

Proposals of the Italian Aero Club for the 2002 CIVA Plenary Meeting

Proposal no. 1-Order of flights

We propose to discontinue the present rank order to determine the order of flights for all the Competition Flights. A random drawing system should be used instead, utilizing possibly an appropriate random software package in order to save time.

Rational

High level (professional) pilots seem to enjoy an advantageous situation as the level of scoring could be privileged by judges when top pilots are flying. Even if the quality of judging is substantially good, this problem is however still reported by several pilots belonging to different teams.

We recommend that this issue be reported this time to the plenary meeting for a vote in order to finally assess the will for a change of the present rule.

Proposal no. 2-Elimination of the second unknown

We propose to eliminate the second unknown program

Rational

The Bonus System introduced in the Program 1 already privileges technical versus spectacular type of flying. In addition, the inclusion of the four minutes free program in the overall standing of the competition in 2003 may create time problems for the completion of the event in case of adverse weather conditions.

Proposal no. 3- Two separate standings in the Continental and World Championships of Class 2

Class 2 may have two separate standings for each program flown, one for pilots flying airplanes with no more than 200 HP and another for pilots flying airplanes in excess of this limit. All medals and prizes will be given accordingly to the standings mentioned above (two winners for each program).

Rational

Employ all aerobatics airplanes and also rectify the present unfair situation that no longer respects the 200 HP limits that was the initial rational for this category. As no team or gender standings are in force with this category, no additional field work will be necessary besides doubling medals.

We recommend that this issue be discussed by the Bureau of CIVA and , if approved, experiment it at the next World Championship in Slovenia.

Proposal no.4- Elimination of line judges

Line judging should be completely eliminated and substituted by an increased value of the frame scoring.

Rational

The inclusion of the 4 minutes free program in the final overall standing in 2003 will imply a strong emphasis on the artistic and spectacular aspect of the International Unlimited Competition. We believe that a penalty system based on questionable data (quality and experience of the line judges, objective difficulties experienced many times in assessing “outs”) should not affect the final results of the Competition.

Pilots final scoring is already affected by the frame points and implicitly by the level of scores given to each figure flown as positioning (as well as altitude) do no doubt influence the judges' evaluation of each manoeuvre.

The present discretionaty system already recognizes the above considerations but we believe that a clear cut decision would be more beneficial to future Competitions.

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