The CIVA FairPlay system

No changes have been required or made to CIVA’s FairPlay results calculation system during 2022. The statistical evaluation of every grade from each judge remains unchanged, “outlier” marks and overall bias being identified and resolved in a well-proven manner as before.

Further attention has been paid during 2022 to provide the most comprehensive resources possible for judges through printed and web-page analysis of their performance compared to the other judges in the panel, the web output being as usual openly accessible to everyone.

The process to create reference material to help in judge selections each year has also received further attention, this data being available to all from the CIVA Results website home page. A minor change has been made to evaluate individual judge performances in each panel on a uniform 7-member basis, the new Judge Rank Position (JRP) data for 2023 now all being to this new standard.

As mentioned in my ACRO scoring system report an aim during 2023 will be to make a similar explanatory resource available to pilots, showing how, where and why the FairPlay System has done its work. The FPS logic that balances each judges output to a common average basis so that comparisons can be made, then where necessary applying calculated adjustments to identified “outliers” on a per figure / per pilot basis is in essence a simple process, but the successive stages will require clear graphical presentation to enable a clear understanding of what has been done and why. So far I am not brimming with great ideas – if any among you with appropriate computer / graphical skills is able to help then please let me know.

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