

Report of the F2 Control Line Subcommittee – 2003

The subcommittee consists of 26 members, all with email contact to allow all F2 participating NACs to have ongoing information on matters in F2. As F2 includes 4 somewhat differing categories and much of the competition activity is in Europe, there are identified coordinators: Bengt-Olof Samuelsson (Sweden) is Vice-Chair for Europe and F2C coordinator, Peter Halman (UK) is F2A coordinator, Peter Germann (Switzerland) is F2B coordinator, Guido Michiels (Belgium) is F2D coordinator and Bruno Delor (France) manages the important F2 World Cup schedule and results/ranking.

This year the F2 European Championships were successfully held in France, despite unusually hot weather which made things difficult at times for competitors and organizers alike. The 2003 F2 World Cup was similarly successful as will be documented in Mr Delor's report. Unfortunately the World Cup still had problems with some organizers failing to conform to rules especially regarding FAI Jury composition and those will risk refusal of their 2004 listing.

Two main areas concerned the subcommittee in the year. Mr Samuelsson organized a group to review F2C matters and has presented a set of recommendations for the Plenary agenda. Mr Germann, with Mr Sweetland's help, has exhaustively reviewed and rewritten the F2B rules as well as the Judge's Guide. These will appear on the agenda and the documents will be posted on an available web site for review by the Delegates prior to the Plenary meeting so that they may be familiar with the changes and their intent for the event.

Plans have moved actively for the 2004 F2 World Championships to be held in the US at the AMA national flying site in east-central Indiana (Muncie). Bill Lee is the director for the AMA organizers and is assisted by the AMA President, Dave Brown, and the AMA Executive Director, Steve Kaluf. F2 competitors are looking forward to an enjoyable event next July.

Laird Jackson, F2 S/C chair