

2016 FAI GAC - Air Navigation Race Report

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The World Air Games (WAG) in Dubai showed that Air Navigation Race (ANR) is now ready for more events and competitions! First time ever we could test the whole ANR concept, means the Rules & Regulations combined with the ANR scoring software. It has been showed and proved that that the concept of ANR discipline works!

For me personally the WAG were a unique adventure which I'll never forget we could learn a lot and the lessons learned process for the next WAG did already start.

Before the WAG started Luc Baumann programmer of the ANR scoring software did some debugs and validations. The ANR scoring software runs now local so there's no longer internet access needed. During the year Armin Züger asked me if he could implement some updates into our ANR scoring software (for sure he can!). He is very active in organizing ANR events in Finland and by the way a brilliant software programmer. He implemented many updates regarding ease of use, map and ANR tracks creation, e.g. new designed qualification rounds menu, new import and export features (*.gpx export of the flights), autofill start list. A CAD system is no longer used everybody can create & score now its own ANR events and competitions! Thanks for this and for further useful updates Armin! The ANR scoring software and many Guidelines & learn movies for the ANR scoring software, Map & ANR tracks creation are available for download on the FAI Homepage (https://github.com/ArminZ/ANR_Scoring_And_Visualisation/releases).

Beside ANR scoring software improvements we're working on new and existing ways to realize ANR live (online tracking & scoring with a certain delay). The ANR live solution used during WAG showed that the concept of satellite tracker in general would work unfortunately the programmers of the German tracking company were not able or willing to finalize the last bits of software for our needs. After several attempts without any further progress we decided to cancel our business relationship with them. At the moment we're working with three alternative companies which already prepared proposals for ANR live according our needs and requirements. Depending on the results in Düsseldorf by end of November we'll decide how to proceed further.

Last but not least I would like to take the chance to say Thank you to the WAG ANR Crew! They did a great job in Dubai and without their motivation, endurance and perseverance the WAG ANR would not have taken place!

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The WAG ANR Crew were consisting of Cabanero Pedro always helpful and proactiv, Jesus Mas the man with the loggers, Egli Lorenz the master of excel and scoring, Kleuser Andreas multi talent in organizing things, Holzer Sabine chief of the planning tent, Birgen Jean entertainer, scorer and steward, Bosse Rainer baggage controller or the man with the eagle eye, Pietsch Hans and Kirchner Thomas the well-rehearsed landing measurement team, Ducret John the unique amazing route planner and finally Schawalder Heinrich friend in good and bad hours, coach and mentor.

So I'm looking now forward to upcoming ANR events, competitions and as usual we means myself and the ANR sub-commission are ready to help and support you!

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