FAI Rotorcraft Commission (CIG)
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1. Important activities, projects or events since last FAI General Conference:
   - It has taken some time to launch the scheme for Proficiency Badges. The final steps have been taken with documentation agreed. My thanks for Christine Rousson for the very valuable help and guidance.
   - The Commission decided to directly award 2 Air Sport Medals to young pilots who are competing in Class 1 events and who have only just reached the age of 18.
   - A FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal History is in the course of preparation. It is intended this will be presented to the FAI at the next Plenary Meeting.

2. Positive and negative results:
   - CIG have requested minor alterations to the General Section to encompass ‘Compound Helicopters’. It was hoped that this could be achieved quickly. It was thought that the existing rules would not allow the CASI Bureau to deal with this. This is being discussed but it meant that the delay meant that a new classification and the speed record could not be recognised.
   - A bid to host the next World Championship (2015) and its preceding test event bid (2014) is awaiting detailed information before the ‘Organiser Agreement’ can be finalized..

3. Main problem(s) encountered and solutions adopted :
   - FAME
     The Commission agreed to enter into a ‘contract’. FAME were so advised and promised to prepare draft documentation for the Bureau to consider prior to signing. Since then nothing has been heard.
   - SCHEME JOINTLY WITH THE MEDICAL COMMISSION
     Having approved this a year ago the detailed proposals were discussed at the March Plenary Meeting. Several were strongly opposed having previously supported the proposal. This meant that it could not proceed even though a sponsor was prepared to underwrite the scheme at no cost to FAI or the Commission.
4. Planned activities and projects for next year:

- A ‘World Championship’ is proposed for 2015. Little progress can be made pending the results of WAG in the same year. Costs of holding 2 Class 1 events in the same year could have a serious effect on both.

- Discussions are to take place in respect to a new Class Competition for smaller helicopters.

5. Proposals (if any) to FAI Executive Board, FAI Head Office or for the next General Conference:

It is hoped that the Executive Board can bring itself to share more ideas and proposals with Air Sport Presidents. Confidentiality is essential but jointly progressing is as vital to ensure that FAI moves together as a team with common interests.

6. Free reporting:

A suggestion has been made that NAC’s should attend meetings of the Executive Board and the Air Sport Commissions. It is feasible that such a meeting would result in say 50 in the room. It is doubtful if any meaningful progress would be made.

Many NAC’s and Delegates to this Commission do not ever respond!

Finally my thanks must go to the FAI Staff for their continual hard work and support which is given unstintingly.

We are still waiting for a progress report on the ‘Organiser Agreement’. No progress has taken place since the last General Conference.

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