

## Competition and National Team (CNTC) 2026 Committee Report

### What is the CNTC?

The Competition and National Team's committee is a group of experienced competitors, judges, and technical experts who oversee all aspects of skydiving competition in Canada. Responsibilities include:

- **National Team Selection:** Selecting members for the Canadian National Team Delegation, typically based on performance at the National Championships.
- **National Team Registration at International Events:** The committee registers individuals and teams at World Championships and World Cups
- **Competition Management:** Drafting and maintaining the rules and technical manuals (such as the PIM 4 series) that govern National Championships.
- **International Representation:** Collaborating with Canada's delegate to the International Skydiving Commission (ISC) of the FAI to represent Canadian interests globally.
- **Record Verification:** Overseeing the verification and documentation of official Canadian parachuting records.

### 2025-2026 Committee

Richard Bisson (Chair) - Formation Skydiving

Lee Bibby - Canopy Formation

Barb Davies – Judge and past CNTC chair

Kelsey Fry – Canopy Piloting

Rina Gallo – Judge and ISC President

Benoît Lemay – Formation and Vertical Formation Skydiving

Nicholas Yu - Wingsuiting

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

## **CNTC 2025-2026 Highlights:**

2025 was a on year for the National Championships as the world championships are held in 2026. In that sense, many of the 2025 CNTC actions were related to the support of the preparation of the Nationals and to follow on activities in preparation for the World championships.

- Revision and update of the meet director handbook in preparation for the 2025 Nationals
- Support in adding 2 new categories in the 2025 Nationals as requested by the host
  - o Canopy Formation Pro-Am
  - o 2way VFS
- Clarification on the priority of these new events with relation to the selection events: The position of the CNTC remained unchanged that the scheduling of these events has to be after the selection events have been completed.
- Review and approval of National's schedule
- Provided feedback to our International Skydiving Commission (ISC) rep on how to vote for the World Championships and World Cups bids
- Provided feedback to the ISC through our ISC rep on proposed rule changes for 2026.
- Discussed 2025 Nationals results per discipline, had BoD approve the team selection and sent invitations for this year's World Championship.

## **2025 Nationals:**

Based on the feedback received from the competitors, we've had very positive Nationals in 2025. Attendance was higher than the last 3 Nationals, but not at the level of the 2017 Nationals.

But feedback from the Judging Committee highlighted many communication and logistical / scheduling problems that caused many difficulties with the judging staff and an effort is currently underway between the CNTC and the Judging Committee to find solutions so that future nationals will improve the experience for the judges while maintaining the objective of selecting the National team and promoting / attracting new participants in competitive events.

Nationals attendance:

| Discipline | Category           | Teams | Participants |
|------------|--------------------|-------|--------------|
| CF         | 2 way Seq          | 1     | 3            |
| CF         | 2 way Seq - Pro AM | 2     | 6            |
| CF         | 4 way Seq          | 1     | 5            |
| CF         | 4 way Rot          | 2     | 10           |
| FS         | 4 way open         | 3     | 15           |
| FS         | 4 way adv          | 2     | 10           |
| FS         | 8 way              | 2     | 18           |
| FS         | 10 way speed       | 4     | 44           |
| FS         | 2 way VFS          | 1     | 3            |
| AL         | Classic            |       | 6            |
| AL         | Sport              |       | 23           |
| CP         | Performance        |       | 7            |
| CP         | Freestyle          |       | 7            |

## 2025 Records:

There was a total of 22 records in 2025 including both the standard records and the newly instated Virtual Record Category.

In summary, we had 3 Vertical Formation Skydiving Large Formation Sequential records, 2 Wingsuiting Large Formation no grip vertical grid records before the Nationals, then 6 records during the Nationals, 2 in Individual Classic Accuracy landing, 1 in WS acrobatic and 2 in Wingsuit Performance.

The addition in 2024 of the Virtual National Competition came with a desire of motivating participants by creating a specific record category. In 2025, we discussed how these records would be maintained / beaten / retired.

Based on the rules established, we have 11 new virtual national records this year. This is definitely a step forward in generating more interest in competition.

|    | DATE OF RECORD | RECORD TYPE | type  | TEAM PERSON   | DESCRIPTION                      | RECORD SET       | LOCATION            |
|----|----------------|-------------|-------|---------------|----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 1  | 2025-06-14     | G-5         | Perf. | no name       | VFS Full Bk Lrg Form. Seq (OPEN) | 4 pts. 8 persons | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 2  | 2025-06-15     | G-5         | Perf. | no name       | VFS Full Bk Lrg Form. Seq (OPEN) | 2 pts. 9 persons | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 3  | 2025-06-15     | G-2         | Perf. | no name       | VFS, Lrg Form, (OPEN)            | 17 Persons       | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 4  | 2025-07-11     | J-6B        | Perf. | no name       | WS, Lrg Form. No Grips, Vert.    | 15 Persons       | Voltige QC          |
| 5  | 2025-07-12     | J-6B        | Perf. | no name       | WS, Lrg Form. No Grips, Vert.    | 16 Persons       | Voltige QC          |
| 6  | 2025-09-13     | A-1A        | Perf. | Bucevski      | Ind Acc. Consecutive Landings    | 4 Discs 5th 0.01 | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 7  | 2025-09-14     | A-1B        | Comp. | Bucevski      | Ind. Acc. Lowest Score 10 Rds    | 0,05             | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 8  | 2025-09-16     | J-9         | Comp. | Just-in Beav. | WS Long Seq. Acrobatic           | 38 pts.          | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 9  | 2025-09-18     | J-3         | Comp. | Sauriol       | WS Time                          | 94.9 sec.        | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 10 | 2025-09-19     | J-3         | Comp. | Sauriol       | WS Time                          | 97.0 sec.        | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 11 | 2025-09-19     | J-5A        | Perf. | Meyer         | WS Horizontal Speed              | 323,548          | Para Mont. Rive-Sud |
| 12 | summer 2025    | C-1         | Virt. | Froggers      | FS 3-Way long Seq Interm.        | 10 pts           | not documented      |
| 13 | summer 2025    | C-5         | Virt. | Froggers      | FS 3-Way High Aver Interm.       | 6.8 pts          | not documented      |
| 14 | summer 2025    | C-1         | Virt. | Equip Nico    | FS 4-Way long Seq Beginner       | 6 pts            | not documented      |
| 15 | summer 2025    | C-5         | Virt. | Equip Nico    | FS 4-Way high Aver Beginner      | 2.8 pts          | not documented      |
| 16 | summer 2025    | C-1         | Virt. | Equip Rich    | FS 4-Way long Seq Interm.        | 10 pts           | not documented      |
| 17 | summer 2025    | C-5         | Virt. | Equip Rich    | FS 4-Way High Aver Interm.       | 6.8 pts          | not documented      |
| 18 | summer 2025    | C-1         | Virt. | Elysium       | FS 4-Way long Seq Adv.           | 9 pts            | not documented      |
| 19 | summer 2025    | C-5         | Virt. | G4ce          | FS 4-Way high Avg Adv.           | 6,5              | not documented      |
| 20 | summer 2025    | C-1         | Virt. | Aces          | FS 4-Way long. Seq. Open         | 9 pts            | not documented      |
| 21 | summer 2025    | C-5         | Virt. | Aces          | FS 4-Way long. Seq. Open         | 8 pts            | not documented      |
| 22 | summer 2025    | J-9         | Virt. | Just-in Beav. | WS Long. Seq. Acro.              | pending          | not documented      |

## **2026 National Team Selection:**

Team / Individual invitations have been sent to the competitors based on results at the last Nationals and, after confirmation from the involved participants, here is the composition of the delegation:

- Classic Accuracy: 5 competitors
- Canopy Formation:
  - o 2 way sequential: no team
  - o 4 way rotation: 1 team
  - o 4 way sequential: no team
- Wingsuiting:
  - o Performance: 5 competitors
  - o Acrobatic: 1 team
- Formation Skydiving:
  - o 4 way open: no team
  - o 8 way: 1 team
  - o VFS: no team
- Canopy Piloting: 1 competitor

## **2026 Projects:**

- Stats of Canadian Participation at First Category Events: This is an effort to understand the health of the Canadian participation at World Championships / World Cup, to determine trends and understand what actions can be taken based on the conclusions
- Stats of participation at the National championships: This is an effort to understand the trends in the participation per discipline. The goal is to manage the portfolio of disciplines and decide on actions that can be taken with respect to the trends, as well as understanding the participation level and decide on tactical actions to encourage participation.
- Pilot Handbook: In preparation for the 2025 Nationals, it was noted that there was a lack of documentation targeted at the pilots explaining the disciplines and their respective exit considerations, and a lack of technical documentation on how to achieve these exit parameters. This effort will hopefully be helpful for the pilots of the next hosts and benefit the competitors with consistent exit setups.
- Updating of the Nationals Hosting Manuals Based on the common work between the Judging Committee and the CNTC related to the feedback from the last Nationals.

- Review bids and select the location of the 2027 Nationals
- High Performance Plan: As part of the effort to meet Sport Canada's requirements for support, the CNTC will need to address this gap.

I would like to thank all the CNTC members for their participation and support throughout the year in my first year as the CNTC chair.

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