

# FINAL REPORT ON 2019 FAI FREE FLIGHT WORLD CUP

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The 2020 Free Flight World Cup was completed with Negev Open and Hanukkah Open F1A F1B F1C F1Q competitions in Israel during December. An interim reports was issued on December 1, this final report replaces that interim report now that all 2019 results are included.

The winner of F1A is Per Findahl of Sweden followed by Russians Mikhail Kosonozhkin and Anton Gorsky. The leader has three wins and a fifth place, the runner-up has one win and a second, third and fourth place. This shows the effect of the new rule system which rewards the high placings in large competitions with almost as many points as the winner. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> time that Per has won the F1A World Cup, equalling the other most prolific World Cup winner Alex Andriukov in F1B.

The winner of F1A-Junior is Vitek Rossler (CZE) followed by Filip Klobusicky (SVK) both with victories at four competitions. With fewer competitors at most junior competitions the points are more widely spaced below the winner. Yjirs place went to Capucin Ragot (France).

Oleg Kulakovsky (Ukraine) has won the F1B World Cup for the third consecutive year. He had two wins and two second places in large competitions. Runner-up Adam Krawiec (Poland) had four wins and was followed by Mykola Kovalenko (Ukraine) with the top three within a range of only 19 points.

F1B Junior was won by Yuval Sarig (Israel) after taking the lead in the Negev Open, the final competition of the year. With that win he overtook two girls, who are now in second and third place: Kristina Ivanova (Bulgaria) and Zofia Zdancewicz (Poland). All three had a score made up by four wins.

Nikolay Rekhin of Russia won F1C. He was also last year's winner and was followed within 24 points by Mariusz Gasiorowski of Poland and Viacheslav Aleksandrov (Ukraine). Viacheslav moved on to the podium with a win at the Negev Open.

F1P Junior winner is Wenze Li of China followed by Vladislav Lipov of Russia.

The winner of F1Q is Franco Gradi (Italy) with second and third places taken by Andras Jancso (Hungary) and Olexander Maksymov (Ukraine).

Alexander Winker of Germany has retained the F1E World Cup after also winning it last year. Second place went to Marian Popescu (Romania) and the winner's son Florian Winker took third place. It is notable that both Winkers also took places on the 2019 World Championships podium, when Florian was second and Alexander third.

The winner of F1E Junior was Mihnea Prodanel (Romania) followed by Jakub Wisniewski (Poland) both with four wins and Dan-Adrian Vasilescu (Romania) had third place with two wins and a second and third place.

## ORGANISATION

The top three places in each event have been displayed on the FAI web site and updated frequently throughout the year at the address:

<https://www.fai.org/world-cups/f1-free-flight>

The detailed results have been uploaded to the coordinator's web site and there are links to this from the FAI web page for both the results of each class or the overall summary.

Three competitions were cancelled during the year for venue problems: 15<sup>th</sup> Philippe Legage (France), Trofeo Citta di Maniago (Italy) and Mostar Cup (Bosnia Herzegovina). The Niksic Cup organised by Montenegro was withdrawn when FAI membership of Montenegro was suspended. At the Hanukkah Open weather limited the flying to just the F1A competition.

Almost all organisers have returned results promptly, but there were delays extending to months for Huron Cup (Canada) and Memorial Borslav Bardarov (Bulgaria).

A system has been established this year for a validity check on the FAI licence of every person on the results list. When there are people without valid licences the results have been posted initially with this indicated.

After a short time allowed for administrative updates of licences to work into the system, the results have been re-processed and flyers without valid licences removed.

## STATISTICS

There have been 61 competitions in F1A F1B F1C F1P F1Q and 24 in F1E with a total 4467 entries in these competitions.

### Number of competitors per country, those scoring points in 1 or more events

The “All” column in the second table is the number of people over all classes, including allowance for some people having flown in more than one class.

F1A	F1A Junior	F1B	F1B Junior	F1C	F1P Junior	F1Q	F1E	F1E Junior	All
RUS 64	RUS 19	RUS 51	RUS 12	RUS 23	RUS 7	GER 6	ROU 21	ROU 9	RUS 153
GER 26	FRA 5	USA 16	BUL 3	UKR 7	UKR 2	HUN 5	FRA 20	POL 7	GER 58
ISR 25	ISR 5	UKR 15	CHN 3	USA 7	BUL 1	USA 5	POL 20	CZE 6	POL 55
FRA 17	POL 5	FRA 14	POL 3	MGL 5	CHN 1	GBR 4	CZE 17	FRA 4	FRA 53
POL 17	SVK 5	GER 13	GER 2	AUS 4	POL 1	UKR 4	ITA 14	ITA 3	UKR 42
FIN 16	SLO 5	CZE 9	ISR 2	FRA 4		DEN 3	GER 13	GER 2	CZE 41
CZE 14	BUL 4	ISR 9	UKR 2	GBR 4		ISR 3	SUI 5	BUL 1	ISR 40
HUN 13	CZE 4	MGL 8	FRA 1	POL 4		ITA 3	USA 5	SVK 1	USA 40
SVK 12	FIN 4	POL 8	ITA 1	EST 3		POL 3	AUT 4		ROU 31
SLO 12	GER 4	GBR 7	MKD 1	ISR 3		FIN 1	BUL 4		ITA 24
BIH 10	HUN 3	AUS 6	USA 1	ITA 3			SVK 4		FIN 22
USA 10	MKD 3	CRO 5	SRB 1	ARG 2			GBR 2		GBR 22
ROU 9	MGL 2	NED 5		AUT 2			UKR 2		HUN 22
MGL 8	ROU 2	SRB 5		BUL 2			JPN 1		MGL 21
NED 8	UKR 2	BIH 4		CHN 2					BUL 17
UKR 8	BIH 1	BUL 4		CRO 2					SVK 17
DEN 7	CRO 1	CHN 4		FIN 2					SLO 15
SRB 7	DEN 1	ITA 4		GER 2					BIH 14
ARG 6	ITA 1	JPN 4		KAZ 2					AUS 13
AUT 6	USA 1	NZL 4		BLR 1					CRO 13
BUL 6		TUR 4		CAN 1					NED 13
GBR 6		CAN 3		HUN 1					DEN 12
MKD 6		DEN 3		LTU 1					SRB 12
SWE 6		FIN 3		MKD 1					AUT 11
TUR 6		ROU 3		SLO 1					MKD 11
CRO 5		SVK 3		SWE 1					CHN 10
CAN 4		SWE 3		SRB 1					SWE 10
SUI 4		HUN 2							TUR 10
AUS 3		MKD 2							ARG 9
BLR 3		NOR 2							CAN 8
ITA 2		SLO 2							SUI 8
LAT 2		SUI 2							NZL 6
LTU 2		ARG 1							EST 5
NZL 2		AUT 1							JPN 5
BEL 1		EST 1							BLR 4
CHN 1		KOR 1							LTU 4
EST 1		LAT 1							KAZ 3
KAZ 1		LTU 1							LAT 3
KOR 1									NOR 3
NOR 1									KOR 2
ESP 1									BEL 1
									ESP 1

	F1A	F1A-J	F1B	F1B-J	F1C	F1P-J	F1Q	F1E	F1E-J
Number of competitions	61	48	60	33	56	15	33	24	21
Total number of entries	1898	358	1208	105	404	37	199	721	172
Number of competitors scoring points:									
in 1 event	141	30	86	17	34	6	13	58	14
in 2 events	80	22	70	6	32	2	4	25	8
in 3 events	60	12	30	6	11	3	9	12	4
in 4 events	27	6	12	2	4	1	4	11	1
in 5 events	16	4	12	1	4	0	3	7	2
in 6 events	10	0	6	0	0	0	1	7	0
in 7 events	7	0	5	0	3	0	1	4	1
in 8 events	7	0	5	0	1	0	1	4	2
in 9 events	3	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	1
in 10 events	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
in 11 events	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
in 12 events	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
in 13 events	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
in 14 events	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
in 15 events	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
in 16 events	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
in 17 events	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
in 18 events	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total number of competitors scoring World Cup points	359	77	233	32	91	12	37	132	33