



Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

## **Minutes**

of the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the **FAI International Parachuting Commission** 

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## MINUTES OF THE 65th PLENARY MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTING COMMISSION OF FAI

## Held at Austria Trend Hotel Bosei, Gutheil-Schoder-Gasse 7b 1100 Vienna, Austria

#### 01 - 02 FEBRUARY 2014

In the Chair: Graeme Windsor, President, IPC

Representing FAI
Mr Robert Hughes, Sports Director and Acting Secretary General, FAI

### 1 WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

- 1.1 President Graeme Windsor opened the meeting and asked those in attendance to stand in memory of those who had died. President Windsor paid tribute to the contributions of Barry McAuley, Canada, and Harro Trempenau, Kenya, for their work for IPC, and one minute's silence was observed in memory of all in the skydiving community who had died since the last Plenary meeting.
- **1.2 Welcome addresses**. Johann Gritsch, IPC Delegate for Austria and meeting organiser, introduced Maj Thomas Reindl, Representative of the City of Vienna and Mr Josef Kuchling, Vice-President, Austrian Aero Club, both of whom welcomed the Delegates and others to Vienna and extended best wishes for a good and fruitful meeting.

Mr Robert Hughes, Sports Director and Acting Secretary General, FAI, addressed the meeting and brought greetings from FAI President John Grubbström who wished that the Plenary meeting would be successful. Mr R. Hughes thanked the host, the Austrian Aero Club and he remarked that he had never seen so much activity at any Air Sport Commission meeting.

- **1.3 Roll Call** A roll call was conducted by R. Hughes. The attendance list will be sent by FAI to Delegates. For privacy reasons it will not be posted on the FAI web site.
- **1.4 Apologies for absences** Two were received, from President of Honour Mr Charles MacCrone, and from the Delegate for India, Mr Sanjay Thapar.
- 1.5 Verification of Delegates' authority Rainer 'Exi' Hoenle, Delegate for Germany, raised the matter of people in attendance who did not have voting rights, quoting IPC's Internal Regulation 3.9. R. Hughes quoted FAI Statutes and By Laws 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.12.6 and stated that where a Delegate where a Delegate and Alternate Delegate had not been appointed by the NAC to FAI according to the existing process no person could attend the IPC meeting in such a function, but that in those cases a non-voting Observer was allowed.

The Delegates for Spain and Saudi Arabia stated that votes should be allowed to those who had been given a proxy from NACs who had not named an IPC Delegate. R. Hughes then double checked that all Delegates were valid and that only those who had not been nominated by their NAC were being denied voting rights.

- R. Hughes stated that FAI intended to change this rule, but until such time as it is changed it was valid and must be followed.
- R. Bennett quoted IR 3.9 in full, as it had not been fully quoted heretofore.

- R. Hughes again quoted the FAI rules and those present without proper credentials were thus not allowed a vote.
- 1.6 Ballot Count It was agreed, without objection, that Ms Petra Huber, Austrian Aero Club employee, would assist the FAI Representative, R. Hughes, in the counting of ballots.
- 1.7 President Windsor recognised the presence of the host of the 2013 Plenary Meeting in Bosnia and Herzegovina and also the presence of the President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Secretary General of the Bosnian NAC, as Observers.
- **1.8** Approval of Proxies The following proxies were deemed valid -

Belarus to Russia
Belgium to Austria
Brazil to Ukraine
Estonia to Finland
India to Saudi Arabia
Latvia to Sweden
Portugal to Germany
Serbia to Montenegro (Montenegro was not present)
South Africa to Hungary
Thailand to Netherlands
Venezuela to Argentina

A number of proxy submissions were not allowed, as the NACs had not registered Delegates to the IPC – see 1.5 above.

- **1.9 Delegates' address list** The Delegates' address list was circulated for updating, with those present asked to provide full details.
- **1.10 Declaration of Conflicts of Interests** President Windsor called on those present to declare any potential conflict of interest which might exist, either at this point or at any subsequent appropriate time.
- **1.11** Roll Call Result The result of the roll call showed that there were 41 votes, including ten proxies (Montenegro was not present, resulting in the automatic loss of the proxy from Serbia to Montenegro. 28 would be a two-thirds majority, and 21 a simple majority.

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 2013 PLENARY MEETING

- 2.1 The Delegates were asked to approve the Minutes of the 64<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting held in Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> January 2013.
  - 7.2 IPETA, in the 2013 Minutes, stated 'The number of Directors appointed by IPC will be increased to five, two from the Bureau, ex officio, currently the President and Finance Secretary, and three elected by the Plenary. This increase in the number of Directors resulted from a proposal from the German Delegate, R. 'Exi' Hoenle. The motion was accepted by the Plenary.'

It was claimed that the words 'ex officio' in the minutes, as above, was incorrect, and the 2014 Plenary meeting agreed to delete these words, so that 7.2 would read – 'The number of Directors appointed by IPC will be increased to five, two from the Bureau, currently the President and Finance Secretary, and three elected by the Plenary. This increase in the number of Directors resulted from a proposal from the German Delegate, R. 'Exi' Hoenle. The motion was accepted by the Plenary.'

The 2013 IPC Plenary minutes, with the above change, were accepted.

## 107<sup>th</sup> FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE – FAI ACTIVITES REPORT

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3.1 Mr R. Hughes, Sports Director and Acting Secretary General, FAI, presented an overview of FAI's activities in 2013, the results of the 107<sup>th</sup> FAI General Conference held in Kuala Lumpur, Indonesia, 04 - 05 October 2013, and FAI's plans for 2014.

In his presentation R. Hughes reported that there were 130 FAI members present at the 2013 FAI General Conference, and that there had been 48 First Category Events, with 750 competitions in total, in 2013.

The 2014 General Conference will be held in Thailand, and the 2015 General Conference in The Netherlands.

R. Hughes, in his presentation, commented on the following areas of FAI activity –

**Events** Finances

IT Service Centre FAI Annual Report

Appointment of new Secretary General FAME

Sponsorship – Breitling, Red Bull World Games 2013
Asian Beach Games 2014 World Air Games 2015

**World Air Games 2015** - one hosting candidate was known to FAI but had not yet provided all the information required by FAI.

**Anti-Doping** - Delegates were reminded that a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) certificate should be sought by competitors who may be using restricted substances on the WADA list.

**World Games** – R. Hughes stated that IPC are leaders, in the World Games, with a professional sports approach. R. 'Exi' Hoenle, Delegate for Germany, thanked R. Hughes for his media work at the World Games in Cali, and R. Hughes stated that it was a team effort and without the canopy pilots there would have been no need for media.

**Regional FAI Vice Presidents** – R. 'Buzz' Bennett, Delegate for Canada, asked whether the creation of these posts was proving effective, or were they merely 'window dressing'.

R. Hughes replied that the project is proving effective.

**FAME** – R. Bennett stated that Synergi, a private company outside FAI, owns 24.5% of FAME and asked how the FAI Executive Board will deal with this minority interest now that the shareholder who owns this 24.5% interest has no role to play. R. Hughes stated that there is a clause in the relevant sales contract which allows FAI to call back the shares in question. This process is now in progress, with the value of the shares currently under negotiation. FAME had started positively but was now in a negative situation and the FAI Executive Board believed that this should be reflected in the price to be paid for the shares in question.

**Remarks** – Niels-Christian Levin Hansen, Danish Delegate, thanked Rob Hughes for his report and commented that he saw FAI as being very active when it wanted to restrict IPC, but lax when IPC sought assistance. A better balance between the two was sought.

President Windsor endorsed these remarks as did the Delegates, by vocal assent.

**IPC President Report to FAI General Conference** - President Graeme Windsor presented the report he had made to the 107<sup>th</sup> FAI General Conference, regarding IPC activity in 2013 and his report on the meeting, held at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 2 October 2013, of the Presidents of the FAI Air Sports Commissions.

#### Matters of special comment -

**Mondial 2012** - This was the biggest and best event ever for FAI and was the result of very hard work on the part of many people and organisations.

**Development in Middle East and Asia** – President Windsor complimented Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem, the Arab Nations and ASIANIA, for their continuing work in developing parachuting and for bringing people to IPC and to air sports generally.

**World Games** – Media monitoring statistics and images had been requested by IPC but had not been forthcoming. These are required for potential sponsors and general promotion, and it was noted that there was difficulty for FAI in getting these from the local organiser CLOC and the International World Games Association (IWGA).

FCEs in 2013 and 2014 – President Windsor thanked the NAC of Bosnia and Herzegovina for their organisation of the 2013 events in Banja Luka. He also thanked Russia for hosting the Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing event in Cheboksary and the Canopy Piloting event in Kolomna, both in 2013. The Kolomna event, with prize money and branding, offered positive opportunities for future events and organisers.

**FAI** – Some of the differences with the FAI Executive Board had been resolved. IPETA is now part of the FAI family and is 100% owned by FAI. Newer possibilities are being looked at, such as virtual reality helmet/wingsuit pylon racing. At the FAI General Conference President Windsor made the point that IPC needs to move forward and not be restricted, and also noted that FAI ought look at the possibilities of adopting some extreme air sports.

**Air Sports Commissions** - No progress had been made on the matter of **Autonomy** for ASCs during the past year, but it was still on the agenda. ASC Presidents are happy to see the developments in IPC, with big events and the consequent possibility of attracting sponsorship In future there will be a formal annual ASC Presidents' meeting to share ideas prior to the meeting with the FAI Executive Board and many commissions are expected to follow IPC's Strategic Plan concept.

**Financial Matters at FAI** - Unfortunately financial matters at FAI are in disarray. It has not been possible to have questions to FAI regarding discrepancies in IPC's finances answered and it is not known when these issues will be resolved. President Windsor asked, in September 2013, for an Expert Group on Finance to be established at FAI, but he had received no response to his request.

## 4 IPC PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

#### 4.1 President's Report

IPC President Graeme Windsor presented his report, covering IPC activity in 2013, to the Plenary.

#### Matters of special comment -

**Anti-doping Registered Testing Pool (RTP)** - It had been reported, in the IPC Newsletter, how the system would work, and the procedure was outlined. It is hoped to have the testing pool for out-of-competition testing dropped forair sports persons. R. Hoenle stated that if an organisation is not working to be included in the

Olympic Games, this aspect of anti-doping does not apply. He also stated that at times this policy is sometimes not in conformity with the cultural habits of eastern traditions.

R. Hughes stated that FAI was trying to reduce the WADA impact on FAI sports, that countries have signed up, not just individual sports, which means that the athletes in those countries have to comply to WADA rules anyhow.

**CASI** – Advances made with this FAI Commission were noted. G. Windsor, G. Rayner and R. Bennett are members of CASI. Work is in hand to update the General Section and streamline procedures in other documents such as an International Appeals Tribunal Manual, a CASI internal procedures handbook, and the International Jury Handbook.

**Air Space issues** – There has been a growth in the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), resulting in further air space issues. CASI had produced a paper for the EB on this issue and the European Parachute Union (EPU) is addressing these matters, and EPU's work and experience in this area may be of assistance in other regions.

#### 2013 Work

**Bureau** - President Windsor thanked the Bureau for its work during the year and thanked the Plenary for providing such a good Bureau team to implement Plenary decisions and bring IPC forward.

The Extended Bureau Meeting, prior to the Plenary, showed that IPC is still on track and the need to work through NACs was emphasised . The Extended Bureau endorses this approach.

**Competition Committees** - President Windsor also thanked the Competition Committees and their Chairs for all their work during the year.

**IPETA** – This is an avenue for IPC to exploit commercial opportunities in international competition and events. It is a vehicle for IPC to be used to further pursue the visions contained in the IPC's Strategic Plan and provides a degree of protection against the loss of high profile events to outside entrepreneurs while at the same time providing opportunities to further fund IPC activities in its statutory responsibility for all parachuting matters within FAI.

**COLPAR** - Gustavo Reyes, Delegate for Argentina, was thanked for being present, for doing good work with IPC's Technical & Safety Committee and for his work with COLPAR, the Latin American Federation of Parachute organisations. The Memorandum of Understanding between FAI and COLPAR, which had lain on a desk at FAI for a long time, was now signed.

**Breitling Sponsorship** – Without Breitling and Red Bull sponsorship the accounts indicate that the FAI office could be in a deficit position of up to CHF 500,000 a year. As a result of FAI entering into a sponsorship deal with Breitling organisers have lost possible watch and jewellery sponsorship from other sources and this deserves to be appropriately compensated, particularly for those events where Breitling has not chosen to have a major presence. It is hoped to have some compensation package for this in place at a later date.

**World Air Games** – As there is no positive indication that this event will indeed take place in 2015, the IPC Extended Bureau decided to continue with the IPC calendar and to later consider participation in the WAG, if the games will be held.

**2014 WPCs in Banja Luka** – Some internal issues have arisen in Bosnia and Herzegovina, but the WPCs in Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing, and Canopy Formation, scheduled for August 2014, will take place. President Windsor reported

that an agreed pathway, between IPC and the BIH NAC has been found and he asked that the Bureau be allowed handle this matter.

### 4.2 Decisions by the IPC Bureau

President Windsor reported on the IPC Bureau's interim work and its decisions during 2013.

István Sipos, Delegate for Hungary, queried Bureau Interim Decision No.20, regarding the attendance of Edward 'Bushman' Anderson at the Cities/Events Forum, held in Lausanne, Switzerland, 13-15 November 2013, 'to explore the possibilities for IPETA to commence a CP Tour.' I. Sipos referred to the 2013 Plenary minutes, which stated - *The use of the startup funds allocated in Buenos Aires will not be used until the entity setup is agreed with FAI and all matters are correctly in place.* 

FAI had paid for the attendance of Edward 'Bushman' Anderson and G. Windsor stated that it was not yet known if FAI would seek reimbursement from IPC. Vice President John Smyth stated that the decision had been arrived at after full discussion, and it was decided to do something rather than just talk about it. R. Hoenle asked, that as the event was in Lausanne, why FAI did not send R. Hughes, as the least expensive option. R. Hughes advised the meeting that he could not attend the event but he had helped E. 'Bushman' Anderson. G. Windsor stated that IPETA decided to send the best person available and so Edward 'Bushman' Anderson was sent, with agreement of the Bureau.

John Smyth proposed acceptance of the Bureau Interim Decisions Gillian Rayner seconded this proposal

On a vote being taken R. Hoenle voted against acceptance; there were no other negative votes and the proposal was carried.

## **5 WORLD GAMES**

- **5.1** Ronald Overdijk, IPC Liaison Officer to World Games, presented a report on the World Games, held at Cali, Colombia 30 July 04 August 2013
  - R. Overdijk stated that he would step down from the position of IPC World Games Liaison Officer. He asked had the competitors been contacted and did they like the event. Some countries indicated that the feedback from competitors was positive.
  - R. Overdijk further stated -
    - Presentation still had to improve, that Canopy Piloting was selected by IPC as IWGA had told IPC to provide an interesting event.
    - Other events did not work but CP did. For the Canopy Piloting event people came to the venue, which was at the outskirts of the city.
    - The commentator, Regan Tetlow, did a really excellent job.
    - While there were many cameras present, and a TV crew, thanks to the
      efforts of R. Hughes, so far no video footage or images have been made
      available, but this is a World Games matter and is out of FAI's and IPC's
      hands.
    - There can be difficulties with what TV wants and ensuring that and safety issues are respected.
    - Results were not quick enough and it is wrong to move towards slow-motion as results must be instant. R. Hoenle stated that this could be done, according to WG rules.
    - Four days had been allocated to jumping, but the event was completed in three days. A competition format taking care of this must be in place.

- Had the weather turned bad, there was an alternative, to entertain the crowd, in the form of a good commentator.
- His report has some suggestions on how to move forward and there is material for IPETA consideration in this.

At this stage it is not known what the future holds for parachuting in WG. FAI must propose events to IWGA and IPC should decide on the disciplines in parachuting.

R. Overdijk thanked R. Hoenle for his work in Cali.

R. Overdijk stated that he believes it is very, very, important for IPC to be at the WG, and that the athletes' information page created by FAI is a very useful tool. He also stated that IPC must be more active in looking at new disciplines, which are first developed by the athletes, not by IPC, and we may have to look at dropping some of the older disciplines.

The following points were made –

- President of Honour, Patrice Girardin stated that IPC needs to listen from the 'floor' and to put on an exciting show, but 'not to sell our soul, as we are not a dog and pony show'.
- Ron Miasnikov stated that CP has been a great attraction for the viewers and that about half of the crowd left after the CP event.
- Vladimir Gazetov stated that it might be possible to have more skydiving disciplines in WG, but that they have to be attractive.
- It was agreed that the financial cost, which was high, would be monitored.
- Vladimir Gazetov also commented on Accompanying Persons Information about accompanying persons came late, and the costs were high. This is an issue for IWGA.
- The Extended Bureau had discussed participation in future World Games and supported taking part; perhaps with CP and modified 2-way Canopy Formation.
- The question was asked as to whether there had been feedback re Paragliding, for which event evaluators were present. No report has been received to date. It has been said that Indoor Aero-modelling flying was very popular.
- President Windsor thanked Ronald Overdijk for his work on World Games.
- The Bureau will propose, under the appointments/elections section of the Plenary meeting, Patrice Girardin as IPC World Games Liaison Officer.
- The next World Games are scheduled to be held in Poland in 2017.
   A suggestion was made by Ron Miasnikov to include Indoor Skydiving.
   However, the selection of events is FAI's prerogative.
- 5.2 The Report of Dr Rainer 'Exi' Hoenle, Chief Judge, Canopy Piloting, World Games, held at Cali, Columbia, 30 July 04 August 2013 was referred to.

  There were no questions on this report.

## 6 WORLD AIR GAMES

Gillian Winter, IPC First Vice-President, reported on World Air Games.

There was nothing to add to the information already given in the FAI Report and in President Windsor's report.

## 7 GENERAL ISSUES

## 7.1 Open Meeting, Wednesday 29 January 2014.

President Windsor briefed the Plenary on the Open Meeting discussions and matters arising therefrom, and on the results of the Extended Bureau Meeting held prior to the Plenary. There was nothing further to add and papers could be had from the secretariat.

#### 7.2 Web Site & Media Liaison

Susan Dixon, IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer, reported on activity in both these areas during 2013.

S. Dixon thanked Ron Miasnikov and Elisabet Mikaelsson for their support in putting together a new IPC website, to be available on iPhones and modern media devices. It is hoped to have this finished in three months and an announcement will be made when it is ready.

President Windsor paid tribute to S. Dixon's dedication and work, and to that of R. Miasnikov, E. Mikaelsson, Fay Kimble and the many volunteers.

#### 7.3 IPETA

President Windsor updated the Plenary on the IPETA project developments and issues, since the 2013 Plenary Meeting.

**IPETA AGM** - This had been held on the evening of Wednesday, 29 January, at Hotel Bosei, Vienna. – Alvaro De Orléans Borbón, FAI Executive Director, represented the shareholder (FAI holds all IPETA shares).

It was reported that all matters are correctly in place and that the one matter outstanding from the IPETA annual general meeting was the election of the IPC Directors to the Board of IPETA.

It was reported that there had been no further developments regarding a tour; that nothing had yet materialised from IPETA sending Edward 'Bushman' Anderson to the Cities/Events Forum in Lausanne. Also there was nothing to report on the 'Road to Dubai' idea for a CP tour as work had focussed on implementing the Plenary resolution of 2013. President Windsor advised that IPETA was looking at opportunities in other places, including the possibility of an event in Stockholm.

#### Nominations as IPC Directors to IPETA Board-

The Bureau nominated – John Smyth and Graeme Windsor Other nominations from the meeting – István Sipos, Jacqui Coetzee, Henny Wiggers and Marylou Laughlin

R. Hoenle opposed accepting nominations of people not present at the meeting, but there was no support for this view.

The names of the nominees were then balloted upon and the results were

Henny Wiggers	36	Marylou Laughlin	29
G. Windsor	33	John Smyth	29
István Sipos	32	Jacqui Coetzee	18

H. Wiggers, G. Windsor, I. Sipos, M. Laughlin and J. Smyth were deemed elected to the Board of IPETA for 2014.

## 7.4 CISM Report

Col. Gernot Rittenschober, President, CISM Parachuting Committee, presented his CISM report for 2013, which showed -

- CISM has 133 member nations, with 24 military sports.
- Parachuting competition is for Accuracy Landing and 4-Way FS
- Two CISM World Parachuting Championships are organised, the first will be in Indonesia in 2014 and the next in Australia in 2015. The Australian Championships (2015) is fully booked up for teams.
- Continuous efforts are made to harmonise the IPC and CISM calendars, to avoid conflict of dates.

A Memorandum of Understanding with a Convention of Co-operation between CISM and FAI had been created and will be signed. Col. Rittenschober and President Windsor signed the MoU at this point.

Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem stated that ASIANIA had co-operated with CISM, that this had been beneficial and discussion is ongoing on developing this further in the future.

## 8 TECHNICAL AND SAFETY

8.1 Niels-Christian Levin Hansen, Committee Chair, reported on the Committee's activities in 2013 and on the outcome of the T & S Open and closed meetings.

#### 8.2 2012 Safety Survey Report

N-C Levin Hansen, presented the 2012 Safety Report, and used the Power Point presentation of that report to point out significant figures and trends. He thanked the Committee for its work in 2013 and presented the work-plan for 2014 noting that the key job, as per the IPC Strategic Plan, is to facilitate sharing of information across countries where parachuting is conducted. Features of the 2014 plan of action are -

- Opening of dialogue with PIA how can we improve a sharing of information, to ensure that our community gets timely and correct information from manufacturers, and vice-versa. James Hayhurst, USA Alternate Delegate, has undertaken to do this work and a budget will be applied for to fund the task.
- A key note speaker will be invited to attend the 2015 Plenary meeting.
   The speaker will address the different approaches taken in various countries on training, safety and related issues, rather than on safety statistics.
- Sharing of information, through the use one or two simple mini-surveys a year. N-C Levin Hansen emphasised that the input of the countries present at this Plenary is very much needed for these mini-surveys.

**Proposal re Ram-Air Mains & reserves in FCEs** - The Technical & Safety Committee supports the proposal from Spain, Annex 5, in the Plenary agenda, requiring an amendment to SC5, 1.2 and 1.3, to the effect that Ram-Air Mains and Ram-Air Reserves will be required for FCEs.

Col. Rittenschober reported that such was the position in CISM and it was noted that Tertiary Reserves are no longer used in CF.

There was unanimous support from the Delegates for this proposal. (see 23.2.3 below for the proposal from Spain).

N-C Levin Hansen thanked ASIANIA and COLPAR for their work in getting more countries involved in technical and safety matters and for getting more to respond to the Safety Survey. He again asked for more response to the Safety Survey.

**Certificate of Proficiency** – A new batch of certificates and stamps has been printed and delivered to the FAI office. Efforts will be made to have the C of P more widely used. The question of who will issue the C of P, the NAC or the national parachute organisation will be addressed, as will be the question of whether one can be obtained from a country other than that of the applicant.

**Low Turns & Fast Canopies** – R. Overdijk noted the ongoing large percentage of fatalities and injuries in these categories. It was noted that low turns are prohibited in Eloy, USA, that this has led to a significant decrease of accidents and incidents and the question was posed as to whether this prohibition was the answer, the way to prevent these incidents. The T&S Committee will examine the issue during the coming year.

**New Members of T&S Committee** - The T&S Committee will have new members for 2014, which will give greater geographical representation on the Committee and bring new expertise to bear.

A CD was distributed to Delegates. This contained the Safety Report for 2012 and a Power Point presentation of that report, the Information Notices issued in 2013 and the Safety Survey form and notes for 2013.

President Windsor stressed the value of this CD, and how it could be used in discussions and negotiations with government agencies etc. He also pointed out once again the importance of input to the annual safety survey.

**Mid-Air Collision Fatalities Question** - R. Hoenle asked if there was any indication in the numbers of fatalities, that there is an increasing amount of mid-air-collisions shortly after separation from a skydive, leading to the fatality.

N-C Levin Hansen stated that this had not been noticed, but that the T&S Committee will look at the issue.

Prior to breaking for lunch, President Windsor paid special thanks to Alberto Martin Paracuellos and to Richard 'Buzz' Bennett for their work with IPETA, and to Niels-Christian Levin Hansen for his work on the FAI/IPC Task Force.

## 9 FINANCE WORKING GROUP

9.1 IPC Finance Secretary and Finance Working Group Chair, Richard 'Buzz'
Bennett, presented the Finance Secretary's Report for 2013, and the Balance Sheet and Income Statement for December 31, 2013.

**Access to IPC Bank Account** - Doris Merz-Hunziker, Delegate for Switzerland, asked what access IPC had to the bank accounts.

- R. Bennett stated that FAI was very backward as regards accounts, but that there would soon be 'read only' access for ASCs, which was a long way from IPC being able to operate its own account. It is still not possible for ASCs to make payments. R. Bennett further stated that the accounts, such as they are presented, are still his 'best guess', as information requested has not been forthcoming from FAI. Balances could therefore be +/- 5,000 Euros.
- **9.2** Amended 2014 Budget and Draft 2015 Budget R. Bennett will present these budgets when he has received the final budget applications from Committees. This will be at the Plenary session on Sunday 02 February.

#### 9.3 Proposal re Visa Costs

With reference to the proposal by R. Hoenle, regarding reimbursement of visa costs, for Russia 2013, and for future events where a visa is required, the following was decided.

- The matter of retroactive reimbursement for 2013 was discussed at the Extended Bureau Meeting, leading R. Hoenle to withdraw this part of the proposal, for reimbursement of visa costs retroactively and to propose the following modification/addition.
- For the future it was proposed to deal with this matter by deleting the word 'basic' in the reimbursement rule, and allowing reimbursement of all costs connected with obtaining a Visa to be covered, subject to a maximum of 150 Euros.

This proposal was put to a vote.

There were no objections, no abstentions, and the proposal was carried unanimously, to take effect immediately.

This decision will be incorporated into the 2014 version of the IPC Expense Reimbursement Policy Document, which will be posted on the web site.

## 10 WINGSUIT WORKING GROUP

- 10.1 Ronald Overdijk, Working Group Chair, reported on the Working Group's activities in 2013 and the outcome of the Open Meeting.
- The Terms of Reference for the Wingsuit Working Group will be updated and are available to Delegates at this meeting, for approval.

  The amended ToR were accepted unanimously.
- Two performance record criteria have been set, and these will be added to Sporting Code, Section 5, Records along with one competition record requirements These amendments to SC5 were accepted unanimously. **See 23.1.9 for details.**
- 10.5 R. Overdijk stated that he would be stepping down as Chair of the Wingsuit Working Group and President Windsor thanked him for his valuable work.

## 11 RANKING SYSTEM

- 11.1 Niels-Christian Levin Hansen reported on the Ranking System.
- The Working Group was disbanded after the 2012 Plenary meeting and N-C Levin Hansen is now responsible for the Ranking System. He is supported by Susan Dixon and Fay Kimble, who have volunteered to handle the updating of the 19 Ranking Lists.
- 11.3 The Ranking Lists will be run, as they are presently set up, and the aim for the coming year is to include 2<sup>nd</sup> category events. Considerations for development also include adoption of the regulations on the Ranking Lists into IPC's Regulations.
- Delegates were advised to get their countries' athletes to compete as not competing would mean not having a ranking.
  - R. Overdijk did mention that the current rankings lists should be posted at FCE's together with the world records. This would be included in SC5.

## 12 INDOOR SKYDIVING WORKING GROUP

**12.1** Gillian Rayner, Working Group Chair, reported on the Working Group, which is now disbanded.

## 12.2 Indoor Skydiving Proposed Competition Rules

Annex 29 and Annex 39 to the agenda contained the CRs for Indoor FS and AE, respectively. See 23.1.1 Rules and Regulations section of these minutes for modifications and acceptance of these CRs. The Competition Rules will be available on the web site.

## 12.3 Bid to host 1<sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving

It was agreed that the bid from iFLY Austin to host a 1<sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving - Formation Skydiving (including VFS) and Artistic Events, at Austin, Texas, USA, 11 – 16 November 2014, would be presented when the Indoor Skydiving CRs were adopted. 24.1 below discussion details.

Jiri Blaska, Delegate for Czech Republic, made a presentation to Gillian Rayner for her work and her persistence and diligence in relentlessly pursuing the goal of having Indoor Skydiving accepted as an IPC discipline.

## 13 SPEED SKYDIVING (brought forward to this point)

## 13.1 Austrian proposal to adopt Speed Skydiving as an IPC discipline.

Johann Gritsch, IPC Delegate, Austria, proposed the adoption of Speed Skydiving as an IPC discipline. J. Gritsch asked the Delegates to vote in favour, and to view it as evolution within our sport.

Arnold Hohenegger, MBA, Chairman, International Speed Skydiving Association (ISSA), had also requested IPC to adopt Speed Skydiving as an IPC discipline and had once gain provided an outline of the event in the Open sessions leading up to the Plenary.

A vote was taken, Norway abstained and all other Delegates voted in favour. **Speed Skydiving was therefore accepted as an IPC discipline.** 

## 13.2 Proposed Competition Rules for Speed Skydiving.

A draft set of proposed Competition Rules for Speed Skydiving was proposed. The proposed Competition Rules for Speed Skydiving were accepted, with one abstention.

The 2014 Speed Skydiving Competition Rules for Speed Skydiving will be available on the website.

13.3 Impact of adoption of Speed Skydiving as an IPC discipline on Sporting Code, Sect. 5. The impact was noted and will be reflected in the 2014 version of SC5. See 23.1.10 for details.

## 13.4 1<sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving

The Czech Organiser of the WPCs in FS and AE, to be held at Prerov, Czech Republic, 25 – 31 August 2914, agreed to add Speed Skydiving to the event. See minutes point 28.4 for details.

## 14 MONDIAL

#### 14.1 Mondial 2016

Kirk Verner, USA Delegate, presented a bid to host a Mondial at Skydive Chicago, Illinois, USA, 09 – 23 September 2016, in the following disciplines – Formation Skydiving (including VFS), Canopy Formation, Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing, Artistic Events.

Rook Nelson, Skydive Chicago, presented the bid, which had been amended in minor respects, from the bid published with the agenda papers.

The amendments are -

- Entry Fees have been dropped by an average of US\$78
- Entry Fees will remain fixed regardless of any increase in fuel prices.
- Re-jumps and Jump-offs there will not be a charge for re-jumps or jumpoffs.
- Airport transfers these will be included in the entry fee.
- The schedule will be re-arranged so that competitors will not have to be at the event for the full period, but may stay for the duration of their event only. The schedule will be – AE/FS for the first seven days, followed by CF/S&A (overlapping two days; also scheduled for seven days), with the main banquet/celebration scheduled in the middle when all competitors are present.

The Organiser aims to solicit government grants and corporate sponsorship, with the goal of subsidising all junior competitor entry fees.

**Entry fees now are (in US Dollars)** 

FS - \$750 VFS - \$750 Artistic Events - \$700

Accuracy - \$750 Style & Accuracy - \$850 CF - \$700

#### 14.2 Questions and Answers on the bid

**Speed Skydiving event** - R. Nelson stated that he would be willing, in theory, to add Speed Skydiving, but he would need to see the rules etc.

**Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing** – In response to a question from John Hitchen, UK Alternate Delegate, regarding Juniors, R. Nelson said that all events in that discipline would take place.

- 14.3 President Windsor thanked the Organiser for making the bid and for re-examining it, in light of the issues raised. He further stated that if there are any additional events proposed to be added the Bureau will decide on those matters if the Plenary agreed.
- 14.4 A secret ballot was called for and having been taken the result was For acceptance of the amended bid 32

  Against acceptance 9

The Bid was therefore accepted and USA and R .Nelson were congratulated.

## 15 | FREEFALL STYLE AND ACCURACY LANDING

**15.1** Günter Berendt, Committee Chair, commented on the Committee's activities in 2013 and presented the results of the S&A open meeting.

The following points were noted -

- Rules changes these were available for download at the secretariat.
- The S&A Committee agreed to a US proposal for a new Freefall Style record.
   This proposal was put to the meeting, and was adopted unanimously.
- The Austrian scoring system is to be tested, twice, and results are to be presented in 2015.

- G. Berendt referred to the 2014 WPC, to be held in Banja Luka, and he requested countries to compete in this event.
- **15.2 Bulgarian Bid to host European Championships in 2015**. G. Berendt stated that the S&A Committee supports the Bulgarian bid to host a European Championships in 2015.

As this bid, which was distributed with the agenda papers, but had been received by the Secretary after the dead line and was therefore technically late, it required a supporting vote of two-thirds to be accepted onto the agenda. The meeting unanimously accepted the bid being included in the agenda for consideration. A vote on the bid was taken and it was accepted unanimously.

Bulgaria will therefore host a European Championships in Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing, at Drop Zone Erden, 21 – 30 August 2015.

- 15.3 33<sup>rd</sup> FAI WPC in Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing 2014, Banja Luka, 15 23 August 2014 An update on the position regarding this FCE was given. See last paragraph, 4.1 above, for details.
- 34<sup>th</sup> FAI WPC in Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing 2016.
   A bid to host this event is contained within the USA bid to host a Mondial in 2016.
   The US bid was accepted see 14, above.
- 15.5 Proposed changes to the 2014 Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Competition Rules

G. Berendt, presented the proposed changes to the 2015 S&A Competition Rules. These changes, below, were accepted unanimously.

## Freefall-Style and Accuracy Landing Committee Rule Changes 2014

#### 5.1.3. Wind Speed

The maximum allowable wind speed at ground level in the accuracy events is set by the Chief Judge, FAI Controller and Meet Director within the range of between at a value no less than 6,0 m/s and no more than 8,0 m/s. This limit will be given to the competitors at the initial briefing and will remain for the duration of the competition. A competitor who lands during the period 10 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 30 seconds after the wind speed has returned below the limit, and does not score a dead centre, may accept a re-jump. The competitor must make an immediate decision within 15 seconds of landing and before the next competitor lands and must inform the Event or Chief Judge of their decision, otherwise the competitor must do a re-jump. The event will be automatically interrupted for a minimum of 5 minutes, if the ground wind speed exceeds 9 m/s.

#### 5.1.7

(3) If there is a change in ground wind direction of more than 90 degrees within 2 seconds when the wind speed is more than 3 m/s and automatically recorded by an electronic device, during the period commencing 30 seconds before and ending 10 seconds after the competitor's landing, the competitor has the choice of accepting the score for the jump or making a rejump. The competitor must make an immediate decision and must inform the Event or Chief Judge of their decision; otherwise a rejump must be made. (to be consistent with 5.1.3)

## 7. TITLE OF THE COMPETITION

"The --- FAI World/Continental Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing Parachuting Championship" (Add title of Junior WPC/CPC as required) 7.1 Aims of the FAI World/Continental Championship

Changes are highlighted in yellow, with text to be deleted marked by strikethrough.

#### The 2015 S&A CRs will be available on the web site.

Note – Bids to host FCEs in Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing in 2016, which appeared in the Plenary agenda, were automatically lost on the acceptance by the Plenary of the US bid to host a Mondial in 2016.

## 16 FORMATION SKYDIVING AND VFS

- Mark Szulmayer, in the absence of Trude Sviggum, Committee Chair, presented the FS Report on the Committee's activities in 2013.
  Matters arising were -
  - G. Rayner asked were Juniors being left out of some competitions.
     The committee recommendation for junior competitions is for 4-way FS and 4-way VFS (with no junior girls category).
  - Multiple teams at WPCs The FS Committee does not recommend adopting this, but it could be looked at for 2015, when it might be tried out in a World Cup year.
- 16.2 Proposed changes to the 2014 Formation Skydiving and VFS Competition Rules These had been available for download. M. Szulmayer advised that there had been few changes, which were then presented to the Plenary. The proposed CR changes were accepted unanimously.

## FORMATION SKYDIVING AND VERTICAL FORMATION SKYDIVING Rule changes 2014

Old rule:

2.3 Grip line: This is the line linking the torsos of two competitors via their arms or legs and that the grip that joins them.

New Rule:

2.3 Grip line: This is the line linking the torsos of two competitors via their arms or legs and feet and that the grip that joins them.

#### 3.2 Objective of the Events

Old rule:

- 3.2.2.1.2 For determination of the final placings:
  - i. one tie break round, if possible (for the first three placings only). The tie break round will be the next drawn round of the competition,
  - ii. the highest score in any completed round,
  - iii. the highest score starting with the last completed round and continuing in reverse order, round by round until the tie is broken,
  - iv. the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common, scoring formation in the last completed round.

#### New rule:

- 3.2.2.1.2 For determination of the final placings:
  - i. One tie break round, if possible (for the first three placings only). The tie break round will be the next drawn round of the competition,
  - ii. The fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round after the jump off.

#### 4.9. Training

Old rule:

4.9.3. Teams can perform a sequence of their own choice and receive an evaluation from the judges.

#### New rule:

4.9.3. Two drawn rounds will be made available for teams use. Teams can perform a sequence of their own choice instead and receive an evaluation

from the judges. In this case, teams must provide the sequence to the judges with the video.

The 2014 FS and VFS CRs will be available on the web site.

16.3 21st FAI World Formation Skydiving Championships, Czech Republic, 24 – 31 August 2014 - Jiri Blaska, IPC Delegate, Czech Republic updated the Plenary Meeting on the preparations to host this FCE.

The Organiser proposed a change of location and a change of date – from Prostejov to Prerov, and from <u>25 – 31 August</u> (change from 24 – 31 August). Martin Dlouhy, the dropzone operator, had made a presentation, at the Open Meeting on Wednesday 29 January, showing the excellent facilities at the proposed new location. All other details would remain as previously proposed.

The FS Committee accepted the change of location and date and proposed that the Plenary endorse the change.

The change of location from Prostejov to Prerov and change of date to 25 – 31 August was accepted unanimously by the Plenary.

16.4 22nd FAI World Parachuting Championships in Formation Skydiving 2016
A bid to host this event was contained within the USA bid to host a Mondial in 2016
The US bid was accepted – see 14, above.

Note – Bids to host FCEs in Formation Skydiving and VFS in 2016, which appeared in the Plenary agenda, were automatically lost on the acceptance by the Plenary of the US bid to host a Mondial in 2016.

## 17 CANOPY FORMATION

- 17.1 Lindy Rochow-Williams, Committee Chair reported on the Committee's activities in 2013, and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee in 2013. Matters arising
  - L. Rochow-Williams acknowledged the great contribution of Barry McAuley to the work, over many years, of the CF Committee.
  - 2-way sequential continues to be the most popular CF event.
  - Scoring system developers were thanked for their work.
  - There was no World Cup in CF in 2013, and although the 4<sup>th</sup> Dubai Cup did present an alternative, an appeal was made to countries to bid to host WCs.
- 17.2 16<sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Formation Championships 2014, Banja Luka, 15 23 Aug. 2014 An update on the position regarding this FCE was given. See last paragraph, 4.1 above, for details.
- 17th FAI World Canopy Formation Championships
  A bid to host the 17th WPC in Canopy Formation was contained within the USA bid to host a Mondial in 2016. The US bid was accepted see 14, above.
  The CF Committee expressed satisfaction with this event being organised
- 17.4 Proposed to amend the Canopy Formation Competition Rules

  L. Rochow-Williams, proposed and opened for discussion amendments to the CF
  Competition Rules arising from the Open Meeting and from CF Committee
  deliberations held prior to the Plenary. These proposed amendments, which
  incorporated those from USA, were unanimously accepted by the Plenary.

Proposal to amend Canopy Formation CR sections 6.2 and 6.3 – reducedspeed viewing (annex 34)

The committee in consideration of annex 34 proposes the following amendment.

6.2. The judges will watch each performance once at normal speed. At the request of any working judge, a second viewing at normal speed may be made. If, after the second viewing has taken place and a clear decision has not been made as to when the working time begins, the Event Judge may guide the Panel of Judges when to start their chronometers. A third viewing at normal or reduced speed at 70% may only occur at the discretion of the Event Judge. The judges shall start the timing when the first team member (including the team's videographer) leaves the aircraft. At the end of working time, freeze frame of the video image shall be applied.

## Proposal to amend Canopy Formation CR section 2.3.2 – definition of "Stairstep" (annex 33)

Committee proposes the rule remain unchanged.

2.3.2. **Stair/step**: The shoulder of the upper jumper must be above the upper surface of the lower canopy. The grip must only be on the outside "A" line of the end cell. The grip must be taken with the inside leg or foot; this may include an additional handhold, if desired.

## Proposal to amend Canopy Formation CR section 2.8 – definition of "Omission" (annex 32)

Committee proposes the rule to remain unchanged.

2.8 **Omission**: A formation or inter missing from the drawn sequence or no clear intent to build the correct formation or inter is seen, and another formation or inter is presented.

## Proposal to amend Canopy Formation CR section 3.5 - determination of winners.

Committee proposes to reinstate the previous wording as it is more appropriate for Canopy Formation.

#### 3.5. Determination of winners

- 3.5.1. Where only one round is completed, the team that has the best score for that one round shall be the winner. If more than one team has the same score, the team with the fastest time within working time, calculated to the second decimal point, shall be the winner.
- 3.5.2. Where more than one round is completed, the team that has the best score after discarding their lowest score in the completed rounds (a disqualification or penalty score may not be discarded), calculated as follows:
- 3.5.2.1. Have the greatest number of formations in the completed rounds.
- 3.5.2.2 If two or more teams have an equal number of formations, the first three places will be decided by the highest number of points in any completed round for each team.
- 3.5.2.3. If there is still a tie, the team with the fastest time in those rounds with the highest points wins the tied place.
- 3.5.2.4 Tied teams placed lower than third remain tied.

#### 3.5 Determination of Winners (Adopted wording from FS Rules)

- i. one tie break round, if possible (for the first three placings only). The tie break round will be the next drawn round of the competition,
- ii. the highest score in any completed round,
- iii. the highest score starting with the last completed round and continuing in reverse order, round by round until the tie is broken,
- iv. the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round

## Proposal to amend Canopy Formation CR section 6.3 – Absolute rule.

Committee proposes to following change.

6.3 If, after all viewings are complete, and within 15 seconds of knowledge of the result, the Chief Judge, Event Judge or any Judge on the panel considers that an

absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred, the Chief Judge or Event Judge will direct that only that part(s) of the jump in question be reviewed. If the review results in a unanimous minimum four to one judge decision by the Judges that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred on the part(s) of the jump in question, the score for the jump will be adjusted accordingly. Only one review is permitted for each jump.

Changes highlighted in yellow, or with blue wording and red strikethrough for deletions.

The 2014 CF CRs will be available on the web site.

Note – Bids to host FCEs in Canopy Formation in 2016, which appeared in the Plenary agenda, were automatically lost on the acceptance by the Plenary of the US bid to host a Mondial in 2016.

### 18 | ARTISTIC EVENTS

- 18.1 Ronald Overdijk, Committee Chair, reported on the AE Committee's activities in 2013, and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee in 2013. R. Overdijk thanked organisers of events in 2013 and the Dubai Cup organisers
- 18.2 Proposed changes to the AE Competition Rules.

R. Overdijk proposed and opened for discussion amendments to the AE Competition Rules arising from the Open Meeting and from AE Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary. These proposed amendments, which incorporated those on the Plenary agenda, were unanimously accepted by the Plenary.

## CHANGES TO COMPETITION RULES ARTISTIC EVENTS 2014

IMPORTANT NOTE: This document does <u>NOT</u> cover all changes, as several changes are typos, or minor terminology updates. <u>ONLY</u> the important changes have been written down. Judges and competitors are <u>strongly</u> recommended to read the current AE 2014 competition rules. The competition rules is the only valid document for competitons, the changes document is for information purposes only.

Changes in red

- **6.3.** Scoring compulsory Routines
  - New: see the addenda A for Guidelines on scoring for common mistakes son some Compulsory Sequences.

Presentation in the Compulsory Routines is scored for the beginning and the end of the routine, and move(s) performed between the Compulsory Sequences. If the Judges cannot identify any Presentation element the score for presentation will be 0.0 points.

#### COMPULSORY SEQUENCES (FREESTYLE SKYDIVING & FREEFLYING)

 NOTE: Please read ALL Compulsory Sequences in the Competition Rules AE 2013 itself for the complete and correct descriptions and performance requirements.

#### Addendum A1 Freestyle Skydiving

- New: Toes must be pointed and knees must be straight, except as noted in descriptions. Otherwise, the maximum possible score is 8.0.
- Judging guidelines:

## 1.1.1

#### 1.1.2 FR-1 Helix Spin:

 When the upper bent leg is not rotated as described and pointing straight down, not crossing the other knee ("open stag"), the maximum score will be 3.0.

#### 1.1.3 FR-2. Double Eouzan

 When the Videographer makes a synchronised roll with the Performer during his/her first loop instead of the second loop, the maximum score will be 5.0.

#### FR-5. Head Up Straddle Spins

 When the Videographer passing under the Performer makes the camera roll to the wrong direction. the maximum score will be 5.0.

#### 1.1.4 FR-7. Head-down Loop Twist Sequence

- When no twist is made, the maximum score for each good loop performed will be 1.0 (up to a maximum of 3.0 total).
- If a half twist is performed, (last loop is forward instead of backwards), the maximum score will be 6.5 (assuming on heading and clean loops performed).

#### Addendum A2 Freeflying

Judging guidelines:

#### FF-1. Double Joker Reverse

- Wrong grip location (not right-to-right hand or left-to-left hand), the maximum score will be 7.0.
- When the Videographer makes the roll in the wrong direction, the maximum score will be 5.0.

#### FF-2. Vertical Compressed Switch

- One or both grips in wrong location (i.e., not on lower leg), the maximum score will
   7.0
- When grips are not taken simultaneously, the maximum score will 8.0.

#### 2 FF-3. Cat Barrel Roll

 One or both grips in wrong location (i.e., not on lower leg), the maximum score will be 7.0.

## 3 FF-4. Turning Totem

 Wrong body position (when the lower Performer is sitflying/kneeflying, instead of layout position), the maximum score will be 5.0.

### 4 FF-7. Stand-up Star

- Wrong body position (when the lower Performer is sitflying/kneeflying, instead of layout position), the maximum score will be 5.0.
- When grips are not taken simultaneously, the maximum score will be 8.0

## FF-8. Synchronized Back Layouts

- When each Performer is twisting in a different direction, the maximum score will be 5.0.
- When no twist is made, the maximum score will be 3.0.

Addendum D: now available as word.doc and as .pdf in the complete rules. The word document is an extra service to filling the addendum out electronically and is recommended.

## ADDENDUM – D ROUTINE DESCRIPTION

#### Instructions for use:

#### Word file (recommended):

- Download the addendum D as word.doc on a PC and save it, preferably under your Team country name and number.
- Fill in the required data. If a selection has to be made delete the data which you don't need and leave the needed ones.
- Add rows in the Free Routine description if needed.
- When done, save it again under a name relating to your team and event.
- Print the document and deliver it to the Chief Judge.

#### PDF file:

- Print the page of the addendum D.
- Fill in the required data with pen (black or blue only). If you need to select, circle the appropriate event / round.
- Print the last page with boxes only if you need more rows in the Free Routine description.
- When done, deliver it to the Chief Judge.
- Do not write out of the boxes, or in the sidelines or edges of the paper.

Team number #	Team country:		
Please indicate the event (handle as appropriate)	FREESTYLE SKYDIVING – FREEFLYING		
	mpulsory sequences will be performed.  p://www.fai.org/ipc-documents, then look for « artistic events »		
First Compulsory Round, round (FR-1 through FR-4, or FF -1 t			
Second Compulsory Round, ro (FR-5 through FR-8, or FF -5 t			
The Free Routine description of following rounds (handle as applications)			
Name of move / sequ	ence Description if appropriate		

The 2015 AE CRs will be available on the web site.

## 18.3 Proposed Indoor AE Rules

The proposed Indoor AE Competition Rules were presented and approved unanimously by the Plenary.

The 2014 Indoor AE CRs will be available on the web site.

**Jiri Blaska, IPC Delegate, Czech Republic,** updated the Plenary Meeting on the preparations to host the 10th FAI Artistic Events World Championships in Czech Republic, 25 – 31 August 2014.

It was noted that the venue and date for this event had been changed, with Plenary approval.

See 16.3 above.

## 18.5 11th FAI World Championships in Artistic Events.

A bid to host this event is contained within the USA bid to host a Mondial in 2016 The US bid was accepted – see 14, above.

**18.6** It was noted that there are no FCEs in AE scheduled for 2015.

Note – Bids to host FCEs in Artistic Events in 2016, which appeared in the Plenary agenda, were automatically lost on the acceptance by the Plenary of the US bid to host a Mondial in 2016.

### 19 PARA SKI

19.1 Michael Egger, Committee Chair, reported on the Para-Ski Committee's activities in 2013, and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee in 2013

#### 19.2 Future FCEs in Para-Ski

## 19.2.1 14<sup>th</sup> FAI World Para-Ski Championships, to be held at Tanai, Russia, 12 – 18 March 2014.

The Russian Delegate, Vladimir Gazetov, updated the Plenary on this event. It was noted that an additional team, from Bulgaria, will compete.

### 19.2.2 15th FAI World Para-Ski Championships, 2015

The German Delegate, Dr Rainer 'Exi' Hoenle, brought forward a bid to host the 15<sup>th</sup> FAI World Para Ski Championships at Unterammergau, Bavaria, Germany, 17 – 22 February 2015.

The Para Ski Committee supported this bid. There were no questions and the bid was accepted unanimously.

#### M. Egger asked the Delegates to submit bids for future Para Ski events.

## 19.3 Proposed changes to the Para-Ski Competition Rules

Michael Egger, Committee Chair, proposed and opened for discussion amendments to the Para-Ski Competition Rules arising from the Para-Ski Open Meeting and Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary.

There were three proposed changes, including a proposed move from the conventional Selected Jury, for Para Ski only.

It was noted that the Jury for Tanay will stay as is; the new rules becoming effective only after 01 July 2014.

Female teamsize reduced to 2 competitors

Competition Record Male/Female/Juniors (total points of 2 Giant Slalom and 6 jumps)

Ranking list will be established

#### Starting order in giant slalom

5.2.2.1 For the first competition run

The best five of the qualification run will start in reverse order of their ranking. All others will start according to their ranking in the qualification run.

#### **Nominated Jury**

7.3.2 Jury nomination

The Jury President is the FAI controller who selects 2 members plus one reserve member among the present Heads of Delegation or other experts, using the principles of SC5 4.7.1.(7)a. The Jury is nominated during the 1st Team-Leader meeting.

The jury work will be governed by the provisions and principles of SC 5 4.7 with following exceptions:

4.7.1.2 (jury member may hold an administrative function in a NAC delegation)

4.7.1.(6) only the Jury President is approved by IPC Plenary

4.7.1.(10) there is no IPC compensation for jury expenses, jury members are exempted from Sanction fee.

The proposed Para Ski Competition Rules changes were accepted unanimously.

The 2014 Para Ski CRs will be available on the web site.

## 20 | CANOPY PILOTING

- Dr Rainer 'Exi' Hoenle, Committee Chair, reported on the Canopy Piloting Committee's activities for 2013, and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee in 2013. The following points were made
  - The World Games had been a very good competition for Canopy Piloting
  - The CP event at Kolomna, Russia, in August/September 2013 was a well run and excellent competition.
  - 2014 will be a year for consolidation, to clear up rules which were put in place in a hurry in 2013.

## 20.3 Bids to host future FCEs in Canopy Piloting

The CP Committee had examined the two bids to host the 5<sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships 2014, at Zephyr Hills, USA and the other bid from Russia, at Kolomna. Both bids appeared as Plenary agenda annexes.

The CP Committee did not make a recommendation regarding acceptance of one of these bids over another, as the Committee viewed both as good bids.

A vote was taken, the result of which was -

For USA bid – 30 For Russian bid - 11

The 5<sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships 2014 will therefore be hosted by the USA and will take place at Skydive City/Zephyr Hills, Florida, USA, 01 – 08 November 2014.

### 20.4 8th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting 2015

The Canadian Delegate, Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, brought forward a bid to host this event, at Farnham, Montreal, Canada, 23 – 30 August 2015.

As this was a late bid, in accordance with the IPC Internal Regulations, a 2/3 majority vote was required for consideration of this item.

A vote was taken to allow acceptance of this bid to the Plenary agenda.

As there were no objections, no abstentions and all were in favour, the bid was allowed onto the agenda.

The CP Committee recommended this bid.

A vote was taken and the result was – against 1, abstentions 0, remainder in favour

The 8th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting 2015 was therefore awarded to Canada.

#### 20.5 Proposed changes to the Canopy Piloting Competition Rules

- R. Hoenle, Committee Chair, proposed and opened for discussion amendments to the Canopy Piloting Competition Rules which arose from the CP Open Meeting and from the
- CP Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary.
- R. Hoenle outlined these proposed changes, which were available for download from the secretariat.
- G. Rayner commented that the English needs to be corrected and suggested that this be done before the rules are published. This was agreed, and R. Bennett will edit for English text corrections.

On a vote being taken there was one vote against acceptance of the proposed CRs for 2014, no abstentions and the remainder in favour.

## **CANOPY PILOTING COMMITTEE - Rule Changes 2014**

#### **HELMET-CONFIGURATION AND BODY PROTECTION DEFINED:**

- 4.6.1 A hard-shell protective head cover must be worn by all competitors.
- 4.6.2 Protective equipment may be worn and is strongly recommended. This must be of the type that will not hinder the competitor's parachute equipment or compromise safety.

#### **MEET-DIRECTOR'S DIRECTIVE OPTION**

4.10.3 The Meet-Director may relay to the competitors via the pilot, if an exit-order or an exit-altitude will be changed, for any reasons. The CJ/EJ must be notified of this change.

#### WIND LIMIT OPTION ACCURACY

- **4.12.2 Related to weather conditions:** If the winds exceeds the maximum limit at any time in the period after the competitor initiates the turn to the final approach and ends with the landing of the competitor the following applies:
- **4.12.2.1** in Distance and in Speed no score will be awarded and the competitor shall make a re-jump for this round.
- **4.12.2.2** in Zone Accuracy the competitor may accept the achieved score within 10 seconds after having received this information, otherwise a re-jump for this round shall be made.

#### ANY LANDING IN A LANDING ZONE ACCOUNTS FOR GATE-POINTS

**5.4.**2 A competitor must earn landing zone points for at least one landing zone to be awarded Watergate Drag points. Landing in water after scoring G1 will yield a DR.

Landing Zones point value as in Addendum F.

#### **USE OF VIDEO-CAMERA-SYTEMS OPTIONAL FOR JUDGING**

§ 7 The mandatory minimum requirement for the use of video-cameras may be opened to an optional installment of multiple-video-camera-systems as described and at the discretion of the CJ for judging purposes.

#### **ZONE ACCURACY:**

Numbers of Landing Zones changed to Zone 1 through Zone 9 + Center Zone with Neutral Zone re-named to Zone 1. All point values for zones unchanged.

#### **COURSE SPECIFICATION**

Determination of the transition area between the water level and the ground level to be not more than appr. 2 finger-width.

The 2014 Canopy Piloting CRs will be available, when the text is corrected, on the web site.

#### 21 DUBAI INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014

- Helmut Schlecht, UAE Observer, on behalf of the Emirates Airsport Federation (EAF) of the United Arab Emirates, informed the Plenary of the intent to host the 5<sup>th</sup> Dubai International Parachuting Championship 2014, 26 November to 07 December 2014.
  - The time frame has been reduced to 12 days, where previously it had been 14.
  - There will be two arrival days and two departure days so there are 7 days (six days and two half-days) for competition, 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- 21.2 Record Applications H. Schlecht stated that some record applications had been lodged with FAI, but that certification from the relevant NAC has not come forward. President Windsor undertook to discuss this with H. Schlecht, with a view to resolving the matter.

## 22 FAI JUDGING

- Pia Berggren, Committee Chair, reported on the Judges Committee's activities for 2013, and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee in 2013. The following points were noted.
  - Judges Handbook this now appears in SC5, as Chapter 6.
  - Judge Training Courses all are not at the same level and of the same quality. Every effort has been made, and will be made, to ensure that the same high level of training was and would be provided on JTCs, and all Chief Judges -Training will have access to this material.
  - Karla Cole will head this position or co-ordinator and organiser of Judge Training
  - Tamara Koyn is the newly-appointed Video Librarian; her report was included in the agenda papers.
  - Susan Dixon is developing a plan for using the web site for Judge training and evaluation.
  - The Accuracy Landing Scoring system is not working according to the required specification, and this needs to be looked at.

## 22.2 Changes to Rules

Pia Berggren, Committee Chair, proposed and opened for discussion the revised SC5, Chapter 6, FAI Judges, and other rules changes arising from the open and closed Judges Committee meetings prior to the Plenary.

These proposed rules changes had been available from the secretariat.

#### PRESENTATION TO THE PLENARY - CHAPTER 6 - FAI JUDGES

#### 6.1.1.3 Record of Judging Activity

Each FAI Parachuting Judge must keep a record of their judging activity in a logbook.

The IPC Judges' Committee shall keep a record of all judging at **First and Second Category** Events and the **final result** of any formal evaluation of each Judge.

#### 6.1.2. CRITERIA FOR JUDGE TRAINING AND EVALUATION

**6.1.2.1**. All FAI IPC Judge Training will be coordinated by an IPC Judge Training Course Coordinator who is appointed by the IPC Judges Committee.

**6.1.2.2.** The IPC Judge Training Course Coordinator will provide guidelines for training and evaluating judges. These guidelines will include a schedule, training tips, interpretations of the rules and where applicable, the current interpretations of the manoeuvres.

#### 6.1.2.4. ON-LINE TRAINING

On-line training is available to any judge for practice see (http://ipc-judging.org.uk/general.html)

- **6.2. TRAINING JUDGE REQUIREMENTS** REINTRODUCTION OBLIGATION TO BE A NATIONAL JUDGE PRIOR TO STARTING FAI TRAINING
- 6.4. QUALIFICATIONS TO JUDGE AT FIRST CATEGORY EVENTS ...... if they have served at a FCE, SCE or World Games for the specific discipline.

#### 6.5. Annual Nomination

For Para-Ski, the official nomination form must be sent by the NAC to the Chair of the IPC Judges Committee no later than **July 31**<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year preceding the IPC meeting preceding the event.

#### 6.6.1. Chief Judge

The Chief Judge (CJ) for an FCE is nominated by the Judges' Committee from the annual nomination list. This nomination will be made in consultation with the relevant Discipline Committee, who may consult the **Organiser**. The nomination must be approved by the IPC Plenary. **A CJ may only be nominated once per discipline per calendar year**. The CJ must have served as an Event Judge at a minimum of 2 FCE's 6 (1 for CF) or as a Chief Judge at some time prior to the current nomination and must not be from the organising country.

## 6.6.2. Event Judges

Event Judges will be selected by the approved **CJ and the Judges' Committee** from the annual nomination list and must have performed as a Judge at a minimum of 2 FCEs (1 for CF) in the 4 years preceding the nomination.

### 6.7.1.1. Judge Panel selection

The CJ, within 14 days of having received official approval of appointment, must contact each Judge on the annual nomination list to inform those selected to the Official Panel of Judges and those not selected. The selected judges must then confirm their availability to the CJ within 14 days of receipt of notification of their selection. The final official Panel of Judges will then be posted on the FAI/IPC web site.

## 4.6.6 Attendance at First Category Events

- (1) There must be a sufficient number of FAI Parachuting Judges available for all appropriate tasks provided in the Sporting Code and Competition Rules.
- (2) The minimum number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC is:

Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing: 15

Formation Skydiving: 15

Artistic Events: 9 Canopy Formation: 7

Paraski: 7

Canopy Piloting: 11 **Speed Skydiving: 3** 

Indoor Skydiving AE: 5 (including CJ who may be shared with FS) Indoor Skydiving FS: 12 (including CJ who may be shared with AE)

FAI Parachuting Judges, additional to this number, must be agreed to by the CJ and the Organiser. The Organiser must supply sufficient personnel to assist the CJ in filling the technical and administrative positions, as specified in the relevant competition rules, which do not require FAI Parachuting Judges.

- (3) After the Judges' Conference, the CJ and Event Judge(s) will assign the necessary number of FAI Parachuting Judges to each panel essential for each event.
- (4) The number of FAI Parachuting Judges required at other First Category Events may be set at a number agreed to by the Organiser, Judges' Committee and the Committee for the relevant discipline.

The proposed rules changes were accepted unanimously.

The 2014 Judges Rules will be available on the web site.

## 22.3 FAI Judges List

The list of FAI Parachuting Judges for 2014, based on input to the Judges'
Committee by the various countries, had been posted during the meetings, for
inspection, and, where necessary, correction. The final list was proposed to the
Plenary.

The Plenary unanimously approved the final list.

- Delegates were reminded that the names of Judges need to be send to the Judges' Committee, within the following deadlines –
  - For Para ski Judges by 31 July,
  - For all other Judges by 31 December
- It was noted that Speed Skydiving Judges will need to be added to the list of Judges, as Speed Skydiving has been accepted as an IPC discipline.

# 22.4 Chief Judges for 2014 First Category Events, and Para Ski 2015 Pia Berggren, Committee Chair, presented the list of Chief Judges, below, for approval. The Plenary approved these Chief Judge nominations.

CHIEF JUDGES FCEs 2014 & PARA SKI 2015		
Event	Chief Judge	
33 <sup>rd</sup> FAI World Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Parachuting	Ulf Tingnert	
Championships, Banja Luka, BiH, 15 – 23 August 2014		
16 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Formation Championships,	Bernard Nicolas	
Banja Luka, BiH, 15 – 23 August 2014		
21 <sup>st</sup> FAI World Formation Skydiving Championships,	Doris Merz-Hunziker	
Czech Republic, 24 – 31 August 2014		
10 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Artistic Events Championships,	Steinar Lillis	
Czech Republic, 24 – 31 August 2014		
5th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships	Anders Berggren	
Skydive City/Zephyr Hills, Florida, USA, 01 – 08 November 2014		
1 <sup>st</sup> FAI Speed Skydiving World Cup,	Arnold Hohenegger	
Czech Republic, 24 – 31 August 2014		
1 <sup>st</sup> FAI Indoor FS World Cup	Chanel Gibbens	
Austin, Texas USA, 11 – 16 November 2014		
1 <sup>st</sup> FAI Indoor AE World Cup –	Chanel Gibbens	
Austin, Texas USA, 11 – 16 November 2014		
PARA SKI 2015		
15 <sup>th</sup> FAI World-Para Ski Championships,	Gernot Rittenschober	
Unterammergau, Bavaria, Germany, 17 – 22 February 2015		

**Judge Nominations for 2014**. Delegates were advised that 01 March 2014 was the date by which Judges were to be nominated for the 5th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, to be held at Skydive City/Zephyr Hills, Florida, USA, 01 – 08 November 2014.

This date, 01 March was also the date by which Judges for 1<sup>st</sup> FAI Indoor FS World Cup, Austin, Texas USA, 11 – 16 November 2014 and 1<sup>st</sup> FAI Indoor AE World Cup, Austin, Texas USA, 11 – 16 November, are to be nominated.

## 23 RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 23.1 Sporting Code, Section 5
- 23.1.1 Indoor Skydiving
- **23.1.1 (a)** Name of Discipline It was agreed that the title of this discipline would be 'Indoor Skydiving' (rather than Indoor Body Flight).
- 23.1.1 (b) Lower age limit for Juniors

There were two suggestions – 13 years and 14 years, the Indoor Skydiving Committee recommending 13 years.

- G. Reyes asked what the lower age limit in competition was and there was no definitive answer, as different organisations in sport have different lower age-limits.
- P. Girardin suggested that an age be accepted, as an interim measure, to be reviewed in 2015, having in the meantime checked with other sports bodies as to P. Girardin also stated that there were physical and psychological issues to be

A vote was taken and the result was that 3 voted in favour of 13 years as the lower limit, with the vast majority voting for 14 years as the lower limit for Juniors.

23.1.1 (c) Indoor Skydiving CRs 2014

Additional rule to be inserted in the Indoor Skydiving Competition Rules – **No extra tunnel time and no extra jumps will be allowed during IS competition**.

- 23.1.2 Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, Committee Chair, presented proposals to amend FAI Sporting Code, Section 5. These proposals were in *Annex 55* to the agenda.
- **23.1.3 Proposal to amend SC5, 5.3.1 (1)** *Protests Procedure, Time Limitation and Content*

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, proposed to amend SC5, 5.3.1 (1) (Annex 56)

The Rules & Regulations Committee did not agree with the proposed change, and made the point that a protest had nothing o do with scoring, but with rules. The R&R Committee suggested changing the protest time from 2 to 3 hour A. M. Paracuellos did not accept this suggestion and sought a vote on his proposal (Annex 56).

The result of the vote was - 21 in favour of Annex 56, which was therefore carried and will be inserted in the 2014 version of SC5.

## 23.1.4 Proposal to amend SC5, 4.6.10- Judge Identification

considered as well as child protection issues.

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, had a proposal on the agenda re this matter (Annex 57)

As this was already incorporated into the proposals of the R&R Committee re SC5 the proposal was withdrawn.

23.1.5 Proposal to amend SC5, 1.2 and 1.3 – Personal requirements

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, had a proposal on the agenda to amend SC5, 1.2 and 1.3 (**Annex 58**).

The proposal to amend SC5 1.2 and SC5 1.3 – re Ram-air Main and Ram-air reserve in FCEs) had been accepted – see 8.2 (T&S) above.

The highlighted clause in SC5 1.3 (in Annex 58) consequently became redundant.

## 23.1.6 Proposal to amend SC5 1.2 (1) and FAI Controller Handbook 3.2. 10 Checking of Sporting Licences at FCEs

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, had a proposal on the agenda to amend SC5, 1.2 (1) and its consequent effect upon the FAI Controller Handbook at 3.2 10. (Annex 59) – for this latter matter (FAI Controller Handbook) see 23.3.2 below.

This proposal referred to Sporting Licences and their checking by the FAI Controller at FCEs. As it had been announced by the FAI Representative, Mr Rob Hughes, that paper Sporting Licence were being eliminated, and that in future the competitors credentials could be checked on the Sporting Licence Data Base, this proposal was redundant and was therefore withdrawn. The consequent change in the system will be reflected in the wording of SC5 1.2 (1) and the FAI Controller Handbook.

## 23.1.7 Proposal to amend SC5, Chapter 3, Records

Kirk Verner, IPC Delegate, USA, had a proposal on the agenda to amend SC5, Chapter 3, Records, (**Annex 60**) by added a Freefall Style Category. This proposal had been accepted by the R&R Committee and was incorporated into the proposed overall changes to SC5.

## 23.1.8 SC5 – Proposed changes acceptance

The SC5 proposed changes and amendments were unanimously accepted, en bloc.

## 23.1.9 IPC Wingsuit SC5 record proposal

New: 1.1.2. (14). Wingsuit: "A piece of equipment that spans flexible material between a parachutists' arms and legs, creating the possibility for sustained forward movement through the air using only gravity as propulsion. The parachutists' body forms the majority of the frame for the wings of the suit."

(3.1.1) (2) Performance Records

- Largest Formation Records (FS, CF, VFS head down and head up orientation, Wingsuit no grip)
- 3.1.2. (1). For wingsuit records, all persons need to wear a wingsuit according to the definition. The use of a drogue is not allowed.

## **Competition record**

New 3.2.7. Wingsuit records.

(1) Freefall time wingsuit record over 1000 meters – individual. The record performance is the longest freefall time, measured in seconds, with the use of a wingsuit in a vertical distance of 1000 meters, from 3000 meters till 2000 meters AMSL.

#### Performance records

New 3.3.9.: Freefall time wingsuit record – individual. The record performance is the longest freefall time, measured in seconds, with the use of a wingsuit from exit altitude to the altitude at which the fall is terminated – as measured by the required equipment, as per paragraph (5) below – or to 1000 meters AMSL, whichever comes first.

## (3.1.2) General Conditions

(2) (b) A performance record, other than an Altitude (3.3.2) and a Speed (3.3.5) Record, must be judged and certified by three judges, two of whom must be FAI Parachuting Judges and the third judge must be at least a valid National Judge.

Accuracy Landing, CF, CP and FS belly-to-earth record performances must be judged and certified by Judges having a valid rating in the appropriate discipline (SC5, 6.1)

VFS orientation record performances must be judged and certified by either AE or FS Judges or a combination of AE and FS Judges, all having a valid rating in the appropriate discipline

Wingsuit no grip records must be judged and certified by WS Judges, all having a valid rating.

(3.3.3) Performance Records

(3) Large Formation Wingsuit

The record performance for the largest formation wingsuit no grip record is the number of persons in close formation, without grips. No grip wingsuit formations are judged using a standard scalable grid downloadable as a digital file from the FAI website.

- (a) For formations of 40 and smaller, all persons must be with their body, equipment and wingsuit within their designated flying space as shown in the grid. No part of their body, equipment or wingsuit may be visible outside the lines of their designated space, however, touching a line is allowed.
- (b) For formations of between 4 (the minimum) and 9 persons, in addition to the requirements in section (a) above, the formation must demonstrate a regular, discernable pattern in accordance with the submitted plan.
- (c) For formations larger than 40, a certain number of persons, as indicated below, is permitted to have part of their body, equipment or wingsuit visible across the line of their flying space

Number of persons in the formation	Number / percentage permitted to deviate from slot
41 – 65	10% (rounded up to the nearest whole number.
66 – 68	8
69 – 71	9
72 – 74	10
75 – 77	11
78 – 80	12
81 – 83	14
84 - 86	16
87 - 89	18
90 – 92	20
93 – 95	22
96 – 98	24
99 and over	25 % (rounded up to the nearest whole number.

## These proposals were accepted unanimously.

## 23.1.10 Necessary changes to SC5, following the acceptance of Speed Skydiving as an IPC discipline.

- 1.1.1(4) Add new discipline: Speed Skydiving (SP)
- 3.1.1(1) Add new category to competition records: SP Records.
- 3.2.7 A new paragraph 3.2.7 is required, and paragraphs below it need renumbering:
- 3.2.7 Speed Skydiving records. The record performance is the highest average speed achieved on one round of the Event in accordance with the current Competition Rules.
- 3.2.8 (renumbered from 3.2.7) New sub para (5) required:

(5) SP

General Category – best performance achieved.

Female Category – best performance achieved by a woman.

Junior Male Category – best performance achieved by a Junior man (see 1.1.2.9). Junior Female Category – best performance achieved by a Junior woman (see 1.1.2.9).

- 3.2.9 (renumbered from 3.2.8) Needs paragraph title amended:
- 3.2.9 Joint Record holders in Freefall Style, FS, CF, CP and SP.
- 4.6.6(2) number of judges Add Speed Skydiving: 3
- 5.2.5(3)(b) Add SP to the list: ...... CP, Paraski, SP and competitors in AE who

. . . . . .

5.2.6(1) A Videographer or cameraflyer who has been authorised by the Meet Director and the Chief Judge will be permitted to board the aircraft and exit with a team or competitor. For Speed Skydiving a videographer or cameraflyer has also been authorised by the competitor.

5.4(a)(3) Add SP

Speed Skydiving.

For each technical infringement by a competitor a penalty equal to 20% (rounded down) of the score for a jump will be added.

5.4(b)(3) Add SP

Speed Skydiving.

For each serious infringement by a competitor a penalty equal to 50% (rounded down) of the score for a jump will be added

6.1 Add SP to the list: (7) SP

6.6.2 Add SP to the title: For Freefall Style, FS, CF, AE, CP and SP

The 2014 version of SC5, incorporating and identifying the changes, will be available on the web site.

#### 23.2 IPC Controller Handbook

#### 23.2.1 IPC Controller Handbook

Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, Committee Chair, proposed the adoption of amendments to the FAI Controller Handbook, as below (proposed changes are in **bold** type)

#### **Controller Duties**

- To establish the number of participants who pay the Sanction Fee. The FAI Controller shall first establish a provisional estimate, which must be paid to the FAI at least seven days before the published start date of the competition. The FAI Controller shall then establish the actual number of participants to allow for a final settlement before the Jury approves the competition results and declares the event to be valid. The FAI Controller must advise the IPC Finance Secretary of the actual number of participants, so that a proper accounting may be made.

#### Conclusion of the Event

5 Will advise the IPC Finance Secretary of the actual number of participants, so that a proper accounting may be made of the Sanction Fee.

Checklist - at the end

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## ☐ Report to IPC Finance Secretary

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This document is designed to help the FAI Controller follow the Organiser Financial Obligations and compile competition statistics **and must be completed** and <del>can must be handed to the Jury at the end of the Event to enable validation.</del>

## 23.2.2 Proposal to amend FAI Controller Handbook, article 3.2 10

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, had a proposal on the agenda to amend the FAI Controller Handbook, at 3.2 10. See also 23.1.6 above re this proposal. (**Annex 59**)

This matter had been dealt with, see 23.1.6 above

23.2.3 The proposals under 23.3.1 to amend the Controller Handbook were accepted unanimously, and they and the proposal 23.3.2 above will be incorporated into the 2014 version of the FAI Controller Handbook, which will be available on the web site.

## 23.4 First Category Event Application Document

**23.4.1** Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, Committee Chair, proposed the adoption of amendments, below, to the FCEAD document, to be included in the 2014 version.

#### 2.1.1. Add to current text:

No application will be considered unless the required application fee has been paid and the application is accompanied by the required draft Organiser Agreement, as per paragraph 2.3 below.

#### 2.3 ORGANISER AGREEMENT

The potential Organiser must contact the FAI to obtain the current version of the Organiser Agreement at the prior to the time of submission of the application so that an Organiser Agreement can be prepared with the correct Organiser and competition details included in the document. This The-Organiser Agreement must be submitted with the application and will be signed by the Organiser, the IPC and the FAI after Sanction is granted. The Organiser Agreement will set out the rights and obligations of the Organiser and shall contain, but is not limited to, the following items:

- The program of the competition
- A commitment not to increase the stated entry fees.
- A commitment to follow the Sporting Code and the Competition Rules.
- An agreement to provide and pay for the judging equipment and scoring system(s) (approved as required by SC5, 4.3.1(1)) necessary to properly evaluate and score all jumps made during the competition.
- An agreement to pay the Sanction Fee to the FAI/IPC.
- An agreement to pay the Deposit specified in Schedule 1 of the Organiser Agreement.
- An agreement to appoint the members of the panel of judges as the only Official Observers for the purposes of controlling and certifying competition records.
- An agreement to issue the Official Information Bulletins (SC5 4.2.5).
- An agreement to obtain and pay for all necessary medals, cups, awards and diplomas in accordance with the IPC Medal Policy.
- An agreement to cover the travel, food and lodging costs for the following officials: Chief Judge, Chief Judge of Training, Assistant to the Chief Judge, the FAI Controller and the Canopy Piloting Course Technical Director plus any other expenses connected with the duties of the last three.
- An agreement to cover the food and lodging costs of the panel of International Judges not covered by above.

A copy of the required Organiser Agreement may be obtained from FAI. Care must be taken to ensure that the IPC specific Organiser Agreement is obtained. A copy of Schedule 1 and the Annex thereto are included in Section 4 of this document.

2.14 Add; or for Indoor Skydiving, full details of the Wind Tunnel to be used.

#### 3.3 Medals

In accordance with Sporting Code, General Section, 3.16.3.2, the Organiser has the option to purchase the medals from the FAI/IPC (FAI/IPC medals) or to supply the medals from another source.

Order of medals has to go through the relevant IPC Chair.

23.4.2 The proposals under 23.4.1 to amend the FCEAD were accepted unanimously, and they will be incorporated into the 2014 version of the FCEAD, which will be available on the web site.

## 23.5 Jury Handbook

23.5.1 Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, Committee Chair, proposed the adoption of amendments to the Jury Handbook, to be included in the 2014 version. (Annex 61).

### 2.1 Actions prior to the Event

Each Jury Member is responsible for making his own travel arrangements in compliance with the IPC Expense Reimbursement Policy and care should be taken to obtain the most cost-effective means of transport. The Jury President should serve as interface between the Organiser and the other Jury Members regarding travel arrangements and accommodation and ensure that all have the required and relevant information. The Jury President will ensure that payment is made for the accommodation (Organiser package or hotel) either by the Jury Members individually or by IPC/FAI directly for all Jury Members

- 23.5.2 The above amendment to the Jury Handbook was approved unanimously, and will be incorporated into the 2014 version of the Jury Handbook, which will be available on the web site.
- 23.6 List of Approved and Qualified Jurors
- 23.6.1 Proposals to amend/adjust the List of Approved and Qualified Jurors

  The list of Approved and Qualified Jurors may be amended, with deletions a

The list of Approved and Qualified Jurors may be amended, with deletions and additions, if any, by the Plenary.

Discussion on the list of Jurors for 2014 was postponed until Sunday 02 February, to allow for finalisation of the list.

President Windsor thanked R. Bennett and the Rules & Regulations for their work and proposals, and he also thanked Alberto Martin Paracuellos for making proposals, based on his experiences at a major event, Mondial 2012.

#### 24 INDOOR SKYDIVING

**24.1 1**st **FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving** - The bid, (agenda Annex 15) from iFLY, Austin, Texas, USA, to host the 1st FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving (FS including VFS and AE) Indoor Skydiving, was brought forward for discussion. See also 12.3 above

The USA declared that it did not oppose this bid.

**Bid Presentation and Entry Fees Reduction** - Erin Horton, Manager and Project lead, from iFLY Austin, presented the bid and pointed out that some changes had been made to the original bid (see Annex 15). Entry Fees had been reduced and now stood at –

Formation Skydiving

- US\$510 + FAI/IPC Sanction Fee
- US\$560 + FAI/IPC Sanction Fee
- US\$195 + FAI/IPC Sanction Fee
- US\$125 + FAI/IPC Sanction Fee

In an effort to reduce costs, iFLY Austin will choose to get the awards medals in accordance with the IPC Medal Policy from a vendor of their its choosing.

A vote was taken. The USA abstained, there were no objections and the remainder voted in favour of this bid to host the inaugural 1<sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving.

### 25 ASIANIA

- 25.1 Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem, President, ASIANIA Parachute Federation, reported on ASIANIA activities in 2013.
  - M. S. A. Alsuwailem stated that ASIANIA was now 20 years in existence, that it had started with six member countries and now had thirty.
  - Reference was made to the major progress made in 2014, by ASIANIA being accepted as the representative organisation for Air Sports in Asia by the Olympic Council of Asia.

FAI had not been happy with this, as it (FAI) felt that ASIANIA was trying to take over for all air sports in Asia. M. S. A. Alsuwailem stated that this was not so and that ASIANIA wanted to represent parachuting only.

President Windsor stated that ASIANIA has set an example of what can be done, and that the organisation had become very powerful and influential.

He also stated that it is pleasing to see the influence ASIANIA exerts among the Arab and Asian countries. Regarding the Olympic Council of Asia matter, President Windsor said that ASIANIA had taken the initiative when FAI would not, and he congratulated Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem on following through with this opportunity when it became available.

## 26 COLPAR

- **26.1** Gustavo Reyes, representing COLPAR, reported on Latin American parachuting activity in 2013.
  - G. Reyes brought apologies from Jorge Derviche, COLPAR President, for his inability to attend the Plenary.

In his presentation G. Reyes stated that COLPAR was in its 4<sup>th</sup> year of existence and had as members all the Latin American NACs and those parachute federations which were not members of NACs.

COLPAR's mission statement, goals and activity were outlined.

- 2013 activity -Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing and Canopy Piloting events were held in 2013, and a 200-way Latin American formation is being planned for 2014 or 2015
- 2014 events In 2014 a Canopy Piloting event will be held in Brazil, and an Accuracy Landing event in Cuba. These events have an Open Category. Also, the POPS meet and a CIPVL (Latin American Veteran Skydivers) event will take place in 2014.

## Sunday 02 February 2014, 08:45 (Pre-Plenary Presentation) POPS WORLD MEET 2014

Richard 'Buzz' Bennett, World TopPOP and Liaison Officer between World POPS Organisation and the organiser, and Gustavo Reyes, Federación Argentina de Paracaidismo, host to 12<sup>th</sup> World POPS Meet and Championships, to be held at Centro de Aviación Civil, San Juan, Argentina, 14 – 22 November 2014, made a presentation about the planned event. Rina Gallo will be Chief Judge.

Mr R. Hughes, Sports Director and Acting Secretary General, FAI, conducted a roll call. There were 41 votes, including the proxies. 28 would be a two-thirds majority, and 21 a simple majority.

### 27 AWARDS

### 27.1 FAI Gold Parachuting Medal

There were, originally, three nominations -

- Felix Baumgartner was nominated by the Austrian Aero Club.
- Mrs Svetlana Klenina was nominated by the Federation of Aeronautical Sports of Russia
- Phil Onis was nominated by the Australian Sport Aviation Federation.
   This nomination was subsequently withdrawn.
   The Australian Delegate, Lindy Rochow-Williams confirmed this withdrawal.

There were then two people proposed for this award.

The meeting first was required to decide whether it would award a Gold Parachuting Medal in 2014. The Plenary decided unanimously to make such an award.

A secret ballot was then conducted, proxies not being allowed, as per the Internal Regulations. There were 31 votes (excluding proxies) and the result of the secret ballot was –

For making the award to Felix Baumgartner - 20,

For making the award to Svetlana Klenina - 11

The Gold Parachuting Medal for 2014 was therefore awarded to Felix Baumgartner.

## 27.2 Leonardo da Vinci Diploma

Ms Marylou Laughlin had been nominated by the National Aeronautic Association, USA.

A secret ballot was conducted to decide whether the award be made this year. The ballot result, 25 in favour of making an award in 2014, and 6 against, was that the award would be made in 2014.

As Marylou Laughlin was the only candidate, and the Plenary had decided in favour of awarding the diploma in 2014, she consequently was awarded the Leonardo da Vinci Diploma.

President Windsor thanked the delegates for the nominations and encouraged them to consider future nominations for all FAI and IPC award categories, as this was an ideal opportunity to present achievements within parachuting and to promote the sport.

## 28 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- **28.1** The 2014 Juror List This was presented by Gillian Rayner.

  There was one deletion Alberto Notari, and two additions Mark Szulmeyer and Patrice Girardin. The updated Juror List was accepted, unanimously.
- 28.2 Proposed Jurors and FAI Controllers for 2014 events, and FAI Controller for Para Ski 2015. The names proposed were presented by Gillian Rayner, and were accepted unanimously. They are –

## **JURIES & FAI CONTROLLERS 2014/2015**

14 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Para-Ski Championships, Tanai, Russia, 12 – 18 March 2014		
Jury	FAI Controller	
Graeme Windsor – Jury President	Ulf Tingnert	
Michael Egger		
Günter Berendt		
Reserve – Pia Berggren		

Included in the minutes for information only – the above were approved at the 2013 Plenary

21 <sup>st</sup> FAI World Formation Skydiving Championships and 10 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Artistic Events Parachuting Championships, Prerov, Czech Republic, 25 – 31 August 2014		
Jury	FAI Controller	
Alberto Martin Paracuellos  – Jury President	Niels-Christian Levin Hansen	
Lindy Rochow-Williams		
Sylvia Wagner		
Reserve – Jan Andersson		

33 <sup>rd</sup> FAI World Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Parachuting		
Championships and 16 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Formation Championships, Banja		
Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 15 – 23 August 2014		
Jury FAI Controller		
Richard 'Buzz' Bennett – Jury President	Günter Berendt	
John Hitchen		
Susan Dixon		
Reserve – Lidia Kosk		

5 <sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships,		
Zephyr Hills, Florida, USA, 01 – 08 November 2014		
Jury FAI Controller		
Doris Merz-Hunziker – Jury President	Alberto Martin Paracuellos	
Vladimir Gazetov		
John Smyth		
Reserve – Igor Van Aperen		

1 <sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving (FS and AE) Austin, Texas, USA, 11 – 16 November 2014		
Jury FAI Controller		
Niels-Christian Levin Hansen – Jury President	Gillian Rayner	
Pia Berggren		
Ray Williams		
Reserve – Sara Sacchet		

15th FAI World-Para Ski Championships	
Unterammagau, Germany, 17– 22 February 2015	
	FAI Controller
	Michael Egger

#### 28.3 Budget 2014 and Provisional Budget 2015

**28.3.1 Budget 2014** – This was presented by R. Bennett and had been updated in light of events approved. The figures given were estimates.

The various funding applications were noted and explained.

It was pointed out that the budget is conservative, erring towards understating possible income and maximising expenditure. This showed a budgeted deficit for 2014 of €10.000.

R. Hoenle opposed the Bureau having a mid-year meeting (as allowed for in the budget). R. Bennett responded by saying that was a 'political' statement, but a prudent Finance Secretary would allow for the possibility of such a mid-tern meeting in a budget.

On a vote being taken there were no objections, no abstentions, so the 2014 Budget was accepted unanimously.

**28.3.2 Provisional Budget 2015** - R. Bennett presented a provisional budget for 2015. He stated that it was rather sketchy at this stage.

On a vote being taken there were no objections, no abstentions, so the 2015 Provisional Budget was accepted unanimously.

Both the 2014 and 2015 Budgets are appended to these minutes as **Appendix B** 

28.3.3 R. Bennett stated that the presentation of these budgets concluded his service as Finance Secretary to IPC. He wished his successor every success and he confirmed that he will be more than willing to help whoever holds the position.

President Windsor thanked Richard 'Buzz' Bennett and stated he had done a fantastic job as Finance Secretary, that he had worked very diligently to keep the IPC accounts well, and that the task of a Finance Secretary to an Air Sport Commission was a difficult and onerous job. In particular, he was grateful for the offer to continue assistance with outstanding matters with FAI on the settlement of the 2012 and 2013 accounts.

## 28.4 Proposal to add 1<sup>st</sup> FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving to FCE Prerov, Czech Republic, 25 – 31 August 2014

A two-thirds majority supporting vote was required to discuss whether the hosting of a Speed Skydiving event in 2014 would be acceptable.

There were no objections, no abstentions; therefore all were in favour of having such an event.

The Speed Skydiving Committee and the Organiser both endorse the proposal to add a Speed Skydiving event to the FCE being held at Prerov, Czech Republic. It is proposed to have an individual event.

President Windsor pointed out that, as the details were not available, if the proposal were accepted the Bureau would have to deal with the Organiser.

A vote was taken. There were no objections, and no abstentions, therefore all were in favour of adding individual Speed Skydiving to the FCE in Czech Republic, and the Bureau will deal with the details.

## 29 ELECTIONS

#### 29.1 Confirmation of the Committees and Working Groups

The Bureau presented the list of proposed members of Committees and Working Groups to the Plenary for approval.

The Plenary accepted the Committee and Working Group membership, as proposed, with the exception of the Canopy Formation Committee –**See 31 below.** 

#### 29.2 Confirmation of the IPC World Air Games Liaison Officer

The Bureau nominated Gillian Rayner for this position This nomination was unanimously approved.

### 29.3 Confirmation of the IPC World Games Liaison Officer

The Bureau nominated Patrice Girardin for this position This nomination was unanimously approved.

#### 29.4 Media Liaison Officer

As this item had not appeared on the agenda a two-thirds majority vote was required to place it on the agenda. There was a unanimous supporting vote.

The Bureau nominated Susan Dixon for this position

This nomination was unanimously approved.

#### 29.5 Nominations and Elections to IPC Bureau positions

These elections are for a two-year term of office, until IPC Plenary 2016.

#### 29.5.1 Nomination and election of IPC President

Nomination slips were distributed. There were five nominations -

R. Bennett, R. Hoenle, N-C. Levin Hansen, G. Windsor, Mr Soliman

Not being a Delegate, Mr. Soliman was not valid as a candidate.

R. Bennett and N-C. Levin-Hansen declined nomination.

There were then two candidates – R. Hoenle and G. Windsor.

Both candidates addressed the meeting and gave career details and their vision for IPC's future.

A secret ballot was held, the result of which was -

G. Windsor - 24, R. Hoenle 16. There was one invalid ballot.

#### Graeme Windsor was deemed elected IPC President for the term 2014-2016.

- R. Hoenle thanked those who voted for him and he congratulated G. Windsor.
- G. Windsor thanked the Delegates for supporting him, and paid tribute to his wife and family for their ongoing support.

#### 29.5.2 Nomination and election of IPC First Vice President

Nomination slips were distributed. There were seven nominations –

J. Hayhurst (invalid as Alt Del), M. S. A. Alsuwailem, N-C Levin Hansen, A. M. Paracuellos, R. Hoenle, J. Smyth, G. Rayner

Not being a Delegate, J. Hayhurst, (an Alternate Delegate) was not valid as a candidate.

N-C Levin Hansen, A.M. Paracuellos, R. Hoenle and J. Smyth declined nomination. There were then two candidates - M. S. A. Alsuwailem and G. Rayner.

R. Bennett proposed that the candidates present their cases; this was seconded by

R. Hoenle and there was unanimous approval for this proposal.

Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem and Gillian Rayner addressed the meeting and outlined their careers and aims for IPC.

A secret ballot was held, the result of which was -

M. Alsuwailem - 19; G. Rayner - 22.

## Gillian Rayner was deemed elected IPC 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for the term 2014-2016.

G. Rayner was congratulated by M. S. A. Alsuwailem.

## 29.5.3 Nomination and election of IPC Vice Presidents (two positions)

Nomination slips were distributed. There were seven nominations –

M. S. A. Alsuwailem, R. Hoenle, N-C. Levin Hansen, A.M. Paracuellos, G. Reyes, J. Smvth, K. Verner.

R. Hoenle, A.M. Paracuellos, G. Reyes and K. Verner declined nomination.

There were then three candidates – M. S. A. Alsuwailem, N-C. Levin Hansen, J. Smyth.

A secret ballot was held, the result of which was -

M. S. A. Alsuwailem - 31, N-C. Levin Hansen - 26, J. Smyth - 11

Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem and Niels-Christian Levin Hansen were deemed elected IPC Vice Presidents for the term 2014-2016.

### 29.5.4 IPC Finance Secretary

Nominations slips were distributed. There were four nominations -

R. Bennett, G. Bradley, D. Merz-Hunziker, J. Smyth

R. Bennett and J. Smyth declined nomination.

There were then two candidates – G. Bradley and D. Merz-Hunziker

- R. Bennett proposed that the candidates present their cases; this was seconded by
- G. Rayner and there was unanimous approval for this proposal.

Gail Bradley and Doris Merz-Hunziker addressed the meeting and outlined their careers and their aims for IPC.

A secret ballot was held, the result of which was -

G. Bradley - 12, D. Merz-Hunziker - 27. There were two invalid ballot slips.

Doris Merz-Hunziker was deemed elected as IPC Finance Secretary for the term 2014-2016.

## 29.5.5 IPC Recording Secretary.

There was one candidate only, L, McNulty, who was nominated verbally and returned unopposed, by acclaim.

Liam McNulty was deemed returned as IPC Recording Secretary for the term 2014-2016.

L. McNulty thanked the Delegates for their support.

**29.5.6** President Windsor thanked John Smyth for his work over a long period as IPC Vice-President, and for serving so diligently and faithfully on the Bureau.

He welcomed Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailem to the Bureau and noted that very important regions, the Middle East and Asia, were now represented at Bureau level in IPC.

President Windsor thanked Gail Bradley for standing as a candidate for the position of IPC Finance Secretary and he thanked Rob Hughes for conducting the elections and Petra Huber for assisting.

## 30 FUTURE IPC PLENARY MEETINGS

## 30.1 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting 2015

With reference to FAI By-Law 3.4.3 the Plenary agreed by a show of hands that the present, Vienna, meeting was 'in the vicinity of Lausanne', as presented from the perspective of the President from his residence in Canberra, and as a consequence it fulfilled the obligation to meet in that vicinity once in every three years.

- **30.2** Bids to host the 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting in 2015 had been received from -
  - The Bulgarian NAC. This bid to host the 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary meeting 2015, in Varshets, Bulgaria, 27 Jan 01 Feb 2015 was presented by the Bulgarian Delegate Lora Todorova and the Bulgarian Alternate Delegate, Ani Stamenova.

- Swedish Parachute Association. This bid to host the 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary meeting 2015, in Stockholm, Sweden, 27 Jan - 01 Feb 2015 was presented by the Swedish Alternate delegate, Elisabet Mikaelsson.
- Croatian Aeronautical Federation. This bid to host the 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary meeting 2015, in Zagreb, Croatia, 27 Jan – 01 Feb 2015, was presented by Croatian Delegate, Goran Habschied.
- Following the three presentations the Plenary had first to decide, by simple majority, whether it would meet in Lausanne or at another location.

  An open ballot was held and the overwhelming vote was in favour of not meeting in Lausanne.
- A secret ballot was called for, to determine the location, from the three bids, for the 2015 IPC Plenary meeting.

  The result of the ballot was Bulgaria 21 votes, Croatia 10 votes, Sweden 10 votes.

  The 66<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting 2015 will be held in Varshets, Bulgaria, 27 Jan 01 Feb. 2015.

## 30.5 67<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting 2016

- Australia presented a Letter of Intent to bid to host the 67<sup>th</sup> FAI/IPC Plenary Meeting 2016. The bid will be presented at the 66<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting, in 2015. The Australian Delegate, L. Rochow-Williams confirmed that Australia would bid.
- The German Delegate, R. Hoenle, stated that Germany will bid to host the 2016 meeting.

## 31 FINALISATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

31.1 COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS – membership finalisation
The finalisation of the membership of the Committees and Working Groups was made and the names presented to the Plenary, which approved the nominations. The membership of the Committees and Working Groups is appended, as Appendix E

## 32 THANKS TO 65TH IPC PLENARY HOST

**32.1** President Windsor thanked Johann Gritsch, the Austrian Aero Club, and the Secretary to the Austrian Aero Club, Petra Huber, for hosting a very successful Plenary meeting.

President Windsor noted that this was the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Austrian Aero Club and wished the club continued success.

The 65<sup>th</sup> IPC Plenary Meeting 2014 concluded at 12:30, Sunday 02 February 2014