#### **CNTC REPORT TO 2024 AGM**

### **COMMITTEE MAKEUP**

Joe Ablitt, Interim Chair

Lee Bibby Kelsey Fry
Richard Bisson Rina Gallo
Barb Davies Benoit Lemay
Katelyn Escott Nicholas Yu

Jason Warren, BOD Liaison

### CNTC members carrying out special projects:

Benoit Lemay: National Teams Coordinator (NTC) – overseeing Invitation letters to National Team

members and international meet registrations

Joe Ablitt: Records Administrator (RA) – National records administration

# 2023 Committee Membership changes:

Unfortunately, during 2023, Blair Egan had to resign for personal reasons. As well, early in the year our Chair, Pat Floyd, could not continue as Chair due to personal reasons. We thank both Blair and Pat for their service. The Committee members were able to carry on without a Chair with the help of Jason Warren our BOD liaison. Later in the year, the committee gained two new members when Nicholas Yu and Katelyn Escott joined us. In November I took over the Chair position.

In 2023 the Committee met approximately seven times using the Microsoft Teams meeting platform and conversed on a weekly basis by email.

### **2023 Canadian Nationals**

The Nationals were held in Quebec as follows:

Location 1: Parachute Voltige, Notre Dame, QC, September 9th to 17th

Location 2: Parachute Montreal, Farnham, QC, September 18th to 22<sup>nd</sup>

The competition and the results were reported in Canpara and on the CSPA web site.

### 2023 Indoor Skydiving Championships.

It should be noted that CSPA members competed at the Canadian Indoor Skydiving Championships organized by IFly in Whitby, ON, on November 18-19th.

## **2023 International Competition Attendance:**

-World Cup of Canopy Piloting and CP Freestyle: Eloy, Arizona, November 7-12<sup>th</sup>.

Canada's CP Team members:

Jean-Philippe Bernier, Simon Bouchard, Sam Gouws, Sven Jseppi, Max Lesziak, John Minos and Tiago Muller.

Special mention to Sven Jseppi who won Gold in Distance and set a new Canadian record (see below). Full results can be seen on the FAI/ISC results portal.

#### -Dubai International Parachuting Competition #7: Dubai, November 19-28th.

Canada's Accuracy Team members:

Joe Ablitt, Damir Boban, Cezar Bucevschi, John Davies, James Patterson and Craig Winning.

Canada's Canopy Piloting Team members:

Simon Bouchard, Sven Jseppi and Zackery Krampitz.

Head of Delegation: Barb Davies

Full results can be seen on the FAI/ISC results portal.

### **NATIONAL RECORDS**

Due to past delays in the update of CSPA's Record Book, a few records were processed from years prior to 2023 as follows:

July/August 2015, Liz Jack Wingsuit, Cdn. Nationals, Westlock, Alberta

Distance: 1.738 km. Speed: 222.8 km/hr. Time: 43.4 sec.

Nov. 2017, Stacy Meisner, Wingsuit, World Cup, Overton, Nevada

Distance: 3.128 km. Speed: 267.1 km/hr. Time: 62.2 sec.

Aug. 2018, Stacy Meisner, Wingsuit, World Championships, Prostejov, Czechia

Time: 63.3 sec.

Sept. 2019, Stacy Meisner, Wingsuit, Cdn. Nationals, Wasaga Beach, Ontario

Distance: 3.262 km. Time: 74.2 sec.

Oct. 2022, Sven Jseppi, Canopy Piloting, World Championships, Eloy, Arizona

Drag Distance: 195.02 m.

Speed: 2.016 sec.

Oct. 2022, Katlyn Escott, Wingsuit, World Championships, Eloy, Arizona

Time: 77.1 sec.

RECORDS set in 2023:

July 2023, Formation Skydiving, Largest Formation, Full Break Sequential: 32 persons 2pts.

Angus Smith, Arnaud Duplessier, Benjamin Poiret, François Leblanc, Gary Tays, Hedi Abada, Jeff Gemmell, Jérôme Denis, John A. Jasko, Jonathan L'Écuyer, Jonathan Tessier, Josée Leblanc, Katherine Walsh, Lana Pesch, Luc Geoffroy, Marcel Faguy, Marilyn Perras, Mathieu Ouellet, Mélissa Fortin, Michel Dessert, Monique Careau, Pascal Blais, Pascale Bouchard, Philippe Morin, Renée Point, Stéphane Bastien, Stéphane Therrien, Stéphanie Longchamps, Thomas Mordome, Thomas Tiberghien, Tyler Evans, Yoann Perrier

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Aug. 2023, **Ashley Cook**, Cross Country Canopy Descent, Nanoose Bay, British Columbia Distance: 14.31 kms.

Sep. 2023, Formation Skydiving, 10-way Speed Star: 17.77 sec.:

Stéphanie Longchamps, Jerome Denis, Benjamin Poiret, Mathieu Ouellet, Richard Bisson, Yannick Bisson, Nicholas Malley, Pascal Blais. Valerie Bisson, Marcel Faguy Camera: Steven Bittan

Nov. 2023, **Sven Jseppi**, Canopy Piloting, World Cup, Eloy, Arizona Drag Distance: 196.49 m.

### **2024 National Teams to the World Parachuting Championships:**

It is expected that CSPA will send teams to the following World Parachuting Championships. The makeup of the teams will primarily be based upon the 2023 Nationals. At time of writing, the makeup of some teams and their attendance has not been fully confirmed.

- WPC in Accuracy Landing: Prostejov, Czech Republic, August 31 to September 7, 2024
- WPC in Canopy Formation: Prostejov, Czech Republic, August 31 to September 7, 2024
- WPC in Formation Skydiving and
- WPC in Wingsuit: Crystal Coast Skydiving, North Carolina, USA, October 4-12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. WPC in Canopy Piloting: Pretoria, South Africa, September 19-24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

The CNTC will be overseeing the preparations to send our Teams as well as the provision of team uniforms. As well, the CNTC will be seeking appropriate individuals to act as Heads of Delegation and to accompany each Team to their respective competitions. After competition and closer to year-end, the CNTC will oversee the appropriate disbursement of Team Fund monies.

As well, it should be noted that a team of CSPA members will travel to the 1<sup>st</sup> FAI Asian Indoor Skydiving Championships in Macau on April 16-20<sup>th</sup>. Representing Canada in 2-way will be Olivier Provost and Dawson Hinton.

#### **CNTC Budget**

The CNTC has submitted their 2024 budget estimates to the BOD. Please see the AGM budget information for details.

#### Other 2023 CNTC Activities and 2024 list of Priorities

**MANUALS**: During 2023 the CNTC revised and in some cases made extensive revisions to the Parachute Information Manuals:

PIM 4A: Canadian National Parachuting Championships – Hosting Manual;

PIM 4D: CSPA Canadian Parachuting Records; PIM 4G: CNTC Policy and Procedures; and

In coordination with the Judging Committee minor changes to PIM 4B: Competition Rules – General Section.

### National Championships and Bids for 2025

2024 is an off year for the Nationals. However, the CNTC is preparing to advertise for bids to host the 2025 Nationals. The first deadline to submit bids is August 31, 2024.

## **Virtual Competition:**

In 2024, there will be a Canadian Virtual National Parachuting Competition. By hosting this competition, CSPA hopes to provide a framework where skydivers can compete on their own drop zones and gain competition experience. Skydivers will be able to compete in their chosen discipline. They may submit as many performances as they choose to build their skills. It is hoped that this may lead to a greater interest in entering our Nationals. Winners will be entered into the CSPA Virtual Record Book and will receive Canadian National Virtual Record Certificates.

# **Team Crest Design Competition**

The CNTC will soon be presenting a design competition for a new National Team Crest. The competition will be announced shortly and will invite CSPA skydivers to submit designs for possible selection.

## **New Canadian Open Record**

At time of writing, the CNTC is working on a new open record category. It is hoped such a new record will provide greater opportunities for skydivers to challenge themselves and for drop zones to host more attempts. The new category will have less restrictions on membership and citizenship.

Respectfully submitted Joe Ablitt, CNTC Chair