



# F3A FAI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP AASH - Grandrieu



## Daily news – 27 July 2024 edition

Friday 26 July

### Day six of the competition

The various weather services forecasting a rainy morning, but fortunately the rain didn't arrive. However, it rained heavily overnight and the ceiling was very low this Friday morning, resulting in a delay of almost an hour.

This was the second flight of the semi-finals, with the last pilot completing his flight at around 5.30pm.

The wind was just as light as the day before, and the skies were a little less overcast, brighter with a few rare breaks of sunshine.

Reto Shumacher at take-off



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## At the end of the day

The ten selected pilots are now known after this second semi-final flight.

At the top of the leaderboard, there are no surprises compared with the results of the preliminary flights. On points, 8% separate the tenth pilot selected from the leader.

It is remarkable to note that the three junior pilots on the podium in 2018, during the EC held at Grandrieu (Andreas Cervi (ITA), Ignace Pawlenko (BEL) and Omer Ben Ami (ISR)), are now competing in the senior category and are present in the top 30 in the same order. Better still, Andreas Cervi is 7th after the semi-final.

Let's hope that the three young pilots in this edition (Oscar Henry (BEL), Andreas Psaltis (CYP) and Patrick Krautschneider (CZE)) will progress in the same way.

Number	Name	Country	Semi-final	
			Score	Ranking
39	Lassi Nurila	FIN	2000.00	1
18	Gernot Bruckmann	AUT	1984.85	2
9	Sandro Matti	SUI	1957.20	3
30	Stéphane Carrier	FRA	1936.05	4
4	Juan Rombaut Segarra	ESP	1931.79	5
48	Antonin Paysant-le-Roux	FRA	1917.13	6
36	Andreas Cervi	ITA	1899.39	7
17	Christian Niklass	GER	1859.91	8
26	Mario Del Valle Villa	ESP	1839.65	9
25	Marc Rubin	SUI	1834.04	10
2	Derk Van der Vecht	NED	1831.94	11
29	Alessandro Panzanini	ITA	1826.17	12
50	Reto Schumacher	SUI	1822.60	13
47	Werner Kohlberger	AUT	1818.60	14
46	Sebastiano Silvestri	SMR	1815.40	15
37	Viken Malacioglu	BEL	1809.76	16
51	Quentin Amati	FRA	1807.41	17
21	Robert Foster	GER	1807.24	18
23	Luis Eduardo Ortega Gavilan	ESP	1806.42	19
54	Ignace Pawlenko	BEL	1806.21	20
24	Pierre Encognère	FRA	1802.78	21
22	Philipp Schürmann	SUI	1792.09	22
35	Malcom Balfour	GBR	1784.87	23
15	Omer Ben Ami	ISR	1779.08	24
7	Thomas David	GBR	1777.74	25
44	Danny Van Vliet	NED	1759.37	26
43	Jan Votava	CZE	1759.15	27
58	Francesco Vavala	ITA	1757.05	28
57	Alberto Cantu	GER	1753.71	29
53	Dominik Bellert	GER	1719.27	30

## Calibration flights

Artem Korolov is the pilot who carried out the calibration flights during the four preliminary flights.

Artem is originally from Ukraine, but lives in the Karlsruhe region of Germany.

He enjoyed carrying out this relatively thankless task. Indeed, each of his flights is closely scrutinised by the judges and members of the Jury. So when a flight is over, he benefits from the discussions between the judges and learns a lot from them to improve his skills.

Many thanks to him.



## Flight line directors

Did you know that Yves Van Gompel and Alain Laruelle are two fervent defenders and promoters of F3A Vintage in Belgium ? Every year, they regularly organise competitions alongside the Belgian F3A championship, as well as more fun F3A related events.

Alain is particularly fond of the models designed by Wolfgang Matt, especially the **Super Star**, which was first launched in 1969. Wolfgang Matt, multiple world champion and holder of numerous titles between 1975 and 2000 needs no introduction.

Alain built this plane according to the original plans, reproducing the original decoration down to the last detail, and Wolfgang Matt did him the honour of signing it.

Alain is a real fan of this aircraft and of Wolfgang Matt's aircraft design, and anything that reminds him of it is welcome. For example, he wears 'MATT' shoes.

Could it be that Wolfgang Matt has turned to making shoes ?





You make a mistake, I knock !

A slightly more cautious competitor



Generation conflict

