

Report by Vera Asquith, Alternate Delegate, to the CSPA Board of Directors and membership on the

**76<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting of the International Skydiving Commission (ISC)**  
**of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale, held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, January 24-25, 2026.**  
**48 Countries were represented (in person and by proxy)**

**In attendance:**

Rina Gallo; Delegate; ISC Bureau Vice-President, member of the Rules and Regulations Committee, and member of the Judges Committee. Member of the CSPA CNTC and CSPA Judges Committee

Vera Asquith: Alternate Delegate, ISC Bureau Recording Secretary, member of the Rules and Regulations Committee, member of the ISC Media and Promotion Working Group. Member of the CSPA Judges Committee.

**Resigned:** Richard (Buzz) Bennett has resigned from the Rules and Regulations Committee of the ISC

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PLENARY**

**ISC Bureau Elections**

The results of the last order of business at the ISC Plenary is the first announcement in this report. It is with great pride that I announce the name of the newly elected ISC President: **RINA GALLO** from Canada.

She is very deserving of this great honour and prestigious position and I am sure that she will continue to make Canada proud during this two-year (and hopefully longer) term of office.

After four years in the position of Secretary of the ISC, I have once again been elected Secretary.

FAI regulations state that, once elected as President of a Commission, that individual may no longer represent their NAC as a Delegate. Therefore, the position of Delegate for Canada was vacated on January 25<sup>th</sup>. As Alternate Delegate, and active member of both ISC and CSPA, I requested a move up to the position of Delegate.

**Sanction Fees:**

As a result of additional expenses projected for 2026, the sanction fee for all competitions in 2026 has been increased to 110 CHF.

**Budget Requests from Development Reserves**

The Chairs of two Committees, and the ISC Bureau requested funds from the Development Reserves (previously called "special reserves"). The final amount approved for this year was CHF 20,000. Requests included:

- ✓ **Bureau – 15,000** – development of a Registration Tool and upgrading the ISC database
- ✓ **T&S – 1500** – attendance of T&S members at the European Skydiving Symposium
- ✓ **SD – 2500** – development of a World Ranking System for IPS (Indoor Para Skydiving)
- ✓ **WS – 2500** – development of a World Ranking System for WS

**FAI:**

The FAI has implemented two initiatives, the establishment of the Athletes Working Group, which will have an athlete from each Commission represented (Cedric Veiga Rios, a CP competitor is the ISC

representative). Also, the International Day of Airports (October 14) to commemorate the foundation of FAI in 1905.

#### **Records:**

109 Skydiving records were set in 2025. One of these, the 104-way CF record, had world-wide attention, and included 17 Canadian participants. In response to a proposal from Canada, FAI records can be set at National Championships without an FAI rated judge on-site.

#### **World Games:**

The 2029 World Games will be held in Germany, and ISC will propose CP and CPF as featured events. A temporary World Games Working Group has been established to liaise with the German Parachuting Federation and the organizers of the World Games, 2029.

#### **Indoor Skydiving:**

The Indoor Skydiving Committee is continuing to update the “Guidelines for Organizers of Indoor Skydiving Competitions” and will be including recommended “schedules of events”. This document might be of assistance to our tunnel operators. The Dynamic Solo Speed event is increasingly popular and registration numbers have increased considerably in the event. Indoor Para Skydiving will have its first ISC competition this year in France. It should be a successful championship as there was a high level of participation at their World Series events last year. With the addition of Indoor Para-Skydiving, our sport is viewed in high regard for its inclusivity.

#### **Quick facts:**

##### **1. World Cup Mondial - Brazil**

The World Cup Mondial has been awarded to Brazil. The FS, AE, CF, SP, S&A and WS World Cups will be contested. During the Plenary meeting, the proposed European Championships of FS, AE, SP & S&A were rejected, as the majority believed that having a competition in Europe would negatively impact attendance at the Mondial.

##### **2. CP –**

A proposal had been submitted by USA to offer alternative CP events, as they recognized the inherent risk and frequent injuries (and worse) that occur during training and competition. After consultation with CP competitors and the Committee, it was agreed that the Committee will come up with a plan to develop rule amendments to address this concern. CP competitors in Canada are asked to provide any comments or suggestions about rule amendments and forward them to me.

##### **3. T&S –**

The Technical and Safety Committee have developed a “Skydiving Atlas”, which will be an international resource where NACs can share information about their DZs, contact details, documentation requirements, authorizations and restrictions, insurance, training, etc. CSPA should be receiving a survey requesting our input into this project.

##### **4. Awards -**

The Gold Parachuting Medal – awarded to Bill Morrissey from USA.

Leonardo da Vinci Diploma – awarded to Kirk Verner from USA, and Jiří Blaška from Czech Republic

Faust Vrancic award – awarded to Jan Štunc from Czech Republic.

**Rule Changes:**

As with all plenaries, rule changes are presented and voted upon. This year a number of changes to the rules will affect the Canadian rule sets as well. The approved rule changes are now available as Annexes to the Plenary minutes at:

<https://www.fai.org/isc-documents>

Then go to “meetings --> 2026 – Riyadh, KSA, 24-25 January --> Minutes --> then go to the appendices at the end of the minutes for summaries to the various discipline rule changes.

**Competition Schedule for First Category Events:**

**2026**

Competition	Venue	Discipline	Location	Dates
World Championships		PS	Johann Im Pongau, Austria	March 13-15
World Cup/European Champ	Indoor	AE,DY	Bouc-Bel-Air, France	April 1-4, 2026
World Cup/European Champ	Indoor	FS	Lille, France	April 9-11
World Championships		ST&AL	Spisska Nova Ves, Slovak Republic	August 31 – September 4
Asian Championships	Indoor	AE,FS, DY	Bogor, Indonesia	September 17-20
World Championships		WS & CF	Lake Elsinore CA USA	October 9-14
World Championships		CP, CPFS, FS, AE, SP	Eloy Arizona, U.S.A.	October 18-24

**2027**

Competition	Venue	Discipline	Location	Dates
World Championships	Indoor	FS, AE, DY, IPS	Taufkirchen, Germany	March 15-f20
European Championships		SP	Neustadt-Glewe, Germany	June 20-24
European Championships		CP & CPF	Heming, Denmark	July 26-31
World Cup Mondial		FS, AE, SP, WS, S&A, CF	Sao Miguel de Taupu, Brazil	July 7-13
European Championships		S&A	Vannes, France	September 14-18

**2028**

Competition	Venue	Discipline	Location	Dates
World Championships		CP & CP-F	Orleans, France	July 25-30
Mondial -World Championships		FS, AE, SP, CF, S&A	Prostejov, Czech Republic	August 4-10
A letter of intent was received from Italy to host several competitions in 2028		No details provided	Italy	

**Future Plenary session:** Budva, Montenegro – January 30-31, 2027

**Delegate work:**

Rina Gallo (Delegate)

This past year, Rina has, once again, managed to juggle a tremendous workload. As the person responsible for vetting the competition bulletins, (two for each event) for nine competitions, this year was extraordinarily taxing as the quality of most of the Bids and Bulletins was inferior and they had to be returned to organizers several times for corrections. In her role, she regularly liaises with the Competitions officer at FAI.

Rina was instrumental in the initiation and development of the Standardized Registration Tool project. This tool would assist NACs, organizers, and FAI Controllers with not only the registration process, but also the writing of Bids and Bulletins.

In addition to this work, Rina was an active member of the Rules and Regulations Committee, which, this year, made a tremendous number of changes to their documents. The Committee spent many hours overhauling the definitions and records sections of SC5.

She continued her work on the Judges Committee, primarily maintaining the FAI Judges Database and assisting with its expansion to include officials. She helped to set up judge training courses and evaluations and working with the providers of the ISC Results website. Rina continued to be the ISC Liaison to the Judges Committee.

Vera Asquith (Alternate Delegate)

I continued in my role as ISC Bureau Recording Secretary, which has a heavy workload. Many months before the Plenary Meeting, I liaise with the hosts and FAI regarding meeting and facility requirements registration, delegates and proxies, etc. I also prepare the agenda and associated documents, and finally take minutes of the Plenary and Extend Bureau meetings. After the Plenary, I work with the Committee Chairs to ensure the Competition Rules are correct and are published prior to the deadline. Throughout the year, I am the webmaster for the ISC website, posting and updating all documents and writing articles. Also, I liaise with the FAI Secretariat, especially the Commissions and Members officer, IT, and the Communications officer.

I worked with the newly formed Media Working Group and attended many meetings throughout the year. In addition, as a member of the Rules and Regulations Committee, I attended many meetings and email exchanges to make decisions regarding the many R&R rule changes to the many documents they are responsible for.

Our continued involvement at the ISC level ensures that Canada will continue to be recognized as a vital contributor to International Skydiving and will help shape and move Canadian skydiving forward into the future.



Vera Asquith - Alternate Delegate, 2025



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