



V th FAI WORLD AEROBATIC YAK52 CHAMPIONSHIP (WAYAKC 2017)

Report of Contest Director

Decision on organizing WAYAKC 2017 was accepted by CIVA during Annual Plenary Meeting in 2016.

Vth FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Yak52 Championships 2017 were on behalf of FAI organized by the Federation of Aerobatics Sports of Tula Region, between **July 09th – 16th, 2017** at the airfield KLOKOVO (military airport).

Preparation phase. Despite the adoption in 2016 on organizing **WAYAKC 2017**, Letter of Agreement on that was sent too late and Organizer was able to get it only about one month before the Event after more interventions to FAI through CIVA and Federation of Aerobatics Sports of Russia as well. Therefore it was too hard for Organizer to obtain any next agreement on cooperation for example with office of Governor of Tula region, airport military officials, local government officials, hoteliers, meal providers, transportation providers, sponsors and decisions of next issues without an official document. Many work and preliminary discussions about the **WAYAKC 2017** were done well before the Event. Five great meetings of the organizing committee were held in the City Hall of Tula.

Registration of participants was located in hotel IMPERATOR able smoothly accept all of the participants. There were enough helpers and did whatever was necessary. Very important was ID card, because of entry and exit of the military airfield. We could use only one entrance with very tight security check-in.

Performance Zone. Marking of the Performance Zone was in accordance Section 6. From time to time some markers were removed by local people but every day before first flights was everything checked and repaired.

Ground Procedures

Start line signalman, under control of Chief Judge Assistant, located close to the holding point of the runway in use, signalized movement on the ground by two flags for each taxiing pilot,

giving her/him clearance for line-up and departure. There were as usual also unwanted issues when pilot ignored his instruction. This system worked well, was safe, operative and effective. No accident had occurred.

21 pilots from 8 countries flew their training flights and 3 Programmes organized by

Contest Director:	Mr. Dmitry Motin
Assistant Contest Director / Coordinator:	Mr. Alexey Ivanov
Airport Director:	Mr. Dmitry Novikov
Fliht Director:	Mr. Sergey Tkhor

and next about 30 volunteers

in front of International Judges:	Chief Judge Mr. Vladimir Machula
	with Assistants Mrs. Katerina Pulpanova
	Mr. Jiri Duras

Judges:	with Assistants:
Nick Buckenham	Leif Cuplin
Bernard Courtois	Guy Auger
Violetta Gedminaitė	Vitas Taucevicius
Tamara Dovgalenko	Galina Suprunenko
Vladimir Razhin	Lidia Leonova

who sent their results to Scoring Director:	Mrs. Elena Klimovich
under supervision of the International Jury:	Mr. Jurgen Leukefeld
	Mr. Anatoly Belov

The Opening Ceremony took place on 9th of July at 03:00 p.m. in the airfield KLOKOVO, where after a brief introduction of pilots of WAYAKC 2017, Judges, Jury and short speeches of officials, voiced anthems of Russia and the FAI. CIVA President declared the 5th World Aerobatic Yak52 Championships for open. Then all moved on to IMPERATOR hotel, where the dinner was prepared.

Aircraft Yak-52, technical service and refuelling was provided by organizers.

Work of Technical Committee was adequate and meaningful, technicians helped pilots as they knew.

Technical Committee consisted of Chairman: Mr. Alexey Shklyaev, Member: Mr. Mihail Makarov, Alexandr Sokolov.

The contest airplanes experienced a few mechanical failures, without any emergency situation.

Flights by schedule for all day except for the influence of bad weather

09:00 a.m. - Briefing
 10:00 a.m.– up to sunset - Competition flights
 01:00 p.m. – 02:00 p.m. - lunch break

Unfortunately, not all pilots flew out and performed flights. Three pilots (South Africa, Kazakhstan, USA) were not allowed to compete flights and were present as spectators. Other pilots flew out and performed flights at a high level and demonstrated responsibility and discipline over the airport in the performance zone, and the area around fully met the requirements of the Competition. Flying in the airspace around the airport was restricted by Notam for arriving and departing traffic except contest flights. Warm-up pilot were at the appropriate level, ready to show and perform all requirements of Chief Judge.

Results

Overall **1. place Oleg Shpolianskii, Russian Federation**
 2. place Vladimir Kotelnikov, Russian Federation
 3. place Konstantin Borovik, Russian Federation

Teams **1. place Russian Federation**
 2. place Belarus
 3. place Spain

Congratulation!

Awarding and Closing Ceremony was prepared in the airfield. Large square full of spectaculars was a beautiful place. At the end of Ceremony President of CIVA declared 5th FAI World Aerobatic Yak52 Championships 2017 for closed. Then all participants moved on to a hotel IMPERATOR for dinner.

Dmitry Motin
 Contest Director
 Tula, July 2017