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Agenda

of the Annual Meeting of the
FAI Rotorcraft Commission

To be held in Lausanne, Switzerland
On 26 and 27 February 2009

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FAI ROTORCRAFT COMMISSION 26TH and 27TH FEBRUARY 2009

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Apologies
3. Proxies and Votes.
4. Declaration of any Conflicts of Interest
5. Minutes of CIG Meeting Turin 3rd and 4th March 2008
Minutes of Meeting of CIG Bureau August 2008 Eisenach, Germany
Minutes of CIG Bureau Meeting October 2008 Jona-Rappertsvil, Switzerland
6. Action by CIG Bureau since last Meeting
7. FAI General Conference General Report – President and Secretary-General
8. FAI World Air Games:
 - a. Selection Process
 - b. Report and action to be taken regarding Turin 2009
 - c. Future Bids
9. World Helicopter Championship, Eisenach, Germany 2008:
 - a. Report - Contest Director – Annex 1 – Financial Information to follow
 - b. Report - Chief Judge – Annex 2
 - c. Report - President of Jury – Annex 3
10. Minor Amendments to World Championship Rules proposed by Chairman of Sub-Committee - Annex 4

11. Future Events and Re-assessment of Expansion of CIG – Annex 5

12. Future World Helicopter Championships:

Bid for 2010. Information will be required as to countries intending to participate,

13. FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal – Nomination by Russia - Annex 6

14. CIG Webpage – Appointment of Webmaster

15. Finance

16. Approval of International Judges (see NB1 below)

17. Any Other Business

18. Elections

a. Elections of the Bureau do not take place until 2010.

b. Appointment of Chairman of Rules Committee

19 Date of Next Meeting

CIG Bureau

Will meet Thursday 26th February at 09.30 FAI Headquarters.

Also to attend President of Honour A.P. Herbert, President of Jury 2008.

N.B.1 Delegates are requested to submit their revised List of International and Assistant Judges for 2009/2010 to the Chairman of the Rules Committee not later than 1st February 2009.

N.B.2. The Plenary Dinner with FAI Staff as Guests will take place on Thursday evening. Would you please advise the President and Secretary by mid-January the members in your party including any guests. If anybody has a special food requirement i.e. vegetarian would you please let the President know as quickly as possible.

ANNEX 1

DAeC to FAI-CIG First Impression Report on 13th WHC 2008

The 13th WHC 2008 took place at Eisenach-Kindel airfield. 44 crews from Austria, UK, Russia, France, Ukraine, Switzerland and Germany were participating in the event, as well as judges from the same countries. Additional judges came from Belarus, USA and New Zealand (a total of 50 persons), and also from Italy.

We were able to run the four mandatory events for WHC, and Free Style. Due to lack of time on the last day, the optional Parallel Slalom which was not part of WHC could not be conducted.

There were no serious incidents in flight operations. The Jury (Herbert/Switzerland. Hamilton/New Zealand and Perplies/Germany) had to deal with no protest, and 16 complaints had to be handled by Chief of Judges/Deputy (Grushina/Russia, Tesar/Austria).

The general conditions of the previous events at Eisenach in 2000 and 2007 were welcoming the event. Three months prior to WHC 2008, a fixed-wing flight accident at Eisenach claimed two lives and injured 13 people, and this was negative influence to the WHC. The approval of Thuringian Prime Minister and patron, Mr. D. Althaus, and the air law approval was delayed for weeks. This forced several difficulties. The air law approval was distinctively different from 2007 approval and asked for increased safety distance between competing helicopters and audience. In addition, the District Office Schmalkaden required additional restrictions one day after the competition started. The schedule of responsibilities was changed without someone being accountable. The fire brigade staff was increased to eight persons and the emergency medical service to six persons which was followed by increased overhead expenses.

The organisation department of WHC suffered from a lack of manpower, but this was not affecting flight operations.

Flight operations went smoothly. In the navigation events, the GPS loggers provided precise data. The judges work was hardly criticised. The Russian delegation was the most successful one, winning all three world helicopter championship titles. Germany and UK were placed second and third.

After WHC, I was able to send some additional prizes to some teams/nations which were not honoured on stage the last evening. The teams were from Ukraine and France, but also other teams with a good ranking.

The final statement of account has not yet been set up. Perhaps the organiser has to pay for the cancelled music event on Wartburg. Nevertheless, the profit and loss account will be balanced.

The flight results and pictures were sent to FAI directly after the event. A complete final report will be given to the FAI-CIG before the next meeting at Lausanne.

Sept 2008 Konrad Geissler "The Organizer"

ANNEX 4

Minor Amendments to the Rules for Helicopter Championships and Associates Events

proposed by Wolfgang Perplies (Chairman of Rules Committee)

1. Chapter 5 – Event 5.2 – Precision
 - a) Editorial correct of para 5.2.3.

The second sentence and following sentences to read “The rope/chain lengths are exactly 2 metres for the first one and 3 metres for the second one being measured from the lowest point of the undercarriage (skid or wheel) to the lowest end of the weights. The total length of the first one depends on the additional length required to fasten the rope/chain to the fuselage of the helicopter. For a better make-out the rope/chains may be painted red or orange.”
 - b) Correction in para 5.2.7.

In the second sentence the misprint is to be corrected from “... in Chapter 2 para 13.13.” into “ ...Chapter 2 para 13.14.”
2. Additional infringement for all events (Chapter 5 and 6) except Navigation:

Departure before starting signal is given (flag lowered or other starting system gives clearance for takeoff) – 25 penalty points.

ANNEX 5

Expansion and Development of Helicopter Sports

1. Two years ago CIG at its Plenary Meeting discussed ways to expand interest in Helicopter Sports and the participation by more countries.
2. Delegates were nominated to make contact with other countries to ascertain and encourage interest and development of helicopter sports.
3. The result of this approach was limited. Initially there was interest from some countries. Some NAC's expressed an anti-helicopter opinion whilst others did not respond with positive action.
4. Delegates who made these approaches on behalf of CIG are warmly congratulated for their efforts.
5. Further Action is required. We must proceed in two directions to achieve our requirement for expansion and development.
6. The Prime Target is to make our sport more attractive to the media, spectators and arousing their interest. We have already taken the initial steps with new rules and events.

The unanswered question is why Sports Reporters around the World, individually and in their Editorial Offices prefer to report say on curling or beach volleyball events instead of helicopter events. This must be because they do not understand what is going on; we have not been able to target the right people with the right message.

We must take steps to change this.

We must inspire more pilots/crews to take part in helicopter sports events and to encourage Helicopter Clubs to organise more events either on weekend or single day meetings. There could be limited training as well as competitions.

We should also consider the possibility of inter club events, on the same day using internet to publicise these short competitions – No need to travel incurring limited cost.

We should consider an annual CIG Cup for those types of events. They could be associated with several short competitions in the participating countries, the results being given to CIG for scoring.

This reduces organisational problems.

To take this further CIG is invited to approve the appointment of a working group comprising 2 competing pilots to consider, investigate and recommend.

They will work with the President and Chairman of the Rules Committee and submit their report and recommendations to CIG by 1st October 2009.

Your full support is requested.

David Hamilton
President CIG

Wolfgang Perplies
Chairman of Rules Committee



**FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE
APPLICATION FORM FOR THE FAI GOLD ROTORCRAFT MEDAL**

Applicant: **Federation of Aeronautical Sports of Russia**

Address: Volokolamskoye shosse, 88, bdg. 8, Apart.411, RF-125424, Moscow, Russia

Nominee: **Mr. Vladimir Zyablikov**

Date of birth: 04.08.1961

Description of outstanding services:

In 1983 he graduated from the Saratov High Military Flying School. Served in the Air Force as a flight instructor. Now he is retired and is employed by the Samara Aeroclub as a flight instructor. Engaged in sports helicopter flying since 1985. Since 1992 he is a member of the national helicopter flying team. Participated with his crew in 5 Helicopter World Championships. His crew is a 3-times Overall World Champion (1999, 2002 and 2005). Holder of 12 gold medals, having been won in the World Championships and international contests. Vladimir Zyablikov is a multi-time National Champion , Honoured Master of Sports of Russia. For his great achievements in sports helicopter flying Mr. Vladimir Zyablikov is considered quite worthy of being decorated with the FAI Gold Rotorcraft Medal.

Nomination submitted by:

Federation of Aeronautical Sports of Russia

Signed:

A.Starodubets

Date: 20.05.2008

Position:

FAS of Russia President