

Competition Management Committee (CMC) report to IGC Plenary 2025

The Competition Management Committee (CMC) has been in place now for approximately 2 years we have been meeting monthly by Zoom. Our focus continues to be **working to improve the quality and the safety of competitions.**

In summary our main work has been;

1. Updating and publication of the contest documents and templates
2. An updated bid document
3. Creation of Sporting Director position
4. Pilot and Team Captain Exit survey
5. Training for CDs, Stewards and Jury members

1. Contest Documents

We continue to improve the templates which we have created for;

- Local Procedures
- Self-briefing
- Scrutineering
- Timeline

The latest versions of these documents are now published on the FAI website; Documents>Other IGC documents>Contest documents

We are also working on a new format for the Steward's report to standardise this information.

2. Updated bid document

In 2023 FAI changed the way that bids are and process. Rather than using the bid to generate an Organizer's Agreement each bid must now be accompanied by a formal application for an Organiser's Agreement. This process has been used successfully for the last 2 rounds of bidding.

3. Sporting Director position

We have created a position called the Sporting Director. In many competitions this is a position that was already in existence informally, this is a formalization of that person. In future there will be a Competition Director to manage all of the local things such as briefing facilities, admin staff, tug pilots and so on whilst the Sporting Director will be looking at items that affect the fairness of the contest; task setting, launching, gate opening times, and any aspects of the competition which go to make a fair and safe contest.

It is a requirement that the Sporting Director is approved by IGC and we are working on requirements/standards for this role. Ultimately there will be a list of approved Sporting Directors. The SD can be the same person as the CD.

4. Pilot and Team Captain Exit survey

This survey was trialled for the first time after the WGC in Narromine Australia, and again in the 2023/2024 season We had a good response and some valuable feedback which was actioned. Eg clarify that the Official Notice Board can be a virtual board, Open a discussion about delayed tracking.

5. Training for CDs and Sporting Directors

We are now running training courses for CDs and Sporting Directors and in the next few months there will be course for Stewards on how to use the Proximity Analysis Tool.

5. Trophy management

We have identified the need to appoint a new Volunteer to manage trophies. We further propose that we produce smaller trophies for recipients to keep.

