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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

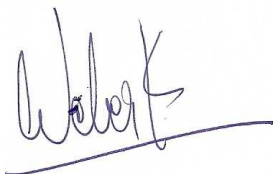
By Jean Claude Weber, CIA President

It is my sad duty to report that 2010 will remain in our history books as a year when disaster struck again. On September 29 at 0558 UTC **Richard Abruzzo and Carol Rymer-Davis** were lost from Italian ATC over international waters of the Adriatic Sea during the 54th Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett out of Bristol/UK. According to the Italian Agenzia Nazionale Per La Sicurezza del Volo (ANSV), the last radio contact between the Brindisi, Italy, air traffic control center and the balloon occurred at 0558. The target identified as the missing balloon was descending at a high rate when it was lost. A range of meteorological conditions prevailed over the 4 days of the flight that originated at Bristol, England, September 25, 2010, at 2329 UTC. Although the Italian Coast Guard coordinated a six-day search using their ships, U.S. Navy aircraft, and a remotely-piloted underwater vehicle, no evidence of the balloon or its crew was discovered. As the Jury President of the event, I have lived through these dreadful days hoping for a happy outcome, but as of October 4 neither the balloon nor the pilots were located, and the balloon was presumed destroyed and Richard and Carol were presumed killed. They were both highly experienced and emblematic gas balloon pilots and they will be dearly missed.

Both the Gordon Bennett 2010 in Bristol and the AX World Championship in Debrecen produced remarkable results, and I would like to congratulate the organisers and officials for having managed to successfully organise and stage these high profile events in very difficult and volatile financial conditions with rather drastic cuts in sponsoring and in subsidies. It would have been surprising if the World's economic crisis had not affected our activities, and we were lucky, thanks to the goodwill and inventiveness of all concerned, to have dodged the threat of cancellation more than once. I believe that it is about time to reconsider the risks we take when sanctioning our events, and that we need to adapt our sanctioning and organisation procedures to make sure that the goods promised are really delivered. In today's environment organisers face difficult challenges when taking on the organisation of a CAT1 event, and we should make sure that these challenges are clearly identified and understood by all involved. We can no longer take the risk of running into "insurmountable" difficulties requiring drastically modified conditions affecting the quality of the event or the participation of our competitors. We must make sure that organisers understand their responsibilities and we need to make available all the necessary tools required to organise and run a successful CAT1 event. We have the necessary expertise and experience, and I believe we all agree that it is a tremendous loss of time and energy to always have to reinvent the wheel. But we do not seem to learn the lessons, we clearly identify the problems and shortcomings, but we are unable to come up with viable and acceptable solutions. I think it is about time to seriously discuss these issues and to make everybody understand that we can no longer run away from our responsibilities as rule-making body to come up with sound policies and give clear directions if we want to have successful events in the future. The Agenda for our meeting in Tokyo in March 2011 will contain a few items dealing with these problems, as I believe that the CIA Plenary is the right forum for this discussion, and I hope that our delegates will show the necessary interest and contribute objectively, without bias and without defending special interests. I hope that many of you will travel to Tokyo and I am looking forward to having fruitful discussions, leading us to make the right decisions that will make possible successful events in the future.

Wishing you a good 2010 finish and a happy 2011,

With buoyant regards,
JC Weber



CIA President's Report on FAI activities

President's Report of the 2010 FAI General Conference

The FAI General Conference took place this year in Dublin (Ireland) from October 6-9, the week after the Gordon Bennett in Bristol (England), preventing me to participate at our AX World Championship that took place the same week in Debrecen (Hungary). The General Conference, well attended and well organised by the Irish NAC under its President Tom Mc Cormack's expert leadership, was rather pleasant and laid-back. In my capacity as CIA representative I had the privilege to also attend the Air Sport Commission Presidents' meeting, as well as the CASI meetings. Below I will give a short report about the most important issues dealt with in these meetings. Full reports will be made available for downloading on the relevant FAI webpages.

ASC Presidents' Meeting

The Secretary General presented an strategy and short-term project paper reflecting his and the Executive Board's views as to the future development of the FAI. The paper points out the known shortcomings of the FAI and proposes a multitude of solutions but without giving clear remedies (the PP presentation is available on request from the President at jwe@pt.lu). It is however to be noted that the FAI Secretariat has been reorganised and that two newcomers have been added to the FAI staff in Lausanne. The addition of a Communication Manager promises better communication in the future. Another issue that led to significant apprehension among the ASC Presidents was the supposed Executive Board's intention to raise a levy/tax on the sanction fees collected by the ASCs to contribute to the FAI Secretariat cost. Generally, the ASC Presidents strongly opposed this idea and the FAI President very cleverly changed tactics by introducing new accounting and budget procedures for ASCs which will allow the EB to effectively control ASC budgets and expenses. The ASC Presidents agreed to the new accounting procedures and welcomed the creation of a Working Group to study possible future "resource sharing".

ASC presidents were informed that the WAG 2011 were definitely no longer an issue and that the bidding process for the WAG 2013 would shortly begin. Bidding conditions were changed to encourage potential bidders to participate without running the risk to lose money if not selected.

The SG informed the ASC Presidents that the FAI Sporting Licence Database was not yet in full operation (due to a lack of input by NACs), but that it is planned to start its operation on the 1st of January 2011. ASCs and event organisers can then consult the Database to check the FAI Licences. However, the system will not yet be mandatory and paper licences will still be valid.

CASI Meeting

CASI decided to adopt changes to the Sporting Code General Section Chapter 6 dispositions to clarify Continental Records (these changes do not affect ballooning as we do not have Continental Records), and to allow video evidence to certify FAI flight performances (GS 4.2).

After having heard a lengthy report by the CIA President on the FAI Appeal concerning the "no-show" at the World Air Games in Turin in 2009, the CASI decided to set up a Working Group to write clear procedures for future FAI Appeals Tribunals (Henk Mertens, CASI President and JC Weber, CIA President).

Henk Meertens (Australia) was re-elected as CASI President, and Gillian Winter (France) as Secretary.

General Conference

The 104th FAI General Conference was clearly marked by the election of CIA delegate and FAI Vice-President John Grubbstrom to the presidency of the FAI. John, nominated by his Swedish home NAC, was elected by a huge majority against the FAI Gliding Commission President Bob Henderson. John, who btw is planning to participate at the CIA Plenary in Tokyo in March 2011, is only the second balloonist to become FAI President. Again, our congratulations and best wishes for a successful presidency.

FAI President Pierre Portmann reported on the FAI's work during the last year and his actions during the last six years. The Secretary General reported on the FAI Strategy and Short Term Project, on the EB's Vision, on the Strategy Task Force Report, and presented the new accounting and budgeting procedures. The EB Finance Director presented the FAI Financial Statements and informed the GC that FAI finances risk to show a deficit in the future if there is no corrective action (meaning "resource-sharing" with ASCs). The new accounting and budgeting procedures were adopted by the GC.

The GC decided to change the FAI Statutes and to give the EB the right in the future to change the FAI By-Laws. However, constitutional matter in the By-Laws will be integrated in the Statutes in accordance with a precise structure, to reflect the GC's wish to allow the EB to control only non-constitutional matter in the By-Laws.

The 5 CASI members elected in 2008 stood down and the new elected members are Canada, France, Serbia, Sweden and USA. Members to stand down in 2011 are Australia, Czech Republic, Germany, Spain and Switzerland.

The new Executive Board has the following members:

John Grubbstrom, President	Sweden
Bob Clipsham, Executive Director Finance	Canada
Bob Henderson	New-Zealand
Otto Lagarhus	Norway
Jonghoon Lee	Rep. of Korea
Beat Neuenschwander	Switzerland
Alvaro de Orleans-Borbon	Spain
Stéphane Desprez, (not voting)	FAI Secretary General

The 2011 General Conference will be in Belgrade (Serbia).

FAI / CIA Awards at the 2010 Plenary

Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Gas Balloon	Cheri White	United States
Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Hot Air Balloon	Sven Goehler	Germany
Montgolfier Diploma – Contribution to the Sport	David Levin	United States
Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Rozière Balloon	No nominations	
Santos Dumont Gold Airship Medal	No valid nominations	
CIA Hall of Fame Inductees	Sid Cutter Michio Kanda	United States Japan

POINTS FOR ACTION
RESULTING FROM THE 2010 CIA PLENARY MEETING
Lausanne, Switzerland, 12 – 13 March
(numbering in accordance with the Plenary Agenda)

12. REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

Delegates should return the CIA ANNUAL STATISTICS questionnaire to the Secretary so that current information is available on ballooning around the world. Verbal reports were given by attending delegates and written ones should be provided for the 2011 Plenary.

It is again noted that many CIA delegates have not followed up the CIA's request to provide the Hall of Fame Selection Committee with inducted or nominated national persons' CV and pictures. This request shall be formally repeated and it is hoped that a few more will reply during this year. Concerned delegates will be personally contacted and required to provide the missing CVs and pictures.

13. REPORT OF THE JURY BOARD

New Jury Handbook with appendix will be published by the end of March 2010.

Jurors will be reminded about their duties and tasks before and after the event. Jurors will also be reminded to check rules, scoring programs and entries.

Jury Responsibilities re: Entries

- Juries are responsible for monitoring the invitation process.
- Must make sure deadlines are respected
- Jury appointments are known and published shortly after the Plenary approval.

14. REPORT OF THE OFFICIALS SUBCOMMITTEE

• **Debriefers:**

- The mailing list set up few years ago will be re-activated in order to propose to the officials and observers to participate to some international events.

• **Chief Observers:**

- The list of the nationals Chiefs Observer of their country has been updated and will be given to secretary to replace the old one.

• **Observers**

- The Observers Handbook has been prepared and will be available on the FAI/CIA website for comments before the final version which will be presented at the CIA Conference 2011.
(Attached)

• **Website :**

- Setting up a simple website for officials with documents for downloading, and a blog for authorized people with a link on FAI website
- Instead of the having a passport for observers with their experience, country etc, proposal to have the list on this website with login for observer so they can update their experience, email address etc.

15. REPORT OF THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Increased PR and Media presence and assistance at FAI/CIA events

- Using the Internet and particularly the FAI website as a communications tool.
- Information from events should be put onto the FAI website and Claude Weber and Alex Nagorski are prepared to assist with facilitating this.
- Development of a CIA communications policy for website communication. Claude Weber will draft this policy document.

17. EDS PROPOSAL FOR NEW SANCTION FEES AND PERFORMANCE BONDS FOR CAT 1

To bring to the 2011 Plenary the proposed fee structure (Appendices A, B, C and D) tabled in 2010.

18. REPORT OF THE RECORDS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Records Subcommittee will prepare the proposed wording changes to the Sporting Code and submit them to the Statutes, Bylaws and Sporting Code Working Group.

20. REPORT OF THE COMPETITORS SUBCOMMITTEE

Make Survey link available to other committees and working groups via email / website

21. REPORT OF THE RULES SUBCOMMITTEE

AA/AM Working Group

CIA requests the organizers of the Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett 2010 to move the event to the 17th – 26th of September 2010.

AX Working Group

Consolidation of the AX MER's and AX MERG's for Loggers into one combined MER's.

BA/BX Working Group

Start study concerning the feasibility of new types of airship competitions such as a Grand Prix and long distance races .

Scoring Working Group

Develop solid guidelines for judging reckless flying in competitions.

23. NEW TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE

CIA-approval of loggers

A first draft of a document was presented and discussed during the meeting. The very valuable work of the IGC (glider commission) was used as a basis for this document.

The general feeling was that the document should be split in 2 parts. The first part will define all the procedures and general frame necessary to implement a list of CIA-approved loggers as decided by the 2009 plenary. The second part will cover the technical specifications to be met by the submitted loggers to get a CIA-approval.

Although the first part was felt to be a good draft ready to be put in place and the second would need further study, it was decided to ask all other SCs and WGs to give feedback on both parts by the end of 2010, so the NTSC can come up with a final version to be voted in the plenary 2011. First approvals could then be made starting 2011.

Public and Media Relations Subcommittee News

The PMR S/C has been renewed during the last Plenary meeting in March 2010 in Lausanne. The team is now composed by: Donatella Ricci as chairman, Alex Nagorski as reference point, Felicity Clegg, Martine Besnainou and Claude Weber as member.

As published in the CIA website, the main mission goals for this Subcommittee is:” ***To promote the work of the FAI/CIA and develop the sport of aerostation amongst balloonists and the general public.*** “

In order to reach this goal, the main duty is the distribution of aerostation information to balloonists and the general public. In addition, it's really important to develop media contacts in the press, TV, radio and the Internet. But for promoting balloon events, our primary need is to establish and maintain relationships with event organisers, pilots and the media to promote sport aerostation.

Taking into account these few but precise and fundamental points, the PMR subcommittee started his activities creating a new simple document, called “Latest news on.” distributed just before each the CIA 2010 sanctioned event. The idea of this new format is to provide some essential information to pilots and to media for all the sanctioned events all around the world, just before the events itself, increasing in this way the visibility of each event.

The document is distributed using the big mailing list in the FAI-CIA server, inserting a small story in the CIA webpages and giving the possibility to download the text also from the CIA website. During the preparation of each document, the team needs to get some support from the organizers but unfortunately this was not successful. A letter to all organizers was also prepared, explaining them our "job" and requirements. But also in this case there was no answer at all.

This situation is really a big problem, that is strongly preventing the real diffusion of our events and the knowledge of our activities. To increase the visibility of our sport and our events, the subcommittee needs absolutely to get help and support from each event organizer. The needs are really simple and not time consuming if we consider that collected the information is distributed all around the world. So, if you are an event organizer, please as soon as you receive our email, try to support us. It will be worth!

At this moment, the PMR realized the following issues that can be found and downloaded in the FAI-CIA webpage: (www.fai.org/ballooning)

1. Annual Meeting of the FAI Ballooning Commission (CIA), held in Lausanne, Switzerland on 12-13 March 2010.
2. 1st FAI Women's European Hot Air Balloon Championship, held in Alytus (LTU), on 15 Jun 2010
3. 9th FAI World Hot Air Airship Championship, held in Dole (FRA) on 13 Jul 2010
4. 2010 LUXGSM - World Balloon Trophy & Shell Gas (LPG) Cup Echternach, held in Luxembourg, on 21 – 25 July, 2010
5. 54th Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett, held on Bristol (GBR) on 24 Sep 2010
6. 19th FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, held in Debrecen Hungary, on 2 - 10 October, 2010
7. Tochigi Hot Air Balloon International Championship, held on Motegi (Japan) on 18 – 23 November 2010

It's important to highlight that a really positive and constructive cooperation had been established between PMR S/C and the new FAI Communication Manager, Faustine Carrera, in preparing the updated format of the "Latest news on" press releases, and in publishing news on the FAI-CIA webpage and on Facebook.

For the future, the PMR subcommittee wants to keep preparing this document with 2011 events, introducing also the information into the new but great FAI Facebook page and trying to get connection with more media, press and TV all around the world.

As a last note for the 2010, I would like to leave a thought to the USA2 Gordon Bennett team, Richard Abruzzo and Carol Rymer Davis. As hot air balloon pilot but also as Italian delegate, I was strongly involved and impressed by their story, as I suppose it was for thousand and thousand of persons. I believe that the words said by Don Cameron at the Awards Evening 2nd October 2010 were simply perfect. I'm sure no one will be disappointed if I will repeat them in this note.

"Before we begin our meal, I am sorry to have to say that this wonderful Gordon Bennett race, which seemed to be becoming one of the best ever, has been visited by tragedy. Carol Rymer-Davis and Richard Abruzzo have now been missing for four days and, although hope has not been abandoned, the evidence we have is very pessimistic.

Carol and Richard were well known to most of us. They were giants of the balloon-sport community. We can all remember their Gordon Bennett and Americas Challenge victories, their many record flights and the honour they brought to their home town of Albuquerque.

Tonight we should have been celebrating. Instead our evening has a more somber tone, but it would have been wrong to cancel. We must recognize the wonderful performances that all our pilots have made this week. They thoroughly deserve their medals and prizes.

But I would like to ask you, before our meal, to stand for a minute's silence. The silence will be broken by Pipe Major Smart who will play our traditional tune of remembrance – "The Flowers of the Forest" and I would ask you to remain standing for that too.

Let us take a moment for our thoughts of Carol and Richard."

Donatella Ricci

Public and Media Relations Chair

The CIA logger community is growing



In March 2009 the CIA plenary decided to buy 40 loggers and take one more step in the CIA-logger project. A few months before the 2011 plenary it is important to us to inform you about the many steps and great achievements in this amazing CIA project.

After the starting number of 40 loggers was available at the end of 2009, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Denmark and Spain joined the pool and contributed a few loggers each. The pool has grown to 59 devices by the end of this year. We are very happy to see that so many countries have recognized the importance of the project, and supported the CIA decision of 2009.

Many events have been run with the loggers so far, and the plan to have the European championship in 2011 in Lleida, Spain and the World Championship in 2012 in Battle Creek, USA use these loggers is on track.

Here are some interesting facts about the logger use:

- 13 events have used the new loggers.
- After a short training, all pilots got quickly used to the new functionality.
- The handling was easy, for pilots and officials.
- The feedback was very good.
- The task setting was appreciated.
- No pilot GPS needed to be downloaded during the whole events.

A dedicated website has also been created to inform and support interested countries, pilots, officials with many useful information, guiding documents and even special software for logger management and data analysis as well as firmware updates. Furthermore, for countries interested in joining the pool, there are all financial and practical details, including examples of investment calculations.

<http://www.balloonloggers.org/>

Renting details for event organizers and a calendar of CIA logger event is also available. A request for reservation may be made directly by email. Please don't hesitate to contact us by email for any other question, including their use, as official or as well as competitor.

As more loggers are needed to run the Europeans in 2011 and the Worlds in 2012, we invite you to join us with this new logger generation and invest in more devices. Show your pilots and NACs this new and better way of competing with loggers. Investing now is important to guarantee that the logger pool gets big enough, but also to ensure you the best and cheapest way of having them in your event. Become a prioritized pool member. Contact us for any details.

Claude Weber, Chairman of the NTSC

Newsletter Contributions Welcome

Contributions are welcome and should be sent to the CIA Secretary at the address below

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CIA JURORS' LIST 2010

The 2010 list of approved Jurors below is to be used when making nominations for Juries for 2011 Sanctioned Events

SENIOR LEVEL JURORS	BX	INTERMEDIATE LEVEL JURORS	BX	ENTRY LEVEL JURORS	BX	ENTRY LEVEL JURORS	BX
Don CAMERON (GBR)	X	Martine BESNAINOU (FRA)		Adam BARROW (AUS)		David LEVIN (USA)	
Gary BRITTON (USA)		Alan BLOUNT (USA)		Pat BRAKE (USA)		Ivan MENYAYLO (RUS)	
Jakob BURKHARD (SUI)	X	Bruce COMSTOCK (USA)		Sid CUTTER (USA)		Tom-Dragan MIKLOUSIC (CRO)	
Risto JALAVA (FIN)	X	Tom DONNELLY (GBR)	X	John DAVIS (USA)		Derry MOORE (GBR)	
Garry LOCKYER (CAN)	X	Thomas FINK (GER)		Marnix DOBBELAERE (BEL)		Lindsay MUIR (GBR)	
Alex NAGORSKI (CAN)	X	Johann FÜRSTNER (AUT)		Luc van GEYTE (BEL)		Koh MURAI (USA)	
Les PURFIELD (GBR)	X	Daniel GALBRAITH (AUS)		Mike GILLIGAN (USA)		Ferenc NÁDHÁZI (HUN)	X
Tom SHEPPARD (USA)	X	John GRUBBSTRÖM (SWE)		David GLEED (CAN)		Anita NOGUERA (ESP)	
Arno SIEGER (GER)	X	Dominik HAGGENEY (GER)	X	Alexander GRUBER (AUT)		Mako OIWA (JPN)	
Jacques SOUKUP (GBR)	X	Salvator HAIM (BRA)		Stefan HANDL (GER)		Dávid PAÁL (HUN)	
Debbie SPAETH (USA)	X	Gerrit HEIRMAN (BEL)	X	Torben HANSEN (DEN)		Gren PUTLAND (AUS)	
Mark SULLIVAN (USA)		Cees van HELDEN (NED)		Hanne HOHMANN (GER)		David RAPP (USA)	X
Jean Claude WEBER (LUX)	X	Sandor HIDAS (HUN)	X	Gary KING (USA)		Stella ROUX DEVILLAS (FRA)	
Hans ÅKERSTEDT (SWE)	X	Nancy van HUFFEL (BEL)		Patrick KEARLEY (GBR)		Darryl STUART (AUS)	
		Sabu ICHIYOSHI (JPN)		Cathy KNUCHEL (CAN)		Moniek VANDE VELDE (BEL)	
		Vladimir KARNAUKOV (UKR)		Tomasz KUHCINSKI (POL)		Mike WALLACE (USA)	
		Helmut KOCAR (AUT)	X			Claude WEBER (LUX)	
		Dave MORGAN (GBR)	X				
		Koji OTA (JPN)					
		Rudy PAENEN (BEL)	X				
		Zoltán PÁLHEGYI (HUN)	X				
		Brita PETERSEN (GER)	X				
		Alain POULET (FRA)					
		Danny SHERRILL (USA)					
		Bengt STENER (SWE)					
		Mary Anne STEVENS (CAN)	X				
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The above are qualified to serve as Jury President or Member at any type of event		The above are qualified to serve as Jury President at any type of event except World Championships, and as Jury Member at any type of event		The above are qualified to serve as Jury Member at any type of event except World Championships			
Total Jurors				CIA JURY BOARD 2010-03-13 Hans Åkerstedt			
Total Jurors BX							



HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Nationality: _____

Date of Birth: (Year/Month/Day): _____

Year of Death (Year/Month/Day): _____

Short Biography (10 lines):

Achievements, honours and awards:

Photographs:

Please send this completed form to the CIA Secretary

World Ranking List in Hot Air Ballooning

of the Commission International Aerostatique (CIA) within the Federation Aeronautique International (FAI)

Now includes 741 Pilots from 41 Nations

calculated for Oct 2010

The World Ranking List was first established in 2000. Its purpose is to show a ranking of the top hot air balloon pilots of the world. The list is established by a calculation formula that includes the results of the World Championships, the World Air Games and to minor effect the competitor's national ranking position. The list is updated whenever new results of the World Championships or the World Air Games are available.

This World Ranking List is not to be used for invitational purposes! The intention is to provide a performance comparison among pilots of the world. The calculation formula of this Ranking List is to be proven over a series of years and might be adapted.

The complete list can be found on the CIA Web site at www.fai.org/ballooning on the Competitors Subcommittee page
A service by the Competitors Subcommittee of the CIA / FAI. Detailed explanation is available on request.

Rank	Name	NAC	points	former medal holders (in calculation period)	
1.	John PETREHN	USA	1,000.00	GOLD '10	GOLD '06
2.	Uwe SCHNEIDER	GER	946.74		BRONZE '06
3.	Francois MESSINES	FRA	940.45		GOLD '08
4.	Nick DONNER	USA	921.67	SILVER '10	
5.	Takao MIZUKAMI	JPN	911.43		
6.	David BAREFORD	GBR	889.83		GOLD '02
7.	Joe HEARTSILL	USA	874.94		SILVER '06
8.	Rimas KOSTIUSKEVICIUS	LTU	868.98		
9.	Alexey MEDVEDSKY	RUS	861.98		SILVER '08
10.	Stefan ZEBERLI	SUI	861.80	BRONZE '10	
11.	Markus PIEPER	GER	832.16		GOLD '04
12.	Michael SUCHY	CZE	830.24		
13.	Masahiko FUJITA	JPN	827.79		
14.	Mike HOWARD	GBR	827.77		
15.	Paul PETREHN	USA	825.50		
16.	Witold FILUS	POL	820.32		
17.	Adolf KOHL	GER	818.29		
18.	Paul GIBBS	AUS	807.43		BRONZE '04
19.	Peter OLSSON	SWE	807.05		
20.	Yudai FUJITA	JPN	797.81		
21.	Jan TIMMERS	BEL	797.52		
22.	Lindsay MUIR	GBR	794.92		
23.	Henk BROEDERS	NED	786.95		
24.	Sergey LATYPOV	RUS	782.46		
25.	Stephane BOLZE	FRA	774.42		BRONZE '08
26.	Janne BALKEDAL	SWE	769.87		BRONZE '02
27.	Luis SILVESTRE	BRA	759.33		
28.	Pavel MERINSKY	CZE	759.22		
29.	Lupercio LIMA	BRA	752.55		
30.	Colin WEBER	LUX	751.06		
31.	Bogdan PRAWICKI	POL	749.32		
32.	Sven GÖHLER	GER	744.12		
33.	Nicolas SCHWARZ	FRA	732.74		
34.	Avi Slavko SORN	SLO	729.62		
35.	Helmut PÖTTLER	AUT	728.09		
36.	Patrick LEGENDRE	FRA	719.59		

37.	Steven	JONES	USA	719.32
38.	Mamoru	ENDO	JPN	714.30
39.	Steven	VLEGELS	BEL	707.04
40.	Pavel	KOSTRHUN	CZE	706.79
41.	Vytautas	SVIDERSKIS	LTU	700.00
42.	Joe	ZVADA	USA	696.22
43.	Gerald	STÜRZLINGER	AUT	692.34
44.	Rubens	KALOUSDIAN	BRA	690.76
45.	Philippe	DE COCK	BEL	689.58
46.	Radko	PETROVIC	SLO	685.32
47.	Yoshihiro	MASUMOTO	JPN	682.25
48.	Edwin	MICHELL	AUS	677.79
49.	Andreas	SIMONER	AUT	676.01
50.	Sean	KAVANAGH	AUS	672.24
51.	Crispin	WILLIAMS	GBR	671.50
52.	Petr	KUBICEK	CZE	671.43
53.	Denis	VOLODIN	UKR	665.65
54.	Lars	EKSTEDT	SWE	660.14
55.	Juraj	BREZAN	SVK	640.73
56.	Sandor	TÖRÖK	HUN	636.65
57.	Christoffer	MUNDT	DEN	632.46
58.	Josep Maria	LLADO COSTA	ESP	631.69
59.	Andrew	HOLLY	GBR	631.05
60.	Michel	BOURBIER	FRA	629.03
61.	Ricardo	ARACIL ROMERO	ESP	613.90
62.	David	STRASMANN	GER	611.81
63.	Carles	LLADO COSTA	ESP	611.58
64.	Yoshikazu	UEDA	JPN	610.71
65.	Vladislav	KLYMENKO	UKR	608.65
66.	Daniel	KUSTERNIGG	AUT	601.69
67.	Michael	GENZ	GER	601.45
68.	Arkadiusz	IWANSKI	POL	597.91
69.	Josef	SCHERZER	AUT	590.96
70.	Valerijus	MACHNORYLOVAS	LTU	589.24
71.	Jordi	ARACIL ROMERO	ESP	584.75
72.	Bartosz	NOWAKOWSKI	POL	583.20
73.	David	HOCHREUTENER	SUI	581.04
74.	Vytautas	JUNEVICIUS	LTU	580.69
75.	Johannes	KOOISTRA	NED	571.81
76.	Zoltan	NEMETH	HUN	570.58
77.	Owen	KEOWN	USA	565.81
78.	Peter	DANKERL	GER	564.73
79.	Angel	AGUIRRE	ESP	563.56
80.	Branislav	KONCIR	SVK	563.09
81.	Matti	TAHTINEN	FIN	553.22
82.	Vito	ROME	SLO	550.38
83.	Giovanni	AIMO	ITA	549.31
84.	Isamu	SENJU	JPN	546.92
85.	Tomislav	KRISTOF	CRO	542.53
86.	Al	NELS	USA	542.29
87.	Hiroki	MIYATA	JPN	540.55
88.	Nico	BETZEN	LUX	538.49
89.	Andrey	DENISENKO	RUS	535.27
90.	Sergiy	BYELORUSOV	UKR	526.51
91.	Ivan	AYALA	ESP	524.96

92.	Martin	WULFF	GER	524.56
93.	Marcus	STRAUF	GER	524.33
94.	Sandor	VEGH	HUN	522.30
95.	Frank	NOACK	GER	518.60
96.	Gintautas	MOCKAITIS	LTU	516.57
97.	Zbigniew	JOGODZIK	POL	516.18
98.	Georges	KLOMP	LUX	515.20
99.	Olivier	ROUX DEVILLAS	FRA	503.77
100.	Minoru	NUMATA	JPN	500.65

REMINDERS

Nominations for Awards Give through the CIA

Full details of all FAI/CIA awards available to CIA Members are to be found in the CIA Internal Regulations and the FAI By-Laws. Nominations should be submitted to the FAI Office to arrive not later than 31st December 2010

THE SANTOS-DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL

THE FAI MONTGOLFIER DIPLOMAS (one each for Hot Air, Gas, Rozier, Service to the Sport)

THE FAI DIPLOMA FOR OUTSTANDING AIRMANSHIP

THE SABIHA GÖKCEN MEDAL

(New FAI Award reserved for the woman who performs the most outstanding achievement in any air sport in the previous year)

THE CIA INTERNATIONAL BALLOON AND AIRSHIP HALL OF FAME

Future Competitions

The CIA Event Development Subcommittee (EDS) would like to encourage Delegates to work with their NAC's and event organizers in their countries to consider hosting ballooning and airship championships. It may take several years to propose and organize a major competition so it is never too early to start to work with the EDS team.

Gabriela Slavec and Paolo Oggioni EDS Chairs

CIA Statistics

Members are reminded of their obligation under Chapter 8 of the CIA Internal Regulations to make an annual return of their national statistics. The CIA has to rely more and more on these statistics to defend its position and interests in FAI, and an accurate return is therefore very important. All Delegates are urged to make a return on the new more detailed form attached to this newsletter, which should be returned to the **CIA Secretary by the 31st January 2010**

Also, the CIA Plenary decided in 2002 that delegates shall submit to the CIA, with the return of the statistics, the latest available COMPETITORS' RANKING LIST of their respective countries

CIA SANCTIONED EVENT RESULTS - 2010

Category One

19th World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Debrecen, Hungary (2 – 10 October, 2010)

1	PETREHN, John (USA)	6	LATYPOV, Sergey (RUS)
2	DONNER, Nick (USA)	7	SVIDERSKIS, Vytautas (LTU)
3	ZEBERLI, Stefan (SUI)	8	KOSTIUSKEVICHIUS, Rimas (LTU)
4	SCHWARTZ, Nicolas (FRA)	9	BAREFORD, David (GBR)
5	SCHNEIDER, Uwe (GER)	10	VLEGELS, Steven (BEL)

9th FAI World Hot Air Airship Championship, Dole, France (13 - 17 July, 2010)

1	BESNARD, Jacques-Antoine (SUI)	6	TIUHTYAEV, Leonid (RUS)
2	KOSTIUSKEVICHIUS, Rimas (LTU)	7	FISCHER, Albrecht (GER)
3	CONTEGIACOMO, Pietro (ITL)	8	LINDSTRÖM, Oscar (SWE)
4	BAMBERSKI, Wojciech (POL)	9	DROZ, Fabien (SUI)
5	USHAKOVA, Ludmila (RUS)	10	NIGROWSKY, Boris (FRA)

54rd Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett, Bristol, England (25 September – 2 October, 2010)

1	Kurt FRIEDEN, Pascal WITPRAECHTIGER (SUI)	6	Mark SULLIVAN, Cheryl WHITE (USA)
2	Wilhelm EIMERS, Ullrich SEEL (GER)	7	Benoit Pelard, Benoît Péterlé (FRA)
3	David Hempleman-Adams, Simon Carey (GBR)	8	Josef Höhl, Georg Seillmair (GER)
4	Sebastien Rolland, Vincent Leys (FRA)	9	Max KREBS, Walter Gschwendtner (SUI)
5	Matthias Zenge, Markus Pieper (GER)	10	Gino Ciers, Jürgen Dobbelaere (BEL)

1st Women's European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Alytus, Lithuania, (15 – 20 June, 2010)

1	Gabriela SLAVEC (SLO)	6	Ewa PRAWICKA (POL)
2	Lindsay MUIR (GBR)	7	Elisabeth KINDERMANN (AUT)
3	Jolanta MATEJCZUK (POL)	8	Giedre LUKSAITE (LTU)
4	Kristina SUNAITIENE (LTU)	9	Ann HERDEWYN (BEL)
5	Kristina VEVERE (LAT)	10	Beata CHOMA (POL)

LUXGSM World Balloon Trophy 2010, Echternach, Luxembourg (21 - 25 July, 2010)

1	ZEBERLI, Stefan (SUI)	6	SCHRANK, Werner (AUT)
2	STRASMANN, David (GER)	7	ALCALDE, Ivan Ayala (ESP)
3	BAREFORD, David (GBR)	8	VLEGELS, Steven (BEL)
4	MUNDT, Christoffer (DEN)	9	VALE, Rick (GBR)
5	BLASER, Marc (SUI)	10	KRAFT, Claude (LUX)

2010 Tochigi Hot Air Balloon International Championship 2010 Hot Air Balloon HONDA Grand Prix Final Round, Tochigi, Japan (18 - 23 November)

1	KODAMA, Yoshimi (JPN)	6	SUE, Tetsuhiro (JPN)
2	FUJITA, Yuudai (JPN)	7	MIYATA, Hiroki (JPN)
3	MIZUKAMI, Takao (JPN)	8	UEDA, Yoshikazu (JPN)
4	PETREHN, Johnny (USA)	9	HOWARD, Mike (GBR)
5	DONNER, Nick (USA)	10	KAWAGUCHI, Masayoshi (JPN)

CIA SPORTING EVENTS

31st BP Balloon Trophy - 2010, Zell am See - Kaprun, Austria (23 - 29 January, 2010)

1	Sven Göhler (GER)	6	Zydrunas Kazlauskas (LTU)
2	Peter Derganc (AUT)	7	Robert Jedletzberger (AUT)
3	Gerald Stürzlinger (AUT)	8	Stephan Wittich (GER)
4	Reinhard Koller (AUT)	9	Thomas Lewetz (AUT)
5	Matthias Borgmair (GER)	10	Vladislav Klimenko (UKR)

21st Ladies World Cup, 11th Wloclawek Balloon Cup, Wloclawek, Poland (18 – 22 August, 2010)

1	Choma B	2	Matejczuk J.	3	Prawicka E
1	Kubicek, P	6	Linek, D		
2	Filus, W	7	Nowakowski, B		
3	Kostiuskevicius, R	8	Jagodzki, Z		
4	Koncir, B	9	Zarzycki, D		
5	Jaskolski, A	10	Iwanski, A		

CIA Championships Calendar and Events Open for Proposals

- White background indicates event bids accepted for that year
- Grey back ground indicates NOT open for bid in that year

			2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
AX	World	Sanction		USA				
		Bid						
		Intention				Lithuania		
AX	European	Sanction	Spain					
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	North American	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	South American	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	Pacific	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	Asian	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AA	World	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						
AA	Continental	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						
AM	World	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						
AM	Continental	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						
BX	World	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						
BX	European	Sanction						
	(2 years apart)	Bid						
		Intention						

CIA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR AND EVENTS OPEN FOR PROPOSALS

- White background indicates event bids accepted for that year
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			2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
AX	World	Sanction	Latvia					
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	European	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	North American	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	South American	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	Pacific	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						
AX	Asian	Sanction						
		Bid						
		Intention						

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CIA PLENARY MEETING 2011
9th to 12th March
JAPAN AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION
TOKYO, JAPAN

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CONFERENCE TIMETABLE



CIA PLENARY MEETING 2011 9th to 12th March 2011 JAPAN AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION TOKYO, JAPAN

Agenda Items

All items for inclusion in the agenda for the 2011 Plenary Meeting must reach the CIA President and the CIA Secretary NOT LATER THAN 27th DECEMBER 2010. These will then be included in the agenda, which will be mailed in January 2011. Agenda items should include any supporting documentation, and a position paper, all of which will be included with the agenda.

Remember that the CIA Plenary Meeting cannot make final decisions on items that do not appear on the agenda.

CONFERENCE DETAILS	TIMETABLE			
<p><u>DATES</u></p> <p>9 & 10 March SC and WG Meetings 11 & 12 March Plenary Meeting</p> <p><u>LOCATION</u></p> <p>The Conference will take place at the Japan Aeronautic Association. 1-18-1 Shimbashi, Minato-ku Tokyo 105-0004 Japan</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.aero.or.jp/english.html</p> <p><u>ACCOMMODATION</u></p> <p><u>Shinbashi Atagoyama Tokyu Inn</u> 1-6-6 Atago Minato-ku, Tokyo pc 105-0002 Tel. 81-3-3431-0109 Fax. 81-3-3431-0434</p> <p>http://www.tokvuhotelsjapan.com/en/TI/TI-ATAGO/index.html</p> <p><u>Dai-ichi Hotel Annex</u> 1-5-2 Uchisaiwai-cho Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo pc 100-0011 Tel. 81-3-3503-5611 ex.5614 Fax. 81-3-3503-5777</p> <p>http://www.hankyu-hotel.com/cgi-bin2/cms2/index_en.cgi?hid=06dhannex</p> <p>See rates and travel information on next page</p>	ROOMS	Room # 505 Capacity : 24 pers.	Room # 506 Capacity : 24 pers.	Room # 504 Capacity : 30 pers.
	Tuesday 8th March 2011			
	18:00-20:00	Bureau (Hotel)		
	Wednesday 9th March 2011			
	08:30-10:30	Jury Board	BA/BX WG	AX WG
	<i>Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00</i>			
	11:00-12:30	Jury Board	AA/AM WG	AX WG
	LUNCH 12.30 - 1400			
	14:00-15:45	Event Development S	S & SC WG	Scoring WG
	<i>Coffee Break: 15:45 – 16:15</i>			
	16:15-18:00	Event Development S	S & SC WG	Safety & Education
	Thursday 10th March 2011			
	08:30-10:30	Records SC	Officials SC	Rules SC
	<i>Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00</i>			
	11:00-12:30	Records SC	P & M Relations	Rules SC
	LUNCH 12.30 - 1400			
	14:00-15:45	Hall of Fame	New Technology	Competitors
	<i>Coffee Break: 15:45 – 16:15</i>			
	16:15-18:00	Bureau	New Technology	Competitors
	The OPEN FORUM DISCUSSION will start at 18:00 in Room # 201			
	<i>Opening-Cocktail in Room # 201 19.h30 – 210h00</i>			
	Friday 11th March 2011			
	ROOM	Rooms 701, 702, 703		
	09.00-18:00	PLENARY MEETING		
	Evening meal –19h30			
	Saturday 12th March 2011			
	ROOM	Rooms 701, 702, 703		
	09.00-18:00	PLENARY MEETING		
	Evening	Bureau Meeting in Hotel if necessary		

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http://www.tokyuhotelsjapan.com/en/TI/TI_ATAGO/index.html

10min walk (900m) to NAC

From Tokyo Int'l AP.: Take Mono-rail to Hamamatsu-cho,(City Terminal) then Taxi (1.8km)

From Narita Int'l AP: Take Airport Limousine to Tokyo Prince Hotel, then Taxi (600m)

Dai-ichi Hotel Annex

1-5-2 Uchisaiwai-cho Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo pc 100-0011

Tel. 81-3-3503-5611 ex.5614

Fax. 81-3-3503-5777

Yen 15,000./person or Yen 17,000./for two/room without breakfast

Yen 17,000./person or Yen 21,000./for two/room with breakfast

Possible change of price in 2011.

Internet connection, tax included.

Make booking on line direct to hotel **after January 1, 2011**

http://www.hankyu-hotel.com/cgi-bin2/cms2/index_en.cgi?hid=06dhannex

3 min walk (300m) to NAC

Airport Limousine to Dai-ichi Hotel from both Tokyo Int'l AP and Narita Int'l AP available.



FAI – BALLOONING COMMISSION

9 - 12 MARCH 2011

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM – Shinbashi Atagoyama Tokyu INN

Name : _____ First name : _____

Address : _____

Tel : _____ Fax : _____

E-mail : _____

Date and time of arrival : _____

Date of departure : _____

Credit card : Visa Mastercard Other
(Specify)

Credit card number : _____ Expiry date : _____

Security Code : _____

Type of room :

Single Yen 11,550. (Breakfast incl.)

Twin: Shared by Two Yen 7,350./person (Breakfast incl.)

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY 31 January 2011 TO :

Atten: Ms. K.Moki

Fax : + 81-3-3431-0434

Shinbashi Atagoyama Tokyu Inn

Tel : + 81-3-3431-0109

1-6-6 Atago Minato-ku

or

Tokyo pc 105-0002

Email :atago-i.ro@tokyuhotels.co.jp

ANNEX 1 - CIA ANNUAL STATISTICS QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE YEAR 2010

FAI Member country	
Name of National Aero Club (the FAI Member)	
Name of National Balloon Federation President	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>
Name and address of National Balloon Federation	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Address</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>
CIA Delegate <i>(as nominated by your National Balloon Federation, or in absence by your NAC)</i>	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>
CIA Alternate Delegate <i>(as nominated by your National Balloon Federation, or in absence by your NAC)</i>	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>

		AA	AM	AX	BA	BX	TOTAL ¹
1	Number of licensed aerostat pilots (P1)						
2	Number of aerostat pilots under training (PuT)						
3	Number of licensed aerostat flight instructors						
4	Number of aerostats with valid Certificate of Airworthiness (CofA)						
5	Number of active aerostat manufacturers						
6	Number of aerostats built in current year						
7	Number of National Records claimed						
8	Number of FAI World Records claimed						
9	Cost of National Record Fees in US\$ (if any)						
10	Cost of World Record Fees in US\$ (if any)						
11	Number of aerostat accidents ²						
12	Number of aerostat incidents ³						
13	Number of fatalities in aerostat accidents						
14	Number of injured in aerostat accidents						
15	Number of CIA sanctioned FAI CAT1 events						

		AA	AM	AX	BA	BX	TOTAL ¹	
16	Number of CIA sanctioned FAI CAT2 events							
17	Number of events not sanctioned by CIA, NAC or Federation							
18	Number of National Championship tasks flown							
19	Number of National Championship participants							
20	Number of FAI Sporting Licenses (aerostation) issued by NAC							
21	Number of FAI Sporting Licenses issued by Balloon Federation							
22	Number of aerostat flights during the year							
23	Hours flown (all aerostat flights) during the year							
						YES	NO	DON'T KNOW
24	Has your Balloon Federation been delegated the FAI Sporting Powers for ballooning in your country							
25	Do you have a National Ranking List in operation in your country							
26	Is the selection process for FAI Championships (World-, Continental-, WAGs) in your country based on	your National Ranking List						
		the National Championship ranking						
		a combination of both						
27	Does your National Aero Club or Balloon Federation organise dedicated ballooning youth activities							
28	Does your Balloon Federation accept individual members							
29	Does your National Aero Club accept individual members							
30	What is the cost (in \$US) of the FAI Sporting Licence in your country							
31	How many ballooning "officials" (national and international competition officials and observers, jurors, record observers, etc.) do you have in your country							
32	How many ballooning associations (clubs) are there in your country							
33	How many ballooning associations (clubs) are member of your Balloon Federation or National Aero Club							
34	How many commercial balloon operators are there in your country							
35	What are the proportions (in %) in your country of	competition- and record flying						
		recreational flying						
		commercial- and passenger flying						
36	Aerostation Pilot Licences are issued in your country by	Government Authority or Administration						
		National Aero Club						
		Balloon Federation						
37	Aerostation Certificates of Airworthiness (CofA) are issued in your country by	Government Authority or Administration						
		National Aero Club						
		Balloon Federation						

	AA	AX	BX
38	<p><u>Dates:</u></p> <p><u>Place:</u></p> <p><u>Mr / Mrs</u></p>	<p><u>Dates:</u></p> <p><u>Place:</u></p> <p>Mr / Mrs</p>	<p><u>Dates:</u></p> <p><u>Place:</u></p> <p><u>Mr / Mrs</u></p>
39	<p>Please indicate this year's best performance in your country (can be for distance, altitude or duration), and give details re. pilot, aerostat and date.</p>		

¹ TOTAL may be different than sum of all categories.

² accident: any occurrence with bodily harm or death

³ incident: any occurrence without bodily harm or death

Notes: (please add any further relevant information or comment)	
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**Gabriela Slavec (SLO) Champion
1st FAI Women's European Championships, Alytus, Lithuania**



**19th FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Debrecen, Hungary
Photo by Gabriela, Slavec**