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IPC WINGSUIT COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT - 2015

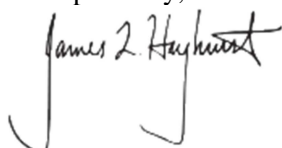
Committee: James Hayhurst, Chair (USA); Jan Andersson, Deputy Chair (FIN); Henne Wiggers (NL), Jarno Cordia (NL), Klaus Rheinwald (GER), Taya Weiss (USA), Ray Williams (AUS), Jackie Harper (UK). Acro advisor, Zach Schroedel (USA). Judging advisor, Kate Charters (UK).

At the last Plenary we adopted Performance Wingsuit Flying and Acrobatic Wingsuit Flying CRs, added new competition and performance records, and set out a training program to create a cadre of IPC wingsuit judges. These laid the groundwork for a successful debut year for IPC wingsuit flying, beginning with the First FAI World Cup at Netheravon in May, a 42-way large formation record flown at Moorsele, Belgium in June, the training of 16 international wingsuit-rated judges and numerous national WS-rated judges, and a number of successful national events that included acro and performance events, the Acro test event in Mimizan, France, the first USPA National Championships of Wingsuit Flying (both events) in September, capped by the world record 61-way large formation record set at Perris Valley in October. An auspicious start.

For 2016, the committee needs to refine/combine the rules into a single CR, as promised at the 65th Plenary, in order to prepare for a possible first world championships in 2016. Several bids are forthcoming, if the Plenary chooses to go forward with wingsuit flying competition. Tragically, we lost Jan Andersson to a canopy collision over the summer, and so I propose John Smyth, the Delegate from UK, to replace him. John was instrumental in getting the bid for Netheravon awarded, and he is an enthusiastic supporter of the discipline.

Prospective committee members for 2016: James Hayhurst, Chair (USA); John Smyth, Deputy Chair (UK); Henne Wiggers (NL), Jarno Cordia (NL), Klaus Rheinwald (GER), Taya Weiss (USA), Jackie Harper (UK). Acro advisor, Zach Schroedel (USA), Performance advisor, Michael Cooper (CAN). Judging advisor, Kate Charters (UK). Others may come forward, in particular, interest expressed by wingsuit competitors from Russia and Hungary.

Respectfully,



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WINGSUIT COMMITTEE AGENDA – 2016:

- Chairman's Report – 2015
- Judge training program
- Combine Acro and Performance Rules – see draft rules with some proposed changes
 - Performance: Controller weight check and allowance for rejump with PLD failure
 - Acro: Eight rounds, 4F & 4C, 5 judges, 4 viewings max, refine maneuvers.
 - Acro team: allowance for international teams under FAI banner
- 2016 World Championship bid proposals
- Wingsuit LF Records – consider proposal to reduce allowable deviation above 80
- Wingsuit Records – Amend SC-5 3.3.3 to include “/Flight” (coordinate with R&R committee)
- Select the 2016 Wingsuit Committee (chairman plus eight) from candidates/interested delegates