



CIVL 2014 PLENARY – ANNEX 28 COMMUNICATION OFFICER'S REPORT

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FAI / CIVL website

Our communication is done mainly on our website.

The front page of our website has been slightly modified for the better: more “News” visible, “buttons” dedicated to CIVL.

Some 62 News were published throughout the year and sent to the Delegates and Info mailing list.

Practical guidelines for competition organizers

This comprehensive document covers the entire process of organising a CIVL Category 1 event from preparing the bid to post-championship tasks. It has been completely re-written and includes chapters outlining the roles of key personnel (Competition Organiser, Meet Director, Safety Director) as well as aspects such as Logistics and Media & PR.

The Guidelines are available as a complete document in a single download, or in individual chapters. The aim of the modular version is to enable key organising staff to select the sections relevant to them. It will also enable easier updating, as the Guidelines are designed to evolve as rules and technology change.

The revised Guidelines have been written and compiled by Louise Joselyn, herself a past FAI Category 1 Championship organiser, together with Heather Mull and Nicky Moss, experienced Meet & Safety Directors for hang gliding and paragliding, and competition organisers. The work has been reviewed by Davis Straub and Flavio Tebaldi, both of whom have been extensively involved in the organisation of FAI Category 1 events.

Forum

Episodically, I have been active on paraglidingforum.com and the Oz Report as a CIVL VP, PG Committee Chair, Communication Officer or in my own name, explaining CIVL policy and functioning. It can be rewarding. It can be also very frustrating. I intend to keep doing this cautiously.

What else?

Plenty could be done but the energy and time have not been found. The 2013 Plenary allowed the Bureau to hire professional help, but it is felt that our money should be better spent elsewhere as lately our yearly expenses have exceeded our revenues.