

# F3A FAI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

**AASH - Grandrieu** 

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Sunday 21th July

#### Day one of the competition

The forecast was for rain during the day. Nothing more normal on this National Day in Belgium, which is accustonied to the 'drache nationale'.

'**Drache natinale**' is the name given to the heavy rain that traditionally falls on Belgian National Day, 21 July, and prevents the festivities from running smoothly.

Some will remember the 2018 edition of the European Championship, on the day of the opening ceremony, a ceremony that was held in the marquee because it was raining so hard.

This year there was no rain, but in the morning it was overcast with such a low ceiling that flighs had to be suspended for a while.

The situation quickly improved and during the afternoon sunny spells broke through the cloud cover.



2018, the opening ceremony held in the marquee







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#### At the end of the day

Even if today's provisional rankings reflect a normal trend, caution is advised in waiting for each pilot to complete a flight in front of each panel of judges.

The results display screen available to teams, updated at the end of each flight.





Reigning European Champion Lassi Narula in the starting box. The battery voltage is being checked.



His 'Glacial' plane on landing.

Antonin and Christophe Paysan-Le-Roux (helper). Antonin, a young man with great self-control who can count on the extensive competition experience of his father, a multiple World and European Champion.



On take-off, his 'Oreka+' plane is now electrically propelled.



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What could be better than a little massage to manage muscle tension cause by stress?



After your flight, you play the lotto. You draw a black ball and you win a new control of your plane.

Ignace Pawlenco (BEL) coached by Viken Malacioglu (BEL)

The wait before departure, the final moment to take off the pressure off yourself and concentrate better during the flight.



Danny Van Vliet's (NED) Akuma on landing.

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The music of the four-stroke engine, the smoke, the sour smell and the little pompoms of the exhaust fumes ... an exception among electric propulsion systems!

At departure, Quentin Amati (FRA).









Some aerodynamic curiosities. On the left, Andrea Cervi's plane (ITA) below, Christian Paradela Garaloces's plane (ESP)



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### Any way you can to come to AASH RC

Togheter, these three vehicles have 14 cylinders. The Bullit motobike has on cylinder, the Porsche Diesel tractor also has one, leaving 12 for the Lamborghini.



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### When one competition hides another

#### Do you know why?

During processing, you will have noticed that the aircraft measurement frame was placed on top of a platform accessible by a staircase.

It would have been just as easy to place it on the floor of the marquee, but why bother?

- a) to comply with a provision of point 5.1.2 of the FAI Code describing the specifications and methods for measuring models.
- b) to comply with a provision concerning participation in any sporting event which requises the organiser to ensure that competitors are not under the influence of alcohol or drugs or any other illegal substance.
- c) to provide competitors with a minimum of physical exercise and to check their ability to keep their balance.

The first three people to give the right answer will be rewarded with a bottle of beer.

To give your answer, please contact Gérard Wérion















