ORGANIZATION
The 2017 AEROBATIC BORDEAUX CUP was organized on July 7th, 8th, and 9th in a private property close to BORDEAUX, FRANCE, in MAUVESIN BARTON CASTLE. 36 competitors from 12 countries were registered. The weather conditions were good on Friday, sky clear, with high temperatures in the 31°C, cloudy on Saturday morning, low clouds then clear with crosswind on Sunday.

ACCOMMODATION
The FAI Judges and the Jury President were accommodated on the flying site, either in the castle or in the outbuildings.
A breakfast was served from 6:30 am. Drinks, lunch and dinner were provided at the flying field. Saturday evening the banquet took place in the winery after a private visit.

FLYING SITE
The contest took place in the property. The flight path was slightly rotated relative to the runway to avoid the sun in the morning. The manoeuvring area was clearly marked by three poles. White lines, originating at the competitor’s position marked the centre and extreme limits. An additional line parallel to the flight path was added.
COMPETITION

On Friday, the calibration flight started at 7.10 am, followed by two P17 rounds. On Saturday morning, due to night thunderstorms the flights were delayed and just another P17 round was flown. The two best normalized scores counting to determine the ranking, the twenty first pilots flew on Sunday a single F17 round, after two calibration flights. One F 17 round was cancelled due to a late start of the competition (low ceiling).

Ten judges were in attendance:

BLEAS Nicolas FRA
BOYER Yvon FRA
CARBALLA MUNIZ Gloria SP
FERNANDEZ Emanuel P
GALLEY Roland SUI
LEAUTE DANIEL FRA
LESHEDE Amram ISR
PINEIRO Paco SP
SOUTHON Laurent FRA
UHLIG Peter GER

Flight 1 Judges Panel A Flight 2 Judges Panel B
Flight 3 & 4 Judges Panel A & B

The Notaumatic was used, TBL score tabulation system was applied on each round.

There was no protest during the competition, and just one flight incident, a dead stick on an EC plane. The award ceremony took place at 03:00 pm.
It appeared that all judges performed adequately and it is a fair and sporting result that was obtained.

FAI Jury members were:
Jean Paul DELTEIL (FRA) President
Russell EDWARDS (AUS) Member Pilot
Wolfgang MATT (LIE) Member Pilot

Flight Contest Director: Damien SARTORIUS
Flight Line Director and Time Keeping: Georges ENCOGNERE
Scorekeeping using the NOTAUMATIC and TBL: Roland POITEVIN, Jacques BURBAUD and Jacques VEYRINE.

SUMMARY
This competition very well organised and professionally executed in a fair and friendly atmosphere was a great event for all the participants.
Special thanks to our hosts, Mme Lilian BARTON-SARTORIUS and M. Michel SARTORIUS, the FAI judges, Damien SARTORIUS CD, Roland POITEVIN, Jacques BURBAUD, Jacques VEYRINE and Georges ENCOGNERE for their hard job during these three days.

July, 11 2017

Jean Paul DELTEIL

Jury President