



F3A FAI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP AASH - Grandrieu



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Saturday 20th July

Back to school Jury and judges briefing

A briefing led by Peter Uhlig and held in a classroom at Grandrieu local school.

Despite the curtains, the orientation of the sun made it difficult to read the slides of the powerpoint presentation, but fortunately Peter Uhlig explained every detail of the P25 figures with formidable precision and systematically discussed them with his audience.



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Some processing information

Processing checks have shown that all models comply with weight and dimensional requirements.

A few statistics :

- 95 models checked
- weight Minimum : 4,420 g - Maximum : 5,450 g - Average : 4,925 g

Weight is measured including batteries or fuel.

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Judges briefing on the field and practise P-25

After the theory covered in the morning, it was time for the judges to put it into practice. Once again, under the guidance of Peter Uhlig, each judge had the opportunity, after each of the three flights, to present and discuss his point of view on the quality of execution of each figure.

This allows all the judges to harmonise their judgements.



Each judge explains the mistakes made during each demonstration flight, using large gestures



Artem Korolov, who had the onerous task of carrying out the 'judge calibration' flights.

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The opening ceremony of the European Championship

Before the ceremony, we polish, the flags are untangled.



In dispersed order or as a group, each team joins its flag at the side of the track.
Time for many selphies.

Below are a few shots of this joyful gathering.





At 4pm, it's time to start the ceremony.

Yves calls each team to join the semi-circle formed around then FAI and Belgian flags





Then the Members of the Jury and the Judges



And now here comes the FAI flag

carried by
Simon, Oscar, Evan and Esteban

escorted by
the Alba Pipe Band

Just before the official speeches, the national anthem of Belgium, proud to be hosting then championship again, was played (the Brabançonne).

Speech by Gérard Wérion,
organiser,
chairman of the AASH Royal Club



Speech by Peter Uhlig, *CIAM F3Aerobatics
Subcommittee Chairman*

Ladies and gentlemen, dear pilots, dear members of
the aeromodelling club,

Dear Dignitaries, dear Organizers, dear Officials, dear
Pilots and Team managers, dear Ladies and Gentleman,

In my position as CIAM F3Aerobatics Subcommittee
Chairman and FAI Jury President it is a pleasure for me

to welcome you all to the 2024 FAI F3A European Championship in the name of the World Airsports Federation, FAI.

We already met here in 2018 and had a very nice even an I think we will have a great competition again with really
spectacular and phantastic flights.

Our community F3 Aerobatics is a big family spread all over the world. F3A is one of the most popular FAI classes all
over the world, but we need to keep it popular in the future. For this we should cooperate and do our best. Please
try to organize competitions and to find interested young people to join our great sport.

We will have a competition here with a very high level. This will be a hard job for organizers and officials. But I am
sure that Gérard and his experienced team will present us a well organized championship.

My best wishes go to all competitors and the teams. I know that you spent a lot of time for preparation and I hope
that your aspirations for a good final ranking in this event will come true.

Greetings to the FAI Jury Members and to FAI Judges, too. You will have a hard job to separate the competitors. But
I know that you are well prepared and will do your best.

And now it is my job to open the Championship : so **I declare the 2024 FAI F3A European Championship for
Aerobatic Model Aircraft open.** Please listen to the FAI anthem and watch the flag.

To the sound of the FAI anthem, the FAI flag is raised



Under the FAI flag, the swearing in of Mr Galley and Oscar.

Oscar Henry

In the name of all competitors, I promise that we shall take part in that championship respecting and abiding by the rules with govern it, in the true spirit of sportmanship, for the glory and the honour of our teams.

Roland Galley

In the name of all the judges and officials, I promise that we shall officiate in that championship with complete impartiality, respecting and abiding by the rules which govern it, in the true spirit of sportmanship.



A little less formal, the cocktail



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