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CHIEF JUDGE'S STANDARD REPORT

Competition:	10th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships 4th FAI World Canopy Piloting Freestyle Championships
Event:	Zone Accuracy, Carved Speed, Drag Distance and Freestyle
Location:	Skydive Pretoria, South Africa
Date:	22nd – 29th September 2024
Panel of Judges:	EJ Speed: Nina Engel EJ Accuracy: Björn Korth EJ Distance: Craig Bennett EJ Freestyle: Andrew Du Toit Also in the panel: Anna-Karin Nordin, Nancy Grieger, Sabine Kuchner, Yves Letourneur
Scoring Equipment Used:	InTime Scoring system. Measuring device for Speed: Speed Timing Systems Version1
Details of the Judges Work: <i>(including judging statistics)</i>	<p>We had Freestyle Judge training sessions in September online prior to competition. All sessions covered the preparation of judges for Freestyle and allowed for practical judging of videos. It also created a strong team that worked well together.</p> <p>49 competitors started the competition in the Classic Events (Speed, Distance and Zone Accuracy); 45 completed the competition.</p> <p>35 competitors participated in CP Freestyle; 34 completed.</p> <p>Total judged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classic Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 418, including rejumps (10 due to weather conditions and 1 due to a technical issue) ○ + 239 training jumps • Freestyle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 107, including 4 rejumps • + 44 training jumps <p>8 yellow cards were issued to competitors for dangerous approaches and unsafe flying.</p> <p>We had very severe weather conditions which were unusual for that period of the year. A combination of warm and cold air during the day with a high altitude DZ made it very difficult for competitors.</p> <p>There were 3 injuries during the Classic Events and 1 during Freestyle. In all cases, competitors were sent to hospital for careful investigation. They didn't complete the competition. One competitor had a high fever and couldn't complete the competition.</p>

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	<p>Unfortunately we had also 1 fatal accident during the competition on the second day. We lost one competitor and dear friend There were no challenges during competition. The team of judges worked very well together. We ran 2 days of OPP, dedicating half a day to each event, according to the Competition Rules (7.1.5). There was very good team work and full understanding between the Meet Director, FAI Controller and me as Chief Judge. A course closing drill was conducted and approved by the FAI Controller. The Organiser provided additional 2 persons to assist, which was not in the line with CRs. Of these, one was a very experience FAI judge, which was big help to us judges. Both helpers performed outstandingly. Competition Rule A.9 was not fulfilled. Accommodation – all judges were placed in one large Lodge house with a separate room for each judge. Staff were extremely service-orientated and made us feel as home. It was really nice accommodation. Two cars were made available for judges’ transport during competition. The judging system used during both competitions worked well. Technical support for the judging system was very poor. The scoring system provider was unavailable for the competition, so advised to train the Organiser’s local support person in the months before the competition. The Organiser did not, so the system support person had very limited knowledge of the system. During the competition, the system providers remote availability was very limited due to the time difference. I personally had sufficient knowledge of the system, so we could run the competitions without delay, but it cost me a lot of time. We had great help from the FAI controller, who took supported the speed measurement system. Publishing results to FAI web site worked very well.</p>
<p>Recommendations for Organisers:</p>	<p>The Organiser should be better prepared before competition, e.g. Tents were built during the OPP days, which was disturbing. System support personnel should have experience and knowledge of the system.</p> <p>Otherwise, it was very well done by the whole staff team during the competition</p>
<p>Rule Changes – Proposals:</p>	<p>I would like to address the following rules with the CP Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CP & CP FS CR 3.3.2: National Team – should address alternate team members.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CP & CP FS 3.4.5 needs better wording (running of CP Classic and CP Freestyle). • Is CP CR 4.2 needed (alternative Competition-Format Events)? • CP & CP FS 5.4.3: Is only 1 jump during OPP sufficient? • Safety: Introduce the role Safety Officer, a person with very good knowledge of local weather conditions
Personal Remarks:	<p>Many competitors approached competition management after the competition with thanks for the good work. It meant a lot! I would like to say a thank you to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Plenary for giving me confidence and approving me as Chief Judge. • The CP committee and judges Committee for appointing me as Chief Judge. • The Meet Director and FAI Controller for their support. • The Event Judges and judging panel for doing an outstanding job. • The Organiser for professional co-operation and the official helpers for their effort. • All competitors for a fair competition and mutual respect.
<p>In accordance with the Sporting code Section 5, 6.7.1(5) this form is to be completed and sent to the Chair of the Judge’s Committee and the ISC Recording Secretary within 30 days of the competition’s completion.</p>	

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Date:	20 th October 2024