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## **Report from Sporting Code Section 3 Committee to the IGC 2012 Plenary**

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The committee has been kept active most of the year. For the most part, going over the final wording before publishing the changes to the Sporting Code which had resulted from the changes to the General Section and made it possible to have Continental Records.

We have to take heart from the very few numbers of queries about the rules which have come in this year, Those that came in asked for clarification on a few points which mostly resulted from misunderstanding the translated text. One query which did need a small adjustment was that for Feminine records a pilot was mentioned but there was no requirement in the rules for a multiseat to have a feminine crew. Addition of only about two words clarified the situation.

At the 2011 CASI meeting in Belgrade, a recommendation from a CASI working group to delete the need for a World Record to also be a National Record was not accepted and a new working group created to examine the situation once more. I have asked to be copied into the group discussion emails. Some input from the FAI office seems to suggest quite a different form of record system which may not suit IGC. I will endeavour to keep in touch with the working group to look after the IGC interest in the matter. The committee continues to try and maintain the integrity of the IGC record system.

The latter part of 2011 was busy with the need for much correspondence with GFAC and ANDS regarding the second year proposals which are for voting in this meeting. The Canadian proposal to use GPS height for silver and gold height measurements as long as the heights have a margin over the required height or loss of height attracted much effort, particularly by Tim Shirley of Australia, who set up a programme to give us some data to work from.

I wish to express my gratitude to the members of the committee for their unstinting help and effort during the year. Tony Burton, Judy Ruprecht, Tor Johannesson and Axel Reich deserve a vote of thanks for the work they have done. This year, Tony was deservedly awarded the Pirat Gehriger Diploma for his work with the Sporting Code going back many years.

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