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FOR THE

1-st World Paramotor Endurance Championships 2016 WPEC 2016

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MISSION STATEMENT

In FAI classical competitions there has been a lot of misunderstanding and frustration over the economy tasks' philosophy, their fair scoring and overall existence. There seems no end to these disputes over the simple physics and habitual advantage to the lightweight pilots.

Another big issue in FAI classical format is well known ignorance towards the development of technology with hard limitations for use of modern electronic equipment like cellphones, smartphones, radios, bluetooth communication devices, GPS-s and finally computers and tablets, not only in preparation to the flight but also IN FLIGHT itself. All this despite almost all pilots around the world are using these technologies in their everyday practice to improve their flying skills one way or another as a natural part of their equipment.

To address some of those issues, one part of the solution appears to be slalom format which has gained a lot of popularity despite high risks involved.

Navigation appears to be the most universal and neverending challenge for every pilot out there, regardless of their current skill and the practical value of such format is undisputable.

Paramotor Endurance is a new format with emphasis on navigation and endurance in such new correlation, which would allow a lot of flying and fun without too much restrictions, stressful economy elements and with focus on real practical values, to promote development of pilots' **flying skills, ground skills and flight planning skills on a new level.**

In Estonia we have started with development of Paramotor Endurance format in 2010 and after testing different approaches in competition practice, completely new and fascinating format has born.

Final outcome has been surprising, as all pilots who ever took part in our events so far, have been completely addicted to this adventure, regardless of the results.

Naturally this format will continue to grow and develop from existing framework.

Here are some of the most important features of a Paramotor Endurance format at this time:

- Huge competition area of Saaremaa island (nearly 3000 km²) with minimal restrictions and no fly zones.
- A lot of flying over the spectacular and variable terrain.
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- Strong focus on personal weather planning, airborne decisions and practical paramotoring skills.
- Free choice of balancing the task flying of max 7 hours per day and resting, within the time window of 15 hours daily.
- Besides basic turnpoint hunt, different navigation elements and variety of interesting bonus tasks included for the best selection of options to the pilot: snake, ring, oval, eclipse, star navigation, combined with pre-set timed navigation etc.
- Bonuses for economy and precision elements.
- No disqualification for outlandings but instead bonuses for controlled landings and takeoffs in dedicated fields and turnpoints.
- Free choice of equipment without any technical restrictions, even in the middle of the race.
- Unlimited pitstops by pilot's choice.
- Unlimited use of electronics, GPS's, tablets, communication devices and other technology..
- Minimum of penalties.
- Any assistance and chase teams allowed.
- Possibility for extra bonuses for surprise task and public performance elements.

TASK DESCRIPTION

Several new approaches have been tried out successfully in different national and international competitions.

PRINCIPLES

In paramotor endurance format, there is only one basic and big **turnpoint hunt multi-task** over the whole competition area and dedicated time period with different integrated elements available by the preference of the pilot to select.

The main focus is naturally on different **navigational skills** but also greatly on **individual weather planning**, according to the skills of the pilot and characteristics of the equipment selected, which all together will have major impact on the final result of each pilot.

Other elements with value towards the result:

Navigation precision

Navigation timing

Height precision

Landing and takeoff skills in variable conditions and in unknown locations.

Economy elements integrated into the navigation (endurance without refuelling, pre-set low speed elements, precision of navigation etc.)

Precision elements integrated into the public event, including pylons, Paraball etc.

The proportion of task elements is not fixed and may be influenced by pilot's preference.

PROGRAMME DATES

Registration, training, aircraft inspection:	27. - 29. May 2016
First competition briefing for teamleaders:	29. May 2016, 18.00
Contest flying days planned (including 1 day for the rest):	30. May - 3 June 2016, 6.00 - 21.00 4. June 2016, 6.00 - 12.00
Closing party:	4. June 2016, 20.00
Closing ceremony, prize-giving:	5. June 2016, 14.00

OFFICIALS

Event Director:	Taniel Vares
Competition Director:	Paap Kolar
Vice CD:	Ott Maaten
Chief Marshal:	Aare Vanari
Chief Scorer:	Olari Ilves
Jury:	TBA
Monitor:	TBA

ENTRY

The Championships are open to all Active Member and Associate Member countries of FAI who may enter:

PF1: 6 pilots, plus any number of female pilots

PL1: 6 pilots, plus any number of female pilots, plus one wheelchair bound pilot.

PF2: 6 crews

PL2: 6 crews

The entry fees:

400.- EUR for pilots

400.- EUR for co-pilot (navigator)

100.- EUR for each Team Leader

No fees for assistants, drivers, friends, family members etc.

Entry fees don't need to be nominal before May 1-st. From this date all entries must be nominal and refund not requested.

Pilot entry fees paid before March 1-st will have 50.- EUR discount.

Pilot entry fees paid later than April 1-st 2016 will have 50.- EUR surcharge

If applications, with fees paid, are not received by June 1-st 2016, the entry will be accepted unless oversubscribed.

Entry Fees include:

- Competition management (setting, organising, controlling and evaluating the tasks, briefings, prize-giving etc.).
- All competition materials (maps, task descriptions, competition numbers etc.)
- Training arrangements.
- Free use of the airspace according to the EAA Supplement and Estonian air-space rules.
- Environmental fee.
- FAI sanction fee.
- Free entrance to all official events (closing party etc.)

Entries must be made on the official Entry Form and entry fees must be transferred into the following bank account:

Beneficiary: EESTI TIIBVARJUSPORDI LIIT MTÜ
Address: Tähise 7 Saue
Bank: SEB
IBAN: EE931010220106677013
Bank address: Tornimäe 2 Tallinn
SWIFT/BIC: EEUHEE2X

ACCOMMODATION & CATERING

Budget accommodation sample:

Merineitsi Guesthouse: <http://www.visitestonia.com/en/kulalistemaja-merineitsi-guest-house-merineitsi-merineitsi-mermaid>

Location maplink: <http://www.visitestonia.com/en/map/kulalistemaja-merineitsi-guest-house-merineitsi-merineitsi-mermaid>

5. - 14. June, including unlimited sauna in Merineitsi and SPA visits in Hot. Rütli and Meri

Promotional price: 185.- EUR per person per the full period.

Catering.

Buffet catering, 3 meals a day in Hotel Rütli, according to local catering schedule.

Price: Breakfast 7.- EUR, Lunch and dinner 10.- EUR per meal

LOCAL REGULATIONS AND TASK CATALOG:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/ryh6ne8n0bwnq8h/WPEC%20LR%20and%20TC%20update.pdf?dl=0>

COMPETITION MAP with multitasks (57MB):

http://www.eppa.ee/eppa/enduro_2015/map_a1.pdf

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