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F3C/F3N World Cup Report 2023

In 2023 only World Cups in the class F3C took place. No organizers were found who wanted to host a World Cup for F3N.

1. F3C

In total 3 competitions were on the FAI calendar. Thus, the minimum number of competitions to participate in the awarding ceremony, which is five, was not reached.

The first competitions was held in France, followed by Denmark and the Netherlands.

World Cup competitions have only taken place in Europe.

No protests in any competition are known.

All participants were in possession of a FAI licence.

At all World Cups competitions three P schedules (preliminary) and two F schedules (final) should be flown. This was possible only at two of the three World Cups, in France and in Denmark. Due to the bad weather conditions at the World Cup in the Netherlands only three preliminary rounds were flown.

Winner

The Winner of the F3C World Cup 2023 is Steve Roberts from UK.

List of competitions

F3C World Cup France	Le Harve (FRA)	13th to 14th May 2023
F3C World Cup Denmark	Ribe (DEN)	3rd to 4th June 2023
F3C World Cup Holland	Odoorn (NLD)	1st to 2nd July 2023

Number of competitors

France	21
Denmark	18
Netherlands	20

Participating nations

AUT	1 pilot	BEL	4 pilots	DEN	4 pilots	NOR	1 pilot
FRA	6 pilots	GBR	5 pilots	GER	2 pilots		
NED	3 pilots	SUI	3 pilots	ESP	2 pilots		

Conclusion

The F3C World Cup 2023 was again very successful. Because of the low number of competitions the class F3C will not take part at the World Cup awarding ceremony at the 2024 CIAM Plenary Meeting. The number of competing pilots was lower than the year before because of the lower number of competitions. This kind of competition is still well accepted by the pilots and this is why we will continue with F3C World Cups in 2024.

2. F3N

No F3N World Cups took place in 2023.

Conclusion

It is necessary to find organizers for F3N World Cups to keep this class interesting. Without any F3N competitions the number of pilots will decrease more and more.

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