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After a year of uncertainty, with almost every major skydiving competition ending up cancelled due to COVID-19, it's nice to see things pick back up in 2021, both at the National and International levels.

The Wingsuit Flying Committee has met several times throughout the year, and most of us were present at the Mondial in Siberia, so I'm pleased to say that we have been able to continue the communication and teamwork that we've established over the last two years.

The Wingsuit Flying events at the Mondial this year was able to complete all of its scheduled competition rounds, and as usual, we learned quite a bit before, during, and after the competition. The event faced many challenges, from an incomplete judge panel (we had two judges who had committed to attend, but were unable due to COVID-19), a new scoring system being used for the Acrobatic Flying competition that faced unforeseen issues, an overloaded judge panel – however, I would still say that while there was definitely room for improvement, the competition was a success.

After the competition, the other members of the committee and I held the post-competition competitors meeting, to discuss the current state of the discipline and to see what the competitors were interested in seeing changed, and here is the feedback that the committee will be discussing at this year's plenary meeting:

General

1. Separating the schedule for Acrobatic and Performance events.
2. Requiring the organizer to provide additional persons to assist the judge panel.
3. Revise the exit altitude to be GPS instead of AGL (this was always intended, but not how the rules read).
4. Discuss the role and requirements for the Meet Director position.
5. Discuss the current format of the Performance and Acrobatic events.

Acrobatic

6. Give the second performer of an acrobatic team a PLD, as a backup in case the DTM's PLD fails.
7. Discuss the division of points for acrobatic compulsory rounds.
8. Removing the Fruity Loops compulsory maneuver.

Performance

9. Adding task-specific medals for Time, Distance, Speed.
10. Allow the use of multiple wingsuits during a competition.
11. Revise the definitions for the Combined National Team.
12. Adjusting the penalty applied when deviating from the performance lane.

Housekeeping

13. Fix the performance window altitudes in Addendum C.

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The 4th FAI World Championships of Wingsuit Flying is scheduled to take place in October 2022, at Skydive Arizona in Eloy, Arizona, USA and we expect that they will host a highly successful competition. We have received a bid for the 4th FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying from the Czech Republic, who also hosted the 2nd FAI World Championships in 2018, and we will be discussing this bid. There are no major issues, so we hope that the plenary will approve this bid at this meeting.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the members of the committee for their continued efforts through this year and I look forward to continuing the progress we have made, Deputy Chair, Michael Cooper (CAN), Vera Asquith (CAN), Sandro Bohme (GER), Scott Callantine (USA), Bert Ham (NED), Sudeep Kodavati (IND), Mike Pennock (NED) and Marco Pistolesi (ITA).

Steve Hubbard
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