JURY & STEWARD COORDINATOR REPORT

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Activities

- Informed the appointed J & S volunteers for the 2012 competitions about important and relevant documents like (updated) Sporting Codes, J & S handbook, FAI General Section etc.

- Kept the volunteers mailing list up to date. At this moment (10 December) 81 volunteers are subscribed to the mailing list

- Sent information and application forms to additional people who are interested in Jury and/or Steward functions in future competitions

- After the October 2012 Bureau Meeting I informed the selected J & S volunteers and the organizers of the 2013 category 1 and the pre category 1 comps about the J & S selections for 2013.

- Communicated with the bureau, event organisers and the J & S volunteers during the year concerning changes in the 2012 officials selection and filling official functions that became vacant during the year. Thanks to the flexible attitude of the J & S volunteers (and some convincing pressure) we managed to fill the open places and made the necessary changes. The following changes and or additions to the 2012 official functions were implemented:

  - For the PG Pre-Worlds in Sopot, Bulgaria, a 2nd trainee steward, Nikolay Yotov (BUL), volunteered as trainee steward. The CIVL bureau agreed to make an exemption to the rule that the steward cannot be from the organizing country, because Nikolay, who lives in Sopot and therefore has low travel and accommodation costs, could have been a great help to the CIVL Steward and organizing team. One week before the start of the competition Nikolay had to take over the role of Meet Director. Nikolay could therefore not function as a trainee steward.

  - For the European PG Accuracy championship in Ohrid, YR Macedonia, the initially selected jury member Anastasia Lemovtseva (RUS) had to withdraw because of obligations that had to do with her work. She was not replaced (it was impossible to find somebody to replace her), so the Jury President, Andy Cowley (GBR), was the only on site jury member. Remote jury members for this championship were Roman Pogacar (SLO) and Louise Joselyn (GBR). There was a good and frequent (daily) communication between the JP, Andy Cowley, and
the remote jury members.

- The full jury initially appointed for Forbes (2013 HG Worlds) was changed to a remote jury after the 2012 Plenary agreed that only the Jury President, John Aldridge (GBR), would be present at the championship site. The initially appointed jury members, Agust Gudmundsson (ICE) and Katharina Lochner (GER), were informed about this change. Remote jury members for the championship are Brian Harris (GBR) and Kurt Meyer (GUA).

- The initially appointed jury for the HG Europeans in Turkey had to be changed, because of other obligations from 2 of the 3 jury members, Heather Mull (AUS) who joined the organising team, and Stephane Malbos (FRA). They were replaced by John Aldridge (GBR) and Davor Novak (CRO).

- During the year and the preparations phase of the PG Europeans in St. Andre, the bureau decided to replace the initially appointed steward, Fernando Amaral (POR). Fernando appeared to be too busy to be able to fully focus on the preparations of the championship. The person replacing Fernando as steward was Ali Gali (FRA).

- Because the J & S volunteers have many other obligations in addition to their Jury & Steward work, it is unavoidable that changes may occur as people withdraw from functions for which they volunteered. For the 2012 season we have been able to fill almost all the vacant functions thanks to the above mentioned flexible attitude of the Jury & Steward volunteers. It is thanks to these enthusiastic people that we are able to fulfil this part of the core work of the CIVL.

(Trainee) stewards:

In 2012 three trainee stewards, Fabio Loro (ITA), Nicky Moss (GBR) and Andika Mountnear (INA) were appointed and trained. It is good to see that people are being trained for steward functions, because there is a lack of experienced and qualified stewards in all the different HG and PG disciplines. The 3 above mentioned trainee stewards contributed well to the success of the competitions that they attended and good progress was made in their "steward training".

The Jury & Steward coordinator

In the past years I have with much pleasure taken care of the coordination of the Jury & Steward work. I did this work, both while and since I was the CIVL President. I have been ably assisted and advised by Brian, the CIVL comp coordinator. I have always had the impression that the J & S system and coordination has worked well. We have always been able to find the necessary people for filling in the CIVL official functions for the World and Continental category 1 and the cat 1 practice competitions. It is good to see that Asian and North and South American Continental Championships are becoming more frequently organised and I hope that more organisers will be found in these regions. I want to emphasize that we can only support these events because so many volunteers
around the world are willing to invest a big part of their free time into contributing to the success of our competitions. Without all these volunteers we would have a serious problem. Let's not forget that.

As mentioned above I do this work with great pleasure, so it is with regret that I inform you that I am resigning from my function as the CIVL Jury & Steward coordinator. There appears to be emerging from the CIVL Bureau some new ideas about how to run the J & S system. In my view, some of these ideas of how the Jury & Steward system should work will not create a constructive and productive way of working. I therefore have decided to make room for a successor who will be more inclined to follow the new CIVL bureau guidelines and policy on Jury & Steward coordination.

In the past years we have been able to set up a solid J & S volunteers database, we have trained new stewards, we have recruited new jury members, we have been able to represent the FAI and CIVL at the competitions and we have in our roles as stewards and jurors been able to assist and advise the competition organisers and the competitors about important and relevant rules in our official competition documents.

I wish to thank the CIVL bureau, the delegates and above all the volunteers for their support and help in our contributions to make the competitions safe and enjoyable.