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9th FAI European Rally Flying Championships
4th to 9th August 2013

Dubnica, SLOVAKIA

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL JURY

General:

The 9th FAI European Rally Flying Championships took place in Dubnica, Slovakia, at the Airfield Slavnica, first time according to the new version of the FAI Rules and Regulations for Air Rally, divided to two competition classes – Unlimited and Advanced.

Altogether 37 crews from 13 FAI member countries took part in both the Championships classes.

The Competition run according to the approved FAI Rules and Regulations for Rally Flying, edition 2013, but before start of the event, International Jury must decided about some controversial matters (see appendix), what must be additionally discussed during next GAC FAI Plenary meeting.

Competition Maps:

Maps in scale 1:200.000 were available, produced especially for the Championships. The maps were good to navigate on.

Transportation:

Transportation was well organised. The travelling time from places of the accommodation to the airfield was approximately 20 minutes.

Accommodation and Meals:

Participants were accommodated in various hotels in Trencanska Tepla (about 20 kms from Slavnica). All hotels had 4-star standard accommodation.

Breakfasts were served in the competitions hotels, the lunches and dinners at the airfield in the airfield restaurant. Meals were of very good quality and very acceptable. There existed more kinds of meals. At the airfield restaurant was also possibility to take a meal and a bar for drinks and snacks available.

Ceremonies:

Both Opening and Closing ceremonies took place at Slavnica airfield. Standard Opening and Closing ceremony with cultural programme, speeches of the guests and Slovakian and FAI anthems were finished by receptions.

Mr. Pedro CABANERO from Spain, GAC FAI President of Honour, officially opened the Championships

Mr. Jean-Pierre DELMAS from France, President of the FAI General Aviation Commission, was present here and he officially closed the Championships.

Airfield Facilities/Registration and Information Office:

All necessary facilities were available and all people of the staff very nice and helpful! There was grass runway 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 hangar on the airfield. Every National team, Chief Judge and International Jury had own boxes and all given information were placed not only to these boxes, but they were hanged at the Official Information Board placed at the airfield hangar for briefings.

Training Practice:

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

Competition flights, landings:

Czech landing system was available with experienced staff in Slavnic airfield as the non 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.

1st Competition Day:

International Jury received 7 protests, all for landing results - 2 of them were upheld, 1 of them was withdrawn by crew, 4 protests were denied. All landings were checked from video and EMS evidence.

2nd Competition Day:

International Jury received 5 protests, all for landing results and all were denied. All landings were checked from video and EMS evidence.

3rd Competition Day:

International Jury received 1 protest for landing result, protest was denied. Landing was checked from video and EMS evidence.

Judges:

The International Chief Judge – Mr. Paul SZAMEITAT from Austria – arrived about one week before the start of the competition. He checked all the routes with the route planner, Mr. Stefan POHANKA. International Chief Judge made some changes in prepared routes. 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. Jan CHUDY and the other officials. Many thanks to all of them!!!

There were enough International and National Judges available. The results were prepared in time for presentation them to the Team Managers every day evening at 20.00 o'clock, thanks to excellent job of Computer Centre, leaded by Mr. Martin HRIVNA from Czech Republic, who used his modified programme for both Unlimited and Advanced class results.

GAC FAI Trophies awarded:

- European Air Rally Champions unlimited class – CHERIOUX and LE GENTIL – France
- European Air Rally Team Champions unlimited class – Poland

- European Air Rally Champions advanced class – LE CAMUS and CHAUVE – France
- European Air Rally Team Champions advanced class – Slovakia
- European Air Rally landing Championships – OPAT and HAVLIK – Czech Republic

Conclusions:

Sanction Fee and Protest Fees:

Amount of Sanction Fee was calculated by President of International Jury. According to decision of GAC FAI, the organisers paid EUR 40,- for every competitor (pilot, navigator). With reference to the fact, altogether 37 crews participated, it means duty for pay EUR 2.960,-. This amount was paid to the GAC FAI account during the Championships.

President of International Jury received amount EUR 1.000,- as the fees for denied protests. This amount was handed to the FAI Secretariat during FAI General Conference 2013 in Kuala Lumpur and confirmation is attached.

Deposit:

Event had been conducted correctly and according to the Rules, so the International Jury decided to return the Deposit to the Organisers.

Duties, arisen from Jury Hand Book:

- a) Jury Final Event report Form, signed by all the International Jury Members was given to Competition Director Mr. Jan CHUDY immediately after verification of the Championships as valid.
- b) Report of the President of Jury to the FAI Secretary General were sent together with enclosures and results to the FAI Secretariat immediately after the finish of the Championships.
- c) Report by Jury President to the Air Sport Commission were sent together with enclosures and results to Mr. Jean-Pierre DELMAS immediately after the finish of the Championships.

Recommendations:

Members of the International Jury of the event (in alphabetical order) Mr. Pedro CABANERO, Mr. Jiri DODAL and Mr. Vagn JENSEN are giving the next recommendations to the GAC FAI Plenary and Sub-commission for Air Rally:

1. Rules and regulations

Valid article B.14.4 e) is victimising of the better teams in Advanced category, who can not receive the medals, if their team colleagues in Unlimited category are holders the medals. Proposal: Cancel the last sentence of the article B.14.4 e) – “Countries with Team Medals in unlimited category can't have Team Medals in advanced category”.

Differences between Unlimited and Advanced generate a big problems in preparing the envelopes for Organisers. Proposal: Revalue some easements for Advanced category (photos).

2. Computing programme

With reference to results achieved after the change of the rules (two classes), approve the modified programme as the GAC FAI official computing programme for Air Rally competitions.

3. Czech landing electronic measuring system

As mentioned above, Czech landing electronic measuring system was unofficially used during the event to help for determine of the landing results. Any differences between official video results and results, measured by this system not occurred. Proposal: Include the Czech landing electronic measuring system to the GAC FAI approved devices.

Finally:

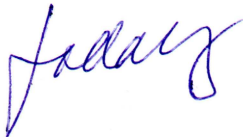
Event was organised and prepared very well, all the staff was very friendly and helpful!! Championships was successful and I have to give my special thanks to International Jury Members, Mr. Pedro CABANERO from Spain and Mr. Vagn JENSEN from Denmark, who helped me very much as very experienced persons.

My special thanks are going to Mr. Paul SZAMEITAT from Austria, who as the International Chief Judge (after demission of approved Chief judge and his substitute) was so kind and in the last moment took the responsibility to be Chief Judge. Thank you, Paul.

My big thanks must to go to Mr. Jan CHUDY – Competition Director and all his enthusiastic staff!!!

Prague, 14th October 2013

Jiri DODAL
President of the International Jury



Attachements:

1. Statement of the International Jury before start of the Championships
2. Confirmation of the Cash Payment of the Protest Fees

9th FAI EUROPEAN RALLY FLYING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013

Dubnica nad Váhom, Slovakia

August 4th – 9th 2013

International Jury

Today, 4th Aust 2013 in Dubnica the International Jury decided as follows:

- 1) According to A.1.1.1. of the Rules and regulations for Air Rally Flying, 2013 Edition, last event in Castellon Result list will be considered to confirm the position of all competition crews.
- 2) According to A.1.1.2. of the Rules and regulations for Air Rally Flying, 2013 Edition, only pilots (not navigators) will be considered to decide, in which category they are able to fly.
- 3) To the article B.14,4 e) of the Rules and regulations for Air Rally Flying, 2013 Edition, will be add following sentence: The nations, who will receive the team medals in Unlimited category, will not receive receive team medals in Advanced Category. Crews from these nations will compete as the individuals advanced category placing only.

But Internatiolal Jury decided, that those decisions should be carefully considered and clarified in the next FAI GAC meeting in Cordoba, November 2013.

Dubnica, 4th August, 2013

Jiri Dodal
Jury President

Pedro Cabañero
Jury Member

Vagn Jensen
Jury Member

Rob Hughes, FAI Sports Director

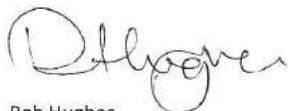
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10 x €100 PROTEST FEES



Rob Hughes
FAI Sports Director