



OFFICIAL INVITATION TO NATIONAL AERO CLUBS

5TH FAI Women's World Hot Air Ballooning Championship Monday 4th - Saturday 9th September 2023

1st December 2022
NORTHAM, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Dear NAC President

Under the sanction granted by the Commission Internationale d'Aerostation (CIA) of the FAI, Northam Ballooning Events Inc. (NBE) and the Australian Ballooning Federation (ABF) invites you and your competitors to the 5th FAI Women's World Hot Air Ballooning Championship, to be held in Northam, Western Australia, from 4th - 9th September 2023. The invitation procedure will be carried out in accordance with Chapter 5 of Section 1 of the FAI Sporting Code.

Name of event: 5th FAI Women's World Hot Air Ballooning Championship
Location: Northam, Western Australia, AUSTRALIA
Dates: Check In: Friday 1st September 2023
Practice: Saturday 2nd - Sunday 3rd September 2023
General Briefing: Sunday 3rd September 2023 (pm)
Competition: Monday 4th - Saturday 9th September 2023
NAC's Invited: All eligible National Aero Clubs
No. Entries/NAC: 45
Entry Fee: AUD \$500 per competitor
Please see attached Information Sheet for Competitors

Schedule of Invitations:

Invitation	Sent out	Deadline for Acceptance and Payment
NAC	01/01/2023	31/01/2023
1 st Round of Invitations	15/02/2023	31/03/2023
Invitation of Medal Holders	15/02/2023	31/03/2023
2 nd Round of Invitations:	14/04/2023	14/05/2023

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INVITATION PROCEDURE

According to FAI S I 5.6.1.1 the invitation to NACs will be distributed to all:

1. Eligible NACs (as per FAI list)
2. CIA Delegates (as per FAI list)
3. National Balloon Federations (where the addresses are known)

Any of the three entities may answer the invitation. In the case of conflicting answers received by more than one entity, the Organizers will consult the FAI Ballooning Commission (CIA).

Note: In order to ensure that all eligible NAC's are contacted, the invitation will be sent to all NAC and CIA delegates on the current FAI mailing lists. If you are uncertain if your NAC qualifies for the World Championship, please contact the FAI Office via: <https://fai.org/commission/cia>.

NAC Invitations:

The NAC shall return the completed 'Acceptance of Invitation form' listing all the competitors they wish to nominate.

All entries will be acknowledged and the progress of the invitation process will be published on the event website www.northamballooningevents.com where all event news will be posted, and/or on the WatchMeFly event noticeboard.

Please email the attached 'NAC ACCEPTANCE OF INVITATION' to: northamballooningevents@gmail.com

ACCEPTANCE OF THE INVITATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 31ST JANUARY 2023

We look forward to welcoming the women aeronauts from across the world to compete in international competition, in our beautiful Avon Valley region of Western Australia.

Yours sincerely

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Chairman
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