



ÉDÉRATION AÉRONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE
BALLOONING COMMISSION CIA
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CIA Safety & Education Subcommittee
Report 2015

Present: Bengt Stener (SWE)
Felicity Clegg (RSA)

Observers: Jerzy Czerniawski (POL)
Tom Miklousic (CRO)

Apologies from: Stefan Handl (GER)
Petr Kubicek (CZE)
Rudy Paenen (BEL)
Andy Chau (HKG)
Sandra Rolfe (CAN) - Observer

1. Meetings

The subcommittee have had two Skype meetings prior to this meeting in Lausanne.
The first meeting was 2015-02-01 with participation of Bengt Stener, Rudy Paenen, Stefan Handl, Petr Kubicek, Sandra Rolfe and Andy Chau.
The second meeting was 2015-02-22 with participation of Bengt Stener, Felicity Clegg and Andy Chau.
The third meeting was 2015-03-08 with participation of Bengt Stener, Rudy Paenen.

2. Reports from safety officers during 2014

Date	Event	Safety Officer	Report Received
18 - 27 July, 2014	21st FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Rio Claro, Brazil	Felicity Clegg (RSA)	yes
28 Aug - 6 Sep. , 2014	58th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett, Vichy - France	Rainer Hassold (GER)	Yes
31 Aug. - 6 Sep. , 2014	2nd FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Vichy - France	Rainer Hassold (GER)	Yes

08 - 13 September, 2014	1st FAI Women's World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Leszno - Poland	Jerzy Czerniawski (POL)	Yes
19 - 24 November, 2014	2014 Tochigi Hot Air Balloon International Championship 2014 Hot Air Balloon Honda Grand Prix Final round	Hans Åkerstedt (SWE)	yes

The quality of all reports have improved with the new report form that the Safety Officer sends to the Safety SC.

Some comments of that have to improve:

- The Safety Officer shall together with the Event director and the Organisers make sure that there are an emergency and contingency plan in action for the event.
- Antidoping and alcohol policy must be distributed to the competitors. An updated example version of this can be found in Appendix 6 in the ***Safety Officer Handbook***.
- It is recommended that the Safety Officer together with the Event Director publish "Safety Guidelines" for the Event. Example of this can be found in Appendix 3 - 5 in the ***Safety Officer Handbook***.

3. ***Safety officers for events in 2015***

The subcommittee recommended the following safety officer for this year's events:

Date	Event	Safety Officer
11 - 17 August 2015	19th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Debrecen, Hungary	György Punka (HUN)
27 August - 6 September 2015	59th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett 2015, Pau, France	Sabrina Handl (GER)
15 - 19 September 2015	3rd FAI Women's European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Drenthe, Netherlands	Klaus Hartmann, (GER)
28 October - 4 November 2015	2015 Saga International Balloon Fiesta, FAI Pre World Hot Air Balloon Event	Bengt Stener (SWE)

4. ***Updating of the Safety handbook***

The Handbook has been updated with:

- Chapter 4.1.5 - Create an emergency and contingency plan.
An emergency and contingency plan shall be made and distributed.
- Chapter 4.2.1

Added monitoring the weather during launch.

- Chapter 4.2.1

Added monitoring the weather during flight.

- Chapter 4.3 - Event Responsibilities

The Safety Officer shall inspect balloons for sharp objects at the earliest possible time.

- Chapter 4.3.1 - Monitor the Weather

The Safety Officer shall monitor weather developments during flights and be at individual launch sites.

- Appendix 3 - Balloon and Flight operation
- Appendix 6 - Antidoping and alcohol policy

MOTION: That the updated Safety Officer's Handbook be accepted by the plenary.

5. *Education material*

There have not been any updates on any Education materials during this year.

6. *Nomination of sub-committee members and Chairman for the coming year*

Bengt Stener (SWE) (Chairman)

Stefan Handl (GER)

Rudy Paenen (BEL)

Felicity Clegg (RSA)

Petr Kubicek (CZE)

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