

General:

Preparation is progressing well and here are the latest breaking news and information.

1. Detailed planning and two slopes operation:

After some questions about the way how we will operate two slopes in parallel, a comprehensive note was written and is available for down load on the "Newsletters" page of the Internet site.

2. Registration:

As all detailed information are already now available, the relevant page was updated and

REGISTRATION IS OPEN ; -)

If not already done, the national F3F managers should provide their qualification results, if already available. Registration will close the 2nd of April 2010 at mid night.

3. Frequencies:

As indicated several times, we will get the relevant permissions in order to fly on 35MHz, 72, 40 and 41MHz and for sure on 2.4GHz. 35MHz band will certainly be a very big problem and consequently, all pilots are kindly requested to avoid as much as possible this frequency band.

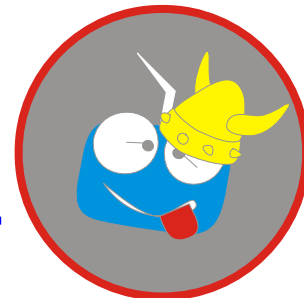
When ever you are technically able, please use 72MHz, 41MHz or 2.4GHz band. Synthesizer systems are highly appreciated. French Pilots must fly on 41MHz (désolé).

Please take as well into account, that your other models (foamies, helicopters, SAL gliders etc.) must operate on the same frequency than your contest models, in order to avoid safety problems, when ever free flying is authorized (early in the morning, in the evening, when contest is stopped etc.)

Please support us with safety on the slopes.

4. Restaurant and BBQ location:

After having tested various locations and restaurants, we will keep the same spot as during the 2009 edition of our FAI/Eurotour contest. That is to say "La Bichonnière" with his nice room for banquets will host us again and we will organize the opening ceremony and BBQ in their nice and old garden. The location of La Bichonnière and the relevant information are shown on the Banquet page. No choice is required for the banquet because we will have a hot buffet with a variety of meat and fish. Same applies for the BBQ.



Please note that La Bichonnière offers as well some very beautiful “Gîtes” that can be rented during the Viking Race period. For more details, please refer directly to their Home Page (available in English, Spanish, German and French):

<http://www.bichonniere.com>

5. Head Quarter selection:

Several locations were inspected and finally, we found a school building in Limoux that can host the organizers team during the Viking Race and subsequently serve as Head Quarter during the event. The St. Joseph School is situated in Limoux not far from the Le Mauzac Hotel. The precise address is: Saint-Joseph, 26 Avenue André Chénier, 11300 Limoux. We will position at a suitable location an official information board, in order to inform about the selected slopes, starting order, composition of the groups for the next day, preliminary results etc.

6. Accommodation:

After some additional research in the area around Limoux, we have updated the relevant page in order to describe the different possibilities that are available in the region around our head quarter. For those who intend to come with a mobile home, we have no particular restriction on our slopes so no problem to spend the night there. No water is available on the slopes, but we can organize fresh water when coming on the slope each day.

It is certainly now the right time to reserve the appropriate accommodation.

7. Tourism:

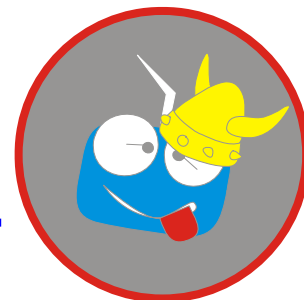
As the Viking Race will last one full week, this presents a good occasion to either stay longer or to come earlier to our region. So we have modified the relevant tourism page in order to present some interesting spots to visit.

8. Budget and inscription fees:

Based on a tight budget, we have decided to fix the inscription fee at 110,-Euros. Participation to the opening BBQ is fixed to 10,- Euros and banquet participation will remain as announced at 30,- Euros.

For further information, please check with our home page:

<http://vkr2010.free.fr>



This official Internet site is certainly not perfect and will be further updated, when new information becomes available.

If you have specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on my private mail:

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Next steps in organisation:

1. The above **logo** is still holding the place and the official will follow very soon. Once the logo is fixed, we will make it available for down load under various formats (pixel and vectorized).

We will keep you informed.

Andreas and his team