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ASIANIA REPORT TO FAI IPC PLENARY MEETING 2017

On behalf of all ASIANIA members I would like to offer sincere thanks and congratulations to the FAI IPC and the Bulgarian organisers from the Aeroclub Montana, for providing an excellent venue for the 68th IPC Plenary Meeting here at Sofia, to conduct this most important annual conference for the sport of parachuting and skydiving.

ASIANIA exists to:

- Pursue its aims and ideal towards promoting, developing and increasing safety and high standards in national and international competition
- Encourage better relations between member countries involved in this exceptional sport.
- Provide a supporting role in promoting the values and benefits of FAI membership.

ASIANIA has steadily increased its membership from nine to thirty-two over the years, however the current financial membership remains steady at twenty, due to some organisations being unable to sustain their parachuting activities and/or due to political upheavals and conflict within their country.

18th ASIANIA Parachuting Championships:

ASIANIA Parachuting Championships have always provided an excellent training opportunity for teams planning towards future CISM and FAI World Parachuting events. The 18th ASIANIA Parachuting Championships and CHINA International Open event was successfully conducted at Ji'An, in the Jiangxi Province of China from the 20th to 27th November 2017. Despite the unseasonal bad weather which was experienced until the last four days, the competition was fully completed using three PC6 aircraft with good Pilots, Meet Director, Judges and Manifest. Numbers were down this year with several countries having to withdraw at the last minute due to Visa or funding difficulties.

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However, eleven ASIANIA member countries together with international teams from Bulgaria, Romania and Russia competed in Freefall Style, Accuracy, 4-way FS and 2-way CF events. Results are available on the ASIANIA website [http://: www.asiania.com](http://www.asiania.com).

Future Championships:

1st ASIANIA Indoor Skydiving Championships.

19th ASIANIA Parachuting Championship and International Open.

With expressions of interest from Australia, Bahrain, China, Indonesia, Korea and Malaysia, bids will close on the 31st January 2018 for the two separate events:

21st ASIANIA Annual General Meeting:

This important event was held on the evening of the 22nd November, during the 18th ASIANIA Parachuting Championships. ASIANIA welcomed two new members, Myanmar and Palestine with both organisations being supported towards FAI membership. ASIANIA Office Bearers were elected for the next three years with ASFC Director of Parachuting and China's IPC delegate Wang Yongli being unanimously elected as President. He will lead ASIANIA and parachuting towards the 2022 Asian Games being conducted in China. The Olympic Council of Asia and Air Sports Federation of Asia continue to promote parachuting into future Asian Games, and it is anticipated Oceania countries will be invited to these events. As a respected FAI Affiliated member, ASIANIA'S future looks very positive with new energy, concepts and ideas to develop and improve the sport within the ASIANIA membership, nationally and internationally.

ASIANIA EMAX Video Competition:

This annual video competition was introduced in 2003 to encourage teams of all experienced levels to participate in FS and CF competition. It provides the opportunity for the less experienced teams to practice the competition jumps as many times as required to achieve their desired result. All entries are judged during the ASIANIA Parachuting Championships, with medals and certificates awarded. Plans are in place to obtain substantial prizes for 2018's competition.

FAI and ASIANIA Judge Training Courses:

In 2017 approved FAI / ASIANIA judge training courses were conducted in conjunction with the 18th ASIANIA Parachuting Championships at Ji'an, China, under the guidance of FAI COJs Gunter Berendt (Freefall Style and Accuracy Landings), Gillian Rayner (Formation Skydiving) and Exi Hoenle (Canopy Formations). Fourteen candidates from Australia, China, Egypt, Indonesia, Japan, Korea and DPR Korea participated in the various disciplines with FAI ratings and ASIANIA national ratings being issued.

Conclusion:

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ASIANIA will continue its work towards promoting FAI Memberships, friendships, safety and the ongoing development of skills for everyone concerned with national and international competition in this wonderful sport of parachuting and skydiving.

On behalf of ASIANIA and its members Thank You for your most valuable time.

Faye Cox

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Wang Yongli (President)

26th January 2018

