Summary of Conclusions

of the
Annual Meeting
of the
FAI Aerobatics Commission (CIVA)

held in Vilnius, (Lithuania)
on 27 and 28 October 2007
at the Hotel Reval
1. Roll-Call

CIVA President Michael R. Heuer opened the Annual Meeting at Vilnius by welcoming ...

CIVA Bureau Members:
- John GAILLARD 1st Vice-President (JG)
- Jiri KOBRLE 2nd Vice-President (JK)
- Osmo JALOVAARA 3rd Vice-President (OJ)
- Carole HOLYK Secretary (CH)
- Lars-Göran ARVIDSSON Treasurer (LGA)

FAI President Pierre Portmann
FAI Secretary General Max Bishop

2. Minutes of Meeting held on November 2006

Accepted as published

3. Report from the Vice President of Finance – L.G. Arvidsson (Agenda item 5.)

CIVA agreed to the published report and gives authority to the Bureau to decide later according to the income if there will judges’ stipends paid in 2008.

4. Recommendations of the Rules Committee for the Year 2008 (Agenda items 9.1)

FRANCE

Proposal Regarding Team Awards in Unlimited Category (ref. Rules 4.5.1.1.g, 4.5.1.2.c, 1.2.4.1.a.iii, 1.3.1.3.g).

New wording:
"Women's World Champion Team: Will be that women's team with the highest total number of points in Programmes 1, 2 and 3 (or relevant programmes consistent with rule 1.3.1.1.b), taking into account the three highest individual scores in that team (or two if rule 1.2.4.1.a.iii is into force). In the event that fewer than 3 teams comprised of 2 or more female pilots compete, the Team awards will be given regardless of gender, i.e. taking into account the total number of points of the three highest individual scores of the mixed teams."

Note: Rules 4.5.1.1.g and 4.5.1.2.c shall be updated accordingly.

Rule 1.2.4.1.a.iii reads: "In the event that fewer than 3 teams comprised of 3 or more male or female pilots, the number of pilots required to constitute a team will be reduced to 2."

This rule to be made applicable to Continental championships as well.

CIVA agreed
RUSSIA

a) Make the maximum figure number for free program in unlimited 8 with total K 420 for the next year.

CIVA did not agree 8 in favour, 15 against

b) Remove requirement to include spin in Unlimited Free program.

CIVA did not agree
(lack of absolute majority)

13 in favour, 10 against

c) Aerobatic box must be clearly marked according to 4.7. The markers must be visible from any working height.

The marking must be done prior to the beginning of the competitions (start of Program Q) and aerial pictures of the aerobatic box made along both axes must be distributed among the Jury members and Team representatives so everybody can check the correctness of the box geometry and familiarize with the references.

CIVA agreed

d) Remove para

5.1.1.3. Where the majority decision of the Panel of Judges is required, in a case of disagreement about the penalisation of the flight of a competitor, the Judge of the same country as the competitor shall abstain from voting. In case the required simple majority could not be rise from a vote within the Board of Judges, the Chief Judge shall have a casting vote.

Note: Chief Judge to always have a casting vote in event of a tie.

CIVA agreed 17 in favour, 7 against

e) Set the weather limit for Freestyle Program the same as for flights with an interruption

CIVA agreed

f) Change the status of Freestyle Program not making it the Final

OR

Not allow pilots with ranking lower than 20th participate in the program.

Withdrawn

g) Make Second Unknown the Free Unknown.

CIVA did not agree

6 in favour, 18 against

h) Change the Criteria for all partial, horizontal and Combination 8's (Families 7.19 – 7.38): the entry and exit radii do not have to be identical to ¾ loop radii in these figures.

CIVA agreed

1.2.4. Team Composition

1.2.4.1. World Championships

a) "U"
c) The team of each national aero club may include the following officials: 1 chief delegate, 1 team manager, 1 chief trainer, trainers, doctors, interpreters, mechanics etc.

1.2.4.2. Continental Championships and International Competitions

The composition of teams and the number of members of a team will be fixed by the organizing aero club.

a) "U"

For Continental Championships, the number of competitors of each national aero club should be no more than ten (10), of which no more than six (6) may be of the same gender.

b) "A" and "Y52"

For Continental Championships, the number of competitors of each national aero club should be no more than eight (8)

CIVA agreed

USA

a) Changes to List of Unlimited Unknown Figures

The USA proposes to amend Section 9, "List of Figures for Programmes 2 and 3," 2007 FAI Sporting Code, Section 6, as follows:

9.10. Family 7.1 To 7.10

Add note:

Unlimited. Eight-point rolls (9.8.3.4) are not permitted on 7.5.3 or 7.5.4.

CIVA agreed

b) Changes to List of Unlimited Unknown Figures

The USA proposes to amend Section 9, "List of Figures for Programmes 2 and 3," 2007 FAI Sporting Code, Section 6, as follows:

9.15. Family 8.31 To 8.40

Add note:

Unlimited. Flick rolls are not permitted on the top of figures in columns 1 and 2 of figures 8.33, 8.34, 8.39, or 8.40 when preceded by a vertical roll exceeding 3 stops or more than 360 degrees of rotation.

CIVA agreed

c) Clarification to Free Programme Versatility

The USA proposes to amend the table in Paragraph 4.3.3.6. of the 2007 FAI Sporting Code, Section 6, to change the first column of the last row to read:

“Opposite Family 9.1 – 9.10 Rolls”

CIVA agreed

5. Report of the Glider Aerobatic sub-committee (GASC) (Agenda item 9.2)

All proposals as per the GASC Report adopted.

CIVA agreed

Proposal concerning the increase of the rolling turn coefficients.

CIVA agreed 17 in favour, 5 against

7. **URGENT proposals left from 2005-2006 (Agenda item 9.4)**

**CHIEF JUDGE**

**Marking of Positioning - Recommendation**

That the current positioning score based on the current criteria be scrapped and replaced by two separate scores as follows:

- **Positioning – To be determined on an objective basis**
- **Presentation – To be determined by the appropriate criteria as currently in the regulations**

**Positioning (by judges)**

That for the purpose of determining a positioning score the performance zone be divided into nine individual zones, far left, far centre, far right, centre left, centre-centre, centre right, near left, near centre, near right. As each figure is flown the judge would indicate to the assistant which zone the figure had been flown in or centered on as appropriate, this information being marked on a sheet provided. At the end of each flight, a quick calculation would take place whereby opposite notations in each of the nine zones be cancelled out e.g. three left centers would cancel out three right centers and a left far would cancel out a near right. The resulting remaining notations would give an indicated position of each unbalanced figure. For those not in the centre-centre zone the resulting figures should be considered as a percentage of the total figures in the sequence, e.g. if three figures remained un-cancelled outside of the centre-centre zone and the sequence had contained twelve figures, 25% were misplaced resulting in a positioning score of 7.5.

In addition to the above when no line judges are being used, those figures flown clearly outside the box would be marked on the working sheet accordingly and taken for the purposes of the previously set out calculation to the nearest zone closest to the edge of the box where the box out had occurred. An additional one point per box out or figure started out would then be deducted from the previous figure, i.e. if one box out had been noted in the previous example the score would now revert to 6.5.

The K factor for this positioning exercise would be 40K with or 50K without line judges, when line judges are used the additional calculation for box outs would be omitted.

Should an electronic system be available, the judges would not give any scores for positioning.

CIVA disagreed

**SWEDEN**

Withdrawn

8. **Report of the Judging sub-committee (Agenda item 9.5)**

All proposals as per the Judging Sub-Committee Report adopted.

CIVA agreed 20 in favour, 0 against
9. Q and Known Programmes (Agenda item 10)

UNLIMITED : Proposal #1 (GBR) adopted
ADVANCED : Proposal #4 (GBR) adopted
GLIDER: Proposal of GASC adopted
YAK 52 WAC: Proposal #2 (GBR) adopted
10. Futures aerobatics championship - Reports and Proposals (Agenda item 11)

2008

WAAC
Proposal of the USA (Pendleton, Oregon): 1-10 August 2008
Entry fees: Pilots: USD 2600 (1850 Euros approx.)
Other: USD 2350 (1650 Euros approx.)

CIVA agreed with the entry fees. US delegate proposed to study new entry fees if competition could be shortened.

CIVA agreed to empower the Bureau to finalize a formal agreement with the Organizer

EAC
Proposal from the Czech Republic (Hradek Kralove): 6-13 July 2008
Entry fees: between 960 and 1000 Euros

CIVA agreed

EGAC
Proposal of Poland (Radom-Piastow): 7-17 August 2008
Entry fees: 550 Euros (or less) tows 55 Euros (to 1250 m)

CIVA agreed

Yak 52 WAC
Proposal from Russia (Novosibirsk): 17-24 August 2008
Entry fees: 1300 Euros

CIVA agreed

2009

WAC
Proposals from Great Britain, USA, and Germany presented. British proposal adopted.
Silverstone (Great Britain): 18-30 August 2009
Entry fees: Pilots 1525 £ (they hope to have entry fees equal to 0 due to sponsoring)
Others 1325 £

WGAC
Chambley, France
Entry fees 550 Euros or lower, tow 55 Euros

CIVA agreed
EAAC

Poland will come with a bid for the EAAC to be held in Poznan at the 2008 plenary.

11. Proposals of the President of CIVA, Great Britain, and Italy for the WAG

A mixture of the proposals were adopted. See original reports.

**Competition:**
- 4 competition flights:
  - Known programme 10 figures
  - Free programme without K limit
  - Freestyle
  - Crazy day (decision to the Bureau)

**Pilot Selection:** 7 pilots from the 7 first countries in the WAC previous to the WAG + 2 pilots for countries (one man, one woman) sending a full female team to WAC + 1 pilot of the organising country.

**Note:** For details on the glider section of WAG, see Minutes.

**CIVA Agreed** to empower the Bureau to finalize the WAG Regulations so as to meet various FAI and organizer deadlines.

12. List of FAI Judges 2008 (Agenda item 13)

See CIVA website.

13. Any other business (Agenda item 14)

The President of CIVA proposed that a new position of Vice-President of Honour be created. Further that the first former Vice President to be awarded this title be Karl Berger (Austria).

**CIVA agreed**

14. Elections (Agenda item 15)

See Minutes

15. Approval and appointment of Officials 2008 (Agenda item 16)

See Minutes

16. Date and place of the next CIVA meeting (Agenda item 17)

A bid was received from Salzburg
- 24 October 2008 (informal meeting)
25-26 October 2008 (plenary)
Registration fees: 110 Euros per person
Hotel: 70 Euros single room, 100 Euros double room.

CIVA agreed

Respectfully submitted,

Madelyne Delcroix, Secretary

18 November 2007

Approved by,

Michael R. Heuer, President of CIVA

15 February 2008