



APF BROADCAST NEWS

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<http://conference.apf.asn.au>

1. COMPETITION AND JUDGING

2010 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FORMATION SKYDIVING AND CANOPY FORMATION, PICTON NSW

The final results are in from the National's in Formation Skydiving and Canopy Formation.



2 Way Sequential Canopy Formation:

Team Ookoonono: Michael Vaughan, Jules McConnel and Craig Bennet (v) with a total of 105.



FS 4 Way Open:

Rotor Out: L-R Darren Pearson, Steph Bensley, Jens Goennemann, Gary Nemirovsky, Front -Darren Griggs (v) with a total of 180.



FS 4 Way Intermediate:

Intangible Force: L-R Deborah Hobbs, Travis Wood, Rebecca Bricknell, Heath Millard, Front - Matthew Luke (v) with a total of 108.

FS 8 Way Open: NO PHOTO SUPPLIED

Black Out: Craig Vaughan, Gary Nemirovsky, Sas Discascio, George Attard, Steven Geens, Steph Bensley, James Boyle, Jason Cooke, Paul Tozer (v) with a total of 110.



FS 8 Way Intermediate:

Guinness: L-R Fiona McEachern, Andrew Barker, Steve Cowan, Gavin Smith, , George Tang , Michael Schwach.
Kneeling- Nerissa Anderson , Kate Rogers, Ben Nordkamp (v) with a total of 24.



VFS:

The Addicted: L-R Kim Hopwood, Tim Golsby Smith, James Hensman, Lucas Georgiou, Mark Gazley (v) with a total of 60.

For a full round by round run down of the Nationals scores, the links are on the APF website:

http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Main_Page

We received some fantastic media throughout the Nationals (thank you to Jules McConnell!). If you haven't had a look, follow these links:

http://macarthur-chronicle-campbelltown.whereilive.com.au/photos/gallery/australian-skydiving-championships/Wilton_resident_Michael_Vaughan's_canopy_formation_team_win_at_...

<http://www.nenews.com.au/stories.aspx?pub=ch&day=Fri&class=Stories&type=SINGLE&path=XML/&rec=05>

<http://www.abc.net.au/local/audio/2010/03/19/2850892.htm>

Congratulations to the winning teams and to all who participated!

Thank you Chief Judge Jenni Plumridge, Event Judge Ray Williams, Meet Director Jon McWilliam and to Sydney Skydivers for hosting the event!! As this is an 'on' year, we wish the winning teams all the best at the World Parachuting Championship in Russia from the end of July!

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION INDUCTED AS AN HONORARY GOLDEN KNIGHT

Australian parachuting legend, Laurie "Trucks" Sams, was inducted into the Golden Knights Honorary Hall of Fame in 2009. Honorary Golden Knights have been seen to contribute a tremendous amount of time and effort into supporting the team and its activities.

Laurie has been a National Champion and has received the Star of Courage from the Australian Government for saving a tandem passenger's life at significant cost to himself.

For more information on the Honorary Golden Knight status, see

<http://www.goldenknightssa.com/roster/hgk.asp>

BIDS FOR THE NATIONALS IN 2011 are due by 27th of April 2010. Excerpt from the Sporting Code 1.2: Bids to conduct Championships shall be submitted to the APF Board through the Director Competitions. Bids shall be submitted at least four weeks prior to the first APF Board Meeting of the calendar year to be eligible for consideration. Bids must be accompanied by an application fee of \$500. If events are combined, only one application fee is required. If the bid is accepted this fee becomes the bond for the event (1.3.9). If the bid is not accepted, the application fee will be returned. Only bids for the very next National Championships will be considered.

Any questions to fionam@speedlink.com.au

2010 IPC SPORTING CODE

The IPC Sporting Code for 2010 is now available on the FAI website at

<http://www.fai.org/parachuting/documents/sportingcode2010>

The IPC Sporting Code is used for International Competitions such as World Parachuting Championships and World Cups. It may differ in some respects from local rules. For Australian competitions, please use the [APF Sporting Code](#).

IPC

The International Parachuting Commission want to contract with a supplier for a scoring system for all disciplines for use in World Championships and World Cups. Proposals are due by the end of April 2010.

Details of the requirements are available from Fiona McEachern IPC Delegate at

fionam@speedlink.com.au

The Online Judging Course which was launched in the previous year met with some teething problems and was not accessible for much of the year. Elisabet Pettersson, the creator of the Online Judging Course has worked steadily throughout the year to improve the course and iron out any glitches. The course is available again through the IPC website, and it must be noted that the course does not qualify judges for an FAI Judges rating. Judges wishing to be FAI Trainee Judges must still follow the process and protocol set down firstly in the APF Sporting Code, followed by Section 5 of the FAI Sporting Code.

Revalidation of FAI Judges Ratings – At the recent IPC Plenary Meeting the International Judges Committee presented an Online Judges Re-evaluation exam which was approved by the Plenary. The exam enables the candidate to revalidate their rating from their home country under the supervision of an approved third person. This new development will be of great value to our Australian FAI Judges.

Scoring Systems - We have enjoyed the benefits of Omnikore for over a decade, but sadly Omnikore is now being regarded as cumbersome and old technology. The International Parachute Commission has developed a plan to investigate and commission a replacement scoring system to be used at future International Events. Two scoring systems were presented at the recent IPC Meeting. Both systems involve a software package which can be downloaded into the users own hardware. More information will follow as developments unfold.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

ATTENTION LEADING LADIES!!

Sports Leadership Grants and Scholarships for Women

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) and Australian Government Office for Women (OfW) are looking to develop more Australian women in leadership and decision making roles in sport.

Applications open 1 March for the 2010–11 round of the ASC and OfW's Sports Leadership Grants and Scholarships for Women.

These Australian Government grants and scholarships are offered to inspire and assist women in the sports industry to reach their full potential in leadership, through education and development opportunities.

The ASC invites women from all areas and levels of the Australian sports community to apply, including women involved in sport as managers, administrators, media and communication officers, coaches, officials, and women in sport governance.

The grants include scholarships for women in upper sports management of up to \$10,000 a year for three years, one-off grants of up to \$5,000 for individuals and up to \$10,000 for approved organisations.

For more information, have a look at the Ausport website: ausport.gov.au/women

CLOUD JUMPING PROCEDURES – APF AUTHORISATIONS

In accordance with CASA instrument [270/09](#), the APF has now issued the following cloud jumping authorization:

- **Skydive Airlie Beach.** APF CJPM 03/2010 for its Whitsunday Airport, NQ DZ. This authorization commenced on the 29th March 2010. (Note – this is a re-authorization of previously held CJPM APF 01/06)

NOTICE FROM THE APF PRESIDENT

Call for Nominations - Future 50 Awards:

This year being the 50th Anniversary of the APF, we have developed an exciting new recognition program titled '**Future Fifty Awards**' for those *special people* who are taking our organisation into the future.

As your President, this is my invitation for you to suggest a person, or persons; you feel deserving of this very special award to be presented on the occasion of the May 2010 Conference Awards Night in Sydney. We wish to recognise those who are destined to take the APF into the future. For full information on nomination criteria please visit [Future Fifty Awards](#)

NOMINATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING AWARDS ARE CLOSING IN JUST TWO DAYS – 31ST March 2010!!

1. [The 'Tim Bates Award'](#)
2. **The APF Service Award** recognises outstanding contribution in the service of sport parachuting.

- 3. The APF Master of Sport Parachuting** is the APF's highest honour, awarded in recognition of great personal achievement in any field of sport parachuting. It may only be awarded by a unanimous decision of the Board.
- 4. Honorary Life Membership of the APF** recognises exemplary and outstanding service in any capacity. *Nominations for these awards are assessed by Awards Validation Unit (AVU), then considered by the APF Board.*

More on awards, including who can make a nomination, how to prepare a nomination, who is the Awards Validation Unit, Awards Assessment Guidelines and Nomination FormS can be found on the APF web site at: [Awards](#) Check out APF Register of Awards to see previous recipients: [Register of Awards](#)

Nominations MUST be received at the APF Office by 5pm on 31st March 2010.

3. RIGGING ISSUES / SERVICE BULLETINS

The Index of all Rigging Bulletins from Manufacturers, Federations, Aviation Authorities, APF and the International Parachuting Commission (IPC) can be found linked off the Rigging & Equipment Portal on the APF web site at: [Rigging and Equipment](#)

4. INDUSTRY VACANCIES & GEAR FOR SALE/WANTED

- **Tandem Master Wanted** - Rare full time position available at Skydive Airlie Beach. Small busy drop zone, must have handy cam experience. Email enquiries send to info@skydiveairliebeach.com.au, phone enquiries call Chook on 0417799862.
- **Instructor Wanted:**
ID AFF/Tandem handy cam equipped for drop zone in Perth WA. Will help with relocation. Retainer paid. Contact WA Skydiving Academy on: 08 9227 6066
- **Tandem master wanted:**
Contact Dave on 0433254438 or e-mail skydivecoffsharbour@australiaskydiver.com
- **Australian Skydiving Online Business For Sale:**
Attention Skydiving Buddies! [Terminal Sports](#) is up For Sale. If you are interested in taking over Terminal Sports we would love to hear from you.

The online store is for sale with or without stock. It's very easy to run and has a semi-automated Admin side. Great Google rankings and plenty of regular customers. Minimal time and space required (1 hour a day plus your spare bedroom). Contact Steve Smith steve@terminalsports.com.au for more info.

- **2nd Hand Equipment can be found at:** [Gear for sale](#)

5. ITEMS OF INTEREST / CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR TEAM MANAGER OF THE AUSTRALIAN FORMATION SKYDIVING TEAM AND CANOPY FORMATION TEAM

We are currently seeking a Team Manager to be responsible for the Australian Formation Skydiving Team prior to and during the World Canopy Piloting Parachute Championships. The Canopy Piloting World Championships are to be held from the 1st – 5th August 2010 in Menzelinsk, Russia. The Team Manager should be a person who is familiar with World Championship organisational procedures and has displayed leadership qualities.

The responsibilities of the Team Manager include, but are not limited to:

- Accounting for all expenses and managing Team allowances;
 - General organisation of the Team prior to departure;
 - Attending all meetings of the Committee of Team Managers;
 - Ensuring the Team is ready in good time for events;
 - Keeping the Team members informed on the latest developments and rule interpretations throughout the competitions;
 - Collection of video and photographs of the Team in training and Team details for media purposes.
- Please include in your expression of interest your relevant background, competition experience, and how you intend to generate media interest in the Team. Send all expressions of interest to the National Coach: emma.wald@apf.asn.au

7TH ASIANIA EMAX VIDEO COMPETITION 2010

The ASIANIA Video Comp will be conducted over the period 1 May to 1 November 2010. ASIANIA will seek sponsorship this year to enable a prize for the winning teams in addition to the ASIANIA medals that are awarded. ASIANIA is confident that this year there will be many more entries in each event. This competition is a great chance for all experience levels to see what they can do - at "no entry fee", jump in your own time at your own drop zone and choice of aircraft.

Details will be published very soon on the Asiania website www.asiania.org and by email.

13th ASIANIA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INDONESIAN MERDEKA INTERNATIONAL OPEN 2010

The Asiania Championships are to be held from the 1st – 10th of July, 2010 in Surakarta Solo Central Java, Indonesia.

Competition events: Accuracy, 4-Way Formation Skydiving and 2-Way sequential Canopy Formation.

Aircraft: CN-235 for Formation Skydiving and Canopy Formation, and a helicopter for Accuracy.

There is only 1 Team allowed per country, so get in quickly to secure your spot!

Closing date for entries is 7th June, 2010. For more information and for registration forms, please contact the National Coach emma.wald@apf.asn.au

CANOPY FORMATIONS WEB COMPETITION

The FAI's international Canopy Formation competition started February 10 and runs until June 15 2010.

The competition caters for all disciplines of CF, 2- and 4-way sequential and 4 way rotation, and all experience levels, from novice to experienced. Get more information on how your team can compete on an international scale, go to the FIA website: http://www.fai.org/parachuting/CF_Web_Challenge

WORLD ATMONAUTI LEAGUE COMPETITION

The World Atmonauti League has been developed by the creators of Atmonauti, and is a web-based league, allowing competitors from around the world to compete from their home drop zone.

The competition begins on the 1st May with a total of 4 rounds to be submitted.

For more information, and to register your team, go to: <http://www.worldatmonautileague.com/>

UPCOMING INSTRUCTOR COURSES

The following courses are seeking candidates.

Ramblers ID - AFF course 10/04/2010 to 17/04/2010 [click here](#)

Nagambie Instructor D AFF & Tandem Course, 24 April - 2 May 2010 [click here](#)

Nagambie Instructor B AFF & Tandem Course, 10 - 14 May 2010 [click here](#)

Ramblers ID - Tandem course 03/05/2010 to 07/05/2010 [click here](#)

The following State & National events AND MORE (including club events, boogies and Instructor courses) can be found in detail at: [Calendar of Events](#)

National Championships 10 Way Speed, 16 Way FS , 2-5 April 2010

Location: Sydney Skydivers, Picton NSW

ACT Parachute Council General Meeting 14th April 2010

Location: Insuranet, Level 1, 25 Geils Court, Deakin

SQPC State Championships in Style and Accuracy 17th & 18th April 2010

Location: Caboolture Skydivers

North QLD Parachute Council General Meeting 19th April 2010

Location: Sheridan Plaza, Cairns

Newcastle Sport Parachute Club Golden Jubilee Hunter Valley 21st – 26th April 2010

Location: Elderslie DZ

49th National Championships Style & Accuracy, 1 - 5 May, 2010

Location: Caloundra / Caboolture, Queensland.

Have a great week - from all of us at the National Office.

For more information, comments or suggestions please email apf@apf.asn.au

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