

# ICARNAVAL

**THE FAMOUS MASQUERADE FLIGHTS  
of the 46th COUPE ICARE  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st  
& SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd 2019**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE VIA INTERNET : FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019, 7 pm**

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**Participants declare that they have read the regulations here below.**

**Article 1: DEFINITION:** ICARNAVAL, the famous masquerade flights of the **COUPE ICARE**, organized by the "**COUPE ICARE.ORG**" association (**Cl.org**) is to be held in Saint Hilaire du Touvet, on September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. This is a free, friendly and fun event to which pilots are invited to parade with and fly their costumes or flying objects before a large crowd of spectators. The Coupe Icare is open to all autonomous, experienced and fully insured Hang-glider and Paraglider pilots. Numerous prizes will be awarded by the **Cl.org** to the participants.

**Article 2: REGISTRATION:** All registrations are now online on the site [www.coupe-icare.org](http://www.coupe-icare.org). To take part in the ICARNAVAL, the famous masquerade flights of the **COUPE ICARE**, pilots must register with the **Cl.org**. Registration is free. **It is validated when all mandatory information is submitted and an electronic copy (\*.jpg, \*.pdf,...) of a certificate showing civil responsibility insurance covering free flying activities is provided.** For pilots insured with the FFVL, this document can be downloaded via the website <https://intranet.ffvl.fr/>. **Your registration will be confirmed in writing which will allow you to collect your registration pack at the entrance to the Icare Expo from Wednesday September 19<sup>th</sup> until Friday evening.** Your flight number, to be worn during the demonstration, will be distributed during the pilot briefing on Saturday morning. Prior to September 19<sup>th</sup>, if you need help registering you can send a mail to info@coupe-icare.org. **Inscriptions will close on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.**

Henceforth, a "participant" refers to a pilot whether he is flying individually, in tandem, or with a group.

**Article 3: GENERAL ORGANIZATION:** ICARNAVAL, the famous masquerade flights of the **COUPE ICARE** will be held for both hang gliders and paragliders on **Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup>, starting at 11:00 am.** For meteorological reasons, those hang glider pilots who have not confirmed a time slot for their presentation with the flight director must launch first.

At the end of the show, the jury will judge the different entries.

A second demonstration flight by all participants will take place on **Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup>** starting at 11:00 am.

The awards ceremony and prize giving will take place on launch, at the opening of the second day's show of masquerade flights. The programme however is subject to change in case of bad weather, meaning that one of the two presentations may be cancelled.

| WEATHER                          | SATURDAY   | SUNDAY   |
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| Saturday : good<br>Sunday : good | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing on the « carpet » launch. Distribution of flight numbers.<br><b>11 a.m.</b> Masquerade Contest    | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing on the « carpet » launch<br><b>11:00 a.m.</b> Awards ceremony on launch then Masquerade flights.  |
| Saturday : good<br>Sunday : bad  | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing on the « carpet » launch. Distribution of flight numbers.<br><b>11:00 a.m.</b> Masquerade contest | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing at the launch area or in the Cafeteria<br><b>11:00 a.m.</b> Prize-giving for Masquerade Contest in Cafeteria or on the launch area  |
| Saturday : bad<br>Sunday : good  | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing in the Cafeteria.   | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing on the « carpet » launch and distribution of flight numbers.<br><b>11:00 a.m.</b> Masquerade Contest.<br><b>6:00 p.m.</b> Prize-giving of Masquerade Contest at the Lumbin landing area |
| Saturday : bad<br>Sunday : bad   | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing in the Cafeteria.   | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Pilot Briefing in the Cafeteria<br><b>3:00 p.m.</b> Presentation of all the Masquerade Costumes in Cafeteria or on launch  |

All pilot briefings will take place on the « carpet » launch except in case of rain when they will take place in the cafeteria

#### **Article 4: CRITERIA:**

1- The costumes or flying objects will be judged according to the following criteria:

**SAFETY :** the technical creation of the costume (material, stability on the ground and in flight, full piloting accessibility...); the start or set up on launch ; ability to conduct all sequences of flight (launch, flight, approach and landing) without risk;

**ARTISTIC SENSE :** craftsmanship/conception ; originality ; aesthetics, humour, staging, and presentation of the subject to the public ;

**SPORT and TECHNICAL:** technical originality (innovation); quality and complexity of the design; autonomy.

2- The organisers have the supreme right to prohibit a participant from taking part (including prohibiting access to the launch sites) if he is deemed a safety risk or is otherwise undesirable (technical examples: poorly designed aircraft with sharp edges made of rigid materials – ethical examples: sects...).

3-Wings that have extensions separating pilots from their regular risers of more than 1M50 are not permitted. It is forbidden for tandem pilots to fly with disabled passengers in a wheelchair.

**Article 5: GROUPS:** Groups must not exceed 5 gliders When a club presents two separate entries, with groups of 5 gliders or less, these two groups will not be on launch at the same time.

**Article 6: ACCESSORIES:** To fully bring value to the theme, participants are welcome to make use of music or a pre-recorded message to be broadcast over the Cl.org audio equipment. The participant must explain his or her subject for the benefit of the jury and the public, and may ask that a short text be read by the commentator.

The participant must write out the text of his presentation on a sheet reserved for this purpose (not forgetting to put his name and competitor number). This sheet will be given to the announcer on the launch site. In the case of added sound effects, only CDs and USB keys will be accepted. The CD or USB keys will show the competitor's number and will include no other piece of music than that selected for the presentation of the participant. It will be handed over to the sound technician on the launch site.

**Article 7: COMPETITOR ENTRIES :** A competitor may involve costumes for the pilot and modifications for the paraglider or delta. The competitor must have the necessary experience and knowledge to modify the aerodynamic qualities of his material. He will have already tested its flightworthiness through tests before the event. All competitors are advised to carry a reserve parachute.

#### **Article 8: PRIZES AND CATEGORIES:**

1. A variety of prizes are given by the CI.org to participants providing they follow the present rules. Prizes and special awards will be attributed for costumes and flying objects of particular distinction in each category.

The jury maintains the supreme right to decide:

- to not attribute prizes in certain categories if the performance or the general quality are judged insufficient.
- to award special prizes for particularly outstanding creations.
- to grant an additional Grand Prize if they feel the circumstances are justified or to organize a "Prize voted by the public"

2 - The jury makes distinctions between the following categories: hang gliders and paragliders

- individuals: an individual hang glider or paraglider or a tandem hang glider or paraglider.
- groups, comprising several hang gliders or paragliders.

Special prizes may be awarded for instance for innovative excellence, outstanding feats, humour or poetry, originality, the spirit of the Coupe Icare, the cleverest prank, parody or trick, or to certain categories of pilots (young, veterans...), etc.

**Article 9: JURY:** The jury is composed of adults and children chosen among the volunteers assisting the CI.org, and from the general public to award the "Public's Prize"

**Article 10: BRIEFING:** All pilots are **required to attend** the Pilot Briefings on **SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup>** and **SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER at 10:30 AM** on what is commonly called the «carpet » launch or « North launch » of St Hilaire, reserved for the costume competition, otherwise, in the event of bad weather, in the Cafeteria at the same time. **ATTENDANCE IS OBLIGATORY. Any competitor not able to attend the briefing must inform CI.org by mail or by e-mail.** During the briefing, and only at that moment, a number tag will be distributed. This number tag will be required when collecting the prizes. This number tag is not the same as the flight number that must be visible on every participant.

#### **Article 11: ORGANIZATION OF TAKEOFFS:**

1 - During the ICARNAVAL, only participants are allowed in the take-off area, and only accompanied by costumed participants of the same party, plus a few technical assistants whose names must be previously noted on the registration form.

2- Upon registration a number will be attributed to each participant who will be given a number tag for each glider. This is to facilitate the identification of the participant by the jury. These tags will be given to the participant during the briefing on Saturday and should be worn at the front and on the right side of the pilot that it easily identified by the organizers.

A participant without a number tag will not be allowed to compete.

This number does not show the take-off order. Priority for the order of flights is determined by the flight directions as follows: hang glider, cumbersome costumes, groups, costumes with no particular constraints, solo costumes...

3- Participants are not allowed to set up their material on the launch site beforehand; there is a special set up area nearby for this purpose. Only hang gliders can be rigged on the takeoff area as of 9:30am, but must be laid with the control bar flat on the ground. Two entry corridors will be established where pilots, already in their harnesses, will wait to be invited onto the launch by the organizers. The upper corridor is for groups and large entries. The lower corridor is for single wing entries, either a solo wing or a tandem.

4 – If weather conditions deteriorate during the day, in order to allow all participants to take off, the organizer may limit or even cut all scenarios and sound support accompanying the competitor. Refer to section 6: Accessories.

**Article 12: VHF RADIO:** It is imperative that all users of VHF radio at the Coupe Icare avoid the frequency band between 144 and 146 Mhz. **The FFVL frequency is reserved exclusively for safety related communications. It is recommended that every participant be equipped with a radio that is tuned into this frequency during his flight.**

**Article 13: RESPONSIBILITY:** Every participant in the ICARNAVAL is responsible for his or her own actions. He/she attests to having tested his aircraft prior to taking part in the contest. Every participant in the Coupe Icare guarantees that there will be no contention raised against the "COUPE ICARE.ORG" Association of Saint Hilaire du Touvet. The participant declares that he or she is entirely in order with regard to current legislation, and has full coverage with ground and air third-party insurance, as well as individual accident insurance valid for the practice of flying activities. Every participant commits to respecting the rules of the air and all safety instructions announced by CI.org and its representatives.

**Article 14: ADHERENCE TO REGULATIONS:** Participants in the ICARNAVAL agree to participate in the briefings, to read and respect the information contained in the documents annexed to these rules (namely those concerning air traffic due to simultaneous air shows or demonstrations by other aircraft). They must take particular note of:

- the limits surrounding the landing area so as to properly carry out a safe approach and landing.
- the fact that flying over the public while in flight or during the landing approach is to be avoided at all costs. Special corridors around the landing area exist especially for the landing approach.
- access to the landing area by means of the corridors set up according to the wind direction that will be kept clear for this purpose.

Any disregard for these rules, which are the responsibility of every pilot to follow, may result in the irrevocable disqualification of the participant.

**Article 15: GUIDING PHILOSOPHY:** Good humour, passion for free flight and safety awareness underline the behaviour of all participants and serve as a basis of conduct for all cases including those not explicitly foreseen in the present rules!