



To Agust Gudmundsson  
CIVL President

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*Suivi technique : Jean-Marc Arduin*  
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Objet : World Paragliding aerobatics Championship 2016.

Dear President,

Following our October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 bid for a FAI World PG Aerobatic, we would like to add the remarks below:

Stéphane Malbos told us that a formal practice event might not be mandatory anymore for Aerobatic events if the coming Plenary agrees.

If such is the case, we would like to modify our bid as follow:

- Organization of our National championship in 2015 from August 26 to 30. It will be a Cat 2 event open to foreign pilots.
- World championship from August 26 to September 4<sup>th</sup> 2016.

We will send you soon a new bid within this frame.

If the Plenary does not agrees, the time frame will be pushed back one year and we will organize the World Championships in 2017 with a pre-event in 2016.

Best regards,



Jean Pierre POULEAU  
FFVL President



**PRESENTATION DOSSIER  
FOR THE 2016 ACROBATIC PARAGLIDING FAI  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**1. Organizers**

The championships will be organized by "l'Association Les Chamois Volants", which is endorsed by the French federation of free flight (FFVL). The club "Les Chamois Volants" was created in 1988 in Talloires by pilots who wished to combine walking and paraglider flying.

In order to firmly establish the practice of free flight, very quickly the club took the initiative to open landing and take-off areas around lake Annecy, thus supporting under an exceptional framework and very favorable flying conditions, the development of a very important economic activity, specific to paragliding.

The strong involvement of the club over many years in local institutions (town councils, district council, departmental direction of Sport Ministry...), in the installation of sites and infrastructure for the "bassin annecien", means that we are a primary point of contact for these bodies.

For many years, a significant number of members, between 300 and 400 depending on the year (with a high point at 480) made our club one of most important of France. We are currently the largest paragliding club in France.

Beyond the usual activities of paragliding club (group excursions, courses...), "Les Chamois Volants" are involved in Handi-Bi, taking free flight to people of reduced mobility with adapted equipment.

The club also ensures each year the organization of sports events : a winter competition (challenge "Vol et Ski"), an Elite competition (Open of the "Lac d'Annecy"). In 2014, we organized the French acrobatic championship.

Lastly, the club has taken part since 2011 in the organization of Red Bull Elements and played a central role in the organization of 3 legs (in 2004, 2009 and 2012) of the paragliding world cup (PWC).

The club, profiting from an extremely favorable framework, has now adopted the objective to support provide structure for the practice of aerobatics.

The logical result of this engagement is to propose ourselves for the organization of legs of the world cup, the French and the world championships of this discipline.

Many partners will support the organization of the competition, among which are the cities of Annecy, Doussard, Faverges and Montmin, l'Assemblée du pays de Savoie, la region Rhône Alpes, la communauté de Communes de Faverges et Savoie Mont Blanc Tourisme.

The Federation will provide one of its technical managers to support the organization of the event.

**2. Name of Championships :**

This dossier concerns the organization of the 2nd FAI World Paragliding Aerobatic Championships.

**3. Proposed dates for the Championships :**

For the World Championships: from August 26<sup>th</sup> to September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

For information, the club of the "Chamois Volants" will organize in 2015 a French championship FAI 2 which will be opened to the foreign pilots.

**4. Location(s) of Championships :**

The competition will take place on Montmin - La Forclaz site for the pilots' take-offs.

Half of the launch (synthetic mat) will be reserved for the competition.

The presence of a Launch Marshall will ensure the pilots safe take-off.

The landing will take place either on the official SIV training site or on the raft recently acquired by the federation.

Furthermore, if we obtain the necessary authorizations the take-offs could also take place near Doussard beach, on the SIV training site, using a tow winch.

We have already organized on this same site two French championships as well as a round of the 2012 FAI World Cup for Category 2.



**5. Launch site details :**

The launch is easily accessible by car in 20 minutes from the headquarters (HQ), which will be found on the esplanade near Doussard's Port-Plage. The take-off site faces westward and during this time of the year it is possible to fly from 9am to 7pm.



The size of the launch is approximately 500 m<sup>2</sup> and there is an additional 1500 m<sup>2</sup> area for the pilots to prepare. Half of this space will be reserved to the competition. The difference in altitude is of 800 meters. If conditions do not allow for take-offs from the Montmin - La Forclaz site, we plan on doing winch take-offs from the SIV training site near the beach at Doussard.

The landing will take place on the raft, fixed approximately 250 meters in front of the SIV training site, which will serve as an emergency landing zone for the pilots. It is noteworthy that the wind (the lake's breeze) generally blows in a North-South axis that is ideal for the competition. The SIV landing area will be used exclusively for the competition.

Furthermore, the Doussard site is big enough to have in one same location: 2500 m<sup>2</sup> for landing; 2500 m<sup>2</sup> for the helicopter's DZ; 5000 m<sup>2</sup> as an open space for the public, for the HQ, the judges' quarters and booths for the different partners.

A booth with emergency services will be continuously present near the landing area.

### **6 Distance/access to launch site(s) :**

Every morning the pilots will be gathered for a briefing at the HQ on Doussard's Port-Plage esplanade. The pilots will then be taken to the Montmin - La Forclaz site by bus. The launch can be reached by car in approximately 20 minutes.

### **7 Task flying area :**

There are neither accessibility nor security problems on the take-off and landing sites. However it should be noted that the landing zone is situated near a natural reserve above which it is prohibited to fly.

### **8 Airspace :**

The competition will take place in a "G" type space, there is thus only one constraint: to stay under the FL115 altitude (approximately 3500 meters). The organization will file a NOTAM with the French Air Control Agency (DGAC) in order to ensure that the event is notified to other airspace users.

### **9 Safety issues :**

This site is appropriate for beginners as it does not present any specific difficulties. The pilots will however need to take into account the breeze's strength and their placement in the box in order to avoid getting too close to the bank.

The landing on the SIV site is reserved for experienced pilots due to the presence of trees around the area.

### **10 Map of site :**

A map of the site can be found in the annexes.

### **11 Transportation :**

The pilots' transportation between the HQ and the launch site will be insured by shuttles provided by the organization.



## **12 Rescue/medical services :**

A civil defense booth will be set permanently in Doussard Port Plage area to provide first aid care. A doctor will be available rapidly if necessary. A helicopter DZ will set up on the back of the SIV training site. A permanent helicopter DZ is in place at Montmin - La Forclaz site. Emergency rescue services by helicopter can generally arrive within 30 minutes. During the World Cup in 2012, we had to call upon emergency rescue services when a pilot suffered a fracture while landing on the raft. Medical help arrived by ambulance and helicopter in less than 20 minutes, ensuring his swift evacuation. During both competitions, skin-divers from the National Police Force and from the Doussard Club Aquatique International will be available.

## **13 Liaison with police, military & public services :**

Local police and fire stations will be informed of the competition's proceedings. Since national and international paragliding competitions are frequently organized at the Montmin site, their services are quickly operational in case of need.

## **14 Insurance :**

As this is an official competition registered on the FFVL calendar, it will automatically have liability insurance. It will be compulsory for every pilot to have personal liability insurance, an individual accident insurance as well as a repatriation insurance that covers potential emergency rescue costs. Having a FAI License is also required. The organizer will take additional cancellation insurance in case there are unfavorable weather conditions.



## **15 Communication :**

The organizers will communicate through VHF radios on a frequency specifically attributed to the competition. Cell phone reception is excellent throughout the site.

## **16 Weather :**

At this time of year, flight conditions are generally calm from approximately 9am to 1pm. Thermal conditions can arise between 1pm and 6pm and afterwards calm conditions reappear. From 1pm to 6pm, a 10 to 20km/h breeze blows on the lake. Apart from exceptional weather conditions, it is possible to fly all day long. The lake's breeze promotes a more rapid approach towards the landing, which is an advantage since it allows the pilots to arrive at higher altitude over the landing area.

## **17 Meteorology :**

Every day a weather forecast will be given by the organization. It will be based upon several websites such as "Météoblue", "Météociel" and "Météo France". François Bon and Jean-Marc Arduin, both state licensed instructors trained to analyze meteorological conditions, will give the forecasts. We are also considering employing a professional forecaster.

## **18 Event headquarters :**

The debriefings will take place under a 300 m<sup>2</sup> marquee. Equipment verification and enrolling of pilots will also take place here. A Wi-Fi hot spot will be organized. A specific space will be dedicated to the Judges. Cell reception is excellent throughout the site. An area will be devoted to administration and logistics (printer, posting up the results...). There will be at least two storage rooms for drying the wings in case of bad weather.

## **19 Local facilities :**

The Championships will take place in a highly touristic region with a great variety of restaurants and accommodation. Two three star campings are available next to Port Plage and offer diversified accommodation. There are several restaurants less than 5km away. In a 10 to 15 km range, there are numerous hotels and bed & breakfasts. An assortment of stores (car rental, paraglider repair shop...) can be found in the village of Doussard, which is less than 2 km from the HQ. The City of Annecy is less than 20 km away from the landing area. There is a regular boat service between the landing area and Annecy. There is a regular bus service between Annecy and Albertville.

Detailed touristic information can be found on the following website: <http://www.sources-lac-annecy.com/accueil/861-1327,accueil.html#diaporama>

## **20 Media coverage, publicity, sponsorship :**

Currently being developed. More information will be given to you at a later date.

## **21 Competition website :**

The organizer will set up a website for the pilots and the teams by 2016. This website will be called Acro2016 and will cover all useful aspects of the competition, including registration and online payments, train and bus schedule, hotels, camping, restaurants addresses and fares, and various activities available. The Web site will be lodged on the site of the club of Les Chamois Volants.

## **22 Organizers, Directors and key officials :**

Organization and Event Directors: Jean-Paul Bonfanti et Marc Auclair

Meet Directors : François Bon and Jean-Marc Arduin

Safety Director : to be defined

Chief Launch Marshall : Jean-Claude Bourdel

Meteorologist : to be defined

HQ / Admin manager : Jean-Marc Arduin / Jean-Paul Bonfanti

Chief Judge (Accuracy, Aerobatics) : Claudio Catanéo



## **23 Finance and sponsorship :**

The competition's main benefactors are: "Les Chamois Volants" association; the cities of Annecy, Doussard, Faverges and Montmin, l'Assemblée du pays de Savoie, la region Rhône Alpes, la communauté de Communes de Faverges, Savoie Mont Blanc Tourisme, the French federation of free flight (FFVL); the Rhônes Alps Free Flight League; the Departmental Committee for Free flight.

**24 Entry fee for category 1 championship :**

500 € per pilot; 650 € for pilots doing both solo and synchro ; 150 € for team managers.

This fee includes:

- Preferential prices at designated camping grounds.
- Meals and drinks at lunch.
- A souvenir gift from the region.
- Pilots and team managers' transportation to the sites.
- Flares upon pilots' request.
- An event T-shirt.
- Meals during the official receptions.



**25 Pilot Entry & team size :**

Solo - The National Teams will be made up of maximum 4 pilots + 1 female pilot.

Synchro - Each nation is allowed 2 Teams. Pilots may or may not run in the Solo event.

For pilots not in the WPRS 2014 or 2015 ranking, the practice day will be devoted to selection according to criteria defined by the Chief Judge.

**26 Visas, vaccinations :**

The procedures to obtain a visa are explained on the following website :

<http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/venir-en-france-22365/formalites/entrer-en-france/>

There are no specific vaccinations required to enter France.

**27 Early arrivals :**

The organization will not take charge of pilots arriving before the first day of the competition. There will be useful information on the website for those wishing to arrive earlier.

**28 Customs & equipment importation :**

No particular information.

**29 Any additional information in support of the bid:**

The budget of the world championship is in Annex 3.

**Name: BONFANTI Jean-Paul**

**Signed:**

**Position in Organization : Event Director**

**Date: 22<sup>th</sup> December 2014.**

**ANNEX 1: CALENDER FOR THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS  
(August 26<sup>th</sup> to September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016)**

**Day one:**

Registration and equipment verification. Pilot briefing.

**Day two :**

Practice day and selection of pilots not ranked in the WPRS.

Opening Ceremony at Parc Simon Berger in Faverges at 18.00. Evening party in Faverges at 20.00.

**Day three :**

Para Solo run 1

**Day four:**

Para solo Run 2 - 40 pilots

**Day five:**

Para Synchro Run 1 & 2

**Day six:**

Para solo Run 3 - 30 pilots

Para synchro Run 3

**Day seven:**

Para Synchro Run 4 & 5

**Day eight:**

Para Solo Run 4 & 5 - 25 pilots

**Day nine:**

Para Solo Run 6 - 20 pilots

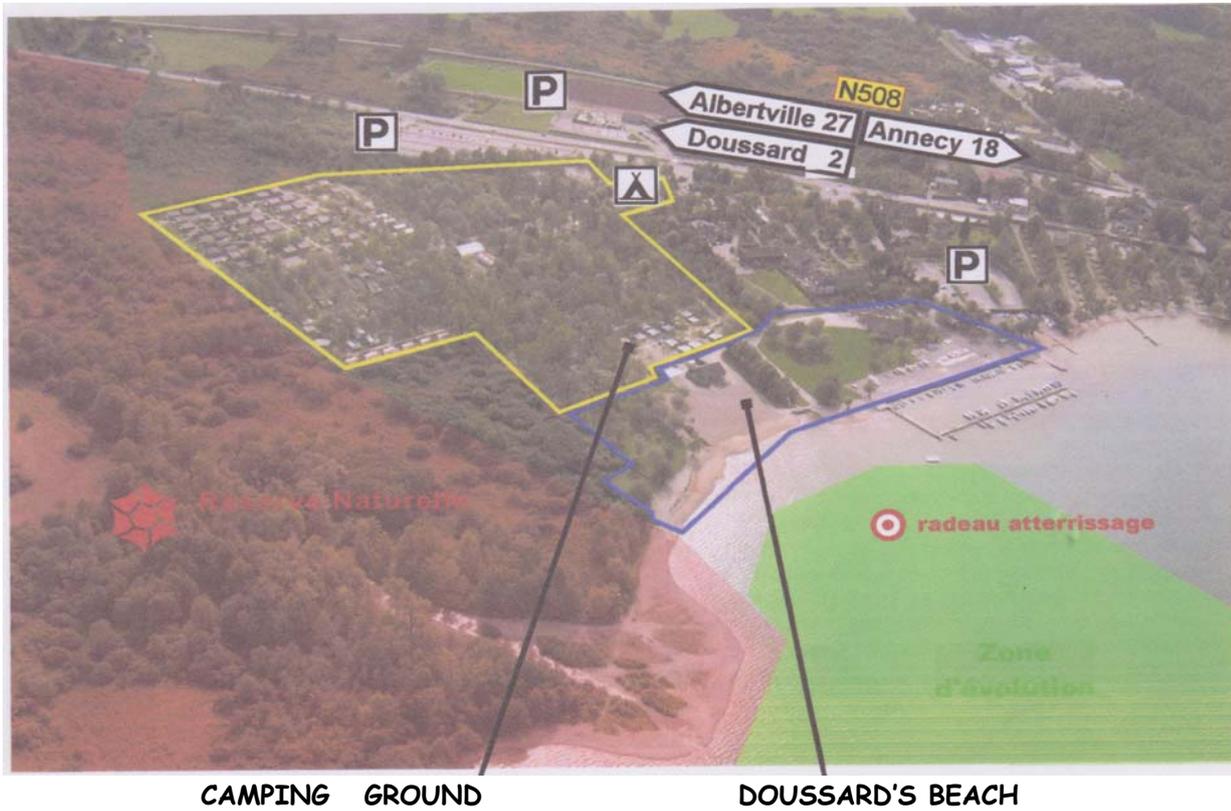
Para Synchro Run 6

**Day ten:**

Awards and Closing Ceremony



ANNEX 2: MAP OF SITE






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**ANNEX 3: CHAMPIONSHIP BUDGET (in Euros)**
**INCOME**

PG solo entry fees 500 x 30	15 000 €
PG Synchro and solo entry fees 650 x 10	6 500 €
FFVL Grant	10 000 €
Ligue RA Grant	3 000 €
CDVL 74 Grant	1 500 €
Département Grant	5 000 €
Partenaires privés Grant	20 000 €
Région Grant	8 000 €
Ministry Grant	5 000 €
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>74 000 €</b>

**EXPENDITURE**

Judges fees (4 judges) x 200 x 10	8 000 €
Travel expenses for judges and volunteers	3 500 €
Steward accommodation and travel	1 500 €
Transportation (3 bus) and gas	5 000 €
Food (5€x60x10(midi) + 20€x20x10(soirs))	7 000 €
Accommodation (8 bungalows)	8 000 €
HQ Tent	3 000 €
Sound system	1 500 €
Awards and other	2 000 €
Ecran télé	1 000 €
Apéro accueil et fin de compétition	4 000 €
Boats	1 500 €
Towing	4 000 €
Rescue medical	2 000 €
Communication ( images, site web etc..)	15 000 €
Animations	5 000 €
Speaker officiel	2 000 €
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>74 000 €</b>



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**ANNEX 4: LETTER OF SUPPORT FFVL**

**CHAMOIS VOLANTS**

**Jean-Paul Bonfanti**

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Nice, le 22 octobre 2014

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*Suivi secrétariat : Bettina Hamard*

Objet : Lettre de soutien

Cher Jean-Paul,

La Fédération française de vol libre est fière d'apporter son soutien à la candidature du club des «Chamois Volants» pour l'organisation du Championnat du monde de Voltige 2016 ou 2017.

Nous porterons ensemble le dossier devant la commission Internationale de vol libre.

Avec ses paysages magnifiques, le site d'Annecy jouit d'une excellente réputation pour la pratique de la voltige. Il bénéficie d'un environnement exceptionnel, en raison de son emplacement au cœur des montagnes et au-dessus du lac, ainsi que d'un savoir-faire incontesté dans l'organisation de manifestations de grande envergure.

La voltige, activité la plus médiatique du vol libre, offrirait donc à la France, avec ce championnat, un des grands événements sportifs de l'année et un rayonnement toujours très apprécié sur la scène internationale.

Reçois, cher Jean-Paul, ainsi que toute ton équipe, mes salutations cordiales et sportives.



Jean Pierre POULEAU

Président de la FFVL.