Minutes of the

Plenary Meeting of the
FAI Aerobatics Commission (CIVA)

Held on
Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th November 2019
at the
Imperial War Museum, Duxford, UK
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CIVA President’s introductory remarks

President Nick BUCKENHAM wished everyone welcome to the meeting. This is the 60th year of CIVA. CIVA started 1960 and the FAI aerobatic commission now has a great history.

Bureau 2019:
Nick BUCKENHAM CIVA President (NB)
Matthieu ROULET Vice President (MR)
Castor FANTOBA Vice President (CF)
Philippe KÜCHLER Vice President (PIK)
Tamas ABRANYI Vice President (TA)
Hanna RÄIHÄ Secretary (HR)
Zuzana DANIHELOVA Secretary (ZD)
Jürgen LEUKEFELD Treasurer (JL)

FAI Head Office
Markus HAGGENEY (MH)

Honorary president
James M. BLACK (JMB)

1. In memoriam

A moment of silence was held to remember our friends and colleagues who passed away in 2018 and 2019:

Ladislav Bezak CZE Nov 2018
Piet Nutt RSA April 2019
Jiri Kobrle CZE May 2019
Tomonari Kaji JPN May 2019
Emily Collet GBR August 2019
Tom Castle GBR August 2019

2. Meeting Introduction

2.1 Roll Call of delegations

Present: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Republic of South Africa, Slovak Republic, Spain, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States

The following Proxy Votes were tabled:

- Ireland to United Kingdom
- Russia to Spain
- Sweden to Finland
- Ukraine to Lithuania

TOTAL VOTES: 24 (20 present, 4 proxies) Absolute majority: 13

Apologies of Absence:
Ireland Delegate MCGEE, Farrell
2.2 Minutes of the 2019 Meeting

The Delegates approved the second version of the plenary agenda.

The Delegates unanimously approved the Minutes of the 2018 Meeting

2.3 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict.

3. Report from the President of CIVA – Nick BUCKENHAM

The President of CIVA presented his report.

In particular he complemented the contest organisers expressed his appreciation to the competitors.

The following championships were held 2019:

- WIAC in Breclav, Czech Republic
- WGAC and WAGAC in Deva, Romania
- EAAC in Torun, Poland
- WAC in Chateauroux, France

The replacement for the lost Manfred Strössenreuther trophy created in Spain was present at the WAC in France, and was awarded to the winner of Final Freestyle – Rob Holland.

Also:

- The joint JC and RC meeting took place prior to the WAC at Chateauroux, France
- The GAC meeting took place in before the WGAC / WAGAC at Deva, Romania
- The CIVA Bureau met at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford, UK without Castor Fantoba, who had resigned with immediate effect from the position of Vice-President.

CF: I posted last year a long document of strategic proposals and now have I realised that we are not able to implement the decisions approved last year, the strategic working group is doing nothing. The Rules Committee has a lot of power and there is no point in making strategic decisions if they don’t go through the Rules Committee.

The resignation of CF was accepted and the position will remain open until next year.

- The FAI General Conference will be held in Lausanne, Switzerland in December.

4. Report from FAI Representative

Markus Haggeney gave a presentation on the following topics

1) FAI General Conference (GC)

No results are available for the GC at this time, as of course it has not yet taken place. Note that the 2019 GC was awarded to Marrakech, Morocco, on 21.-27.10.2019 but it was cancelled by the FAI Executive board on the 16.8.2019 for not meeting its financial obligations. The new date and location are: Lausanne, Switzerland from the 2nd to 7th December 2019.

The following meeting information is available:

2) Budget

FAI is in a serious financial situation. The RBAR series ceased in 2019, and membership class changes by NAC's and other lost revenues have caused a considerable financial gap for 2020. Some of these points and the underlying circumstances have been explained in the communications this year in the FAI Presidents Musings.

The main documents available in the FAI cloud are:

- Annex 19.1
- Annex 19.2
- Annex 20.1.1
- Annex 20.1.2.

Budgetary expense reductions and revenue increases planned:

- ONE FAI Working Group: A report published last year that aimed to establish better communication levels and address a range of known FAI shortcomings was used as the basis for this group. The working group however did not achieve those objectives, and following strong dissatisfaction expressed by the two commission Presidents (NB for CIVA and Gillian Rayner for IPC) to the W/G chair and the FAI President the ASC Presidents formally withdrew from the project.
- The FAI financial shortfall is to be filled by cost reductions and revenue raising initiatives.
- FAI's aim to commercialise its activities has been a long and generally unsuccessful road. The Air Games project, among others, has not provided the hoped-for financial return. The FAI drone championships have been the only successful series of events, the next of these being due in just few weeks.
- Money used in past years was taken from funds and reserves, and approved by the GC.
- There is a proposal to increase the Sanction Fee by 20% at all Category 1 championships sanctioned in 2020, which the commissions would be responsible for enforcing. The extra amount paid by competitors, estimated at 20k CHF, would be taken by FAI into their reserves. The response has been strongly critical and will be a key item for discussion at the GC.
- There is also a proposal to increase the Sporting Licence fee by 15 CHF. If this is approved by the GC the whole database will be affected, new and old licences. It will affect 17k renewals and is thus expected to bring 255k CHF of income.

VM stated that he considered the presentation misleading and missing a lot of information.

MH asked delegates to read the papers and brief their NAC delegates, as all these items are to be decided by the forthcoming General Conference.

3) FAI World Air Games

1: The dates are now changed from 2020 to 2022.

2: The concept is changed:

- There will be a collection of FAI world Championships or “Special Events”, all as Cat-1
- Commission sanction fees remain as normal.

3: Venue visits with all ASC Liaisons

- Markus and Nick have visited the site designated for the CIVA glider event, and the signs are that it can work well as a venue for the expected glider event. For FAI however the door is still open for a power event there.

4: Main documents (see cloud)

- Annex 14.1. FAI World Air Games Master concept v1.0
- Annex 14.2. FAI WAG reference documents from General Conferences
4) **Anti-doping**

- The focus is on in-competition testing, risk assessments issued by FAI doctors, potential risks during events and not outside competition
- There is a registered testing pool, a requirement from WADA as we are WADA code signatory
- The daily focus in reducing the burden on competitors
- The FAI contact is Ségolène Rouillon: antidoping@fai.org
- There is substantial additional information available from https://www.fai.org/anti-doping and https://www.fai.org/anti-doping-useful-information

**VM:** Make sure you inform your competitors that the use of some non-prescribed medicines can also be considered as doping!

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### 5. CIVA Working Group Reports

#### 5.1 FPS Working Group

Report from Nick Buckenham

Chair: Nick Buckenham. Members: Doug Lovell, Gilles Guillemard, Mikhail Mamistov, Vladimir Machula

We have used the FPS to process the scores and results at CIVA championships for 14 years now. It is a complex statistical system, employed to provide accurate and fair results for all.

The W/G introduced a major development this year to smooth the rankings in successive results calculations as more pilots’ marks are added into the database.

**Report approved by CIVA**

Report Agenda item 5.1

#### 5.2 Contest Organisation Working Group

Report from Nick Buckenham

Chair: Nick Buckenham. Members: Elena Klimovich, Madelyne Delcroix and Vladimir Machula.

The COWG was set up to monitor the work of championship organizers and collect information where specific developments or improved working practices could usefully raise the standard at events in a practical and controlled manner. All of the five CIVA aerobatic championships this year were well managed, though there were a small number of minor points recorded as follows –

- **WIAC** - Břeclav Airport, Czech Republic This event was run throughout by an experienced team who left little to chance and generally provided an excellent service to all competitors and officials.

- **WGAC & WAGAC** – Held at Deva in Romania this year was overall well organised, however there was some dissatisfaction regarding the standard of accommodation for the judges, assistants and the jury. For preference all competitors and officials should be accommodated in the same premises but evidently this could not be done, and that hotel chosen for the officials was thought to be of poor standard.

- **EAAC** - Torun Airfield, Poland. A well run event, though the official wind direction became a problem on occasion – apparently because accurate wind data was not available for the airfield to make proper decision at the start of the day. A small number of other items either not established or not meeting the expected standard were reported to the CD, who was able to resolve them without delay. The Ivan Tucek Trophy was not however available.

- **WAC** - Châteauroux-Déols Air Base, France. This event was well run and no significant issues were reported to the Jury. The Final Freestyle programme-5 that was to have been run during the Air Display on the last Saturday was brought forward to the day before, and run from 18:45
until just before sundown at 20:00. Each of the 20 competitors was released into a hold area to the north-west so they could enter the performance zone and immediately commence their freestyle when called. This solution worked well, though one competitor was disqualified for crossing the deadline.

The Contest Organisation Working Group will remain in being until and unless it is seen to be redundant.

**Report approved by CIVA**

Report Agenda item 5.2

5.3 **Strategic Planning Working Group**

Report from Nick Buckenham and Castor Fantoba

Chair: Nick Buckenham, Members: Alan Cassidy, Castor Fantoba, Michael Heuer, Elena Klimovich, Matthieu Roulet

Last year a comprehensive strategy paper was circulated by Castor Fantoba with a series of recommendations for us all to consider in detail. Castor subsequently made a presentation to the 2018 plenary conference in Warsaw that picked-out the most important of these subjects, and asked delegates for their vote in each case. Most of the responses were positive, and we had some confidence that an interesting set of exchanges would develop as delegates, pilots and others around the world reviewed each of the subjects and made their points of view known. Castor’s original strategy document (see item 6.3 from the 2018 plenary) included a questionnaire so that interested parties could respond directly to him with their views.

A lot of the material presented has concerned difficult subjects, but they have been talked about. So far however a relatively low level of interest has been expressed in support for or opposition to each of the subject areas, though some feedback has reached us to enable modest progress with glider (1) and power (3), (4) and (7).

In summary the present situation is –

For glider aerobatics:

1. **Glider aerobatics as an Olympic Sport.** Research into the processes that must be successfully completed to elevate a sport into an Olympic category has shown that significant existing success must be demonstrated regarding the number of participants already engaged worldwide in the sport, coupled to good potential in the range of newcomers likely to be drawn to it, with proven support from the media, sponsors and established national centers of excellence. The process clearly demands significant commercial potential for the sport, and it soon becomes clear that this is not currently appropriate for glider aerobatics. Active pursuit of this subject has therefore ceased.

For power and glider aerobatics:

2. **Multiple annual plenary conferences.** The annual CIVA plenary conference presents an considerable exercise in personal logistics for each attendee. Various additional possibilities in online proposal assessments and voting processes have been considered, however experience shows that these internet-based systems typically offer a low level of involvement or presence to each remote participant, tend to move slowly through the subjects being considered, and are unable to offer the degree of robust debate that we demand to approve or deny significant regulatory changes. We must also bear in mind that throughout the aerobatic championship season NACs, pilots, teams and trainers rely on a stable set of rules and regulations, and the freedom to revise or change much of significance between plenaries is limited. For the time being therefore review of this subject has been concluded with no action taken.

2. **Long term strategic philosophy.** The operational format of CIVA’s championships has been established over a grand period of 60 years in response to an extensive range of inputs and suggestions. The key question posed by Castor is whether these formats have become stale and outlived their effectiveness or should CIVA be actively trialing alternative approaches that could
offer significantly improved public, media and sponsor opportunities that we are clearly not achieving at present while maintaining the spirit of the sport at the current high level. Some other motor sports have made huge improvements to their success on the world sporting stage through the introduction of radical changes in the way they operate, and the question is: could and should CIVA adopt a similar strategy and thereby seek to elevate and improve the world of competition aerobatics? This is a complex and demanding subject, and so far, we have not reached consensus on how we could – maybe should – implement such changes.

3. **Adoption of single gender competitions.** In discussion (see agenda item 9.1) the Rules Committee has again confirmed its view that to cease operating separate men and women divisions at major championships would simply reduce the opportunities for media and possible sponsor support for female pilots, and therefore the proposal remains not approved.

4. **Pilot Ranking Systems.** This topic was addressed several years ago and again during the past year, without success. While the mechanics of a spreadsheet-based logic system for a pilot ranking list are not too formidable, agreement at senior level regarding a) the need for it, and b) how it should be constructed and operated has so far not been reached. It remains however a tantalizing subject with real potential, as demonstrated by various other air-sports, so the item remains open pending further constructive input.

5. **Category name changes.** Our Unlimited, Advanced and Intermediate contest categories are well established throughout the world of aerobatics. Interestingly the introduction of Moto-GP, Moto-2 and Moto-3 in place of the previous category titles has clearly been extremely successful for the world of motor cycle racing. If a suitable set of catchy and workable new names were identified and found to be acceptable for our categories, for example Aero-GP, Aero-2 and Aero-3, then they could certainly be considered. So far however general agreement in the need for such a change has not been achieved.

6. **A CIVA Certificate of Performance.** If other key parts of this wide-ranging set of proposals were significantly developed and materially supported, notably including items 10 and 11 below, this practical suggestion would clearly rise in strategic value. If well-structured and defined it could provide an excellent focus for item-11. Until such time however the need for and potential benefits of such a scheme would be marginal, and a financial supporting structure demanded that at present we simply do not enjoy.

7. **Commercial Teams.** This interesting subject was aired at a previous plenary; it received little support on that occasion and has therefore been put to one side until and unless other related matters develop and render it viable for further consideration.

8. **Establishing a Pilot Representative in CIVA.** The suggestion is that as competitors are the primary focus of the sport, they should be represented by an independent voice within the CIVA structure. A new Working Group would probably be the most suitable vehicle for this, populated by a number of representative pilots with one nominated as their chairman. A selection process throughout the active power and glider pilot community each year would be most appropriate to provide the necessary names.

9. **Establishing a Judge Representative in CIVA.** This item in many respects parallels the above suggestion, though our judges already work within a well-established appraisal and selection process managed by the Judging Committee and its chairman. Whether CIVA judges actually require an independent voice and how this would work alongside existing JC procedures is perhaps not so clear.

10. **Sponsoring Policy.** A policy as described in Castor’s proposal could undoubtedly become crucial if the strength and depth of commercial sponsorship in championship aerobatics were to rise sufficiently to require an appropriate degree of regulation. It could certainly provide focus and potential structure where little or none exists at present; to ignore it could therefore be viewed as a complacent reaction, though the ‘chicken-and-egg’ nature of such considerations in the context of
various other similarly relevant matters will always be finely balanced.

11. **CIVA approved Training Centres.** In the event that some of all of the above items are achieved and a degree of maturity is reached, a wider set of viable business opportunities could soon emerge to underpin the commercial development of pilot training in our sport. The need for aerobatic training centers offering critique and feedback to pilots so their performances in open competition could steadily move to a higher standard would be clear. Currently the market for such ventures is not sufficient, and the need for CIVA to rationalize and approve their standards therefore not yet a concern. One day maybe … see item-6 also in this context.

We should extend our thanks to Castor for diligently raising and detailing these subjects, and be sure to regularly re-appraise them to recognise if and when they become more relevant.

The common view seems to be that the sport needs to attract more audience and be sexy for the spectators. There have been some test events in the past, and Spain is moving forward with this kind of procedure – the national championships this year in Spain enjoyed real time scoring, and Spain is moving forward and testing other different solutions.

**Report approved by CIVA**

Report agenda item 5.3

**5.4 Known Assessment Working Group**

The report from Elena Klimovich was presented by Nick Buckenham.

W/G Chair: Elena Klimovich, Members: Alan Cassidy, Claude Bessiere, Mikhail Mamistov, Nigel Hopkins and Robert Holland.

This year was very productive with a good number of Known figures proposals for 2020.

There have been:

- 17 proposals for Unlimited (A to Q) plus 1 (R) created by the KAWG
- 22 proposals for Advanced (A to V)
- 9 proposals for Yak52/Intermediate (A to I)

One more proposal for Unlimited (R) was created by compiling figures from several sets submitted by NACs.

The opinions of KAWG experts were very diverse. Full analysis is available in the report at item 5.4 to help the delegates in their voting.

Since we were missing the voting devices, paperwork was prepared for voting for the Free Known proposals. The actual voting was done during the meeting in agenda item 10.

**Report approved by CIVA**

Report agenda item 5.4

6.1 2019 Financial Results

Jürgen Leukefeld presented the CIVA Financial Reports

In 2019 our opening balance was 41,076.20 €

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The current “Credit Suisse” balance is shown as 37,496.00 €

Still missing are some TA’s from 2019, all of these to be finalised very soon.

**JG:** the WGPA reserve that you referred earlier, is that monitored and how much is it?

**JL:** Yes, it is not mentioned in the balance, but it is shown in the report from FAI, in the financial documents. The amount is around 101k Euros. The money was originally earned by CIVA activities and is to be used only for special development of CIVA, not for operating costs. It is under the supervision of FAI but we certainly have an eye for it.

Report approved by CIVA

6.2 2020 Travel Allowance Programme

Madelyne Delcroix presented her report.

She mentioned that all the documents submitted by officials should be named correctly and sent as advised, and then the process would be faster and more efficient for all.

Importantly we are almost in the same situation as last year after all the payments are done.

Report approved by CIVA

Agenda item 6.2.
6.3 2020 Budget

Jürgen Leukefeld prepared a budget for 2020:

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Report approved by CIVA

7. Reports on the 2019 Championships

7.1 The 2nd FAI World Intermediate World Championships (Breclav Airport, Czech Republic)

a) President of the International Jury (Philippe KÜCHLER)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda item 7.1a

b) Contest director (Vladimir MACHULA)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda item 7.1b

c) Chief Judge (John GAILLARD)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.1c
7.2 The 22nd FAI World Glider Aerobatic Championships and the 10th World Advanced Glider Aerobatic Championships (Deva Airfield, Romania)

a) President of the International Jury (Manfred ECHTER)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda item 7.2a

b) Contest Director (Gelu LUCA)

One comment from Jury: Some people said that accommodation was not up to standard.

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda item 7.2b

c) Chief Judge (Philippe KÜCHLER)

PK: The accommodation was not up to standard. This is not to blame to the Romanians but the provider of the accommodation. So, to the organisers in the future, CHECK the place in advance. This was just bad luck.

NB: We discussed this subject yesterday, particularly regarding the existing instruction for a CIVA Liaison Officer on site to check these things before the event. This would best be done by the Jury President or the Chief Judge, and the CIVA TA system would cover the cost of these visits.

ME: Many people complained they have been put in the double rooms. The Contest Organisers handbook states “multiples” in accommodation but that is for pilots, not judges. Judges deserve a good nights’ sleep. This should be in GCO Handbook for single rooms for officials.

VM: I am against this since it is hard and expensive to accommodate. It should not be a mandatory thing.

This issue was dealt in urgent Proposals, item 9.7. 3)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.2c

7.3 The 11th European Advanced Aerobatic Championships (Torun Airfield, Poland)

a) President of the International Jury (Nick BUCKENHAM)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.3a

b) Contest Director (Jerzy MAKULA)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.3b

c) Chief Judge (Pavol KAVKA)

PK: Video was not adequate. This issue is dealt in Urgent Proposals, Item 9.7 10)
Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.3c

7.4 The 30th FAI World Aerobatic Championships (Chateauroux-Déols, France)

a) President of the International Jury (Vladimir MACHULA)

VM: Stated a complaint about the presenter of the organisation who was much too “France-first”. This caused some dissatisfaction among pilots and officials. Also, some press releases stated that the Jury stole the medals – this is not right.

MR: The point is well taken. Thank you for mentioning this.

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.4a

b) Contest Director (Emmanuel FOULON)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.4b

c) Chief Judge (Nick BUCKENHAM)

Report approved by CIVA by acclamation

Agenda Item 7.4c

8. Reports of other working groups established 2016

8.1 Aircraft manufacturer Championships Trophy Working Group

Report from Castor Fantoba

Item handled in 5.3 Strategic Working Group Report

See Item 5.3

8.2 Private and Commercial Teams Working Group

Report from Castor Fantoba

Item handled in 5.3 Strategic Working Group Report

See Item 5.3

9. CIVA Committee reports & Proposed Rules Changes

9.1 Report of the CIVA Rules Committee

Report from Matthieu Roulet

The CIVA Rules and Judging Committees jointly met in Châteauroux, France, on 21 August 2019 just prior to the opening of the World Aerobatic Championships.
In attendance:

Rules Committee:
Chair: Matthieu Roulet, members: Elena Klimovich, Jürgen Leukefeld, Nick Buckenham, Philippe Küchler and Pierre Varloteaux

Judging Committee:
Chair: Pierre Varloteaux, members: John Gaillard, Philippe Küchler, Jurgen Leukefeld, Vladimir Machula and Mikhail Mamistov

Normal Proposals (NPs): These are proposals submitted each year by Delegates in accordance with our normal rules process and deadlines. They are to be considered by Sub-Committees and recommendations made to plenary. NPs are also proposals submitted after Championships that the President has decided should be placed in the normal rules cycle and considered by Sub-Committees.

All Rule changes are explained in detail in Agenda item 9.1. Report of the Rules Committee.

### NP2020-1:
Source: FRA #1
Document: Section 6, Part 1
Subject: Judges Positioning

- Publication of actual distance of judge panel from box edge

3.3.1.4: (...). The Organiser shall will publish at least 15 days before the first competition day (e.g. in a bulletin or on the contest website). The actual average distance of the positions of the judges from the end point of the secondary axis, for each operational position.

IN FAVOUR: 17   AGAINST: 5   ABSTAIN: 2

CIVA Agreed

### NP2020-2:
Source: FRA #2
Document: Section 6 part 1
Subject: European Open

- Replace European Championships by European Opens (i.e. open to all countries), while maintaining titles and trophies for the overall European Championships
  - Retains Cat. 1 Status
  - Bidding process unchanged
  - All competitors treated equally and eligible for the Open titles, trophies, FAI & CIVA medals, diplomas
  - European Competitors shown in additional overall results list, for awards of European Titles, trophies FAI medals and diplomas

The low number of pilots and the costs to organise contests raised a lot of conversation on how to move forward with this without jeopardising or commercialising and the concept of the competition.

If rejected in voting, Spain will update the proposal because it was found important to go forward with this.

IN FAVOUR: 11   AGAINST: 10   ABSTAIN: 3

CIVA Rejected
Revised proposal from Spain for NP2020-2 European Open Championships:

- Continental (European) Championships will be open to all countries while maintaining titles and trophies for the overall European Championships
- The purpose is to increase the number of pilots participating in events.
  - H/C criteria and status is erased
  - Create on open classification: All competitors treated equally and eligible for the open medals and open trophy
  - Best ranked individual pilots and the teams from the continent will continue to receive FAI and CIVA medals and diplomas
  - This event will be reviewed and evaluated annually for improvement

CIVA Agreed by acclamation

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- Drawing of lots for Programme 1 determining 4 equally-sized (±1) sections — **After aircraft timeslot separation adjustments**, fixed for the whole competition
- For Prog 2, 3 and 4: Drawing of lots within each section, all at start of competition. **Further aircraft timeslot separation adjustments then applied as necessary considering the whole order of flights.**
- Sequence of sections: varying scheme

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- In case of cut (Prog. 4): Section concept discontinued, new overall drawing of lots among pilots making the cut.

| IN FAVOUR: 20 | AGAINST: 3 | ABSTAIN: 1 |

CIVA Agreed
**NP2020-8**

Source: SPA #1  
Document: Section 6 Part 1  
Subject: Upward flick rolls in Tailslides

- Unknown figures in UNL: Flick rolls permitted on upward vertical lines of tail slides (i.e. removal of paragraph A.9.1.1)

A9.1.1. In Family 6, flick rolls are not permitted on upward vertical lines.

*IN FAVOUR: 18  AGAINST: 3  ABSTAIN: 3*

**CIVA Agreed**

**NP2020-9**

Source: SPA #2  
Document: Section 6 Part 1 / Part 2  
Subject: Direction of rolling circles

- If a rolling circle starts and ends on the secondary axis, the initial direction of turn must be flown as indicated in the sequence, into the wind or downwind (as other figures of rule B.6.1.2.b).

Example:

*IN FAVOUR: 13  AGAINST: 8  ABSTAIN: 3*

**CIVA agreed**

**NP2020-17**

Source: UK #1  
Document: Section 6 Part 1 / Part 2  
Subject: Judging of aircraft axis alignment vs the box axes

- Clarifications on judging criteria in 4.4.1 (downgrades), B.3. (Flight path and Attitude), B.7. (Wind Correction) and B.8.1. (Lines) – Key points:

4.4.1.2. At the initiation or completion of every figure and at comparable moments within the figure, each deviation (…)

B.7.1.6. It is possible for the competitor to correct for wind in such a manner that the *attitude aircraft longitudinal axis* remains *absolutely* true to the correct geometry of the figure but the flight path has a *modified* sideways component. (see Figure 6). It goes beyond the scope of this document to review how this may be accomplished, but what is clear is that if there is no deviation in the aircraft longitudinal axis or bank angle visible to the Judge then no marks should be deducted.

B.7.1.7. Please note, however: even if it is plainly evident that the aircraft
has moved laterally within the Aerobatic Box, no deduction for such correction must be made. (see Figure 7) (paragraph deleted as not necessary or relevant)

CIVA Approved by acclamation
Agenda Item 9.1

9.2 Report of the CIVA Judging Committee
Report from Pierre Varloteaux
Chair: Pierre Varloteaux. Members: John Gaillard, Jürgen Leukefeld, Mikhail Mamistov, Philippe Küchler, Vladimir Machula

The delegates were asked, if they wish to have new judges added to the list, to send the current RI’s of their Judges to Judging Committee. To add judges to the list, the judges are expected to gather experience from national competitions.

The report explained the procedure of selecting judges to the competitions.

CIVA Approved by CIVA
Agenda Item 9.2

9.3 Report of the CIVA Catalogue Committee
Report from Manfred Echter
Members: Chair: Manfred Echter. Members: Anatoly Belov, Brian Howard, Madelyne Delcroix, Pekka Havbrandt, Pierre Varloteaux

NP2020-3
Source: FRA #3
Document: Aresti Aerobatic Catalogue
Subject: Rolling Turns

Proposal:
Eliminate from the Aresti Catalogue Family 2 all rolling turns that include any half roll equal to or exceeding $90^\circ$ of turn (lines 2.1.2, 2.2.2, 2.3.2, 2.3.3, 2.4.2, 2.4.3, 2.4.4).

Rationale:
It is arguably impossible to fulfil all criteria for these figures.

Neither the Rules nor Glider Aerobatic Committees supported the proposal in their 2019 meetings.

CC Comments and Recommendations:
The Catalogue Committee sees no valid reason to remove rolling turns with equal to $90^\circ$ of turn per half roll. Such figures are regularly flown in power and glider competitions and there have never been any serious complaints that these figures could not be flown or judged correctly.

There is only one line of rolling turns with more than $90^\circ$ of turn per half roll (line 2.4.2) in the power catalogue. From the glider catalogue this line has been removed years ago.

The CC does not recommend eliminating this line of figures from the Aresti Catalogue now. It is not considered worthwhile to publish a new edition of the Catalogue for the sole reason of removing only four figures. Furthermore, it is most unlikely that these figures will ever be used in a competition.
CIVA Plenary Meeting 2019, Imperial War Museum, Duxford, UK

**CIVA rejected by acclamation. Report approved by CIVA**

Agenda Item 9.3

9.4 Report of the CIVA Glider Aerobatics Committee

Report from Manfred Echter

Chair: Manfred Echter. Members: Ferenc Toth, Jerzy Makula, Madelyne Delcroix, Pekka Havbrandt, Philippe Küchler.

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**Proposal Summary:**

To be consistent with paragraph B.6.1.5, if rolling circle starts and ends on the secondary axis, the initial direction of turn must be flown as indicated in the sequence, into the wind or downwind.

**Already agreed in Rules Committee report, Item 9.1.**

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**Proposal Summary:**

As unknown figures, maximum one full roll should be allowed in the top of looping elements

**IN FAVOUR:** 7  **AGAINST:** 17  **CIVA rejected**

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**Proposal summary:**

When referring to the alignment of the aircraft in relation to the box axes, only the term “aircraft longitudinal axis” should be used.

**Already agreed in Rules Committee report, Item 9.1.**

Agenda Item 9.4
9.5 Report of the Information and Computer Technology Committee

Report from Vladimir Machula

Chair: Vladimir Machula, Members: Kari Kemppi, Nick Buckenham, Peter Rounce, Philippe Küchler

Projects:

- Open aero – Ringo Massa
- Drone wind measurement
  - New EASA Legislation – drone operation
  - Definition of system quality and Operations

We might be facing problems because of the new legislation.

- Official judging video
  - Video accessibility – you tube
  - Quality of recording
  - Definition of system equipment requirements & operations

- HMD
  - Only CZE system remaining
  - HW update
  - Call for developers – UI Part

In the bureau meeting yesterday, we agreed that the CZE system will be available for future events for the next 2 years.

- Contest info / Meteo
  - Real time information – wind, RWY, judges etc
  - SMS, email, WhatsApp integration
  - Web based- responsive

Report approved by CIVA

Agenda Item 9.5

9.6 Safety and Expedited Proposals (SP and EP)

A modest range of proposals for which urgent consideration has been requested, submitted by championship officials after the Joint Rules and Judging Committee Meeting was convened this year at Chateauroux, have all been collated under the ‘Urgent Proposals’ title and are thus available for review at Agenda item 9.7.

Report approved by CIVA

Agenda Item 9.6
9.7 URGENT PROPOSALS

From the WGAC Jury President – Manfred Echter

1. Positioning K-Factor

When no electronic positioning system is available, the K-Factor for Positioning should be increased to 25 K for UNL and 20 K for ADV.

Rationale: The current K-Factor of 15 was set considering either line judges or an electronic system. Without an electronic system in use, the positioning score awarded by the judges is the only measure of the quality of positioning and it should be upgraded accordingly.

The above figures are proportional to the K-Factors used in power. This proposal was unanimously supported by the GAC in its meeting on 16 July 2019.

CIVA Agreed by acclamation

2. Discrepancy between PZ and HZ

Sub-para 4.5.3.1.b) (Part 1 4.4.3.2.1.b)) must be amended to align it with sub-para 4.5.2.1.f) (Part 1: 4.4.2.1.f))

In Part 2 the reference to loops should be removed, because it is irrelevant in glider aerobatics. The second half sentence must be removed, as it contradicts sub-para 4.5.2.1.f)

Rolls of more than 45° on the exit line of a rolling turn must be marked PZ and no other.

Sub-para 4.5.3.1.b) should then read: "When rolls are superimposed on a turn (rule 4.5.1.8), the roll is finished but 90° or more of the turn still remains to be flown."

This proposal is a "housekeeping"-item for both P1 and P2

CIVA Agreed by acclamation

3. Accommodation for International Judges

When it comes to organising accommodation for the judges, organisers usually point to para 3.9 of the guide to championship organisation, which specifies that "rooms will normally be multiple-occupancy". This paragraph, however, explicitly refers to "participants".

On the other hand, para 16.1 only lists how many judges must be accommodated but does not specify whether the rooms should be single or multiple.

We all agree that the job of the judges is not an easy one. Sitting at the line for many hours in any kind of weather and staying attentive all the time is demanding both physically and mentally. These persons deserve to stay by themselves overnight to get optimum rest. Therefore, I consider it only appropriate to plan single rooms as standard for the judges.

This conversation was already dealt with earlier, and organisers and participants should take this in consideration. It cannot however be mandated.

CIVA Rejected

From the WIAC Jury President – Philippe Küchler

4. Allowed figures for programmes 2, 3 and 4
On page 19, paragraph 2.3.1.4 of Section 6 Part 1 it is mentioned that 1 figure from family 7.8.1 to 7.8.8 is allowed for Yak 52 and Intermediate. In the list of allowed unknown figures on page 63 however none of the figures (Cuban eights) is tagged for Yak 52/Intermediate.

Rationale: This must be clarified. Either remove the figure from the list of allowed figures in the table on page 19 or add the tags for Yak 52/Intermediate on page 63.

**This proposal is forwarded to Rules committee for 2020**

5. Paragraph 4.4.3.1 – list of elements for mark of Hard Zero

In letter b) it is still mentioned that rolling on axis of more than 90 degrees has to be marked as HZ. In 2019 a new rule for roll on exit heading was introduced. This rule, paragraph B.9.3.6 letter i) sub-letter ii) defines rolling on axis of more than 45 degrees as a Perception Zero. This is clearly contradictory. After a chat with the creator of the afterwards as rule adopted proposal (Nick Buckenham) one of the clear intentions was to remove the necessity of verifying this error on a video because it is in most cases impossible and leads only to long discussions. The IJ therefore concludes that para 4.4.3.1 was missed to be changed accordingly.

Rationale: Housekeeping

**CIVA already agreed in Urgent proposals, report Item 9.7. Item 2.**

6. Appendix A

List of figures for Programmes 2,3 and 4: The information on page 53 regarding limitations on figures should be visible next to the figures concerned in the catalogue of unknown figures. Somebody trying to select a figure for an unknown (e.g. during figure drawing) might easily miss the additional information available on page 39. Especially when there are already printed restrictions next to the figure concerned, she/he might assume that the restrictions are complete. A possible easy solution could be to add at least a reference to page 39 in the notes within the unknown catalogue.

Rationale: Avoid time-consuming discussions regarding elements/figures being allowed or disallowed.

**Item forwarded to the Rules Committee for 2020**

7. Submission of figures by the International Jury in case of fewer than 10 NACs

Remove the sentence "These figures must be of the average difficulty of the figures submitted by the NACs and cover Families not represented by them." from para 2.3.1.3.

Rationale: This sentence is difficult to follow to the letter and doesn't really make sense.

**Item forwarded to the Rules Committee for 2020**

8. Paragraph B.8.1.6 – Inside Lines

All lines that occur inside a figure are preceded and followed by part-loops (Figure 9). The absolute length of lines within a figure is in itself not a marking criterion. The corresponding attitude, however, must be maintained constant long enough to allow judges to observe the angle and determine any deviations from the prescribed plane of flight. Varying the attitude, making the line appear curved, must be downgraded by one (1) point.

**From the WGAC / WAGAC Chief judge – Philippe Küchler**
Rationale: This aims at my so called “Bananas”. A line should be a line a not a half loop or a big bend. The judges need to have a way to penalize this without having the need for a HZ because of wrong figure flown.

**Item forwarded to the Judging Committee and Glider Aerobatic Committee for 2020**

9. **Paragraph B.9.10.5 – Loops**

To better quantify deductions for irregularity of the radius of looping figures, the judge divides the loop into quadrants. Any recognizable variation in the radius must be downgraded by a maximum of two (2) points per occurrence depending on the magnitude of the variation.

Following paragraphs B.9.10.6 through B.9.10.8 contain no useful guidance for judges and should be deleted.

Rationale: There is no clear specification for the roundness of the loop and what the judge should deduct if it’s a famous “egg” or “plumb”. So, this fills a hole in the rules.

**From the Plenary: Change the word “per occurrence” with Quadrants**

**Forwarded to Judging committee and Glider Aerobatic Committee for 2020**

From the EAAC Jury President and the WAC Chief Judge – Nick Buckenham

10. **Standards required for video recording of championship flights**

   This year at EAAC and for different reasons to a lesser extent at WAC the video recordings made of competition flights to enable the judging panel to determine accurate matters of fact were not to an acceptable standard.

   - At EAAC on at least one occasion when a review was requested the aeroplane was not even within the video window because the operator was simply unable to keep the hand-held domestic quality recorder pointed accurately at it.

   - At WAC the video recording equipment looked ‘professional’ and was mounted on a chunky tripod, but friction or stick-slip in the tripod’s gimbal head frequently led to jerky movements and occasional out-of-frame moments here too.

Clearly if an important moment is missed by the video system this can lead to a critical inability to accurately mark a figure, and the programme and/or championship results will be adversely affected.

At 3.17 the CIVA Guide to Contest Organisation (GCO) has:

> The use of video equipment through a long series of competition aerobatic flights to the standard necessary to reliably resolve matters of fact when required by the Chief Judge is a complex and demanding task. Dependence on amateur capabilities and domestic equipment can easily lead to inability to meet this requirement, with a direct and potentially damaging impact on the accuracy of championship results.

I suggest that paragraph 4.5.5.3 (Part-1) be revised as follows, and that in Part-2 this paragraph should be added to provide a similar instruction:

4.5.5.3. The Organiser must provide quality equipment with qualified operators to insure useful information is provided to the judges and International Jury for their decisions. The International Jury is responsible for checking that the video operator and equipment are able to consistently meet this requirement, and if necessary, to demand that the organiser provides a replacement system to ensure that the requisite standard can be reliably met throughout the event.
The proposal was put aside pending further work by ICTC and in the GCO document

**Report approved by CIVA**

Agenda Item 9.7

9.8 President’s proposals

A proposal for new designs of CIVA medals that the President introduced at the 2018 conference remains open, with the collected medal designs ready to be debated by plenary to determine –

1. Which of the published designs is considered most appropriate?
2. In the light of item-1 to consider the likely cost associated with a move to adopt the selected design and proceeding to manufacture
3. Subsequent to 1 and 2 above, whether in fact to proceed with this change to the CIVA medals or to continue with the existing medals manufactured by Faude & Huguenin in Switzerland, that we procure through FAI.

The President asked plenary if this should be moved forward?

YES

1: Which medal to pursue?

Voting for which medal:
1: Skydance 2 votes
2: The Loop 2 votes
3: Rise 0 votes
4: Inverted 20 votes - this design was selected by CIVA

This will now proceed for test production, and aim to get them engraved instead of printed.

**AM:** Reminded those present that we need to make sure there is also a year on the flip-side, and if a quote is wanted from the people who did the replica of Freestyle trophy, Spain will help.

Agenda Item 9.8

9.9 A new CIVA News Website

The President presented his plans for a new CIVA NEWS website, to be designed and implemented during the following months. Based in WordPress it will have a well-integrated content management system (CMS) so we can establish a range of editing logins for nominated CIVA people to add, update or change content such as news, reference pages, process explanations, photos and other images.

Key items on our wish-list include a Q&A centre for online judging tests, a comprehensive calendar linking aerobatic contests around the globe, improved News and Trophy History sections and more scope for NACs. It will enable us to develop CIVA’s focus and support for national and international
aerobatic competitions on a world-wide basis.

Building the new website will take some time, and delegates will be invited to review the new layout and structure before it goes public. The target is to publish the new version early next year, using the https://civa-news.com web URI that is already so well known around the world.

In the CIVA News website click menu item USEFUL LINKS and at the bottom of the page click on –

![Draft home page design for new CIVA News website](image)

to see an early mock-up of the home page for this new website. These are purely initial thoughts, with a graphic representation of the layout so none of the buttons and links are functional yet.

Agenda Item 9.9

### 10. CIVA Power Free Known figure selections for 2020

**a) Power Intermediate Free Known figures:**

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**Selected Power Intermediate/Yak52 Free Known 2020 figures - Option C**

Total K 104

**b) Power Advanced Free Known figures:**

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**Selected Power Advanced Free Known 2020 figures - Option H**

Total K 160
c) Power Unlimited Free Known figures:

Option R  Vote 1  5
Option P  13
Option L  5
Option C  1

Selected Power Unlimited Free Known 2020 figures - Option P  Total K 225

d) Glider Advanced Free Known figures:

**Option 1**  Vote 1  11
Option 2  1
Option 3  2
Option 4  4
Option 5  0

Selected Glider Advanced Free Known 2020 figures - Option 1  Total K 97

e) Glider Unlimited Free Known figures:

**Option 1**  Vote 1  4
Option 2  8
Option 3  2
Option 4  2
Option 5  2

Selected Glider Unlimited Free Known 2020 figures - Option 2  Total K 122

The meeting was adjourned until Sunday 09:00
Sunday morning: The President of CIVA awarded the Trophy for the Contest Organiser of the Year to Romania for their amazing Glider Aerobatic Championships held in Deva, Romania.

11. Future FAI Aerobatic Championships

11.1 The 23rd FAI World Glider Aerobatic Championships 2020 and the 11th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2020

Location: Leszno, Poland

Dates: Pre-contest (Polish Open) 1st – 7th July 2020

   Training 8th – 21st July 2020

   Contest days 22nd July – 2nd August 2020

Entry fees:

- Competitors: 750 €
- Team Members: 300 €
- Others: 60 € (opening & closing event)

Towing:

- 1,250m: 70 €
- 800m: 50 €

Judges: 7 judges + CJ team

CD: Jurek Makula

Towing aircraft: 4 x Dynamic

Accommodation:

- Hotel Akvavit (***, 3 km)
- Hotel AchToTu (**, 0.3 km)
- Motel Moya (0.2 km)

Camping at the site: 5€/person, 5€/tent, 10€/campervan

Other items:

- Berlin 288 km, Warsaw 348 km, Prague 363 km
- Closest airports Poznan and Wroclaw
- 3 judging positions
- Polish Open event can be renamed The Danubia Cup
- 800m² hangar space, 24/7 fuel (Jet-A1, Avgas, PB 95/98), 2 parallel runways, fenced airfield.

IN FAVOUR: 22 AGAINST: 0 ABSTAIN: 2

This bid was approved

11.2 The 14th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2020

BID 1

Location: Phalaborwa, South Africa

Dates: Contest days: 29th July – 8th August 2020

Entry fees:

- Competitors: 2,000 € including accommodation
- Team Members: 1,500 € including accommodation
- 1,100 € excluding accommodation
- 600€ excluding accommodation

Judges: 7 teams + CJ team

CD: John Gaillard

Aircraft: 21 aircraft available for hire

Other items:

- Close to private 5-star safari resorts, on the west border of the Kruger National Park
- Excellent aviation facilities at the airport, predictable weather.
- 1,100 EUR covers the meals at the airport
BID 2

Location: Hosin, Czech Republic  
Dates:  
Training days 1st – 5th August 2020  
Contest days 6th – 15th August 2020  
Entry fees:  
Competitors  
1,800 € before 31st May  
2,000 € before 20th June  
2,100 € late entry  
Team Members  
1,600 € before 31st May  
1,800 € before 20th June  
1,900 € Late entry  
Judges  
7 teams + CJ team  
1 additional night  
CD  
Vladimir Machula  
Aircraft: Some planes could be hired  
Accommodation  
Hotel Stekl and Parkhotel Hluboka  

JG requested an amendment noting the 2011 plenary agreement that at every fourth CIVA World Championship preference should be given to bids from outside of Europe, subject to formal plenary approval.

MR: It is said it should be given a priority.
PIK: Dates are overlapping with Glider contest. Which of these could be moved without colliding?
JM: The glider competition can be moved one week earlier.

VOTE
BID 1 South Africa 6 votes  
BID 2 Czech Republic 15 votes  
This bid was approved

11.3 The 22nd FAI European Aerobatic Championships

BID 1

Location: Torun, Poland  
Dates:  
Training days 10th – 15th July 2020  
Contest days 16th – 26th July 2020 (1 week earlier is possible)  
Entry fees:  
Competitors  
1,850 € twin  
2,050 single  
Team Members  
1,650 € twin  
1,850 € single  
Incl. meals and fuel  
Judges  
7 + CJ team  
CD  
Jurek Makula  
Hangars:  
20 aircraft + we may prepare more  
Other Items:  
• The entry fee covers all meals along other items for example oil and fuel.  
• Hangar space for 30 or more.

BID 2

Location: Breclav, Czech Republic  
Dates:  
Training days 18th -21st August 2020  
Contest days 22nd -29th August 2020
4min freestyle and airshow  29th August - special AFC event
Entry fees  Competitors  1,950 € before 31st May
                  2,125 € before 30th June
                  2,250 € Late Entry
Team Members  1,600 € before 31st May
                  1,800 € before 30th June
                  1,900 € Late entry
Single room  + 300 €
Accommodation covered  21st August – 29th August
Judges  7 judges + CJ team
CD  Vladimir Machula
Hangars:  More hangar space will be built.
Other items:
  • The Final Freestyle will be held on Saturday morning before the airshow, and during the airshow a Special Event will be run as a test.
  • The Final Freestyle is open also for non-Europeans
  • Online scoring, telemetry data
  • Onsite commentary and TV broadcast

TA: Both of you Jurek and Vladimir gave a bid for 2 contests, are you prepared to do 2 if so voted?
VM/JM: Yes and Yes

VOTE:
BID 1: Torun, POL  8 votes
BID 2: Breclav, CZE  14 votes  This bid was approved

11.4  The 1st FAI “European plus” Intermediate Aerobatic Championships

Location:  Deva, Romania
Dates:  Training days  1st – 4th July 2020
                  Contest days  5th – 11th July 2020
Entry fees  Competitors  1,800 € double
                  2,000 € single
                  Team Members  1,600 € double
                  1,800 € single
Judges  7 judges + CJ team
CD  TBA
Aircraft:  Unfortunately, we have no possibility to rent planes.
Other Items:
  * 2 hangars, good facilities, free high speed WiFi.

IN FAVOUR: 20
This bid was approved

11.5  Report of the 6th FAI Yak52 World Aerobatic Championships 2020, Mogilev Region, Belarus (approval pending)

The CIVA president has been instructed that the 2020 event is withdrawn by the Belarus National Aero Club in favour of a national “test” event as preparation for a new bid for 2021.
11.6 Report of the 24th FAI World Glider Aerobatic Championships and the 12th FAI World Advanced Glider Aerobatic Championships 2021
Issoudun, France

Brian Spreckley gave an update regarding the future contest awarded to Issoudun France.

Key people have been assigned. For example, Thierry Fraize will be among the organisers as the aerobatics expert.

Good social media and visual media will be used before and during the competition to promote Glider Aerobatics.

ME: Dates are fixed and there is no change?
BS: Correct

Report approved by CIVA

11.7 Report of the 15th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2022, Las Vegas, USA

Mike Gallaway updated delegates on preparation for the Las Vegas event in 2022.

Location: Jean Airfield, Las Vegas, Nevada

| Contest days: | Training | 7th – 11th October 2022 |
| Contest | 11th – 22nd October 2022 |

Entry fees (as stated last year) 2,500 USD

- A test IAC West Open Championships event was held in October 2019 by CD Duncan Korbel and all went perfectly.
- Promised early information starting from 1st bulletin in November 2019
- The Drop Zone has not given any problems – the box is well south of Drop Zone.
- An investigation into plane rental still ongoing.
- Nothing has changed since last years’ presentation, all details are still valid.

NB: Please set up a website with info regarding “how to get a Visa” and “how to rent a plane”

MG: Will be done 2 years before.

11.8 Other Future events

Bid 1 25th FAI WGAC and 13th FAI WAGAC 2022

| Location: | Pociunai Lithuania |
| Dates: | Training days 11th – 13th July 2022 |
| Contest days | 14th – 24th July 2022 |
| Entry fees | Competitors 750 € |
| Team Members | 250 € |
| Towing | 1250m 70 € |
| 800 m | 55 € |
| Towing aircraft | Dynamics Turbos, Extra 300, Yak 55, Wilga’s |
| CD | Vytautas Sabeckis |
| Judges | 7 judges + CJ team |
| Accommodation: | One additional night for training |
| | Birstonas (15 km), Prienai (9 km), |
Other Items:
- Good facilities for meetings and briefings
- Hangar space for 30 planes
- LAK factory repair service at the airfield, and a bar-restaurant
- Free WiFi
- Closest airports are Kaunas (40m) and Vilnus (110km)

**IN FAVOUR: 22**

**The bid was approved**

The meeting paused for two minutes of silence for Remembrance Day @ 11.00

After the coffee break a conversation ensued regarding the location of the World Championships, noting that if there is a bid it should be prioritized to be outside Europe every 4th year.

It was also noted that the 5th contest has already been approved to US, which would be outside Europe.

The Plenary was asked if they would re-open the voting for Worlds 2020 for re-vote.

Yes: 2  No: 22

PK also noted, that we also need to address the fact we gave an approval to WIAC second year in a round even it should be every second year. After consultation with the Romanian delegate the 2020 World Championship granted to Deva, Romania was revised to be the 1st FAI European Intermediate Aerobatic Championships. The contest is also held as an Open competition, i.e. entry will be open to competitors from outside Europe.

11.9  **The World Air Games 2022**

- NB: The date has been revised from 2020 to 2nd – 17th September 2022.
- The Opening ceremony will be in Ankara
- The site is between Selcuk and Pamucak, south from Izmir
- 10-12 glider pilots will be selected by CIVA for this event

**ME:** Stated that there is a certain amount of interest, but that it must be cost free.

**MH:** Noted

**12. CIVA Elections 2020**

**Roll Call:** Argentina, Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Great Britain, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Republic of South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, USA.

4 Proxies were tabled:
- Ireland proxy to United Kingdom
- Russia proxy to Spain
- Sweden proxy to Finland
- Ukraine proxy to Lithuania
TOTAL Votes: 22 (18 present + 4 proxies)  Absolute majority 12

Officers of CIVA

Bureau:

President:
Nick Buckenham
Elected by acclamation 2019 for 2020 and 2021

Vice Presidents: Votes: 1st  2nd
Tamas Abranyi 15
Castor Fantoba 14
Philippe Küchler 8
Vladimir Machula 8
John Gaillard 5
Jerzy Makula 3
Elena Klimovich 2
Pavol Kavka 2
Elected 2018 for 2019 and 2020
Elected 2018, resigned 2019, post remain vacant
Elected 2019 for 2020 and 2021

Secretaries: Votes: 1st
Zuzana Danihelova 19
Pekka Havbrandt 3
Elected 2019 for 2020 and 2021

Treasurer:
Jürgen Leukefeld
Elected 2018 for 2019 and 2020

Rules Committee

Chairman:
Matthieu Roulet
Elected by acclamation for one year period

Members: Votes: 1st
Nick Buckenham 20
Philippe Küchler 15
Pierre Varloteaux 15
Elena Klimovich 14
Hanspeter Rohner 12
Aarron Deliu 10
Jürgen Leukefeld 9
Mike Gallaway 6
Elected for a 1 year period
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Judging Committee:

Chairman:
Pierre Varloteaux
by acclamation for 1-year period

Members: Votes:
John Gaillard 18
Philippe Küchler 18
Mikhail Mamistov 17
Elena Klimovich 16
Vladimir Machula 13
Jürgen Leukefeld 12
Elected for a 1 year period
Elected for a 1 year period
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Elected for a 1 year period
Elected for a 1 year period
Quintin Hawthorne 8

Glider Aerobatic Committee

Chairman: Manfred Echter  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

Members: Votes:  
Madelyne Delcroix 20  
Jerzy Makula 17  
Pekka Havbrandt 17  
Ferenc Toth 16  
Philippe Küchler 14  
Jason Stephens 6  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

Catalogue Committee

Chairman: Manfred Echter  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

Members:  
Madelyne Delcroix  
Pekka Havbrandt  
Brian Howard  
Pierre Varloteaux  
Anatoly Belov  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

ICT Committee

Chairman: Vladimir Machula  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

Members:  
Nick Buckenham  
Philippe Küchler  
Peter Rounce  
Kari Kemppi  
Elected by acclamation for a 1 year period

Reserves:  
Bela GURALY 7  
Elected

13. Appointment and Approval of Championships Officials

13.1 The 23rd FAI World Glider Aerobatic Championships and  
The 11th FAI World Advanced Glider Aerobatic Championships 2020

President of the International Jury: Manfred ECHTER  
Elected by acclamation

Members of the International Jury: 1st vote  
Madelyne DELCROIX 18  
Kari KEMPPI 14  
Elected

Reserves:  
Bela GURALY  
7  
Elected

Chief Judge: 1st vote  
Philippe KUCHLER 13  
Palo KAVKA 7  
Elected
13.2 The 22nd FAI European Aerobatic Championships 2020

President of the International Jury:
Nick BUCKENHAM Elected by acclamation

Members of the International Jury: 1st vote
Pierre VARLOTEAUX 16 Elected
Elena KLIMOVICH 15 Elected

Reserves:
Jürgen LEUKEFELD 8

Chief Judge: 1st vote 2nd vote
John GAILLARD 9 11 Elected
Pavol KAVKA 9 9
Guy AUGER 2

13.3 The 14th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships 2020

President of the International Jury: 1st vote
Philippe Küchler 12 Elected
Elena Klimovich 6

Members of the International Jury: 1st vote
Tamas Abranyi 12 Elected
Pierre Varloteaux 10 Elected

Reserves: 1st vote
Elena Klimovich 7
Jürgen Leukefeld 6
Ludmyla Zelenina 0

Chief Judge: 1st vote
Pavol Kavka 6 Elected
Jerome Houdier 5
Nick Buckenham 5

13.4 The 1st FAI European Intermediate Aerobatic Championships 2020

President of the International Jury:
Tamas Abranyi Elected by acclamation

Members of the International Jury:
Elena Klimovich Elected by acclamation
Philippe Küchler Elected by acclamation

Chief Judge:
Nick Buckenham Elected by acclamation

14. FAI Special Aerobatic Events (FSAE) for 2020
Nothing to report. There have not been any Special Events in 2019 nor there will be for 2020.

### 15. FAI International Aerobatic Judges

PV explained how to add new judges to the list. The delegates have to send the names and make sure they are up to standard and with necessary competence.

Russia will submit the info and name of Miakishev and Spain the name Lozano to the list and they will send the required information to Pierre Varloteaux.

### 16. Other Reports and Business

#### 16.1 FAI/Aresti Committee Report 2019

Report from John Gaillard

**JG:** Nick tried to get the Aresti Cup to France from Madrid, but was unsuccessful. It is an FAI trophy and therefore we should try to get it back.

**PIK:** Could the Spanish delegate try to get the trophy back?

**AM:** would be difficult

Agenda item 16.1.

#### 16.2 Contest Scoring Programme Report 2019

Report from Nick Buckenham

*No changes*

Report agenda item 16.2.

#### 16.3 Championship Organiser of the Year Trophy for 2019

Nick Buckenham presented the trophy for the best Contest Organiser to Romania for their great work with the WGAC and WAGAC in 2019.

Report agenda item 16.3

#### 16.4 Leon Biancotto diploma

There has been a proposal to award Roland Küng for the Leon Leon Biancotto diploma next year. This will be done in General Conference. All the paperwork is already with FAI waiting for our approval. Roland Küng is a Swiss person who is the driving force behind the Swift aircraft. And he still holds all the rights to the Swift.

VOTE: Should the Leon Biancotto diploma be given out? (total of 14 votes present at the moment)

**IN FAVOUR:** 13 votes  **AGAINST:** 0  **ABSTAIN:** 1
16.5 The replacement Manfred Strössenreuther Trophy

Report from Nick Buckenham

The South African Aero club donated the Manfred Strössenreuter Memorial Floating Trophy to CIVA, to be awarded to the World Freestyle Champion at each successive FAI World Aerobatic Championships. Sadly, after US pilot Zach Heffley received it for winning the Final Freestyle at 2007 in Grenada Spain, the trophy was mislaid and despite of determined searching by all concerned it has never been found.

Spain has produced an excellent replacement trophy, which is now located in France.

16.6 Other Reports / Business

After morning coffee break on Sunday 2 ad hoc proposals were introduced by Alexandra Moore and Vladimir Machula

[AD HOC Proposal internal Governance]

MANDATE OF RULES COMMITTEE

- All proposals submitted to the Rules Committee are shared in advance, discussed and voted at Plenary. The RC will be obliged to provide advice and opinion and cannot reject proposals. No proposals will remain unseen by Plenary.
  - Full visibility of proposals
  - Ensuring that all committees have the same level of influence

VM: I disagree, since there are so many proposals coming in, some of the proposals have nothing to do with RC.

[AD HOC proposal Review of Corporate Governance]

MANDATE FOR GOVERNANCE

- The President noted this and will take up the task to revise and provide a modern governance policy to ensure that functions and responsibilities are clearly reflected and monitored across Presidency, Vice-Presidencies, Bureau and Committees. It will -
  - Define the duties and responsibilities of President, Bureau, and Committees
  - Define tasks for working groups.
  - Define the subordination and duties of persons within the Bureau and Committees.
  - Define what belongs to Section 6 and specify processes for changes and housekeeping.
  - Create the CIVA By-Laws document, which will contain directives and rules which do not fall into the scope of Section 6.

A long conversation ensued regarding how to proceed with this and by whom it should be done. Whether it is a rules committee or presidential issue or should a separate working group to be set up and prepare this for voting next year.
Plenary was asked for a mandate for the President, the Bureau and the relevant Committees to create a draft based on these docs and get comments, and to come back the next plenary and approve and implement these documents in 2020 plenary

IN FAVOUR: 21   AGAINST: 0   ABSTAIN: 2

Accepted by CIVA for onward Bureau development for review and adoption in 2020.

OTHER BUSINESS

1) VM asked Markus Haggeney to confirm that the FAI proposed increase of the Sanction Fee and any decision done on that issue, will not be applied for next year, but will be discussed here in Plenary.

   MH I cannot confirm this because it is an item to be dealt at the FAI General Conference in December. This proposal is to increase the sanction fee for Cat-1 events by 20%. However all the competitions already sanctioned are not affected if this is approved at the GC.

2) JG announced that RSA will now hold a Cat-2 contest « Southern Hemisphere Championships»

17. Date and Place of Future Meetings

In case of a bid from other than Lausanne, the Plenary must have an absolute majority of votes to go to this alternate location.

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CIVA AGREED to Dallas, Texas USA

Place: Dallas Texas, USA  
Date: 6th – 8th November 2020

Submitted for approval,  
Hanna Räähä & Zuzana Danihelova  
Secretaries of CIVA
Annexes

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