1. IPC President’s Message

Dear Friends,

What a way to mark the end of the calendar year! A competition with many of the world's top skydivers at a very picturesque location in the UAE city of Dubai, with a prize pool of $775,000! This was a test event for Mondial 2012, at which all of the IPC disciplines will take part, including Para-Ski as a demonstration event.

The Chairman of the Organising Committee, Mr Yousif Al Hamadi and his team are to be congratulated for presenting such a fine 2nd Category event, and I wish his committee every success in bringing forward an historic event for 2012.

Work has continued during 2011 on the development by the IPC of a World Series Tour in Canopy Piloting. I am happy to report that opportunities have arisen in the past few weeks that may bring this project to fruition. With strong indications of TV and sponsorship interest, and host city availability, this project is looking more like a probability than a possibility from day to day. This will be the subject of further discussion at the coming plenary meeting in Buenos Aires.

The focus of discussion will be on the creation by FAI and IPC of strategic sports arms that can operate in a more entrepreneurial manner than that required for traditional FAI First Category Events. For IPC, the concept of an International Parachuting Events and Tours entity, which will have the role of developing, managing, and promoting parachuting tour events, will be discussed at the forthcoming plenary meeting.

There are many exciting developments in the world of skydiving at IPC level at present, and I urge all to study the agenda closely for the Buenos Aires meeting. The agenda should be on the FAI web site by the time you receive this.

I am happy to announce that FAI President, John Grubbstrom will be present in Argentina as the FAI representative. John was present at the final stages of the Dubai competition, together with FAI Secretary General Jean-Marc Badan, providing a perfect opportunity for face-to-face discussions on these exciting tour series developments.

As we arrive at the end of 2011, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all those associated with IPC a very happy festive time and all the very best for 2012.

See you in Buenos Aires!

Graeme Windsor
IPC President
2. 2012 IPC PLENARY MEETING

The Meetings Schedule/Agenda and the annexes to the agenda will be soon available on the FAI/IPC web site. Please check the site for updates.

3. FROM IPC TECHNICAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE

A feature of the Technical & Safety Open Meeting, at Buenos Aires, Argentina during the 2012 IPC Plenary Meeting, will be the presentation by Dr Mohammad Yousef and Dr Anton Westman on the topic Diabetes and Skydiving. This interesting presentation will add to the general body of medical knowledge concerning skydiving and the final paper will, in time, be distributed to T&S Officers worldwide.

Countries which have not yet returned the 2010 Safety and AAD reports still have time to do so and are earnestly requested to do so immediately.

4. IPC BUREAU DECISIONS

Fuller details/background regarding any Bureau Interim Decision may be had by contacting a Bureau member or the Committee Chair of the Committee concerned.

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<td>2011/24/10</td>
<td>30 October 2011</td>
<td>Renewal of contract, relating to web site work on behalf of IPC, between Ms Susan Dixon and IPC.</td>
<td>The annual contract between Ms Susan Dixon and IPC, re web site work, for the coming year, 2012, will fall due for renewal on 30th November 2011.</td>
<td>The IPC Bureau agreed to renew the contact on the same basis as that which existed for 2011.</td>
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<td>2011/25/11</td>
<td>09 November 2011</td>
<td>Attendance of Ms Agnieszka Solomon at cities/events forum in Lausanne.</td>
<td>The Bureau considered the advantages of sending Ms Agnieszka Solomon to this event, to explore the possibilities for hosting IPC events, in particular Canopy Piloting in cities.</td>
<td>The IPC Bureau agreed to send Ms Solomon to this event and cover her expenses for attendance.</td>
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5. EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2012

Hi teams, skydivers and all FAI members,

11th FAI Open European Formation Skydiving Championships and 8th FAI Open European Artistic Events Parachuting Championships at Dropzone Prostejov, Czech Republic August 26th to September 2nd 2012 is coming!

Attend the first class competition and stay warmed up for the World Championships at the end of the year. The disciplines are Formation Skydiving 4-way and 8-way, Vertical Formation Skydiving, Freefly and Freestyle skydiving. We invite all the teams from the whole World because the competition is OPEN!

It is also possible to train at our Dropzone in July-August, so feel free to contact us dlouhy@dropzoneprostejov.com

The competition will be again great as European Championships and World Cup in 2009 or European Championships in classical disciplines in 2005 both at Dropzone Prostejov Czech Rep.

Looking forward to see you
Dropzone Prostejov Team
www.ec2012prostejov.info or www.dropzoneprostejov.com
6. NEW EUROPEAN RECORD

**Biggest European Canopy Formation Record**

**Course/location:** Kolomna (Russia)

**Performance:** 19 parachutists

**Team:** Russian 19

Members: Alexander Andriychuk (Russia), Ravil Akhmetov (Russia), Ruslan Valler (Russia), Andrey Vakhrushev (Russia), Sergey Vibe (Russia), Alexey Volynskiy (Russia), Alexey Gerasimov (Uzbekistan), Denis Dodonov (Russia), Vladimir Zaikin (Russia), Vladimir Zamkovsky (Russia), Kirill Karpiukov (Russia), Victor Luka (Russia), Ivan Mylchenko (Russia), Nikolai Osenchuk (Russia), Dmitry Prokopyev (Russia), Alexey Rogozin (Russia), Oleg Sodel (Russia), Ilay Uralev (Russia), Sergey Filatov (Russia) operated by

**Date:** 18.10.2011

**Previous record:** 16 parachutists (22.11.2007)

FAI congratulates the Parachutists on this splendid achievement.