



*Fédération
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Minutes

of the
41st Annual Meeting
FAI Amateur Built & Experimental Aircraft
Commission (CIACA)

held in **Lausanne (CH)**
on **Saturday, May 21, 2016** starting at **9:00h**
at the **Maison du Sport International (MSI)**

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1. Introduction and welcome by the President

The 41st Annual General Meeting of the Amateur built and Experimental Commission was held on 21st of May 2016 at the Maison du Sport International in Lausanne. Alfons Hubmann gave a warm welcome to the attendees.

The following were in attendance:

President:

- Alfons HUBMANN (Switzerland) AH CIACA President

CIACA Delegates:

- Christian TEUBER (Germany) CT Delegate with Proxy from Austria

FAI attendance

- FAI Secretary General Susanne Schödel
- FAI Sports + Marketing Director Markus Haggenev

2. Apologies for absence, proxies, conflict of interest

Apologies for absence were received from Roger Hopkinson, Heinz Lang, Werner Maag, Hermann Eigner, Catherine Dartois (CD), Alberto Beccaro, Elaine Fecher, Carlos Trigo, Jan Fridrich, Hedi Belage, No further proxies were received and no conflicts of interest expressed.

3. Minutes of 40th CIACA meeting (on Website)

The President thanked the persons involved in preparing the minutes. No corrections have been received and the minutes were approved by the delegates. The agenda for the 40th meeting was also accepted unanimously with no items being added.

4. Actions pending from previous meeting

Action 0-2014: CT: One early action concerned the introduction of a new diploma. Catherine Dartois was to ask the Poberezny family for permission to use Paul Poberezny's name for this new diploma.

AH: as soon as an intentional agreement from the family Poberezny is available, the details for the diploma are decided together with them.

Action 2-2015: FAI: At the CASI Plenary it has been decided, that for Experimental and Homebuilt Aircraft the Category X is accepted. The change in the papers will be updated any day to ensure, that the organisation of CIACA sport events are continued.

Action 3-2015: AH: A common Address for CIACA-Execs: ciaca-bureau@fai.org is available since last year.

Action 4-2015: CD: Rules on air racing, economic challenges, judging criteria's have not yet been handed-in.

Action 5-2015: AH: As soon as Actions 2-2015 and 4-2015 are completely finalized, CIACA will continue to organise a competition for Experimental + Amateur Built Aircraft

5. CIACA President Report

Alfons Hubmann commented on the low attendance due to the late time of the year (flying season began) and the “non-standard” location; numbers had been higher in the past and are expected to increase when the Annual General Meeting is held at Friedrichshafen/D and connected to the aviation-fair “Aero”.

Mr. Hubmann informed the delegates that CIACA has found good acceptance within the other air sport commissions.

The time investment for electric/solar aircraft, mainly Solar Impulse have resulted in many positive discussions. .

Competitions within the CIACA Members exist since decades. It needs to be augmented to consider amateur-built and experimental aircraft competitions. Due to the lengthy discussions without a positive decision during the General Aviation Commission meeting 2015, to which Alfons Hubmann had been invited, have led to the clear understanding, that CIACA must organise its own racings, offering more variety on types of racing with amateur-built and experimental aircraft. RSA France is interested in developing racing, and at present uses a code based on the US American rules which could be used as the basis for a CIACA racing code.

The President reported about some of the main activities in the past term; namely on the development and adjustment of the rules for the Solar Impulse around the World attempt; the decisions of the FAI General Conference for competitions of Experimental and Homebuilt Aircraft with code X and the many meetings related to the FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015 and the Games themselves.

The proposal of CIACA for the new Sporting Code Section 14 with FAI Class Letter “X” has been approved at the CASI Plenary.

Upcoming activities are an ANR/Precision Flight and Landing contest in Valais/SUI and a fly-in in August 2016 which CIACA might develop as a proof of concept for an FAI contest The FAI HO had been informed already.

The CIACA President has been asking FAI to consider a better information and integration of low experience regarding FAI sanctioned events to enable to join in for a “learning by doing process”.

6. FAI General Conference Oct 2015

The FAI Secretary General presented the FAI report and specifically elaborated on the main decisions taken during the FAI GC in 2015.

The recently introduced “exceptional air sport performance” can be suitable to recognize achievements in the CIACA remit.

On invitation of the Secretary General, CIACA expressed their views and agreed to support to introduce an Advisory Board (to bring these members closer to the development of activities and give access to the air sport community). A membership concept should be based on the size and economic interest of the possible members. As an example, Aircraft Manufacturers’ interest and economic potential was seen different and financially their contribution should therefore be higher than a 5-person development company.

7. FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015 (WAG)

The president informed in detail about the activities of FAI CIACA at the World AIR Games and the preparatory work involved. The project Archaeopteryx has been cancelled because the LOC did not sign for the financing of the investment, which would have been refunded after selling of the finalized Aeroplane.

All details for the project Votec 351 AKRO had been finalized including the transfer of the Aircraft parts, but a few days before shipment the project has been withdrawn.

The project Gyrocopter has been built at WAG 2015 and has presented itself in flight in the evening of day 4: a real eye catcher. The qualities of this gyrocopter has been shown with a highly professional flight.

After searching in the desert and contacting many co-organizers we have found a experimental aircraft under construction, the Genesis Aircraft AIRO1, which filled partly the gap of the cancelled Votec 351.

A real highflyer was our project: "children motivation and education program"; we have motivated over 600 children to paint and fix their own toy aircraft.

8. CIACA Awards 2015

Phoenix Diploma

1 Nomination: Philip Cozens
submitted by the Royal Aero Club UK

Philip Cozens bought the parts of a 1930's Pobjoy radial engine in a flea market and, as so often happens, then found a second one which he also bought, hoping to make one good engine from the parts of the two. He had always been interested in the little Comper Swift aircraft, which had been powered by a Pobjoy, and as soon as he was confident that he could build a viable engine he started to build a Swift for it. As he didn't have a complete set of plans, and those that he did have were difficult to decipher, this was a monumental undertaking. It eventually took 15 years to complete the airframe but in December of last year it took to the air. The phoenix diploma has been devoted to Philip Cozens unanimously.

Action 1-2015: Alfons Hubmann

Phoenix Group Diploma

1 Nomination: David and Rick Bremner and Theo Willford
submitted by the royal Aero Club UK

In 1916 Bunnie Bremner, a pilot with the RNAS, was invalided home from no. 2 Wing in the Eastern Mediterranean with dysentery and malaria. He brought back with him the stick, rudder bar and magneto of his favourite aircraft, Bristol Scout Type C, serial no. 1264. In 2002 his grandsons, David and Rick Bremner, together with Theo Willford, started research into rebuilding 1264 using those three parts exactly as their grandfather flew it 99 years before.

Construction started in 2008, and it flew for the first time on 9 July, 2015 in the hands of Gene DeMarco, the most experienced pilot of WWI aircraft in history.

1264 is built exactly as the original, with spliced cable ends, linen covering and riveted and soldered tanks. It is completed with all the various modifications made by the factory, the RNAS, and their grandfather. The original Union flag markings on the fuselage side were overpainted with roundels and they have even replicated that.

Powered by an 80hp le Rhône engine, exactly like the original, it is the only airworthy Bristol Scout in the world, and the only rotary-engined aircraft in the UK being operated by private individuals.

For this effort and superb result achieved David Bremner, Rick Bremner and Willford have been nominated for the FAI Phoenix Group Diploma and accepted by FAI CIACA.

Henri Mignet Diploma

No nomination has been submitted

9. CIACA educational and social initiatives

Our successful initiative “Children painting and fixing their own aircraft” has been reported under Dubai World Air Games 2015.

10. New technologies and their progress for the aviation

The progress of new technologies for the aviation is enormous. The lead technology is based on electricity with different variations like: solar panels, batteries, hydrogen etc.
A detailed report of this subject is planned for next AGM.
Hermann Eigner will continue to monitor progress and report back to the Commission at the next annual general meeting.

11. FAI CIACA: Records, Competitions and SC's

As requested by Catherine Dartois and the delegates of CIACA at the last CIACA Annual General Meetings, Alfons Hubmann has proposed at the FAI Annual General Meeting to CASI the new sporting code for Experimental and Homebuilt Aircraft under sporting code section 14 with “classletter X”. This proposal has been carried unanimously by CASI.

Action 2-2015: Alfons Hubmann

The common email address: ciaca-bureau@fai.org has been created in spring 2015

Action 3-2015: Alfons Hubmann

2015: Ms. Dartois has already done work on rules for air racing, economic challenge and judging criteria which she will circulate to the delegates. 2016: No further development has been reported. The fast development in this subject is necessary in order to join future event formats.

Action 4-2015: Catherine Dartois

12. Update about other relevant bodies: EFLEVA ECAC EAS EASA

Alfons Hubmann administrator and treasurer of EFLEVA has given a short actual picture of the “other relevant bodies”. He informed the delegates that he continues to have valuable contacts to national associations.

13. Elections of Bearers

President: Mr. Alfons Hubmann (SUI)
1st Vice President: Mrs. Catherine Dartois (FRA)
2nd Vice President: Mr. Hermann Eigner (AUT)
Secretariat: Office of Alfons Hubmann (SUI)

14. Public Relations

The CIACA Flyer has been submitted to the delegates at the AGM. They have requested to distribute this brochure to the delegates. FAI has been informed earlier.

The badge of FAI CIACA will be renewed and presented by mail as soon as possible.

Action 6-2016: Alfons Hubmann

15. Any other Business

CIACA will continue to investigate into the creation of a "Paul Poberezny" award. The contact with the family has already been discussed last year.

Action 7-2015: Catherine Dartois

16. CIACA Finances

Financial Status a per 31.12.2015 noted and approved.

The Commission President raised the question of how expenses would be covered in 2016. In the past and because of no commission income, these were covered by the FAI HO.

MHA replied to use the funds that have been distributed to each ASC as an outcome of the agreements related to the FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015 (7'000 CHF). (AH is of the opinion that part of it should be refunded to the unit which paid for the time involved for WAG).

17. Date and place of next meeting

The 42nd CIACA AGM is planned for 9. April 2017, in Friedrichshafen.

Prepared by Alfons Hubmann

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