

AGENDA ITEM 9.3

REPORT OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

6th EUROPEAN ADVANCED AEROBATIC CHAMPIONSHIP

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Official arrival at Piastow, Radom (Poland) was designated on Thursday, 6th of August. A great welcome was at the airfield, in the afternoon because the majority of the organisers were in Piastow together during the Glider Championship last year. We were happy and ready to do all our best for the forthcoming contest. Only one was missing...our friend Helmut always remembered, originally designated as the Assistant of the Contest Director.

The place for the Championship was the same as the last year. **Airfield Piastow** near Radom and its organizers have a good renown as the organisers of excellent aviation events. Stanisław Szczepanowski with his wife, son and a group of creative friends of aerobatics organise plenty of successful aviation competitions and air shows for long time.

In the late afternoon during the presentation there were missing two **International Judges** with their assistants. The Judges from France and Ukraine. Jean Zumaglini and his assistant Jérôme Houdier from France came the next day and Tamara Dovgalenko and her assistant Yaroslav Marunchak from Ukraine were not presented at all.

The Board of Judges consisted from six International Judges and their Assistants:

BEZDENEZHNYKH Mikhail;	KOLTUNOV Piotr	RUS
GEDMINAITE Violeta;	ORLICKAS Algis	LIT
KOTELNIKOV Vladimir;	KSENZOV Anatoliy	RUS
TALABOS Gabor (Sr.);	TALABOS Aniko	HUN
VIRTANEN Kimmo;	AHONEN Otto	FIN
ZUMAGLINI Jean;	HOUDIER Jérôme	FRA
BOROWIK Isabella;	SEIBITZ Sabine	GER



Two local assistants were added on request to make a record of the score for German and Finnish Judging team.

All of the Judges expressed their contentment with accommodation and meals.

Organiser had prepared special room for the Board of Judges with enough space, refreshment and access to Internet. That room was used for video conferences as well.

Official meeting for the International Judges and Team managers was held on 7th of August. The members of the International Jury were presented as well. The main target was to refresh new changes of the judging criteria and remember current procedures. Written tests were collected.

The **Box marking** was well prepared, precise and visible.

Positions for judging were selected south, east and west of the Box but practically only the south side of the Box was used due to the wind directions. The place was easy to reach in about 5 minutes and at prescribed distance of the south edge of the Box. All facilities were prepared and worked properly. The cooperation with local landholders was exceptional. They were able to adapt their agricultural works to our “working hours” as much as they could.

There was a good **weather** forecast with possibility to fly for about three days from the beginning and then the outlook for worse meteorological conditions. Some delays were expected. The contest was started on 7th of August in the afternoon. Three programmes were practically completed in three days. There were only breaks for the Board of Judges stated in the Rules after every two hours of the judging and lunch breaks.

Because of the previous experiences with the bad weather conditions and no time at the end of the Championship the decision was to fly maximum possible number of flights without stops.

What was very interesting, that we had completed three programmes in first five days of the Championships.

Finally 47 **pilots** were presented for the Competition on the start line. For scoring it was about more than 166 flights what was not too much and we were able to complete one programme a day. We were expecting one pilot more from Georgia, he finally came but too late.

I have to appreciate discipline of contest pilots. They flew safely. One of them also very precisely assessed his possibilities and skill and finished his flight in the middle of his unknown programme. He did so in effort to prevent unsafe performance of the next figures after a wrong exit of the previous figure.

Radio connection during the contest was without any failure. Two circuits were used,



air band on safety frequency for pilots and ground circuit for all Officials and others.

Cooperation with Officials of the Championship was excellent.

Judging Analysis were distributed a little bit later and the last one was received during the Closing Ceremony at the airfield so was not distributed. The main problem was caused by sudden departure of our staff from scoring room because of health problems. The score sheets were sent electronically to Germany and received back. So that was the reason of some delay. The numbers in the RI like those from 6.41 up to 33.20 in Free Programme are interesting, mainly their range. At the end the overall after four programmes are more acceptable.

Anyway, to prepare the airplanes or be well trained for flying is a hard work but the right and objective judging is one of the hardest jobs in Championship. It involves a lot of patience, concentration and requests a great piece of self-control of the Judges. The anomalies in judging are still very visible and it is so easy to detect and publish them.

Overall Results: 1 Daniel Ryfa SWE, 2 Anton Berkutov RUS, 3 Simon Fick FRA

Overall Teams: 1 France, 2 Russia, 3 Czech Republic

In **conclusion** I have to pay tribute to the Officials, pilots and especially those who voluntary helped us for the outstanding cooperation.

Thank CIVA Delegates for trust.