

CIVL COMPETITION COORDINATOR 2015 Report

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PG-Acc = Accuracy; PG-Acro = Aerobatics Synchro/Solo; HG-SC = Sport Class;

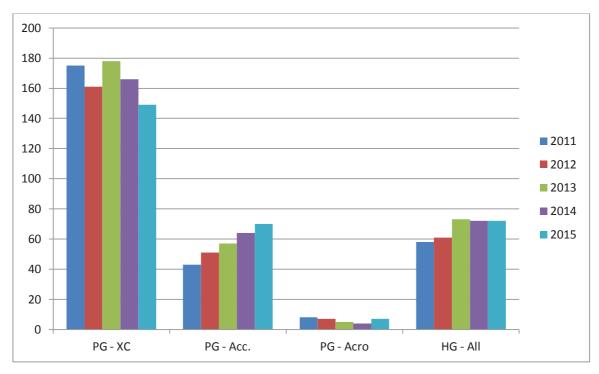
CC = Competition Coordinator.

The information in this report has been collected from the WPRS website, from the email exchange between CC and event organizers, from the FAI website and the CC 2014 Report was used for reference.

Sanctioned Events

There were a total of 298 sanctioned competitions in 2015; no HG-Acro or HG-Speed Gliding events were sanctioned this year.

Discipline	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	Notes
PG – XC	149	166	178	161	175	
PG – Acc.	70	64	57	51	43	
PG – Acro.	7	4	5	7	8	Synchro & Solo
HG – Class I	68	70	72	61	58	
HG – Class II	3	10	6	3	3	
HG – Class V	29	33	32	25	20	
HG – Sp. Class	33	35	26	16	12	



Note: HG includes Classes I, II, V and Sport

As shown on the graph, compared to 2014, PG-XC events have decreased by roughly 10% and HG events have stayed pretty much stable; moreover, PG-Acc. events have increased by roughly 10% and PG-Acro almost doubled.

Sanctioning Process

The process worked out quite well throughout the year with only a couple of minor issues during 2015: a few applications were refused because they were sent after the deadline (most of them followed the CC's suggestion to reschedule); some organizers transferred a lower amount than declared on the application form and some reported an incomplete or non-existing URL.

Processed Results

Most organizers/score keepers submitted the results within reasonable times, many other with days or more than a week of delay. Several others had to be reminded, even multiple times, about the delayed results before these were submitted.

Out of the sanctioned events most of them were processed, where "processed" includes even results with no tasks or not enough tasks for validity (as the case of HG events) since the CC still needed to contact organizers, get information or confirmation, insert the corresponding data into the program, etc.

At the time of this report, there were only 2 events that had not yet ended and, apart from that, there were 6 events where the CC did not receive the results at all and 1 event where the results file was incomplete and inaccurate and the CC asked for a corrected file, without getting it before the end of the year.

There were 24 **PG-XC** events that did not have any tasks.

All **PG-Acro** events took place and 6 **PG-Acc** were cancelled.

12 **HG-Class I** events were cancelled.

Most of the cancellations were due to bad weather except 1 PG-XC where the organizers could not agree with the NAC therefore it was cancelled.

Moreover, there were 5 **HG-SC** events that did not take place for not reaching the quorum, in some of these the few HG-SC pilots were included in the general Class I event; the same applies for 3 **HG-Class V** events and 1 **HG-Class II** event. These are separate from the 12 above-reported HG events.

Some organizers submitted their results in the wrong format and most of the times these were sent back with a clarification email. In order to avoid the same situation the CC has been sending out a template, especially to PG-Acc and PG-Acro organizers, for them to use. This has improved the process.

Incidents / Accidents

Organizers are prompted to submit or fill out online accident report forms when they report and accident or incident and most of them do. The CC asks for confirmation on accidents when the reports are submitted, but there is no exact way of controlling this.

The reports are saved in the WPRS website and the Bureau, CC and Safety Director will work on a way to use this information for further analysis.

There were approximately 20 accidents/incidents mentioned or reported by organizers in both PG and HG, not all of them did file the requested report. The CC cannot confirm nor deny whether organizers forgot or decided to report these events during their competitions.

PG-Acc Judges

Some of the events reported judges that are not on the Judges' database; the CC is working with some of the Senior PG-Acc judges to have an accurate and updated list. It is recommended that a system for appointing judges or verifying the judges chosen is created or improved.

Pilot CIVL ID

There were several cases of pilots with double or multiple CIVL IDs, where the CC worked together with the organizer, the NAC or the pilot himself to sort it out and merge all IDs into a single one.

Another issue is the fact that often the names on the files submitted did not match the names on the CIVL database, which then required a manual search and match by the CC, increasing the time needed to process and, more importantly, increasing the error probability. In some cases the CC had to send results back to organizers explaining the situation and how to resolve it while asking for a corrected version of the file; in these cases all organizers understood the situation and sent corrected results back, except one case. Moreover, the CC has prepared a document to send out to organizers in an attempt to improve this situation.

FAI SLs

Again this year there were many pilots allowed to participate in Cat. 2 events without having a valid FAI SL. The CC has mentioned this to the different organizers, once the results were submitted, being of course too late. This issue is included, as a reminder in the document for organizers mentioned above, and a second document will be sent to NACs and Delegates in an attempt to improve this issue.

Conclusions

The work atmosphere and dynamic for the CC has been quite good. Interaction with NACs was mostly positive and productive, with FAI and CIVL colleagues as well and with pilots too. The goal is to improve the inaccuracy of result files (names) and their delay; to start a campaign to have more FAI SLs and less pilots fly in Cat. 2 events without them and to work on having certified PG-Acc Judges go to the events and being able to use the information of Incident reports.

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