IPC WORLD GAMES LIAISON OFFICER REPORT 2016

General information
The next World Games (WG) will be held in Wroclaw, Poland. Canopy Piloting will be the only parachuting event together with Paramotor and Glider Aerobatics as the other two Air Sports. Dates for the Airsports are July 19 to 25, 2017.

Activities 2016
28-30th June – Workshop together with Liaison Officers and officials from FAI, Paramotor (CIMA) and Glider Aerobatics (CIVA)
28th of June – 3rd of July – Test Event, Szymanow Airport
17-19th November – IT Workshop, Lausanne, hosted by the FAI, attended by Susan Dixon.

Selection of the athletes
Since the WPC 2016 in Farnham was not a complete overall competition the selection process was decided by an agreement with the Bureau and the chair of the CP Committee.
1) Medal winners 2016
2) 2016 participating at the WPC in Farnham, placing 1-18 in the combined result Speed+ Accuracy
3) 2016 participating at the WPC in Farnham, overall (placing 1-18) including Distance
4) Overall result from 2015 World Cup
5) Position 1-10 on the World Ranking list
6) As many continents and countries as possible (IWGA Rules 5.1)

Invitations were sent to the NAC/Parachute Associations and all selected competitors have accepted and confirmed their attendance.
There is a reserve list in case a selected competitor has to withdraw.

Pond
The pond was built during the early months of 2016 and was ready for the test event.

Test Event 2016
The Test Event 2016 was held 28 June – 3 July 2016 for Canopy Piloting Open National Championships. It has been agreed that we will work closely to ensure the best co-operation with the other two FAI events and with setting up and running the events. It was supposed to be the other two Airsports together with Canopy Piloting. Unfortunately there was neither a Glider Aerobatic competition nor a Paramotor Slalom competition.

Paramotors was flying during some of the CP competition days but nothing else. One of the big aims of the Test Event was to try to coordinate all three Airsports on the same competition site and completion at the same time. This did not happen.
For the Test Event there were 9 competitors in the Open Class and 3 in the Intermediate Class. 117 Jumps were made.

Scoring
We used “InTime” together with “Speed Timing System” and it worked very well, there was only one rejump due to technical problems. We also tested to incorporate a video of the competitor flying through the course together with the scores. Even thought it was a simple way of doing it (hand held camera and edited by the local Media supplier) it worked fine. This is something that can be improved for the Games. Based on previous experience to get scores out quick and easy to understand for the public we should work on direct results instead of the percentage-method. WG is showcasing and it is important to get instant scores.
Media
For CP, the suggestion is to have a camera/producer setup which would be broadcast to the big screens (i.e. a 4 camera crew and coverage: cam 1 for the start {turn and initiation}, cam 2 for the level flight phase over the water, cam 3 for the landing phase, and the 4th cam as a roving cam to record interviews of the competitors as they have landed, and just before takeoff).
The FAI has arranged a Value in Kind ‘deal’ with Noosphere who were sponsoring the FAI’s input to the WG2017 with an Event Management System which would handle the Event from Pre-event – registration etc. – Through the event – web site, results sequencing – public display and Post-event in terms of publicising and achieving.

Medical Support
Emergency ambulance, Paramedics and trained rescue personnel were onsite for the duration of the Test Event. Helicopter was on standby. This worked very well.
The closest hospital is 8 km from the airfield. There are 4 hospitals in Wroclaw available.

Aircraft
Available are Cessna 206, which was used for the Test Event. For the World Games more than one aircraft is needed.

Accommodation
Hotels in Wroclaw.

 Officials
Technical Course Director
Jasper Williams
Meet Director
Alberto Martin Paracuellos
Judges
Chief Judge – Björn Korth
Event Judges – Sabine Kuchner (AUT), Gundel Klement (GER), Aggie Sobczynska-Solomon (POL), Igor Tiorlo (UKR)
Principal Judges – Franz Singraber (AUT), Julia Wegener (GER)
Training Judges from Poland – Maciel Antkowiak, Lidia Kosk, Marcin Sen, Michal Kostrzewa

Local Parachuting Contact
No one from the Polish Parachute Association was present at the Test Event.

Website
www.theworldgames.org/the-world-games/wroclaw-poland-2017

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