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2012
AOC-F3A

2012 FAI Asian Oceanic Championship for Aerobatic Model Aircraft, Class F3A

SEPTEMBER 09-15, 2012
BACOLOD CITY
PHILIPPINES



Hosted by

NEGROS
AEROMODELLERS CLUB

FAI Active Member

FAI-AOC JURY F3A

Jury President : Miguel Ramos (Philippines)
Second Jury : Richard Cheong (Singapore)
Third Jury : Chairat Charoensri (Thailand)
Reserve Jury : Shakespeare Chan (Philippines)
Reserve Jury : Michael Ramel (Germany)

FAI Judges

Judge 1 : Ken Hirose (Japan)
Judge 2 : Praphon Techavipark (Thailand)
Judge 3 : Ivan Olivier (Republic of South Africa)
Judge 4 : Robert Clarke (Australia)
Judge 5 : Wenzhang Liu (China)
Reserve Judge : Obi Mapua (Philippines)

Contest Directors:

Chepit Dulay (Philippines)
Yepe Infante (Philippines)
Steve Maramba (Philippines)

Registration Fees

Participation	Amount
Competitor	400.00 Euro
Team Manager	400.00 Euro
Helper	80.00 Euro

Registration fee is inclusive of the following:

1. Official Programs and Souvenirs
2. Official Entry Pass

Opening Ceremony and Banquet
40.00 Euro

Awards Ceremony and Closing Banquet
40.00 Euro

Contest Rules and Awards

Rules

Contest rules will be in accordance with FAI Sporting Code Issue 2012, General Section, Volume ABR, and Section 4 VOLUME F3A.

Four (4) preliminary rounds Schedule P-13,
Two (2) semifinal rounds Schedule F-13,
Four (4) final rounds, two (2) Schedule F-13 / two (2) Unknown Schedules.

Participants

Each FAI affiliated country located in the Asia and Oceania regions as per FAI definition may send a team of maximum three (3) individual competitors or maximum four (4) individual competitors, provided the fourth team member is a junior, plus a team manager.

On special invitation the organizer welcomes individual participants from the Republic of South Africa with priority. If the organizers see sufficient capacity, other individual competitors may enter in order by their dates of registration, however, placings of competitors other than members of official teams may not count for the Championship results.

Requirements

Competitors and Team Managers must present Sporting Licenses during the model processing. The Sporting Licenses must be issued by the competitor's National Airsports Control (NAC) affiliated with the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) with 2012 Sporting License Stamp.

Registration Dates

Registrations by the official registration form will be accepted between February 01, 2012 and April 30, 2012.

Anti-Doping

If a competitor has to take any substance listed on the WADA Prohibited List, he must possess a Therapeutic Use Exemption by the FAI.

Protest

A protest fee of Euro 35.00 is required. The fee will be returned only if the protest is upheld.

Awards

FAI Certificates and Medals will be awarded to the top three individual winners and top three winning teams, as well as to the top three juniors, if participating.

Accommodation

The official hotel is either the Sugarland, L'Fisher, or Planta Hotel. The rates for the F3A CAOCC participants are as follows:

Single	Euro 50.00	w/ buffet breakfast for 1
Double	Euro 68.00	w/ buffet breakfast for 2
Extra Bed	Euro 22.00	w/ buffet breakfast



From Left: Sugarland hotel, L'Fisher hotel, and Planta Hotel

The hotels in Bacolod provide comfortable accommodation and service at very reasonable rates. These hotels are situated about 5 to 10 minutes from the competition site.

Time Table (Subject to change)

Date	Time	Activity
Sunday, Sept 9	10:00 to 17:00 18:30 to 21:00	Registration and Model Processing Opening Ceremony
Monday, Sept 10	08:00 to 17:00 10:00 to 12:00 13:00 to 15:00	Controlled Practice Judges' Briefing on P-13 Team Managers' Meeting
Tuesday, Sept 11	08:00 to 12:00 13:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 1 Preliminary Round (P-13) 2
Wednesday, Sept 12	08:00 to 12:00 13:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 3 Preliminary Round (P-13) 4
Thursday, Sept 13	08:00 to 17:00 08:00 to 17:00 10:00 to 12:00 13:00 to 14:00	Reserve Day Controlled Practice Judge's Briefing on F-13 Team Managers' Meeting
Friday, Sept 14	08:00 to 17:00 18:00 to 20:00	Semi Final Rounds (F-13) 1 & 2 Finalists' & Team Managers' Meeting
Saturday, Sept 15	08:00 to 17:00 20:00 onwards	Finals Rounds 1 & 2 (F-13) 3 & 4 (Unknown) Awarding Ceremony and & Closing Banquet

Competition Site

The competition site will be the Bacolod City former airport. It is right in the heart of the center of town. Bacolod City is a charming cosmopolitan city in the Philippines located at the south of the country.



View from the far end of the runway

The runway is at least 40 metres wide by 2000 metres long. The site is large enough to accommodate the F3A, and proved itself during the AOC 2010 F3A competition.

Training Sites

Along that runway training sites are set-up at various spots along that runway, allowing all teams to practice under conditions very similar to the competition.

Precedence

The Philippines, through its various Aeromodelling Clubs, organized several local and national events on various sites. The Bacolod airfield was also the venue of a successful pattern event, the Asian-Oceanic Championships in September, 2010, with 28 competitors participating in various classes. The Philippines also hosted the F3C AOCC in 2008, and the Hirobo Cup 2007, in Cebu.



Group photograph of the participants of the 2010 Asia-Oceania Championships for F3A, Bacolod City

The Venue: Bacolod City, Negros Province

Getting to Bacolod: We strongly recommend the Port of Entry as Manila. From there, transfer to Bacolod by domestic airline. If you enter using Philippine Air Lines (PAL), transfer to Bacolod via PAL is easy, as PAL has its own terminal in Manila. Organizers will arrange pickup of participants and equipment.

Negros is the largest sugar producing region of the Philippines. Its capital is **Bacolod City**, a charming, cosmopolitan city in the Philippines and **Negros** is one of the well- developed provinces of the country. It is the main center of commerce, trade, education and agriculture in the central and southern parts of the archipelago.

Bacolod City is visitor and tourist friendly. It has its own airport in the nearby town of Silay with several flights daily to and from other major cities of the Philippines.

Competition Site Location

The 2012 AOC competition will be held in the former airport of Bacolod City. The competition site is situated approximately 3-7 minutes from the organizer's recommended hotel, (**Sugarland/Planta/L'Fisher**), and approximately 30 minutes from the Bacolod-Silay Airport.

Facilities and amenities at the competition site

1. Refreshments Stalls

Refreshments are available the whole day during the competition.

2. Food Stalls

Various types of food will be available the whole day.

3. Power

AC 220V and DC 12V battery available at pit area.

4. Toilets

Several portable toilets exclusively for AOC entourage.

5. Medic Station

Medical personnel will be on standby incase of emergency medical needs.

6. Travel and Tour Assistance

Travel and tour assistance counter for any travel and transport needs.

7. Souvenir Shop

Souvenirs will be available at the souvenir shop.

Official Language

English and Tagalog (Filipino). The official language in the AOC is English.

Weather

During the month of September, temperature is between 26C to 35C. There may be threat of rain during this month although this time is the "Philippine Indian Summer". Winds are mild and consistent throughout the day. Sunrise is at 05:30, Sunset is at 18:15.

Transportation Around Bacolod

Car rentals and taxis are available all over the city at very reasonable cost. Taxis are available throughout the city with a flag down of PhP 30.00 or Euro 0.46 and PhP 2.50 or Euro 0.038.

Vehicle	Package 10 hrs	notes
Car	65.00 Euro 8.00 Euro ea. Succeeding hr.	Driver and free gasoline included
Van	70.00 Euro 10.00 Euro ea. Succeeding hr.	Driver and free gasoline included

Drivers are included in the car rental rates.

Meals

International cuisine ranging from Japanese, Western to European food are available from many restaurants around the city. Average cost per meal is between Euro 5.00 to Euro 9.00. A meal package for the AOC teams may be prepared throughout their stay. This will allow them to sample various cuisines and restaurants.

Information and Public Relations

A website publishing Bulletins, Official Forms and Special Requirements will be established. Picture Galleries and Results will be published on the website as well. Website development is ongoing. Address will be announced in Bulletin 2.

There will be advertising in local media as to attract spectators and video footage of the event will be supplied to "Flying Aces" (www.airsports.tv) for visually presenting the Championship on their publications.

Airport

Bacolod City has a modern and efficient airport. Direct flights to and from Bacolod are available from Cebu and Manila.

The Airport is located on Silay Town, 30 Minutes away from the center of Bacolod City.



Entry of Model and equipment (Customs Information)

Events such as the 2010 and 2012 F3A Asian Oceanic Championship are supported by the Bacolod City Government. Special arrangements in customs through the Philippine Sports Commission will be prepared for trouble free entrance of equipment. However, each team/competitor is responsible for proper following of the appropriate import and re-export of their equipment. We will provide letters of invitation and customs documents for the participants.

Guidelines on the Entry of Temporary Visitors to the Philippines

Nationals from countries listed below are allowed to enter the Philippines without visas for a stay not exceeding twenty-one (21) days, provided they hold valid tickets for their return journey to port of origin or next port of destination and their passports valid for a period of at least six (6) months beyond the contemplated period of stay.

Australia
Canada
Germany
Indonesia
Japan
Malaysia
New Zealand
Norway
Republic of Korea
Singapore
Switzerland

Continuation of list of nationals who are allowed to enter the Philippines without visas for a stay not exceeding twenty-one (21) days

Thailand
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Vietnam

The following are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding seven (7) days:

1. Holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative (SAR) passports
2. Holders of British National Overseas (BNO) passports

Allowed Radio Frequencies

The following frequency bands are allowed in the Philippines:

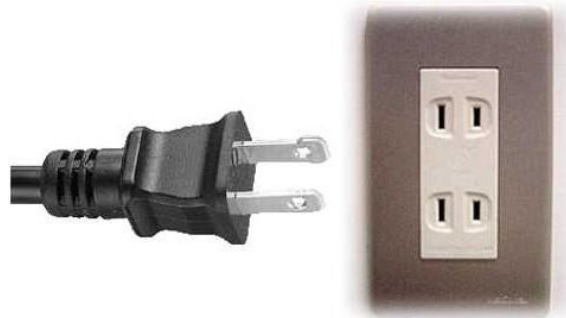
40 Mhz
72 Mhz
2.4 Ghz

However, as we will be operating F3A on a venue only 2000 meters in width, it is recommended that all participants utilize 2.4 Ghz as their operating frequency

Standard Voltage and Power Outlet

Outlet power voltage in the Philippines is **220V 60Hz**

Standard Plug and Outlet in the Philippines:



Correspondence

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