



## FÉDÉRATION AÉRONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE

### BALLOONING COMMISSION (CIA) COMMISSION D'AEROSTATION

#### POINTS FOR ACTION RESULTING FROM THE 2011 CIA PLENARY MEETING

Tokyo, Japan, 11 – 12 March 2011

(numbering in accordance with the Plenary Agenda)

#### 13. REPORT OF THE JURY BOARD

##### 3. Jury Handbook update

Proposal: To continue work on an appendix with recommendations based on reports from past events.

The status of two current jury members is that they are suspended. One for failure to follow procedures in the Jury Handbook and one for not showing up at the event.

They have been asked for an explanation and could be back on the Juror list or be removed permanently.

A summary of the Jury Reports will be published on the web.

AA WG raised the question about the role of the a GB Liaison person for future events. Problems in 2010 GB that liaison person was not listened to.

- The Jury Board will appoint at least one member with gas experience to contribute to the event where needed.
- Recommendation to AA WG to create an operations handbook for Gordon Bennett events.

#### 14. REPORT OF THE OFFICIALS SUBCOMMITTEE

There was a suggestion from the Officials SC Chair that they look into having all officials with Sporting Licenses.

##### 5. Observers handbook :

Last year version becomes final. It would be kept updated according to the changes of the Rules this year, if any.

List of qualified observers with photo and CV will be published on a website

Off SC has asked PMR to provide pages for Officials on the FAI Facebook.

Off SC asks Claude Weber to help us to create a forum for Officials.

##### 6. Event debriefing questionnaire :

We propose to set up a survey, like the Competitors SC have done. Proposition for an Event debriefing questionnaire to be sent to officials after each FAI events

##### 7. Other business

PMR would like to create a data base of pictures and asks the OSC to provide pictures and a descriptive of the observer and official jobs.

#### 15. REPORT OF THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

##### 1. PMR 2011 list of possible activities

- a) "Latest News on" & after
- b) BalloonPong Collaborations
- c) "CIA Web Page updating", Facebook/Youtube/Flickr updating

**16. REPORT OF THE EVENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE**

During the year review Appendix A: Proposed Sanction Fee Structure

**2. EDS Plans for 2011**

- Renovation of EDS WebPages inside CIA page, Alex is going to look at
- Develop a timeline/Guideline for Organizers

Performance Bonds

To accept the investigation of a new performance bond scheme in place of the deposit scheme for all FAI sanctioned Category 1 events.

**18. REPORT OF THE RECORDS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Sporting Code section 1**

Proposal to combine Classes BA and BR as BA. It seems that to keep these two classes is not practical. Don Cameron will propose to draft wording for motion.

**19. REPORT OF THE SAFETY AND EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE**

Safety Seminars Power Point presentation has been slightly updated this year. The update will be published on the website. The SC members will during the year work with this material and with a safety seminar for Gas Balloons.

**20. REPORT OF THE COMPETITORS SUBCOMMITTEE**

In 2011 CSC activities will include the following activities:

- Develop a standardized survey to get pilot's feedback for major events
- Develop a competitor email list so that the CSC can better communicate with competitors as needed
- Publish surveys and other relevant information online.

**21. REPORT OF THE RULES SUBCOMMITTEE**

**AA/AM Working Group**

**COH Competition Operation Handbook for AA**

Now definitely on our Agenda – to help keeping and spreading the gained experience running a Coupe Gordon Bennett. Take the AX COH as a model and collect the available knowledge in gas ballooning, especially in organizing the Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett. Invite other Working Groups / Subcommittees to help here.

**MOTION B:** The AA/AM WG makes the motion that an expert group reviews the specifications of new balloons (especially the 1000 cu metre Cameron Gas racing Balloon) and checks in what category they fall – before September 2011.

***Note: See the expert's report in this respect on page 8***

**AX Working Group**

**Business for 2011/2012**

- Review task data of GBM task
- look into penalties trying have point penalties only (avoid meters, angle, etc.) and to find better adapted penalty height (avoiding harshness) (GL volunteers to produce a concrete proposal until August 1st 2011.)

- Modified 3D scoring will be investigated by USA
- AX-WG will contact manufacturers and universities for expertise on possible propulsion by turning vents
- Discuss marker order: present default = in order
- Discuss possibilities for competitors being taken out of competition by damage caused by another competitor (same flight: reserve equipment or after flight getting points other than zero).
- Orange PZ will be investigated by USA

#### **BA/BX Working Group**

#### **8. BX MERS**

These rules are called Draft 2011. The WG decided to send this consensus to known competition pilots with a questionnaire to obtain reactions from the experienced and directly concerned persons before May 1, 2011. The WG will meet in June in Lithuania to finalize the revision of the entire BX MER and submit for approval during the 2012 CIA meeting

#### **Recommendations to the Bureau / CIA Plenary.**

- a) Include hot air airship competitions in the next WORLD AIR GAMES
- b) Review possibilities to create an Airship Sub-Committee responsible for airships matters in general as will be required for promoting and developing newly created events with links to other sub-committees.

#### **Scoring Working Group**

Recommendation is to further streamline the COH and clear it from 'old' contents that are no longer used.

#### **Statutes, Bylaws and Sporting Code Working Group**

#### **23. NEW TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Motion 1:** To continue buying loggers for the pool, to a total number of about 90 loggers in 2011, according to investments made by NACs and the approved CIA budget.

#### **24. Proposal for the Creation of a "Youth" Category Sporting Event**

The details will be worked out by the Statutes, Bylaws and Sporting Code Working Group of the Rules Subcommittee during the year for the 2012 Plenary to approve.

#### **25. FAI TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS**

##### **Europe Air Sports**

The two current representatives no longer represent the CIA and need to find interested replacement. For the time being Stephen Handl (GER) and Mathijs de Bruijn (NED) will monitor.

#### **34. CIA HALL OF FAME**

##### **1. Hall of Fame Proposal from Albuquerque**

- The contract now needs to be signed by FAI.
- Virtual museum will remain, at least for now, until replaced by a dedicated Museum website.

##### **2. Hall of Fame Website**

- Alex to review the HOF Website for broken links and current biographies.
- Hans will review list of HOF biographies which are missing and send a reminder to the concerned CIA delegates to provide the missing CVs and pictures.