

SPAIN – SAF-15 – INDOOR



View from Hotel Feria of the monumental Velodrom Luis Puig.

8th. Tabarca Cup

Burjassot, Velòdromo Luis Puig.

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This year the conditions occurred to enjoy a pretty Indoor competition. We had participants of the Czech Republic, Chile, Spain, France and Great Britain. We counted with one of the best pavilions in Europe for the practice of this sport and also we count with the best team of judges and timekeepers according to the high level of the competition.

If the outside of the velodrome is spectacular, the first impression of the interior is not less.



The pavilion staff were vital to keep the pavilion hermetic and safe enough to fly all around the velodrom, without any airflow during the flying of the lighter models. As consequence the moisture of that day made us sweat a lot.

13 contestants took part in 6 indoor categories:

Duration: F1D, F1L, F1M, F1N.

Scale: F4F, F4D.

F1D:

12 contestants took part in the main category. With a contest much closed up to the last flights. Mikita Kaplan (from the Czech Republic) was the most regular, flown more than 30 minutes (32' 57'') but Didier (from France) flown two better flights of 32' 50 and 32' 32'' winning the

competition for only 5 seconds of difference, both improved their personal records in this competition.

The group of “more than 30 minutes” also included to Zdenek Cinert (from Czech Rep). Manuel Ángel Díaz y Daniel Medina (both Spanish) scored close to the 30 minutes, but still need a little improvement to exceed it. Maybe next year? The Mikita’s daughters, Klara and Gabriela showed us that this is also a sport for girls. They always performed their flyings with a smile in their faces.



The champion’s model, Didier, lifting off. The fuselage and the wings are twisted by rubber tension, it is clear that he is close to the limits of his model.



Mikita ready for flying, take note of Danie's face behind him.



Klara launching



Gabriela and her model



Jaume in action



"Manu"



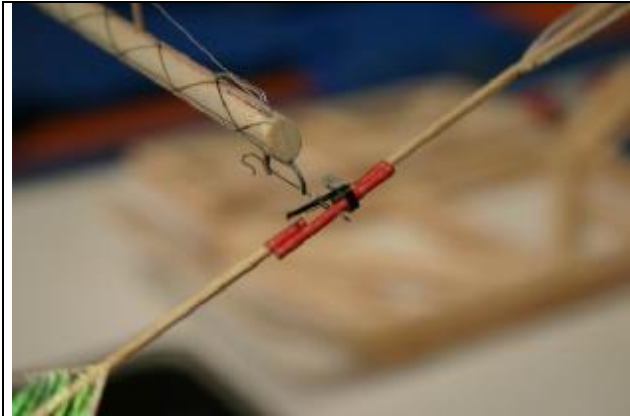
Juanjo, our best judge of scale, timing



Clive King walking close to his model



model flying all the available high



VP Hub



Collision on the air

F1L:

The F1L competition also was very crowded. Manu and Daniel, both Spanish, were first and second, third was Mikita from Czech Rep.



David with his well-known model



Czech models

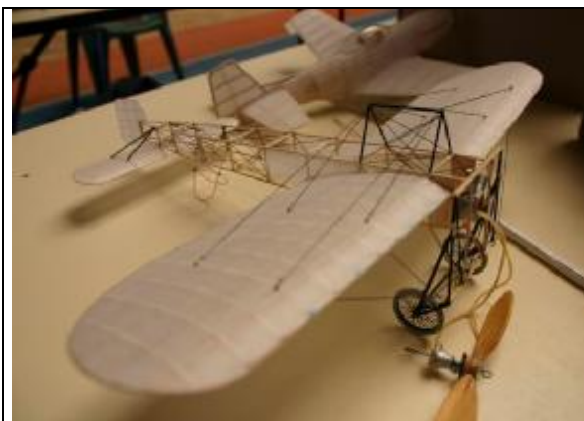
F1M and F1N (Hand Launched Gliders)

In F1M won Clive King, from England, and in F1N (hand launched gliders) won Daniel Medina.

Scale

F4F:

In this category took part 6 contestants. The Daniel's Spanish Fury won with wide difference, first place with best flying times and second in statics. We saw some masterpieces like the Andrés Gonzalez's Bleriot XI.



Bleriot XI



Daniel's squadrille



Jaume's Texan



Czech Modelo

In F4D only 3 contestants took part. The best were the Daniel's models.

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