

FAI World Air Games, Dubai 2015
1st to 13th December 2015

Dubai, U.A.E.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL JURY

Air Navigation Race (General Aviation Commission)

General:

The FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015, took place in Dubai, U.A.E., at the Airfield of the Desert Area, according to the FAI Rules and Regulations for ANR, divided in two competition categories – Navigation and Accuracy Landing. And a third qualifying called TOP ANR adding the landing results plus the best result in rounds of qualifying.

Altogether 15 crews from 15 FAI member countries took part in both Championships classes. At the end, the crew from U.A.E. didn't start the competition, so we compete into 14 crews.

The Competition run according to the approved FAI Rules and Regulations for ANR Flying, edition 2014.

Competition Maps:

Maps in scale 1:200.000 were available, produced especially for the Championships. The maps were good to navigate on. There were not the expected maps from the LOC, but others than in a very well prepared "plan B", Competition Director and International Chief Judge supplied on time.

Transportation:

Transportation was well organised. The travelling time from places of the accommodation to the airfield was approximately 50 minutes.

Accommodation and Meals:

Participants were accommodated in several Hotels. The level of them was between 3/4 stars standard accommodation.

Breakfasts and dinners were served in the competitions hotel with large scale of excellent quality meals and drinks, the lunches at the airfield in the big tent. Meals were of very good quality and very acceptable. There existed more kinds of meals.

Ceremonies:

Opening Ceremony took place at the Palm Zone with standard programme points according to FAI procedures for Opening Ceremony. After ceremony was organised nice Show for participants and many spectators present.

Closing ceremony took place at the same place and continued by dinner in Hotels.

Standard Opening and Closing ceremony with speeches of the guests (Authorities of Dubai and President of FAI, and FAI anthems were played.

Airfield Facilities/Registration and Information Office:

All necessary facilities were available and all people of the staff very nice and helpful! There was concrete and grass runways available. The Registration and Information office made excellent job during the whole time. International Jury had the own room for meetings and handling the protests and own car for transport.

Briefings/Communication:

All Briefings were held in a big tent on the airfield. Every National team, Chief Judge and International Jury had full information about everything in website www.wag-anr.com., Some specific information was hanged at the tent for briefings.

Training Practice:

Training routes were available, weather was good, landing strip good marked.

Competition flights, landings:

German landing system was available with experienced staff in Competition airfield as the official device for landings and to help to judges. Official results were taken by judges and two independent video cameras were used, placed on the opposite sides of the zero line. International Jury not performed the Check flights before competition flights.

International Jury constructed all of the prepared stages according to the instruction, given to the competitors in envelopes. Remarks and notes were mostly accepted by Chief Judge and Route Planner and corrected.

At November 30th, one day before the General competition briefing, we still didn't have:

Validation Licences

Alternate Airfields

Airport Map and ICAO

Frequencies for competition

Emergency Frequency

Transponder frequencies.

At the final of the day, all that was resolved except point 4. That was a constant performing during the WAG's. Most of the items were resolved not in the last minute, but in the main last second, normally under big pressure from our side.

At December 1st, another problem appears with the validation licences, and this was not resolved until the day December 2nd, EIGHT minutes before the first T/O in competition.

1st Competition Day: (Round 1)

International Jury received 0 complains and 0 protest. All day run without any problem, according rules and regulations, and the results were hanged on internet successfully and on time.

2nd Competition Day: (Round 2)

International Jury received 0 complains and 0 protest. All day run without any problem, according rules and regulations, and the results were hanged on internet successfully and on time. Lotery system was used to determine the 8 matches

3rd Competition Day: Sunday, 6th, ¼ of Final

International Jury received 0 complains and 0 protest. All day run without any problem, according rules and regulations, and the results were hanged on internet successfully and on time. Lotery system was used to determine the 4 next matches

The next day, Monday 7th, all activities were cancelled, due to bad weather conditions. Wind was stronger that 25 kts, and in the middle of the desert, that means sand storm. None possibility to fly.

4rd Competition Day: Tuesday 8th, Landings

International Jury received 2 complains and 0 protest. All day run without any problem, according rules and regulations, and the results were hanged on internet successfully and on time. There were two Landings: one normal with power and flaps allowed, and the second power off.

AT 11:42 a.m. preliminary results were published. Competition Director received 2 complains: one at 11:45 from U.K. and the second at 11:50 from Sweden. After receive the director explanations, both teams accepted them and no protest was done.

Lotery system was used to determine the 2 next matches (semifinal)

5th Competition Day: Wednesday 9th, Semi finals and Final.

International Jury received 0 complains and 0 protest. All day run without any problem, according rules and regulations, and the results were hanged on internet successfully and on time.

Judges:

The International Chief Judge – Mr. Heini Schawalder from Switzerland – arrived about five days before the start of the competition. He checked everything accurately. The International Jury got all the necessary information, whenever they wanted it and there was a very good and friendly cooperation between the International Jury, the International Chief Judge, the Competition Director Mr. Maurice Ducret from Switzerland, his deputy Mr. Lorenz Egli, also Chief Scorer, and the other officials, and also with Mr Jesus Mas from Spain, FAI expert in ANR, and Mr Schawalder deputy. Many thanks to all of them!!!

There were enough International and National Judges available. The results were prepared in time for presentation to the crews every day evening at 20.00 o'clock, thanks to excellent job of all judges and Computer Centre, leaded by Mr. Lorenz Egli.

GAC FAI Trophies awarded:

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals , for the three first in ANR Navigation

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals , for the three first in Landings

Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals , for the three first in combined TOP ANR

Conclusions:

Sanction Fee and Protest Fees:

No sanction Fee was spected in WAG's, so that there is not amount to deliver to FAI.

President of International Jury didn't received a single euro because there were no protests, all along the competition. So that, no amount will be handed to the FAI Secretariat.

Deposit:

Event had been conducted correctly and according to the Rules, but there was no deposit at all.

Duties, arisen from Jury Hand Book:

- a) Jury Final Event report Form, signed by all the International Jury President was given to Competition Director Mr. Maurice Ducret immediately after verification of the Championships as valid.
- b) Report of the President of Jury to the FAI Secretary General is send today to the FAI Secretariat immediately after the finish of the Championships. All results available in www.wag-anr.com.

- c) Report by Jury President to the Air Sport Commission is send today to Mr. Rodney Blois, GAC President

Finally:

Event was organised and prepared very well, all the staff was very friendly and helpful!! Championships was successful and I have to give my special thanks to all the staff members who helped me very much as very experienced persons.

My special thanks are going to Mr. Heini Schwalder from Switzerland, who served as the International Chief Judge.

My big thanks must to go to Mr. Maurice Ducret – Competition Director.

Dubai, 13th December 2015

Pedro CABAÑERO
President of the International Jury

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pedro Cabañero', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.