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**12th EUROPEAN
CHAMPIONSHIP
Radio Control Aerobatics - F3A**



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**12th EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP F3A
August 2004**

The Portuguese Aeromodelling Federation - Aero Club of Portugal invites all European FAI affiliated National Air Sport Control Organizations to join with a team and to participate in the 12th European Championship for F3A class, Radio Control Aerobatics for the year of 2004, in the following conditions:

DATES:

Effective : from August, the 19th to August, the 29th , 2004.
Preliminary Entry Forms must be sent NLT 1st February 2004.
Official Entry Forms must be sent NLT 15th April 2004

LOCATION

Alcochete - delightful old town located on the south bank of the River Tejo, near the Tejo Estuary Natural Reserve, 29 Km to the south-east of Lisboa.
Maps of Portugal, the region of Lisboa, the region of Alcochete and from the layout and the flying field will be included in our Bulletin nº 2.

SITE

An asphaltic runway with 1000 X 30 meters and 25 meters of shoulder space on each side, located inside the Portuguese Air Force Shooting Range , CTA.

Pilot/caller area, Judges area, flightline central marquee, transmitter pound, competitors team area, spectators area, car parking area, bar, toilets, first aid and other services.

Training runway at Seixal aeromodelling field, 35 km from the CTA airfield; Benavente airfield, 40 km from CTA airfield and Poceirão aeromodelling field, 20 km from CTA airfield.

JURY

The International Jury will be composed by:

- President - Bob Skinner - CIAM Sub-committee Chairman
- 1st Member - Yolanda Losada - CIAM Delegate of Spain
- 2nd Member - J.Loureiro de Sousa - CIAM Portuguese Delegate

- 1st Reserve Member : Alex Goosens - Belgium
- 2nd Reserve Member : Antonio Coco Mota - Spain

TEAMS

Every National Aero Club, member of the FAI, may join the competition with a team of 3 competitors, team manager, assistant team manager and helpers, as allowed in the 2004 FAI Sporting Code, Section 4. Each country's supporters are also invited to attend.

The reigning 2002 European Champion is invited to join the competition, and doesn't account for his National Team.

RULES

FAI Sporting Code, Section 4 (2004 edition) and amendments. Each competitor must have a valid FAI Licence and a third part insurance, valuable in Portugal.

PROTEST FEE

All protests must be presented in writing mode to the Contest Director at the competition and must be accompanied by a fee of 32.5 Euros. This fee is returned only if the protest is upheld.

AWARDS

Trophies for the top 3 classifications (both individual and team).
Gold, silver and bronze medals will be given to all competitors classified on the first, second and third places (both individual and team classifications).
Souvenirs for all competitors, helpers and supporters, and a diploma of participation for each competitor and team manager.

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

English and Portuguese

FREQUENCIES

The allowed frequencies for radio control model aircraft in Portugal run from 35,010 Mhz to 35,200 Mhz. Other frequencies may be used at each competitors own risk.

SCHEDULE

19th August - Thursday - arrival and registration - unofficial practice
20th August - Friday - arrival and registration - unofficial practice
21th August - Saturday - Official practice - processing - briefings - Open ceremony
22th August - Sunday - First round of preliminary fligths
23th August - Monday - Second round of preliminary fligths
24th August - Tuesday - Third round of preliminary fligths
25th August - Wednesday - Fourth round of preliminary fligths
26th August - Thrusday - Rain day - Briefing - Sigthseeing Tours
27th August - Friday - Semifinals - Briefing for final
28th August - Saturday - Final - Prize giving - Closing Ceremony - Banquet
29th August - Sunday - Departure of participants

CATERING

If expressed in the final entry form, the organization will can provide meals at the hotel.

There will be a bar opened to the public during all the competition (paid service) on the flight site. The organization will provide lunches at the field, if expressed in the final entry form.

ACCOMODATIONS

The prices are per person, Half Board
Occupancy is double room for two persons.

Hotels	Location	Distance to CTA	9 days (20/08 to 29/08)	Extra day	n° rooms	Extra fee for single room	Single Fee
Mercure ****	Lisboa	+ / - 35 km	765,00 €	85,00 €	100	35,00 €	120,00 €
Tryp Montijo Park Hotel ***	Montijo	+ / - 14 km	720,00 €	80,00 €	80	32,00 €	112,00 €
Hotel Alfoz ***	Alcochete	+ / - 12 km	720,00 €	80,00 €	28	32,00 €	112,00 €
Hotel Barroca d'Alva ***	Alcochete	+ / - 12 km	675,00 €	75,00 €	27	30,00 €	105,00 €
Motel Campanile ** (B&B)	Setubal	+ / - 40 km	297,00 €	33,00 €	70	22,5	55,5

CLOSING CEREMONY AND BANQUET

The closing ceremony will be carried out on the airfield after the air shows.
The banquet will take place at the hotel restaurant, on the last day of the competition, and it will cost 55 Euros per person.

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TRANSPORTATION

The organizers will provide daily transportation for jury and judges between the hotel and the flying site, at the beginning and at the end of the competitions.

Competitors can take their cars to the flying site and park in the reserved area. Directions to the flying site will be clearly marked. The final information bulletin issued by the organization will show and describe methods of arrival to the town and to the flight site.

It will be possible to rent a car . We are trying to obtain the best prices.

TOUR

The organization is planning a sightseeing trip to the surroundings of the Portuguese capital, Lisboa, on the reserve day.

ENTRY FEES

BASIC ENTRY FEES

- Competitors 325 Euros
- Team managers, assistant team managers 300 Euros
- Helpers and mechanics 65 Euros
- Supporters 50 Euros

Basic entry fees include competition entry fees, souvenirs, touring information, t-shirt, cap, Bulletin n.º 4 , Championship Magazine and a poster.

Late Entry Fees will be penalised with a surcharge of 50% of the normal prices.

FUEL

Fuel shall be available on request.

METEOROLOGICAL INFORMATION

Sunrise - 05.21 UTC Sunset - 19.54 UTC
Temperature - Maximum - 32,8 ° C / Average month temperature - 25,3 ° C
Total monthly precipitation - 21,9 mm
Frequency of wind direction - 29,2 % NW
Average wind speed (NW) - 9,8 km/h

REGISTRATION FORM

The enclosed **Preliminary Entry Form** must be returned NLT **1st February**.

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BULLETIN 2

Bulletin 2 will be sent in February 2004 to the contact name and address appointed by you in the annex form of Bulletin 1, returned to us with the preliminary inscriptions.

BULLETIN 3

Bulletin 3 will be sent after 15th April 2004, to the final inscriptions only.

BULLETIN 4

Bulletin 4 will be given at arrival.