REPORT ON 2015 F2 (CONTROL LINE) WORLD CUP (Issue 3)

F2 World Cup competitions are flown in the classes F2A (Speed), F2B (Aerobatics), F2C (Team Racing) and F2D (Combat). With the F2D trophy donated by Igor Trifonov all the World Cup F2 classes now have perpetual trophies.

Over the four F2 World Cups, there was a 1% increase in the number of pilots – 601 – but a 10% increase in the number of entries (1290).

As last year, F2D was again the most popular class with 269 pilots making 630 entries both of which were greater than in 2014. Junior participation varied from class to class with 78 juniors overall. F2D had the highest number of juniors at 48 whilst F2C had the least at 5. F2A and F2B had 12 and 13 juniors respectively.

Overall there were 79 scheduled competitions, 16 more than last year.

In nearly all cases the organisers were diligent in recording the FAI licence numbers. It was more difficult to record the FAI ID numbers as there are still many duplications in the FAI Licence Database. It might have been better to delay the introduction of mandatory FAI ID numbers until the FAI Database was fully fit-for-purpose. Although the search facility is quite good, it would be hugely helpful if a search could be made on the FAI Licence number (issued by the NACs) as well as by competitor name.

Most results were submitted on time although a few had to be chased.

The organisers of the 2015 F2 World Cup competitions were provided with master Excel results files and a Word Jury Report file for all four classes to facilitate the submission of the results and reports. All the organisers used these files to submit their results and Jury Reports. The competition full results and the Jury reports plus the cumulative results for each class are available on the F2 World Cup page of the CIAM website.

The results and Jury Reports were uploaded to the F2 World Cup page on the CIAM webpage at intervals throughout the season along with the cumulative results for each class. Previous years full results and Jury Reports continue to be available on the same page.

PROTESTS

The Board of Judges nominated by the CIAM Control Line Subcommittee to rule on any "after competition" protest concerning the World Cup was composed of Laird JACKSON (USA),) Rob OLIJVE (NED) and Peter HALMAN (GBR). No protests were referred to the Board during the 2015 F2 World Cup season. However, the Board did convene electronically to consider two competitions where the composition of the FAI Jury did not comply with the rules. After consideration, the Board ruled that the results were valid.

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CLASS F2A (SPEED)

In F2A, Ferenc SZVACSEK (HUN) won with a total speed of 900.7 k/ph from his three best competitions with Oleksandr OSOVIK (UKR) again in 2nd place with 892.2 k/ph and Valeriy BYELYKOV (UKR) in 3rd place with 891.9 k/ph.

There were 21 scheduled competitions and 18 competitions contributed to the F2A results. The two UKR competitions and one of the two POL competitions were invalid because only one nation entered each of them.

69 competitors from 17 countries recorded speeds in the 2015 F2A World Cup.

The best supported F2A contest in 2015 World Cup was the P Grushin Cup in Khimki, Russia with 14 competitors.

The highest placed junior was Olivier BUFFET (FRA) who placed 17th overall with a total score of 788.6 k/ph. There were 12 junior entries in F2A (am increase of two from last year) and all of them recorded speeds.

The best speed achieved during the year was by Luca GROSSI (ITA) with 303.5 k/ph at Lugo, Italy.

F2A	A Top Ten Ranking					
Placed	Family Name	First Name	NAC	FAI N°	Total kph	
1	SZVACSEK	Ferenc	HUN	941	900.7	
2	OSOVIK	Oleksandr	UKR	215	892.2	
3	BYELYKOV	Valeriy	UKR	117	891.9	
4	KALININ	Andrei	RUS	126	881.9	
5	REBROV	Pavel	RUS	103A	878.8	
6	HUGHES	William	USA	53326	878.1	
7	AUBE	Jean Marc	FRA	592	873.9	
8	ESSELAAR	Han	NED	274219	862.3	
9	POPOV	lvo	AUT	6100213534	854.3	
10	CAPO	Francis	FRA	5014	853.4	

CLASS F2B (AEROBATICS)

In F2B Igor BURGER (SVK) again won with 83 points. In 2nd place with 73 points was Philippe GAUTHIER (FRA) and in 3rd place with 69 points was Richard KORNMEIR (GER).

There were 21 scheduled competitions and 18 competitions contributed to the F2B results. Two competitions were invalid because only one nation entered each of them.

166 competitors from 20 nations recorded points for World Cup classification.

With 29 competitors in each, the best supported F2B contests in 2015 were the 31st Grand Prix of France and the Assen Jordanoff Cup in Pazardzhik, Bulgaria.

The highest placed junior in 2015 was Le Tong XU (CHN) who placed equal 43rd overall with 19 points. There were 13 Junior entries in F2B and each of them scored points.

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F2B	2B Top Ten Ranking					
Placed	Family Name	First Name	NAC	FAI N°	Total Points	
1	BURGER	lgor	SVK	1149	83	
2	GAUTHIER	Philippe	FRA	26105	73	
3	KORNMEIER	Richard	GER	2836	69	
4	GAUTHIER	Alexandre	FRA	1525	67	
5	VEJMOLA	Jiri	CZE	1210	66	
= 6	SCHREK	Alex	SVK	1150	64	
= 6	VALLIERA	Marco	ITA	15273	64	
8	DESSAUCY	Luc	BEL	6010	59	
9	BILLON	Gerard	FRA	62	58	
10	KRAVČÍK	Zbyněk	CZE	1309	57	

CLASS F2C (TEAM RACE)

In F2C, the team of DOZHIDAEV / GRIGARTAS (RUS/LTU) won with 61points. The team of BONDARENKO / LERNER (UKR) was 2nd with 60 points and in 3rd place with 53 points was the team IGOSHYN Oleksiy/ CHAYKA Yuriy (UKR)

There were 19 scheduled competitions and 16competitions contributed to the F2C results. Three competitions were invalid because only one nation entered each of them.

97 competitors from a remarkable 28 nations recorded points for World Cup classification.

With 21 competitors the best supported F2C contest in 2015 was the 31st Grand Prix of France in Landres, France.

The highest placed junior team in 2015 was KOCHETIGOV IIya /VENEDIKTOV Albert (RUS) who placed 34th overall with 13 points. There were 5 Junior entries in F2C and each of them scored points.

F2C	F2C Top Ten Ranking					
Placed	Name	NAC	FAI N°	Total Points		
1	DOZHIDAEV Sergey/ GRIGARTAS Algis	RUS/LTU	1199/561	61		
2	BONDARENKO Yuriy / LERNER Semen	UKR	132/131	60		
3	IGOSHYN Oleksiy/ CHAYKA Yuriy	UKR	164/160	53		
4	MAKARENKO Volodymyr/ FULITKA Volodymyr	UKR	532/203	51		
5	RODIN Ilya/ OSADCHIY Igor	UKR	386/387	47		
5	ZUKAUSKAS Nerijus / SABLINSKAS Gintaras	LTU	280/226	47		
=7	MAKARENKO Anton/ OSADCHIY Oleksiy	UKR	668/457	35		
=7	SURUGUE Pascal / SURUGUE Georges	FRA	1001/981	35		
9	MOHAI Istvan / STRANIAK Hans	HUN/AUT	406/0116	32		
=10	PERRET Matthieu / PERRET Jean-Paul	FRA	11088/327	29		
=10	ORVOS Ferenc / METKEMEIJER Rob	NED	715983/25327	29		

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CLASS F2D (COMBAT)

In F2D, :Lithuania took the top three places with Audrius RASTENIS in 1st place with 77 points, Vaclovas CYZAS in 2nd place with 69 points and Rimvydas GEGZNA in 3rd place with 67 points.

There were 18 scheduled competitions and 17 competitions contributed to the F2D results. One competition was cancelled by the organiser.

269 competitors from 22 nations recorded points for World Cup classification.

The best supported F2D contest in 2015 was the Spring Open Championship in Tula-Alexin, Russia, with 93 competitors.

The highest placed junior in 2015 was again Illia REDUIK who placed 4th overall with 63 points. There were 48 Junior entries overall in F2D and 29 of them scored points.

F2D	2D Top Ten Ranking					
Placed	Family Name	First Name	NAC	FAI N°	Total Points	
1	RASTENIS	Audrius	LTU	573	77	
2	CYZAS	Vaclovas	LTU	700	69	
3	GEGZNA	Rimvydas	LTU	798	67	
4	REDIUK	Illia (Jnr)	UKR	673	63	
5	NADEIN	Andrey	USA	567525	61	
6	EPISHKIN	Mikhail	RUS	1021	56	
7	JALUNINS	Boris	LAT	090YL	55	
8	ANTONOV	Sergey	RUS	117	54	
9	BORODA	Ivan (Jnr)	RUS	2353	52	
10	NARKEVICH	Pavel	RUS	435	51	

GENERAL COMMENTS

The practice of running separate World Cup competitions over successive days makes economic sense for both the competitors and the organisers and is to be encouraged.

This year, clashes were kept to a minimum.

The F2 World Cup is fundamentally a very strong World Cup thanks must go to the organisers for hosting the competitions and to the competitors who support the competitions so enthusiastically.

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