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This Newsletter will bring, whenever necessary, the latest information about the model events that will take place during the 2009 World Air Games, the competitors selection process & contests and the test events that are due to take place in 2008 at the same location.

The first selection contests have now taken place It was an AeroMusicals contest in Prague, Czech Republic. Results next page.

Changes & correction

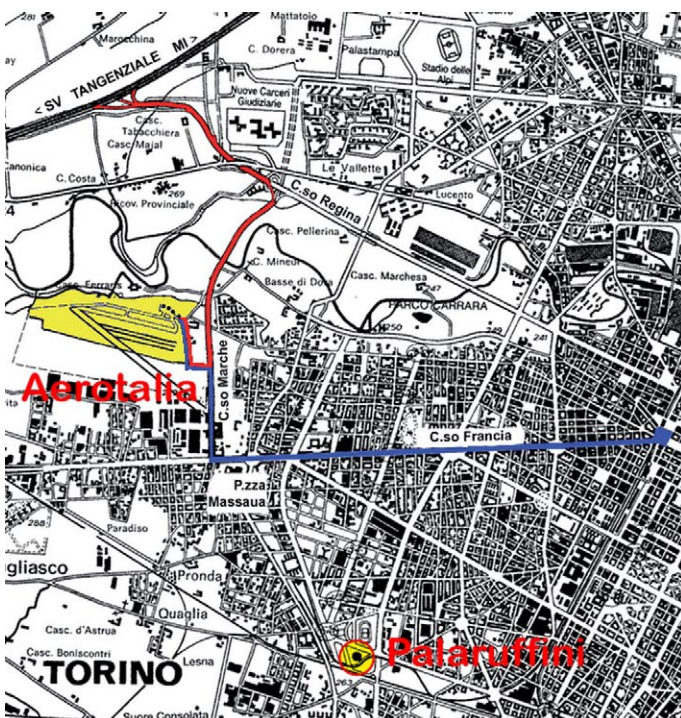
An error crept into the **AeroMusicals** rules. While the Judges Guide and Score Sheet are correct, the Sporting Code, § 6.2.11.1.2 mentions that scores are awarded on a scale of 0 to 10.

This is incorrect. Please consult the score sheet and judges guide for the correct judging system (maximum possible score varies from criterion to criterion, the maximum total points to be awarded amounts to 30 per judge for the sum of all 8 criteria).

Turin international contests & test events

Important notice : The dates have been changed. The international selection contests for all 3 classes will take place on **June 7 & 8.**

Both Torino Aeritalia airport and Palaruffini sports hall are very easy to find and access. They are marked in yellow on this map:



How to reach the contest site (Aeroporto Aeritalia) by car ?

From Highway A55 (Tangenziale Nord), exit at «corso Regina Margherita» and follow the road towards the center of Turin, then turn right into corso Marche. It's the red track on the map. At the first crossing lights, turn right into «strada Antiqua di Collegno» up to the roudabout, then turn right again into strada (street) Berlia.

When coming from downtown (blue track), follow Corso Francia, then take a right at corso Marche. Turn left at the first traffic light into strada Antica di Collegno then right at the roudabout into strada Berlia.

Spectators may reach the airfield from downtown Turin with Bus 65 up to the end station (Strada Antica di Collegno) right at the airfield border.

If you fly to Aeritalia airport, details are [here](#) , [here](#) and [here](#).

You should not miss the opportunity to fly on the very same site World Air Games will take place next year and get accustomed to the local environment and weather conditions. The selection contests and test events will take place at exactly the same time of the year as WAG 2009.

Registration will close very early (April). We recommend you register right now ! Just go to the [Calendar & Registration page](#) to register on-line.



First international WAG Selection Contest: AeroMusicals in Prague January 19 & 20, 2008

This first contest counting for a place among the invited WAG AeroMusicals competitors took place in the Czech Republic with competitors from five different countries.

Top placers were Gernot Bruckmann (Austria), Donatas Paužuolis (Lithuania) and Martin Müller (Germany).

Full results and World ranking may be found on this [page](#).



(Above)
Many spectators enjoyed the competition



(Left)
Young Austrian Gernot Bruckmann is waiting for his turn to fly

(Below)
The "standard" sized hall enabled most competitors to practice their flight routine at their home site under similar conditions.



First national Hand Thrown Gliders WAG Selection Contest Pretoria, South Africa, February 9, 2008

The first in a series of three HTG selection contests. The following one is taking place in May while the last one will take place at the extreme end of the selection period next Spring (Southern Hemisphere) and will decide the pilots who will compete at WAG 2009 in Turin next year. The African Continent is the only one from which only one country is represented at FAI's Aeromodelling Commission.

Guys, if needed to separate the top pilots and decide those who will be invited to Turin, further contests may be organised, provided they are registered to your National Organisation. But do not forget the Selection process will be closed around November

17, i.e. approximately one week before the CIAM Bureau will validate all rankings and make official the WAG competitors.



Finalists at the Silverton Club, Pretoria, RSA HTG Selection Contest. From left to right: Stephane Duponsel (4th), Alan Smith (2nd), Mark Stockton (1st), Kurt Stockton (his son and caller) and junior competitor Conrad Klintworth (3rd).

Coming contests

AeroMusicals

2nd March : National selection contest in Mont-sur-Marchienne (Belgium)

22nd March : National selection contest in Stochov (Czech Republic)

29th & 30th March : National selection contest in Krakow (Poland)

Attention : This contest is not yet confirmed by the Polish Aero Club.

5th & 6th April : International selection contest in Mons (Belgium)

Many competitors are already registered for this one. Do not wait until the last minute ! The hall is exceptionally clean (no obstacles) and high (20 m+), clearly a good practice hall before flying in the tremendous Turin sports arena.

Hand Thrown Gliders

16th March : National selection contest in Novi Ligure (Italy) (pending FIAM confirmation)

30th March : National selection contest in Villers-la-Loue (Belgium)

Artistic Aerobatics

3rd & 4th May : National selection contest in St Macaire en Mauges (France)

Important notice

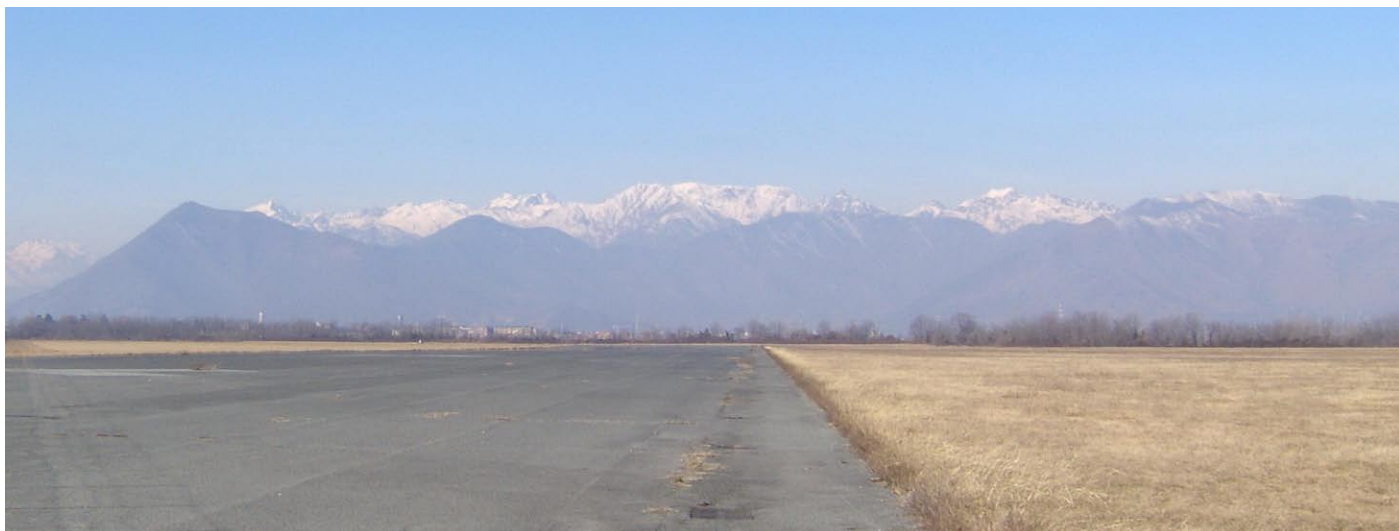
The Italian organisers selected the **music Nr 2** as the **Artistic Aerobatics Finals Compulsory Music** for all their selection contests, including the international contest in Turin. This music is made of public domain components and may thus be freely downloaded from [here](#)

runway. This leaves almost 1,000 m in the prevailing wind direction to search for thermals (the main runway is over 1,000 m long). For Hand Thrown Gliders, the “launch box” is planned to be 100 x 100 m within the basic action area (large green rectangle).

For Artistic Aerobatics, the depth of flight is limited by the outmost edge of the main runway, leaving

approximately 250 m free in front of the pilots. A short grass surface take off and landing strip will be prepared absolutely flat, suitable both for helicopters and airplanes, even with the smallest wheels.

There is absolutely no doubt that this field will prove absolutely ideal for these two events.



With over 1000 metres devoid of any obstacle in the prevailing wind direction, Aeritalia will prove ideal both for Artistic Aerobatics and Hand Thrown Gliders.

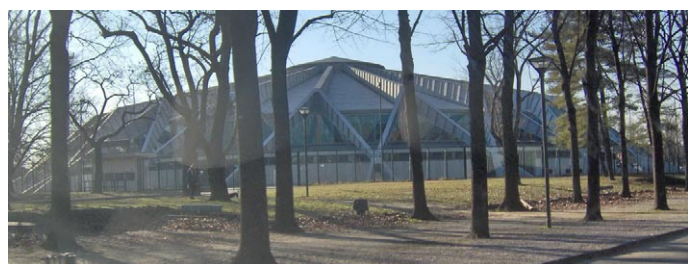
AeroMusicals at Palaruffini

The Ruffini Sports Arena is but a 10 minute drive from Aeritalia airport and the time schedule will easily allow aerobatics competitors to enter both classes, should they wish to. We even heard that one well-know competitor will enter all three classes during the Turin WAG test events !

The hall provides the usual ground space (hand-ball field size or about 40 x 22 metres) but with over 20 metres under the ceiling and no protruding obstacle whatsoever.

Contrarily to the most common setup, there is no wall to limit the flight space as the ground area is circular with spectators seating all around. The actual sporting area is 45 metres diameter, leaving plenty of space between the actual flight space and spectators.

It is planned to have the judges panel sit right

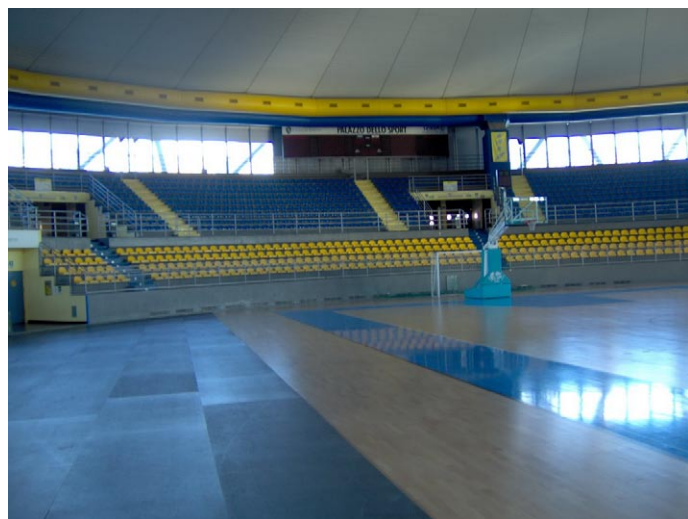


below the first spectators row with the pilots staying opposite the flight space

Smile, you'll be photographed and videotaped !

Please note that the organisers demand an early registration. In principle, the number of competitors is not limited, but registration is requested by late April at the latest

Registration forms for the Turin international selection contests are available from the calendar page [here](#).



Training sessions

Our friends up there in Sunny England are planning five HTG selection contests, starting next June.

Why so late, you may ask ? Just because Hand Thrown Gliders are a relatively new competition class.

The British organisers decided it would be a good idea to get more experience with the competition rules and procedures before involving themselves into the actual selection contests. Needless to say, this enhances the competitive potential. The British pilots are eager to secure a seat (or more) in the big event next year !



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If you know other pilots who may be interested to take part in the 2009 World Air Games, tell us at WAG2009@online.fr

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