



12th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships

Report of Contest Director

Decision on organizing WAAC2016 was accepted by CIVA during Annual Plenary Meeting in 2014 a long time before the Event.

12th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2016 were on behalf of FAI organized by the Aero Club of Poland, between **August 4th – 14th, 2016** at the **Airport Radom Sadkow** (military airport with civilian traffic). The nearest airfield for training was Radom – Piastow Airfield (very close to location of WAAC2016).

Preparation phase. Despite the adoption in 2014 on organizing WAAC2016, Letter of Agreement on that was sent too late and Organizer was able to get it only about five month before the Event after more interventions to FAI through CIVA and Aeroclub of Poland as well. Therefore it was too hard for Organizer to obtain any next agreement on cooperation for example with office of Poland President, airport military and civil 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 WAAC2016 were done well before the Event. Two great meetings of the organizing committee were held in the City Hall of Radom. President of CIVA was informed by report on the state of the preparation in written form. All officials of the city and also officials of government were presented, unfortunately during the first one we were not able to show Letter of Agreement.

Registration of participants was located in military club at the airport 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 airport. We could use only one (civilian) entrance with very tight security check-in.

Performance Zone. Marking of the Performance Zone was in accordance Section 6 except one marker in the middle of the runway on the concrete surface which was shifted to the nearest acceptable position. 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, signaled 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 serious accident had occurred.

55 pilots from 15 countries flew their training flights and 3 Programmes organized by
President of the Organizing Committee Mr. Mirosław Danik
Secretary of the Organizing Committee: Ms. Katarzyna Włodarczyk
Contest Director: Mr. Pavol Kavka
Assistant Contest Director: Mr. Dariusz Kulik
Airport Director: Mr. Stanisław Szczepanowski
and next about 25 volunteers

in front of International Judges: Chief Judge Mr. John Gaillard
with Assistants Mrs. Irma JANJIUKIENE
Mr. Leif Culpin
Mr. Stewart Trent

Judges: with Assistants
Mr. Jürgen LEUKEFELD Mrs. Silvia THÖLE
Mr. Martin FLOURNOY Mrs. Peggy RIEDINGER
Mrs. Miyako KANAO Mrs. Naoko AOYAMA
Mr. Bernard COURTOIS Mr. JC Le BOULANGER
Mrs. Galyna SUPRUNENKO Mrs. Olga ROMASHOVA
Mr. Laszlo LISZKAY Mr. Jeremy MILLER
Mr. Oleg SHPOLIANSKIY Mr. Vladimir RAZHIN
Mr. Mr. Algis ORLICKAS Mr. Vytas TAUCEVICIUS

who sent their results to Scoring Director: Paweł SZCZEPANOWSKI

under supervision of the International Jury: President: Mr. Nick Buckenham
Members: Mrs. Madelyne Delcroix
Mrs. Elena Klimovich

The Opening Ceremony took place on 5th of August at 7pm in the city centre of Radom, where after a brief introduction of pilots of WAAC2016, Judges, Jury and short speeches of officials, voiced anthems of Poland and the FAI. CIVA President declared the 12th World Advance Aerobatic Championships for open. Then all moved on to Promenade hotel in beautiful garden setting, where the dinner was prepared. There was a strong local storm during the evening.

The contest **airplanes** experienced a few mechanical failures, mainly they were not able to start up the engines or lost of power after their departure, without any emergency situation.

Technical service and refuelling was provided by local technicians.

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

Technical Committee consisted of Chairman: Mr. Tadeusz Łęcki
Member: Mr. Sandor Katona

Flights by schedule for all day except first and the last

08:00 a.m. - Briefing
09:00 a.m.– up to sunset - Competition flights
01:00 p.m. – 02:00 p.m. - lunch break

Pilots flew and performed they flights on high level and showed responsible and discipline above the airport in Performance Zone and area around completely covered the

requirements of the Contest. Flying in the airspace around the airport was restricted by Notam for arriving and departing traffic except contest flights. Due to civil traffic, there were two states of the airspace around the airport. One of them was for competition signed as Exercise Area and the second was ATZ. Required changes were arranged by Warszawa FIC and ACC supported by local air traffic controllers always well in advance. Therefore there were some longer pauses for time to announce it officially before any changes for all considered traffic. The real problem raised up with the airplane for first warm-up pilot, because that was damaged and unable to fly. Warm-up pilots were at the appropriate level, ready to show and perform all requirements of Chief Judge.

Results

Overall	1. place	Loic Lovicourt	France
	2. place	Romain Vienne	France
	3. place	Wim Soens	Belgium

Teams	1. place	France
	2. place	United States
	3. place	Russian Federation

Congratulation!

Awarding and Closing Ceremony was prepared in the city. Large square full of spectaculars was a beautiful place and nice sunny weather helped to create festive mood. At the end of Ceremony President of CIVA declared 12th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2016 for closed. Then all participants moved on to a beautiful rural mansion for dinner.

Palo Kavka
Contest Director
Radom August 2016

