

#### **Press Release**

Annecy Wednesday, 13rd of April

# SAVE THE DATE 2nd FAI World Paragliding Aerobatics Championships August 26th to September 4th, 2016

After having hosted the French Paragliding Championship in 2014 & 2015, and the Open du Lac for 15 years - Lake Annecy will welcome the 2nd World Paragliding Aerobatics Championships: Solo and Synchronized. This competition will gather almost 60 competitors, men and women, from all over the world.

These championships are organized by "Les Chamois Volants", the main paragliding club in Annecy, under the aegis of the FFVL, the French free flight federation, in Talloires-Montmin - La Forclaz/Doussard.

#### **AEROBATIC PARAGLIDING: WHAT IS IT?**

Paragliding aerobatics is a type of flight in which pilots have to make a succession of manoeuvers with their wing in a delimited space above water. They can be **alone** (solo) or in **a pair** (synchro, for synchronized). This type of competition offers an incredible show for the spectators. **60 of the world's best pilots from 20 different nations will be there**.

### **TITLES AWARDED**

These Championships will award the following titles:

- Male World Champion, solo category
- Female World Champion, solo category
- Team World Champion
- World Champion, synchro category

# **OVERVIEW**

The opening ceremony will take place on **Saturday the 27th of August**, and the awards ceremony on the **3rd of September** during the evening.

The first two days are devoted to practice.

Qualification for the final will take place during the playoff rounds. The final rounds will take place during the second week of the competition. The rounds usually begin at the end of the morning and finish around

6pm. (see the program)

Take-off: Montmin-La Forclaz

Landing: Aaquatic platform at Doussard beach

Expected entertainment: Slack-line, glider show, paragliding inflation, kite

## **PROVISIONAL PROGRAM**

Friday, 26th of August
Welcome & Briefing of pilots
+ trainings

Saturday, 27th of August
Training + Opening Ceremony
Sunday, 28th of August

Round Solo 1

Monday, 29th of August Round Solo 2

**Tuesday, 30th of August** Rounds Synchro 1&2

Wednesday, 31st of August

Round Solo 3

Round Sync 3

Thursday, 1st of September

Round Sync 4&5

Friday, 2nd of September Round Solo 4&5

Saturday 3rd of september

**Final Round Solo** 

Final Round Sync

Awards Ceremony

Closing ceremony

Sunday 4th of september

Possible adjournment day

More informations: www.wpac-annecy-2016.com