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ANDS Committee
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2020 Report to the Plenary

Dear Delegates,

Once again, the independent activity of the ANDS Committee was limited in 2019.

However, we kept ourselves busy by monitoring and occasionally advising other Committees on technical matters.

In the case of GFAC, there were a few issues not directly related to the approval of Flight Recorders, most notably the matter of the reference GNSS altitude. A discrepancy among certain Flight Recorders was discovered by John Wharington during the development of the new proximity analysis program. The details of this discrepancy and its resolution will be presented in the GFAC report.

As a result of the testing of PEV at the Pan American Gliding Championships, we cooperated with SSWG in keeping the manufacturers of scoring software advised, and we will continue to do this after the decisions about PEV procedures are known, following this meeting.

Finally, we have followed very closely the development of the IGC Tracker, and we see no technical reason for this program not to be successful.

As for controversial topics, there seem to be two.

1. As far as we can tell, the current questions regarding external aid to competitors, delayed tracking, etc. are political, not technical, and are thus outside the scope of this Committee’s work. We stand by to answer any residual technical questions about what systems are possible.

2. The justification of the procedures we currently use for the calibration of HAFRs continues to be debated within the Committee.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Budapest!

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