

2015 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RADIO CONTROLLED HELICOPTER F3CN JURY REPORT

Dates:

July 06 to July 12 2015

Location:

St. Anzian/Klopeinersee, Austria.

Information:

2 bulletins were distributed and published on the organizers web site. Information was also put on Facebook. Due to the reduced number of pilots in F3C the organizers decided to use only one flight line. This led to a very late bulletin 2.

Participation:**F3C:**

There were 51 competitors from 21 countries covering 4 continents. The defending champion came from Switzerland (Ennio Graber).

F3N:

There were 34 competitors from 12 countries covering 2 continents. The defending champion came from Germany (Eric Weber).

Accommodation and food:

A list of hotels was given in Bulletin 1, and each team booked their own accommodation directly with the hotels. Adequate breakfast and lunch for the jury and judges were supplied in the hotels.

Opening Ceremony:

The Opening Ceremony was held lakeside at Klopeinersee on the same day of the region's annual fireworks. This was a professional fireworks with two symmetrical launching platforms.

Flying site:

The flying sites for F3C and F3N consisted of grass fields only a few kilometres outside of St. Anzian/Klopeinersee and both flying sites were close together. During finals the two classes flew on the main field.

Weather:

The weather was splendid throughout the whole week though very hot (Up to 37° C). A thunderstorm immediately after the 4th preliminary round resulted in some cooler following days.

Competition:

Model processing was held at the main field and all pilots were able to complete an official practice flight. Both classes were live streamed on the Internet and the results were also directly put on the Internet. This allowed helicopter pilots from all over the world to follow the championship. The Jury expresses it's thanks to Janez Mesec (SLO) for his great job of computer scoring. Small video clips were produced each day with interviews from the round that day and put on the Internet. This was very professionally done by AEWOC (Aeronautics Worldwide).

The pilots again showed a higher level of performance this year. Both, new equipment and the nice weather, contributed to this and the flying skills have obviously improved for many pilots.

Protest:

One protest was submitted in F3N against the judge's decision in giving a Russian pilot 0 points for 2 manoeuvres in the first round. This decision was made during the round. Later after looking at the official live stream video the judges could not prove that all segments of the manoeuvres were done

incorrectly. The judges and jury looked at the F3N judge's guide: 5G.6 GRADING CRITERIA FOR MANOEUVRES AND SEGMENTS and decided to uphold the protest and awarded the points given.

The individual F3C World Champion title went to Hiroki ITO from Japan and Eric Weber from Germany in class F3N. The Junior World Champion title in F3C went to Thomas RETTENBACHER from Austria and in F3N to Huan-Chen KO from Chinese Taipei. The F3C World Champion team title went to Japan and the F3N World Champion team title went to Israel. For additional results see the attached files.

Conclusion:

It was nice to see how smoothly the organizer was able to run the 2 classes. There were no delays. This championship had an increasing number of juniors.

Unfortunately we had an incident concerning the flag of Chinese Taipei. The wrong flag was used. Due to misunderstandings and language problems the situation almost got out of hand. However, with apologies and correct finish of the championship, the prize giving was done according to instructions from the CIAM President Antonis Papadopoulos.

During the finals the organiser presented demonstration flights of large models, parachuting, ballooning and other full-size aeroplanes. Even the Mayor of St. Anzian together with more than 1000 spectators enjoyed the night flight demonstration on Friday. During the finals there were also about 10 sponsors showing their products.

The Championships were very successfully completed. This was one of the best helicopter championships we have attended.

The Jury thanks the Austrian Aero Club and especially competition director Harry Zupanc for a well-organized competition.

FAI Jury:

Dag Eckhoff (President)

Horace Hagen

Manfred Dittmayer