2017 Accuracy Landing and Freefall Style Report

The 9th FAI European Accuracy Landing and Freefall Style Championship and 6th FAI Junior European Accuracy Landing and Freefall Style Championship in Podgorica, Montenegro were the FCE in 2017.

Following Competitors participated in the disciplines of Accuracy Landing and Freefall Style:

102 Male, 44 Female, Junior Male 23 & 4 Junior Female from 17 Nations.

The main competition side was prepared shortly before the competition start. But we haven’t had a correct windsock! There was also a lot of interruption about Air Traffic Control from the civilian Airport. During the competition the organizer did not have enough staff, so the judges or I myself had often to intervene and support.

All competitors were not happy about the organization and running of the competition. The Freefall Style competition was really difficult, because the visibility. Round about the competition area was a lot of fire. Two days strong wind. Therefore we could do only 2 rounds in Freefall Style.

In Accuracy Landing we could make 8 rounds men and 7 rounds women. We had 2,5 days delay about strong wind and we lost 1 day during the whole competition about Air Traffic Control.

For the competition, we had the complete Weckbecker Scoring System. Video camera and scoring section for Freefall Style worked satisfactorily, also the scoring section for all results. In Accuracy Landing the scoring system worked not well. There were many results wrong on the display or it did not indicate anything at all (see Chief Judge report). The organisation was also unable using two aircraft for Accuracy Landing because it was not allowed by Air Traffic Control. Therefore, the competition could not be fully carried out.

The World Cup Series in Accuracy Landing were again carried out in six different countries. Between 28 and 45 teams participated in all six competitions.

South East Parachuting Cup in Accuracy Landing were also again carried out in four different countries.

Future competitions:

World Championships 2018 Montana/Bulgaria.
World Cup in 2019 Cordoba/Argentina

I would like to thank all members of the Committee for their work in 2017.

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