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CANOPY PILOTING COMMITTEE

Annual Report – 2010

3rd FAI World Parachuting Championships in Canopy Piloting, 7/15 August 2010 - Aerograd, Kolomna, Russia

Only one bid came in to host the 3rd WPC in Canopy Piloting. The bid was from Russia for the competition to be held at the Aerograd drop zone in Kolomna.

Unfortunately the extreme weather in Russia last summer was a severe handicap both during the pre-competition training and the preparation but luckily did not impede the running of the actual competition that was fully completed in two days.

Two factors should to be taken into consideration in the future: the need for a site visit prior to the competition and the competence of the Course Technical Director. As Kolomna was known to some people and the Russian CP nationals had been held there, it was assumed that all was in order whereas in fact, this was not the case. The Chief Judge, Marylou Laughlin and her team did a lot of work to get the course up to the required standard helped by the willingness of the organiser.

Luckily this year no serious accidents occurred although a red card was issued to a competitor who was also given one last year. This has led the committee to seriously look at the question of competitors' skills.

The CP Committee wishes to thank the organization for all the good work and hospitality during the event.

A competitors meeting was held at the WPC resulting in some suggested rule changes that will be discussed at the Plenary.

Judges training courses

A Judges training course was organised in Kolomna.

New World Records

No new world records were set in 2010.

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Future events

One official bid and one intent to bid has been placed to date for the WC in 2011 (and on intent for the WPC in 2012) and the Committee urges all interested NAC's to step up and bid for future events.

Most of the Committee, except the Chair, were present in Kolomna and I wish to thank all the members and advisors in the Canopy Piloting Committee for their work.

IPC Canopy Piloting Committee 2010

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