

Jury report on the 2019 FAI F5J Trnava World Cup event for electric glider model aircrafts for seniors and juniors

Trnava, Slovakia, August 8-10, 2019

Contest Information

Two bulletins were sent out before the event in time and additional information were issued on the spot at arrival and contained all the necessary information. One meeting was organized for the team representatives, the main officials and the jury after the opening ceremony. It was short and effective.

Entry

The final entry was a total of 196 competitors from 35 countries, including 22 juniors from 11 countries. Finally 188 competitors has scored at least by one flight. This entry was – most likely – the highest ever participation at a World Cup event in one class. The registration of this huge number of competitors happened on the 7th late afternoon and on the 8th before the opening ceremony.

Flying Site

The contest site was the Boleraz-Klčovany sport airfield, 10 km to North from Trnava, equipped with all necessary technicalities. The field was just enough wide for the starting line of 18 start/landing positions, needed because of the high number of entry, and it was rather close to the parking area.

Competition

Day 1, August 8th: good weather conditions, moderate wind, mainly from the direction of Trnava (South), all day sunny. Two rounds were flown.

Day 2, August 9th: good weather conditions as well, moderate wind, similarly to day one for the forenoon. Afternoon the wind has changed about the opposite, all day sunny. Four rounds were flown during the day.

Day 3, August 10th: some weather change, sometimes cloudy, less thermal, it was harder to fly well, otherwise similar conditions. One full round, re-flights and three final rounds were flown, one had to be repeated. The event ended a bit later than expected because of the re-flights.

The overall winner was *Roberto Bonafede (ITA)*, with just 4.3 point advantage.

The junior winner was *Stoil Avramov (USA)*, with 25.3 point difference.

The 60+ senior winner was *Lennart Arvidsson (SWE)*, who placed 8th in the overall ranking.

Jury and protests

The FAI Jury was formed by Juraj Baciak from Slovakia, Volodimir Gavrillo from Ukraine and as president, Andras Ree from Hungary.

The jury had no protest to handle.

Ceremonies

The opening ceremony was organized at the airfield on day 1, before the first round. The participants were marching in by nations then they were greeted, short speeches were held by the representative of the local authorities, the chief organizer and the jury president. The prize giving and closing ceremony was organized in the same format, also at the airfield after the event. During the ceremonies the FAI and the Slovakian anthems were played.

Accommodation and food

Accommodation was organised in different versions. The Pension Panorama for a part of the jury and some officials was good. All food was served at the contest site, was good and plentiful.

Conclusions

The 2019 World Challenge Trnava Cup in class F5J was a successful event for the seniors and juniors as well. Thanks and congratulations to the local organizing staff and the timekeepers, local ones and from abroad. The experienced contest director, Juraj Dudas and his colleagues, did good job, he was powerful to keep the contest well in hands.

The organisers were well prepared for the biggest ever competition in one class, well used the experience they have collected through the previous local events, world cup contests and Cat.1 championships.

It was good to see, that the different organizing tasks were well shared between the involved persons, so they could avoid the frequently experienced problem, to have too many tasks in the hand of one person.

Thanks to the organizers and local authorities for the work and efforts made for the F5J aeromodelling community.

On behalf of the FAI Jury



Andras REE
President