Jury Report
31st Summer Soaring Criterium F3G
Anthisnes (BEL) – May 3–4, 2025

* **General**

The F3G FAI competition took place in Anthisnes, Belgium, on May 3rd and 4th, 2025. This event brought together 33 participants from nine different countries: Austria, Australia, Belgium, France, Germany, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.
The competition was managed by Contest Director Jan Timmermans, assisted by Paulette Halleux as the official caller.
The FAI jury consisted of Isabelle Medard (France), Geneviève Awouters (Belgium), and Ernest Mattiussi (Luxembourg).

* **Competition Flights**

The competition began on Saturday, May 3rd, at 09:00h under good weather conditions. However, in the afternoon, strong wind gusts accompanied by rain and hail forced a suspension of flying. A test flight at 17:15h indicated that the cloud ceiling was too low, and the competition was cancelled for the remainder of the day. At that point, one round and one task had been completed.
Fortunately, weather conditions improved on Sunday, allowing for better flying.
In total, three rounds and an additional speed task in reverse ranking order were completed. The competition concluded at 17:00h.
Results were announced at 17:15h followed by the prize-giving ceremony.

* **Scoring**

All flights were scored using the latest version of the “GliderScore” software (v6.77 build 2025.04.22) by Jerry Carter, adapted to the F3G rules at the request of Robert Herzog.

* **Penalties**

Three penalties of 300 points and three penalties of 100 points were applied.

* **Exceptional Speed Performance**

During the contest, Pavel Marek achieved a remarkable speed run, officially timed at 12.69 seconds.

* **Conclusion**

Once again, this competition demonstrated the growing international interest in the F3G category, with a noticeable increase in the number of participants over recent years.

* **Addition**

After the speed contest on May 2nd, Sebastian Haase demonstrated a GPS-based system designed to run distance and time tasks in F3G without the need for helpers at base A and B.
The system uses an Android tablet equipped with a receiver, communicating with a transmitter on the model. The link operates at 434 MHz using frequency hopping, making it suitable for use in larger groups.
This promising system could significantly simplify contest organization and helps pilots practice alone without the need for base helpers as well.

**Isabelle Medard**   **Geneviève Awouters**   **Ernest Mattiussi**