



**REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CIAM
F3A R/C AEROBATIC SUB-COMMITTEE FOR 2007**

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The year under review was relatively quiet.

A scheduled technical meeting took place in March 2007, to consider the many proposals to the F3A and F3M rules. These rule changes were mostly accepted, and will be implemented in January 2008. A few rule change proposals will be presented at the March plenary meeting for the provisional F3P class.

The world championships in this class have just been concluded successfully in Argentina, with new individual and team champions. The newly-restored individual trophy (King of the Belgians trophy) will reside in the USA for the next two years, while the MAP team trophy is in the custody of the French Aeromodelling Federation, for the first time ever. The number of participants were down on previous events.

Many local, national, regional, and international R/C Aerobatic competitions were held on six continents. This included indoor aerobatics (F3P), large scale aerobatics (F3M) and some of the airsports promotion classes (F6 Artistic Aerobatics). In general, there is an increased level of activity worldwide. Of particular interest is the ongoing experimentation and development in various means of propulsion. The F3A World Cup starts in January 2008, and coordinator Pierre Pignot has completed a simulation of the 2007 events in preparation.

The continental championships of the Asia Oceania region have been expanded to include all of Asia, in an effort to attract more participation.

My sincere thanks to the members of the F3A sub-committee, and also to those aerobatic administrators who are ordinarily included in the circulation list. Thanks also to the members of the CIAM Bureau and fellow sub-committee chairpersons, for the constructive dialogue throughout this past year. My thanks also go to all the NACs, participants, officials, administrators, sponsors, and members of the trade who support R/C Aerobatic competitions and the work of the sub-committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Skinner', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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