

## **AGENDA ITEM 13.1**

### **CIVA PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS**

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#### **Proposal #1 – FAI International Judges List**

This year in Finland, we had the opportunity to mix Judges who have primarily judged Power competitions in the past with those who have focused on Glider aerobatics. This worked quite well and the cross-pollination of ideas and experiences on the judging line can only be considered a positive development.

At the Judging Sub-Committee meeting held in Finland, I made the proposal to eliminate the “P” and “G” ratings for the Judges on the FAI International Judges List. CIVA would just maintain an International Judges List with no ratings.

It should be noted that until about 1996, all Judges who were rated “P” were automatically qualified to judge “G” competitions. This was a note we carried on the FAI List for many years but which disappeared in the late 1990s. While it can be argued that there are differences in glider and power aerobatics, I do not believe those differences are significant enough to preclude Judges from transitioning from Power to Glider and vice versa. Good refresher training, briefings by Chief Judges, practical training on the line, and written currency courses will solve any issues and make Judges comfortable in working in both disciplines.

This idea is presented in John Gaillard’s report as well. It would work as follows:

1. “P” and “G” ratings to be deleted from the FAI International Judges List with immediate effect.
2. All Judges who had satisfactory rankings as determined by the Judging Sub-Committee (JSC) would be invited to serve as “CIVA Judges” at all FAI Aerobatic Championships.
3. Judges would then be selected by the JSC for each FAI Aerobatic Championships based on the ranking (performance data). Seven CIVA Judges are to be provided for every Championship.

4. Other Judges would be invited to apply to serve as “Invited Judges”. Organizers would not be obligated to provide these Judges’ accommodation and meals. The Judging Sub-Committee and CIVA to discuss how the problem of attracting new Judges is to be solved as requiring Invited Judges and Assistants to pay Entry Fees will likely result in few of them turning out. Fortunately, some organizers have paid these expenses in the past (WAC 2009, WAAC 2010).
5. CIVA Travel Allowances (TA’s) will be paid for both CIVA and Invited Judges.
6. The Judges RI Database could be combined (Power and Glider) into one database. Two are maintained today by Steve Green. How this is done to be discussed by the JSC to be sure it gets the information it needs for judge selection.
7. Deadlines for submission of Judge Applications for Championships are to be announced and observed. Anyone missing deadlines will not be placed on the Board of Judges.
8. Consideration to be given to integration of judging criteria into one document or at least a common Chapter between the Parts of Section 6. Glider “differences” could be indicated by a glider symbol in the margins:



9. Judging criteria for both Power and Glider would be under the jurisdiction of the CIVA Judging Sub-Committee. A glider representative on the JSC would be elected each year.

Some of these ideas are already implemented in our procedures but it is important to review them from time to time to be sure all Delegates understand how the program works.

### **Proposal #2 - Rules Proposals for CIVA**

Please refer to pages 9-10 of the CIVA President’s Report (Agenda item 4.1). I propose CIVA proposals are categorized as follows:

- **Normal Proposals (NPs):** These are proposals submitted each year by Delegates in accordance with our normal rules process and deadlines. They are to be considered by Sub-Committees and recommendations made to plenary.
- **Safety Proposals (SPs):** Proposals to be submitted which relate to safety problems and merit consideration by plenary at CIVA’s next meeting.



- **Expedited Proposals (EPs):** Proposals submitted as a result of experiences at Championships and which merit discussion by plenary at CIVA's next meeting. These would be minor changes which are either editorial in nature or of limited importance that full Sub-Committee consideration is not required. A simple "rule of thumb" would be that if discussion required a lot of time on the floor of the plenary, it should be an NP.

The President of CIVA would have the authority to determine how each proposal is categorized and then route it through CIVA's system accordingly.

### **Proposal #3 - CIVA Sanction Fees**

CIVA Sanction Fees are now charged as follows:

- **150 Euro** per pilot at World Championships.
- **115 Euro** per pilot at Continental Championships

I propose an increase in the **Sanction Fees for Continentals to 150 Euro.**

Under our previous CIVA Stipend programme, we did not pay stipends to Judges and Jury who attended Continental Championships, only World competitions. There were various reasons for this but the bottom line was that we would have been in deficit most of the time.

We now pay CIVA Travel Allowances (TA's) to Jury and Judges for all FAI Aerobatic Championships (Glider and Power, Continental and World). Therefore, the Sanction Fees should be the same since there are no differences in expenses. This is also true of the Medals we provide. They are the same for both types of Championships.

### **Proposal #4 – Accommodation at Power Championships**

Section 6, Part 1, paragraph 4.1.2.1 re-worded to permit organizers to offer the option to NACs to arrange their own accommodation. See "CIVA President's Report" for detailed discussion.

If the organizers wish to continue to include accommodation in the Entry Fees, they would be free to do so.