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A welcome from the president FAI jury

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome all participant, supporters, dignitaries and officials to the 2018 FAI F3A European Championship for Aerobatic Model Aircraft in Belgium. This event, organized by the Association d'Aéromodélisme Sud Hainaut under the auspices of the Royal Aero Club of Belgium is a major sporting aviation event on the FAI Calendar of competitions bringing together Europe's best RC Aerobatics flyers.

It is my first European Championship as Jury President. Nevertheless I know Gerard Werion and AASH for a long time because I have been here for a well appreciated F3A World Cup Competition nearly every year since 2005. So I know that he will present us a well organized Championship.

F3A has a long history in Belgium. the first FAI F3A European Championship 1976 was in Belgium (Coxsyde), already with the AASH in the organization. And it is a fact that, many F3A trophies are coming from Belgium.

My best wishes go to each of the 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'm sure you will do your best.

A special welcome to spectators to the exciting world of aeromodelling. Sit back, relax, and allow the competitors to thrill you with their aerial ballet in the Belgian sky.

My congratulations go to the organizers who spent a lot of time, energy and effort in their preparation to bring us this prestigious event. I need to express my personal thanks to every person who is involved in the organisation and running of the championship.

Finally I may wish you all a successful and enjoyable event and a fair competition.

Peter Uhlig

President of the FAI Jury

CIAM F3 Aerobatics Subcommittee Chairman



Friday, July 20

The day is started with a cloudy sky and a medium inblowing crosswind.



Some Dutch and Belgian pilots are wake up early and have already done there first training flights.



The AASH crew is started with the last preparations as a final touch, they have done a great job. It's a lot of work to prepare the field for hosting the F3A EC 2018.



The President of the FAI judge Mr Peter Uhlig and the Dutch Jurymember Mr Henny van Loon are also arrived and having interesting talks about judging and the content of the freeze behind (it is sealed)

Model processing and official training flights



Officials are ready for model processing on the field



At 12 o'clock model processing and the first official training flights are started.

Team Ukraine was the first team for the official training cyclus.



After the team completed there training flights the processing starts with the sound and voltage check , followed by the weight and size procedure inside the tent.



Voltage check carried out by Armel Cosner



Sound check carried out by Roger Lebrun



Some details





Weight check carried out by André Vincent



After completing all the checks they received the sticker on the plane and are good to go for the competition.



In the mean time the weather changed, it's starting raining and the wind blows from the other direction

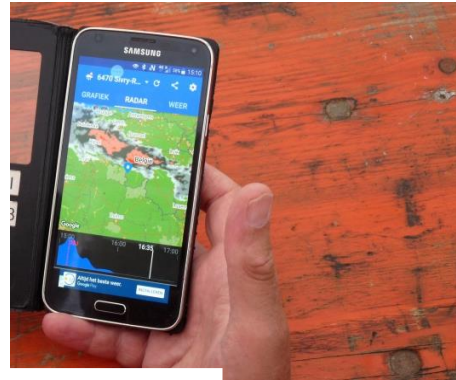


The nice sunny sky is disappeared and replaced by a cloudy overcast with a light to moderate rain.

Also the wind is outblowing now

The proof : Sunprotection is also working for protection against the rain (at least for a while)





Rain protection works offcourse better, but it looks like there is some improvement in the weather, it's only temporarily

Registration is still going on, some got the lucky number



Some interesting innovation spotted on a Dutch plane



F3A, You can't be precise enough



New batteries always welcome they can't be light enough



Yves and Alain having lunch on the field



While the rest of the teams and crew enjoyed there lunch in the tent



Thanks to Catering **Le Grand Ryeu**

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Some pilots are very well protected, or is it only for the manager and coach ??

By the way,

Some people have spot DJ Flatspin in Sivry