## CHIEF JUDGE REPORT

**Competition:** 2nd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving  
1st FAI European Championships of Speed Skydiving

**Event:** Open Event

**Place:** Teuge, Netherlands

**Date:** 7th to 13th September 2015

**Panel of Judges:** Katherine Charters, GBR  
Randy Connell, USA

**Equipment Used:**  
SMD: Larsen & Brusgaard Protrack  
Software: Intervision Speedware

### Details of the Judges Work:  
*(including judging statistics)*

Request to Jury: The 65th IPC Plenary accepted the Dutch Bid to host the 2nd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving in Teuge, Netherlands. The bid contained no information about the 1st European Championships of Speed Skydiving in apparent error. Bulletin n°1 (officially issued on March 31st 2015) and Bulletin n°2 (officially issued on August 8th 2015) was written for both events, the 2nd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving and the 1st FAI European Championships of Speed Skydiving. Because the IPC Plenary accepted the bid as it was written there was no official Plenary acceptance to host the 1st FAI European Championships of Speed Skydiving in Teuge.

The Chief Judge noticed this obvious human error and asked the Jury to confirm this event as also the 1st FAI European Championships of Speed Skydiving. The Jury confirmed this request.

Shipol Air Traffic Restrictions: before noon the airspace mostly was restricted to FL110 and a daily break from noon to 4 p.m. with no competition jumps had to be respected. Not every competitor was able to do the official training jump. 3 competitors from the Netherlands asked the Jury for permission to do Tandem and Tandem Video jumps during the daily competition break. According to SC Section 5, paragraph 5.2.1 Chief Judge, Meet Director and Jury gave their authorisation in common agreement. Grounds: Tandem and Video jumps from FL110 are not suitable to do a SP training jump.

Judges Work: It was the first time to use the new approved software *Intervision Speedware* in a First Category Event. The new software allows simultaneously data download. 8 download devices on 1 computer were used. That minimized the duration for data download to a 1/8. The new software worked pretty well and very stable. Holger Enderlin from Intervision gave excellent remote support during the competition and has immediately implemented some improvements based on judge feedback.
Both judges, Kate Charters from GBR and Randy Connell from USA, did an excellent job. Both are well prepared to take Chief Judge duties in future SPFCE.

Statistics: 25 registered competitors from 8 NACs. 160 jumps in total were judged. 1 re-jump for technical reason had to be done – 1 SMD did not log the jump, the SMD was removed from the SMD Pool.

Competition Records: 2 Male World and European Records by Marco Wiederkehr from Switzerland. The preliminary claims were forwarded to the FAI. 2 British Male National Records, 2 Dutch Male National Records, 1 Belgium Female National Record, 1 Russian Male National Record. The record claims were forwarded to the competitors.

Side Note Trainings Course: The daily competition break from noon to 4 p.m. was unexpected, but perfect for running the course. It gave additional time to go through the CR and to do extra practice sessions. All 5 Candidates passed the written exam and the practice part of the trainings course.

Recommendations and Feedback for Organiser:

Internet Access: nowadays competitors are expecting to get their results provided as fast as possible also on the internet. Sufficient Internet bandwidth should be provided for competitors as well. It’s an important point for competitors satisfaction.

Judging Room: the provided judging room was perfect. Plenty of room, close to the Manifest and close to the Boarding Area – very short ways.

Communication/Cooperation: the daily briefings with Staff and Jury was the basis for the good communication and cooperation. Meet Director Simon Woerlee, Event Directors Herman Landsman and Mike Pennock, and Assistant to the CJ Bert Ham did pretty good jobs.

Rule Changes Proposals:

SP CR paragraph 4.1.6 says that the SMDs will be attached and sealed by a member of the judging staff. In round 1 a competitor lost a SMD. Two questions were raised by this issue: is a member of the judging staff, who mounted and sealed the SMD, fully or partly responsible if competitor looses a SMD? Has a re-jump be awarded in that case?

The competitor concerned checked the mounting of the SMD and was using his own SMD pockets. According to SC S5 paragraph 5.5.1 (1) each participant is responsible for the good condition of his/her equipment. So no re-jump for loosing the SMD was awarded, the result for this round was counted as zero.

Proposal to reduce the judge responsibility for mounting SMDs: The SMDs will be attached by the competitor, supervised and sealed in location by a member of the judging staff.

Personal remarks: It was a big honour to me to be selected as Chief Judge for the 1st FAI European Championships and 2nd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving. It was big pleasure to me to work together with all FAI/IPC officials, all members of the organizing team and last but not least of course with my judges. Thank you very much for giving me this opportunity!

According to Sporting Code Section 5, 6.7.1 (6) this report is to be sent to the Chair of the Judges Committee and the IPC Reporting Secretary within 30 days of the competition completion.

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Date: 3rd of October 2015