CIVL Plenary 2015

Paragliding Accuracy Open meeting Committee’s Report

By Violeta Masteikiene

Paragliding Accuracy committee Includes 12 people

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Participated: Yoshiki Oka (Japan); Wahyu Yudha (Indonesia); Kamil Koncnyj (CZ), Uglejesa Jondzic (Serbia), Hou Jialun (China); Han Zhaofang (China); Andy Joxa-Rozen (Poland); Matjaz Ferarich (Slovenia); Klaus (Germany); Elsa (Chinese Taipey); and guest.

CIVL Safety Officer: Raimond Cox

1. Meeting and registration of Committee members and new arrivals. Selecting the secretariat.
   The speech of Agust Gudmundsson regarding his changing position in FAI and goals.

2. Updating of Agenda

3. Committee Chairwomen Violeta Masteikiene report.
Review the competition and events during the 2014.
Paragliding accuracy subcommittee guidelines for 2015-2016

All year long

Some discussions and ideas brainstorm were made via e-mails as well as on Basecamp, or during the large part of committee members meeting during the European, Asian Championships

The number of 2nd category PGAL competitions and pilots competing all around the World increasing comparing to the last year. WPRS ranked 56 nations (54 FAI members and 2 temporary members). The most active region is from Balkan countries, but this discipline is developing very fast in Far East Asian countries as well. It’s very positive that more and more female pilots are competing on the same level with men, especially in Asian countries: Thailand, Indonesia and Korea. Most important competitions 2014: Asian championship (Malaysia), European championship (Serbia), Thailand Asian Beach Games. Paragliding accuracy and paramotors present air sports on this big multisport event. The successful cooperation between disciplines (PG Accuracy and PPG) showing the future horizon for paragliding accuracy – multisport events.

In generally the sporting part: rules, judging, technique, human resources, qualification of organizers etc. are very good in paragliding accuracy. Future task - improved the organizers skills to promote, communicate and present the competition.

WPRS highest ranked Male pilots:

1. Matjaz Sluga – Slovenia
2. Matjaz Ferarich – Slovenia
3. Valerij Tsvetanova – Bulgaria

WPRS highest ranked Female pilots:

1. Nunnapat Phuchiong – Thailand
2. Chantika Chaisanuk – Thailand
3. Andriana Lis - Indonesia

2015-2016 Biggest events:
2015 – FAI World Paragliding Accuracy Championship, Indonesia, Punchiak. August

2015 – WAG, UEA, Dubai, December.

2016 – FAI Asian Paragliding Accuracy Championship, Kazakhstan, Taldykurgan. May

2015 – Pre Event, Asian Accuracy Championship, Taldykorgan, Kazakhstan, 4 - 7 June.

2016 FAI European paragliding accuracy championship, Lithuania, Kaunas. July

2015 - Pre Event, European Accuracy Championship, Kaunas, Lithuania, 9 - 12 July.

**Future directions**

Subcommittee plans for upcoming 2 year period are:

* Become a part of big events under Olimpic committee;
* To held all Americas and Caribbean first category championship (Continental).
* To “discover” a potential activity in Middle East.
* Involve more “Old” European countries.
* Organize senior Juges, Stewards and Jury conference.
* More competitions should be organized in cooperation between different paragliding disciplines and other air sports. Acting together it’s easier to discover more attention to air sports form public, sponsors and media.
* Create the system of planning and claiming for a judging seminars and creating the discipline development budget for next upcoming 2 years in advance.

4. **Nomination of Paragliding Accuracy Chairman for second 2 Year**

   It was 2 candidates for this position: current charwomen Violeta Masteikine (Lithuania) and proposed Wahyu Yudha (Indonesia), but Whayu do not accept the nomination.

5. **WAG selection criteria**

   SLOT – 20 Pilots (1 by default – UAE)

   1rst proposition

   14 – top ranked nations (looking by the ranking 10 of June) delegate 1 pilot to take part on WAG (but not low WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking)

   Top 5 nations ranked women from deferent countries regarding to WPR. WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking.

   Total – 15 countries (base) - 3 votes
2nd proposition Approved by majority votes
Top 3 – individuals according WPR from different countries.
Plus 5 - Top 5 nations ranked women from different countries regarding to WPRS. WPR ranked then top 100 if lower; the slot will flow to next country in a ranking.
Plus 11 – top ranked nations (looking by the ranking 10 of June) delegate 1 pilot to take part on WAG (but not low WPR ranked then top 100 if lower, the slot will flow to next country in a ranking)
Total – 11 countries (base).
Vote – 5 votes.

Last year all seminars was payd by organizers, no buget from CIVL Used. The strategy and calendar for upcoming 2015-2016 are discussed and made. Will be proposed to bureau for approving of buget.

7. Discussions on proposed S7C Changes and formulation the propositions for plenary.

Proposals are discussed and completed. See Annex XXXX?

8. Bids review for 2017 World Paragliding Accuracy Championship
Albania, Germany, Chaina.
Only Chaina and Germany bids was presented for subcommittee. They discussed and accepted as realistic and good for delegates’ decision.

*Overviewed 2015-2016 competitions calendar
*Proposition Include a new discipline Para Ski or Precise Ski.
Two sports combined together. Create the rules for it.( on a section 5 for example).
  • Polish representative presentation the country would like to become more active in PG Acc. The subcommittee planning to organize judging seminar 2015 in Poland.

All comments and propositions should be sending to:

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Proposals

- 2.16.3 Footwear
  Must be suitable for a safe landing in all valid wind conditions. Heel and tip of competitors’ footwear must not be modified such that it might damage to an automatic measuring device.

Proposition

The jury have no definitive recommendations for rule changes, however, it suggested that consideration should be given to providing more clarity within the rules with regard to competitors’ footwear, especially as competition is now very close.
At this competition, the organizers decided that the studs, or ‘buttons’, glued to the shoes should be constructed of rubber – *no metals or hard plastics and the minimum size of the stud should be 10mm diameter and protrude no more than 10mm from the sole or heel.* This appeared to have worked and all competitors were content with that decision.

**Suggestions**

*Must be suitable for a safe landing in all valid wind conditions. Heel and tip of competitors’ footwear must not be modified such that it might damage to an automatic measuring device.*

*Any foot addition must be made from rubber.*

**• 17.2. Rest Days:**

*The policy on rest days shall be declared in the Local regulations before the*  

*Proposition*

It is suggested that there is a clarification in Section 7C for the reason for rest days and whether there is an ‘obligation’ for their inclusion within the competition schedule. It is understood that rest days have been incorporated into the 7C rules for safety reasons and for the benefit of both pilots and officials. However, in practice these rest days have developed into pre-planned “thank you’s” by organizers to their sponsors, a form of advertising of the country’s local culture and an offering of friendship to the participants.

It should be recognized, that on occasion there will be a requirement to fly if the competition has been delayed. Pilots will always wish to fly without break to ensure the maximum number of rounds, it is therefore suggested to avoid potential conflict between the competitors and the event organization.

*Proposition.*

*The policy on rest days shall be declared in the Local regulations before the competitions. The rest day possible only if finished minimum 6 rounds before scheduled rest day.*

*to*

*• 2.16.5 There is wording missing from this section.*

*Proposition:*

*See 11.3*

*• 5.2.1 Pilots Scores*

...< *A fall means if any part of the body or equipment (excluding the speed system, stirrup or tow yoke) touch the ground before the wing does or before the competitor has left the measuring field.*>...
Regarding the wording on a fall, I feel that the ‘measuring field’ should be deleted so that a fall can be anywhere before a pilot’s wing touches the ground.

*Do not accept.*

- **5.5.1 Location – guidelines for hill launch settings**

  *Proposition*

  I feel that there should still be a minimum height rule for hill launch competitions of say 80m, otherwise some one could hold a competition off their car roof under the current rules.

  *Do not accept.*

- **8.4 Sample Local Regulations**

  *Proposition*

  The sample local regulations contain many unnecessary repeats of the rules elsewhere in Section 7C. There is also wording in the local regulations that is so fundamental it should form part of the Section 7C rules.

  - **Proposition following repeats should be deleted:**
    7.1 All of this section is in 2.21.1.1
    7.2 The first two sentences are in 2.21.1, and the fourth sentence is in 5.1.
    7.3 All of this section is in 2.20.1
    7.5 The second sentence regarding the measuring field circles is in 5.6, and the last three sentences are in 5.2.1.
    7.7 All of this section is in 2.21.4.
    9.1 The first two sentences are in 5.2.3, and the third sentence ‘The winner shall be ....’ is in 2.4.10.
    9.2 The last sentence on nations with less than Y competitors is in 5.2.4.1.
    12.1 The second sentence ‘Radios are allowed for communication .....’ is in 2.18.1.

  - **Proposition following wording should be transferred to the section 7C rules:**
    7.2 The third sentence ‘A pilot who is not present at launch .....’ should go in 5.1.1.
    7.4 All this section on the final approach should be transferred to 2.21.5. Also regarding the ‘Hill launch’ wording the ‘sufficient time’ should read ‘sufficient opportunity’ to align it with the ‘Tow launch’ wording.
    7.5 ‘The landing area will be of non-slippery material’ should go in 5.6.2.
    9.2 ‘There is no dropping of the worst score in team scoring’ should go in 5.2.4.
Attach the draft versions of the S7 Common Section and the S7C PG Accuracy section. There is no intention to change any rules in this restructuring - only to present the rules in a better way. See Attachments

Accept all regarding proposed changes.

**Proposition**

Make one word for: Refly, Relaunch, Rejump.... Suggested – Refly.

Re-flight -> re-launch ... the re-launch is more commonly used in the code so we will use in the code „re-launch“

**Proposition**

Replace it in following chapters:

Chapters:

- 3.2.4 Take-off
- 3.2.10 Out Landings
- 3.3.7.2 Jury Decision
- 4.4 Assisting injured pilots

**Proposition**

The code still contains some chapter which have no reason in the paragliding accuracy. After reviewing the code we propose remove them.

Remove unused chapters:

- We dont use turnpoints
  - 1.1.4 Turnpoint
  - 1.1.5 Rounding the Turnpoint
  - 1.1.6 Turnpoint Sectors
  - 1.1.7 Designated sequence
- This is completly out:
  - 3.1.6 Other Start System Proposal – probably copy paste mistake
- Two chapters with the same content
  - Remove „3.2.6 Signalling Reference“ the topic is more precise defined in 6.2.4 Dangerous Situations Signals

**Proposition**

By the numbering the video evidence is part of Re-Launch chapter. But video evidence is independent topic so it will be better to renumber it. It also affect all nested topics

Renumber:
Proposition
The current code starts with How to entry to Category 1st event which discourage piltos to read the code. When we reorder the code by the proposition it will be much easier to read and at the beginning there will be the most important rules and definitions. The chapter 2 could be part of the Common section 7 or at the end of accuracy section.

Reorder the chapters:

• 1 INTRODUCTION AND FLIGHT DEFINITIONS
• 3 COMPETITION FLIGHTS
• 5 THE TARGET
• 4 SCORING SYSTEMS
• 6 JUDGING CODE
• 7 EQUIPMENT SAFETY STANDARDS & DOCUMENTATION
• “2 Entry to 1st category Events” to the end or to common part

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