

# 2012 Pan American Open Championship for Aerobatic Model Aircraft, Class F3A

## Bulletin 0

**2012**  
**PAOC-F3A**



*Medellín, Noviembre 4 al 10 de 2012*

Hosted by

**Club Campestre Medellín**  
**Llano Grande**

**November, 4 - 10, 2012**  
**Medellín**  
**COLOMBIA**

Federación Colombiana de Deportes Aéreos  
FAI Active Member

## **Judges**

President of the Jury: Michael Ramel (Germany)

Judge 1	Demetrio Zigras (Venezuela)
Judge 2	Arturo Zapata (Colombia)
Judge 3	Esteban Mateus (Ecuador)
Judge 4	Jorge Olivella (Argentina)
Judge 5	Bob Skinner (South Africa) confirmation pending
Judge 6	Confirmation Pending
Judge 7	Confirmation Pending
Judge 8	(Europe) confirmation pending
Judge 9	(Europe) confirmation pending
Judge 10	(Europe) confirmation pending
Reserve Judge	Confirmation pending
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The organization will do the outmost effort to have at least only one judge per participating country. This will be defined according to country preregistration final numbers and final pilot count per country.

## **Contest Director**

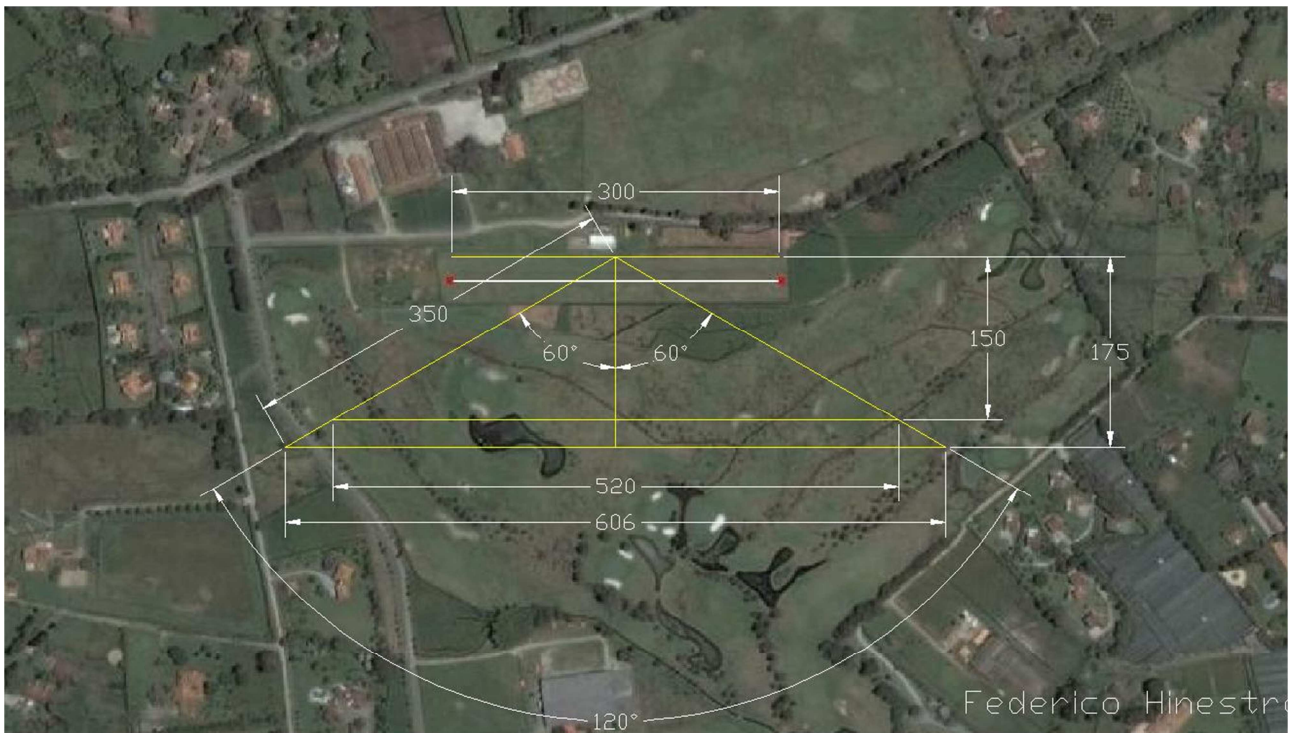
Eduardo Avilés (Ecuador)

## **Event Site**



The PAOC will be held at Club Campestre Medellin at Llanogrande location. This is a privately owned Country Club and is one of the finest clubs in Colombia with many sport amenities like: Golf, equestrian competition, polo, tennis, water skiing and RC models.

The RC runway is 320 m x 50 m in dimensions, with a club house, restrooms, electricity, and a bar services.



120° Box configuration for the official site

# 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, for the 40% best preliminary individual scores, but no less than 15 pilots.
- Four (4) final rounds: two (2) Schedule F-13 / two (2) Unknown Schedules defined according to current 2012 sporting code, for the 10 best pilots from the Semifinals.

In case of a tie in the finals, the championship will be defined by the semifinals results, according to the sporting code.

## Participants

Each affiliated country may send a team of maximum three (3) individual competitors or maximum four (4) individual competitors, provided that the fourth team member is a junior (less than 19 years), plus a team manager (Optional).

Unlimited additional participants may fly for any country, but will only compete for the individual scoring and not for the team's competition

## Registration Dates

Pre- registration form at the end of this document should be sent before May 30<sup>th</sup> 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 USD 30.00 is required. The fee will be returned only if the protest is upheld.

## Awards

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.

## Time Table (Subject to change)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Friday, Nov 2	13:00 to 18:00	Registration and Model Processing Controlled Practice
Saturday, Nov 3	09:00 to 17:00 10:00 to 16:00 10:00 to 12:00 13:00 to 15:00 17:30 to 19:00	Controlled Practice Registration and Model Processing Judges' Briefing on P-13 Team Managers' Meeting Opening Ceremony
Sunday, Nov 4	09:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 1
Monday, Nov 5	09:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 2
Tuesday, Nov 6	09:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 3
Wednesday, Nov 7	09:00 to 17:00	Preliminary Round (P-13) 4
Thursday, Nov 8	08:00 to 17:00 09:00 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, Nov 9	09:00 to 15:10 18:00 to 20:00	Semi Final Rounds (F-13) 1 & 2 Finalists' & Team Managers' Meeting
Saturday, Nov 10	09:00 to 15:00  20:00 onwards	Finals Rounds 1 & 3 (F-13) 2 & 4 (Unknown) Awarding Ceremony and & Closing Banquet

Number of preliminary rounds as well as amount of flights per day will depend on pilot count and available flight window due to weather

## Practice Site

The organization will have one alternative site for practice within close distance to the official site, also the official site will be open for practice but controlled by the event organization. Frequency control on the practice site is on pilots responsibility.



Practice Site. Club Deportivo Aeromodelos De Rionegro. Located 15 minutes away from the oficial site. Directions on how to get there will be supplied at the country club.

## Precedence

The Club Campestre Medellin, in his Llano Grande installations has organized several local, national and international events from fun-fly to scale, IMAC, pattern, helicopter and gliders.

On November 2010, the second International Open now called Pan American Open was held in this location with 29 pilots from 10 different countries. The organization has extensively committed to elevate this event into a global venue for pilots to have the opportunity to compete on the even years in preparation for the World Championship. We hope that not only the countries from the Americas can come but from Europe, Asia, Oceania and Africa. Everybody is welcome.



2010 championship pilots

**The Venue: Medellín - Rionegro, Colombia:** Medellín (Spanish pronunciation: [meðe'jin]), officially the *Municipio de Medellín* (Spanish) or *Municipality of Medellín*, is the second largest city in Colombia. It is in the Aburrá Valley, one of the more northerly of the Andes in South America. To 2012, it has a population of 2.7 million. With its surrounding area, the metropolitan area of Medellín (*área metropolitana de Medellín*), composed by another nine cities, it is the second largest urban agglomeration in Colombia in terms of population and economy, with more than 3.5 million people. The main airport serving Medellín (Jose Maria Cordova International Airport) is located at Rionegro. Rionegro is a city 30 kms from Medellín by car, and municipality in Antioquia Department, located in the sub region of Eastern Antioquia. The official name of the City is "Ciudad Santiago de Arma de Rionegro" but is named after the Negro River which is the most prominent geographical feature of the municipality. Rionegro is also sometimes called the *Cuna de la democracia* (Cradle of democracy) as it was one of the most important cities during the era of the Colombia's struggle for independence and the 1863 constitution was written in the city.

**Getting to Club Campestre:** The airport's main runway is oriented north/south. Once you exit the airport building (north exit) at 300 meter on the round point, continue driving in the same direction (NW) second exit, 400 meter ahead you find a second round point turn south, (270 degrees) third exit and continue for 5.5 kms to an intersection, turn left and drive for 500 meters and turn right at stop sign, drive for 450 meters to the first left intersection and turn left and drive for 500 meters to the Club's gate (right side) then follow Club instructions.

**Competition Site Location:** Elevation 2125 meters, Latitude 06° 09' 52.33" N, Longitude 075° 25' 23.23" W, 320 m x 50 m grass leveled surface. The sun moves from left to right with sun at your ten from 4:30 pm to sunset. The runway direction is 2/20

## 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

110v – 220v AC

## 4. Toilets

The club house has women and men restrooms exclusively for 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

The official language at the PAOC is Spanish. Plenty of English speaking help will be provided.

## Weather

During the month of November, temperature is between 15 C to 23 C. There may be threat of sporadic light rain during this month and also foggy mornings. Winds are 5 kph and consistent throughout the day from all directions. Sunrise is at 6:00 am, Sunset is at 5:45 pm.

## Transportation around Medellin area

The site is located 32 kiloeters away from Medellin. Car rentals and taxis are available through the Club Campestre Hotel at very reasonable cost.

Vehicle	Per day	Notes
Car	125 Euros	One day
	115 Euros	For a week
Van	110 Euros	One day
	105 Euros	For a week
Taxi	23 Euros	Rionegro – Medellin one way
Taxi	11 Euros	Per hour

Gasoline price: 3.83 Euro/gallon (US\$5.05/gal) or 1.01 Euro/liter

## Meals

International cuisine ranging from local to Western/ European food is available from many restaurants around the area. Average cost per meal is between 10 Euros to 20 Euros. A meal package for the PAOC teams may be prepared throughout their stay.



## **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 1.

There will be advertising in local media as to attract spectators and if possible video footage of the event will be supplied.

The organization is arranging to provide FAI licensed software both for scoring and Unknown sequence design.

## **Entry of Model crates and equipment (Customs Information)**

Events such as the 2012 F3A Pan American Open Championship are supported by Coldeportes (a government body for sports). Special arrangements in customs through the Colombian DIAN (National Direction for Customs and Taxes) 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 Colombia**

All nationals from all countries in the world are allowed to enter Colombia without tourist visa. Nevertheless consult your embassy website in Colombia in case of any doubt

## **Allowed Radio Frequencies**

The following frequency bands are allowed in the Colombia:

72.000 MHz (all frequencies)

35.000 MHz (all frequencies)

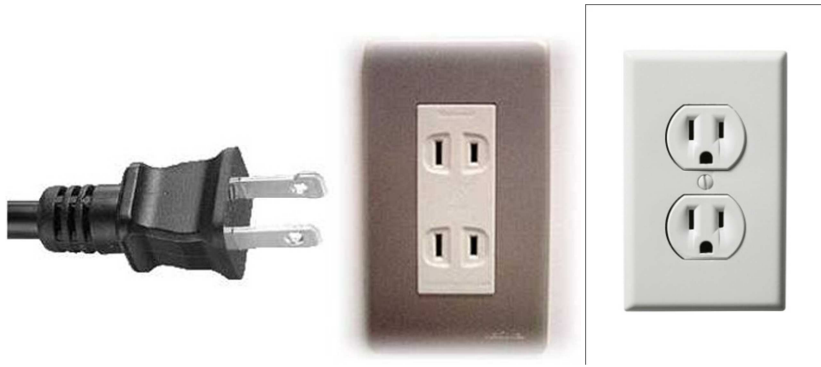
2.4 GHz

**However, it is recommended that all participants utilize 2.4 Ghz as their operating frequency**

## **Standard Voltage and Power Outlet**

Outlet power voltage in Colombia is 110v **60Hz**.

Standard Plug and Outlet in Colombia:



## Correspondence

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### PREREGISTRATION FORM

Pilot Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional participants (family or friends): \_\_\_\_\_

I'm willing to share rooms with other pilots and families in multiple accommodations:

YES \_\_\_ NO: \_\_\_

Country of origin: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send before June 15<sup>th</sup> 2012 to:

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