

INTERIM REPORT ON 2018 FAI FREE FLIGHT WORLD CUP

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The 2018 Free Flight World Cup has not yet finished. There remain the Otzma Open and Hanukkah Open F1A F1B F1C F1Q competitions in Israel during December. This is a report on the current status and to avoid confusion the results are not issued at this time. The latest top positions in each class are listed in this report.

The current leader in F1A is Robert Lesko of Croatia followed by Anton Gorsky (Russia) with 14 fewer points and Per Findahl (Sweden) with 42 points less than the leader. All three flyers have at least four wins each. There is a mathematical possibility for Gorsky or Findahl to take the lead, but this would need victory in both events and a large enough entry to provide the extra bonus points.

The top two in F1A-Junior have the same number of points from four victories. By considering the fifth result of each flyer the leader is Filip Klobusicky (SVK) and Vitek Rossler (CZE) is in second place. In 2017 Rossler won and Klobusicky was third. The current 2018 third place is taken by Tomer Barkai who is from Israel and thus could feature in the results of the two contests in his home country.

The top two flyers in F1B have at least 4 victories in their results and Oleg Kulakovsky (Ukraine) is leading Dag Edvard Larsen (Norway) by the large bonus point margin of 101 points.. They are followed by Alexander Andriukov (USA) with three wins and a second place.

The current F1B Junior leader is Vladislav Dreiers (Latvia) with four wins, followed by Kacper Lukaszewick (Poland) with three wins and a second place and Vidak Veselinovic (Serbia).

F1C leader Nikolay Rekhin of Russia and Volodymyr Sychov of Slovenia both have at least four victories and the bonus points giving scores of 2064 and 2024 respectively. Ukrainian Artem Babenko has three wins and a second place but his total score is only a little lower at 1999.

F1P Junior leader is Polina Pliakova (Russia) with three wins, Hayden Ashworth (USA) and Zizhe Yin (China) with two wins each and a bonus point difference of two.

The current leader in F1Q is Robert Sifleet (USA) with four wins followed by Olexander Maximov (Ukraine) and Matti Lihtamo (Finland) both having three wins and a second place. These and a number of following flyers with at least two wins could press for a tight finish by winning in Israel.

The F1E competition schedule has been completed and so the final results are available. The F1E winner is Alexander Winker of Germany ahead of Jean-Luc Drapeau (France) both with four wins. Drapeau had been leading for most of the year, but Winker gained many bonus points by winning the well-attended World Cup events adjacent to the European Championships and then took the lead by winning one of the competitions in France. Third place was taken by Marian Popescu (Romania) with two wins, a second and sixth place.

The winner of F1E Junior was Clarisse Trachez (France) followed by Dan-Adrian Vasilescu (Romania) and Boby Florian Buliga (Romania).

ORGANISATION

The top three places in each event have been displayed on the FAI web site and updated frequently throughout the year at the address:

<https://www.fai.org/world-cups/f1-free-flight>

The detailed results have been uploaded to the coordinator's web site and there are links to this from the FAI web page for both the results of each class or the overall summary.

Three competitions were cancelled during the year, all for venue problems: South Bohemian Cup, Bohemia Saxony World Cup of Czech Republic, and Criterium Rhone-Alpes 15th Philippe Lepage.

STATISTICS

There have been 59 competitions in F1A F1B F1C F1P F1Q and 24 in F1E with a total of 4412 entries in these competitions. The complete statistics and results will be supplied after the 2018 World Cup has finished.

CURRENT TOP PLACES

The lists below show the top six flyers in each class. Full details are available online and will be published with the next CIAM Report after the conclusion of the 2018 World Cup.

F1A

1	Robert Lesko	CRO	2198
2	Anton Gorsky	RUS	2185
3	Per Findahl	SWE	2156
4	Dirk Halbmeier	GER	1988
5	Aviv Balassiano	ISR	1861
6	Valeriy Polyav	RUS	1780

F1A-Junior

1	Filip Klobusicky	SVK	2036
2	Vitek Rossler	CZE	2036
3	Tomer Barkai	ISR	1659
4	Matous Kulich	CZE	1639
5	Ziv Reshef	ISR	1503
6	Maj Habjanic	SLO	1430

F1B

1	Oleg Kulakovsky	UKR	2136
2	Dag Edvard Larsen	NOR	2035
3	Alexander Andriukov	USA	1978
4	Adam Krawiec	POL	1978
5	Albert Bulatov	RUS	1809
6	Maxim Solodov	RUS	1748

F1B-Junior

1	Vladislavs Dreiers	LAT	2020
2	Kacper Lukaszewicz	POL	1914
3	Vidak Veselinovic	SRB	1504
4	Qinghua Li	CHN	1408
5	Filip Rudzinski	POL	1303
6	Kyle Gerspacher	USA	1022

F1C

1	Nikolay Rekhin	RUS	2064
2	Volodymyr Sychov	SLO	2024
3	Artem Babenko	UKR	1999
4	Roy Summersby	AUS	1939
5	Yuan Gao	CHN	1924
6	Yury Shvedenkov	CAN	1837

F1P-Junior

1	Polina Pliakova	RUS	1020
2	Hayden Ashworth	USA	1002
3	Zizhe Yin	CHN	1000
4	Valery Zibirov	RUS	717
5	Vasiliy Ivanov	RUS	666
6	Dmitry Tsekhn	RUS	565

F1Q

1	Robert Sifleet	USA	2014
2	Olexandr Maximov	UKR	1919
3	Matti Lihtamo	FIN	1911
4	Pavlo Zolototrubov	UKR	1728
5	Yuriy Avdieiev	UKR	1694
6	Stanislaw Bolko	POL	1576

F1E final

1	Alexander Winker	GER	2181
2	Jean-Luc Drapeau	FRA	2114
3	Marian Popescu	ROU	1735
4	Alain Roux	FRA	1569
5	Peter Brocks	USA	1526
6	Franciszek Kanczok	POL	1524

F1E-Junior final

1	Clarisse Trachez	FRA	1934
2	Dan-Adrian Vasilescu	ROU	1828
3	Boby Florian Buliga	ROU	1715
4	Mihnea Prodanel	ROU	1530
5	Nathan Laura	FRA	1529
6	Theo Laura	FRA	1415