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## Competitions in 2011

### World Cup

The 6<sup>th</sup> FAI World Cup in Canopy Piloting and the 2<sup>nd</sup> FAI European Canopy Piloting Championships was held in the Czech Republic at Skydive Pink, Klatovy. The competition was well organized and all 9 rounds were completed as well as 3 rounds of Freestyle. There were 109 competitors, the most entrants for a CP World Cup/Championships to date, and 25 NAC's were represented.

The Cametrix scoring system was tested during this event but it was eventually decided, by the Jury, to make use of the organizer's scoring system due to failures encountered by the Cametrix System. The IPC Controller's report elaborates on this matter.

Jacqui Bruwer (chair) conducted the Open Meeting for CP and several rule changes were discussed. The minutes of the competitors meeting are available on the FAI website for more information.

### Dubai Cup

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Dubai Cup is planned for the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2011 to the 10<sup>th</sup> of December and this competition will be used to discuss and refine rule changes with the competitors and judges. More feedback on this competition will follow in the 2012 Feedback Report.

## Rule changes

Rule changes during 2011 were discussed at the Competitors Meeting in Klatovy and the most important changes that are likely to happen and will be proposed for approval by the plenary following the open meeting, are the following:

- Distance – pilot to stay within the 1.5meter high course markers on the water from entry to exit gate. Allow water touch after entry gate without penalty. As in speed vertical extensions on any of the course markers would result in minimum score. This came as a result of the huge distances achieved by competitors and the ever increasing distance the course has to be in order to host a CP event. *This limits the amount of DZ that will be able to host a World Cup/Championships.*

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- Speed – Double sensors required at exit gate.
- Freestyle – this is to stay a test event with several rule changes that will be implemented (refer to Competitors Meeting Minutes).

These rule changes were not implemented or tested at the Dubai Cup as consensus was not reached with the Organizer and Competitors.

## Judges Course

A training course was held in Klatovy and several training judges passed the course.

## World and Continental Records

The following records were achieved during 2011:

|   | Event    | Classification |         | Record   | Date       | Claimant             | Country |
|---|----------|----------------|---------|----------|------------|----------------------|---------|
| 1 | Distance | World          | Female  | 168.32 m | 30/07/2011 | Jessica Edgeington   | USA     |
| 2 | Distance | World          | General | 222.45 m | 29/07/2011 | Nick Batch           | USA     |
| 3 | Distance | European       | General | 167.09 m | 29/07/2011 | Pablo Hernandez Moll | Spain   |
| 4 | Speed    | World          | Female  | 2.301 s  | 31/07/2001 | Jessica Edgeington   | USA     |
| 5 | Speed    | European       | General | 2.107 s  | 29/07/2011 | Pablo Hernandez Moll | Spain   |

Congratulations to all these competitors.

## Scoring System

The investigation into the Distance Scoring System was approved by the Plenary and this system will be tested at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Dubai Cup in December 2011. More information will be available at the Plenary in Buenos Aires. A speed measuring camera will also be tested in Dubai, results to follow.

## Committee

My appreciation goes to the current members of the CP Committee and their commitment, input and hard work: Exi Hoenle (vice), Barry McAuley, Marylou Laughlin, Jan Andersson, Henny Wiggers, Alberto Martin Paracuellos, Ian Bobo and Jason Moledzki.

Jason Moledzki will be stepping down and I would like to thank Jason for his contribution towards this committee and discipline and wish him all the best for the future.

**Jacqui Bruwer**

**Chairperson IPC Canopy Piloting Committee**

**Johannesburg, 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2011**