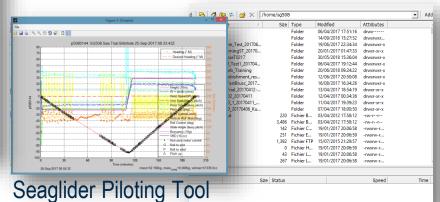
SFMC (Slocum Fleet Mission Control)



Iris (SeaExplorer)



**Ballasting Kraken** 



Basestation



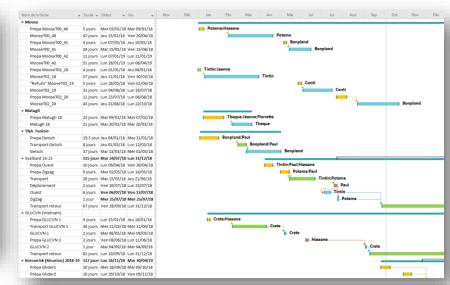
### Solutions: Better conditions



- Renew of the fleet,
  - Kraken (SeaExplorer)
  - Buy 4 new gliders in 4 years
- Schedules / Organisation
- Appropriate tools
- A new building and a new workshop for 2022
- A future recruitment
- Reinforce the Team culture







Missions Schedule



The French Glider Team



### Solutions: Trainings





Seaglider Pilot training - KUTI



Slocum training – Ashumet Pond



Plocan - Glider School



Seaxplorer training – DT INSU

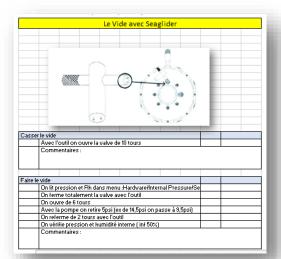


### Solutions: Manuals and procedures

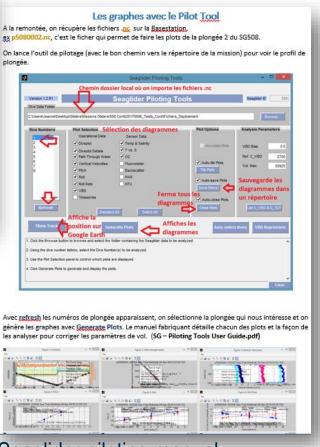


Densité surface

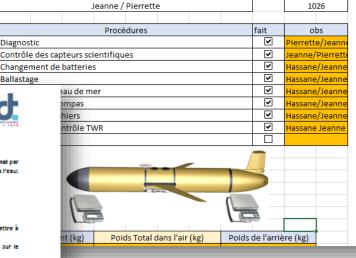
- Home made manuals and procedures in constant evolution
- Everybody involved in the improvements



Seaglider vacuum procedure







Bonpland 142

Moose T00-39

Slocum preparation procedure



Seaglider piloting manual

Slocum piloting manual

Glider/ns

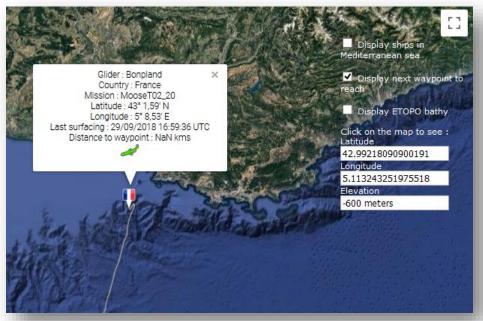
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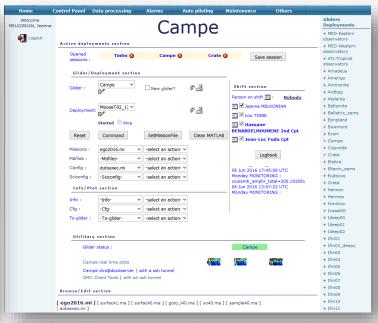
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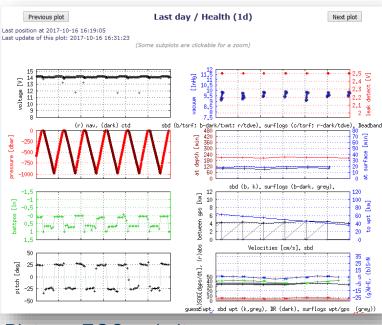
Commun and adaptable piloting tools



RealTime Map



GFCP (Glider Fleet Control Panel) on EGO website



Plots on EGO website



### Solutions: Follow up of the parts

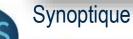


#### Our Maintenance Data Base



Equipment	Operation	From/To	Date	Note	Action
CTD - 0208	Disassembly	1047	2019-05-06 16:47:40		Q
Tintin	Recovered gone		2019-03-22 15:47:34	Tintin récupéré vers 6h du matin par l'université de la Réunion (Emmanuel Cordier ) et Paul au pilotage. Problème rencontrer : Plus de transferts de fichiers sbd pdt les derniers heures, pas de téléchargements des fichiers nav, pas de lecture du script, plongée de 300m d'environ 2h. Le glider communiquait que quelques secondes sur le terminal ce qui l'empêchait de l'arrêter. Sans doute plus de batterie revoir la limite des batteries.	Q.
flbbcdslc - 3816	Assembly	133_Sci	2019-03-06 10:15:06		Q.
flbbcdslc - 3707	Disassembly	1047	2019-02-28 16:38:46		Q.
Tintin	At sea gone		2019-01-22 10:10:04		Q.
Tintin	Soft up		2018-11-28 09:47:23		Q.
Tintin	Ship out		2018-11-28 09:45:08		Q.
Tintin	Prepared gone		2018-11-28 09:45:08		Q.
Tintin	Prepared		2018-11-26 12:02:33		Q.
Hull - 158	Disassembly	Tintin	2018-11-26 12:00:00	(correction faite 🌢 posteriori)	Q.
Tintin	Preparation		2018-11-26 11:35:55	ATTENTION : Le Pig Tail mal câblé par Webb. L'alimentation externe ne fonctionne pas. A recâbler.	<u>a</u>
Tintin	Repair work		2018-11-23 16:26:12	!!! De nombreux soucis de continuité au niveaux de l'optode!!! Plusieurs pins changés car l'optode s'allumée mais ne communiquée pas ( Driver oddity oxy3835) Jeanne a refait les connections. Le connecteur principal de l'aft a été échangé avec celui de Milou car	Q.

Tintin's historic

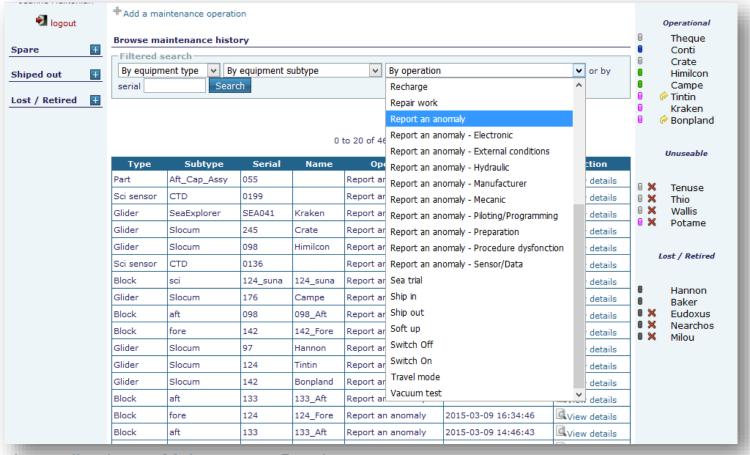




### Solutions: Reporting the failures



Anomaly reporting in our Maintenance database instead of « a notebook »









### Solutions: The Glider Community



Exchange and cooperation with the other teams / glider community (/ OceanGliders?)

#### 7th EGO Conference, 26-29 September 2016, NOC, Southampton, UK

The 7th EGO conference was held from 26th to 30th September 2016 coincided with the 10th anniversary of the first EGO conference held in Paris in 2006. It has provided a forum in which scientists, engineers, students and industry could exchange knowledge and experiences on the development of glider technology, the application of gliders in oceanographic research and the role of gliders in ocean observing systems.

- Conference website.
- · Conference program
- · Compilation of abstracts
- Highlights (D. Smeed)









# Thank you





