

Report of the Contest Organisation Working Group

The COWG was set up to monitor the work of championship organisers and collect information where specific developments or improved working practices could usefully raise the standard at events in a practical and controlled manner. All of the five CIVA aerobatic championships this year were however extremely well managed, though there were a small number of minor points recorded as follows -

- **WIAC - Břeclav Airport, Czech Republic**
This event was run throughout by an experienced team who left little to chance and generally provided an excellent service to all competitors and officials.
- **WGAC & WAGAC – Deva, Romania**
Held at Deva in Romania this year and overall very well organised, there was some dissatisfaction regarding the standard of accommodation for the judges, assistants and the jury. For preference all competitors and officials should be accommodated in the same premises but evidently this could not be done, and that chosen for the officials was thought to be to a poor standard.
- **EAAC - Torun Airfield, Poland**
A well run event, though the official wind direction became a problem on occasion apparently because accurate wind data was not available for the airfield to make proper decision at the start of the day. A small number of other items either not established or not meeting the expected standard were reported to the CD, who was able to resolve them without delay.
- **WAC - Châteauroux-Déols Air Base, France**
This event was well run and no significant issues were reported to the jury. The Final Freestyle programme-5 that was to have been run during the air display on the last Saturday was brought forward to the day before, and run from 19:45 until just before sundown at 20:00, each of the 20 competitors being released into a hold area to the north-west so they could enter the performance zone and immediately commence their freestyle when called. This solution worked well, though one competitor was disqualified for crossing the deadline.

The Contest Organisation Working Group will remain in being until and unless it is seen to be redundant.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Buckenham', is written over a white background.

Nick Buckenham