



**CZECH RADIO CLUB (CRC)
CZECH ARDF ASSOCIATION**

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ARDF 12th World Championship

September 7–12, 2004
Brno, Czech Republic

BULLETIN

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INVITATION

*Dear friends,
this fourth bulletin is the last one before your arrival to the Czech Republic and we believe that you should find here all necessary information. See you in Brno next month!*

WCH 2004 Organising Committee

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organiser: Czech Radio Club
Czech ARDF Association

News and information:
<http://www.wch2004ardf.com>
(If you install RSS, you will be informed about all news – see the WCH homepage.)

EVENT CENTRE

The event centre that will also be used or the accommodation purposes is located at: Masaryk University campus: Vinařská 5 / blok A3
CZ-60300 Brno, Czech Republic
GPS coordinates: 49°11'31,8 N, 16°34'53,1 E
For various ways of arrival to the event centre, see enclosed maps.

The championship office will be open since Tuesday, September 7.
Phone/fax number to the office: (+420)549492754 – now there is not any permanent service in the office. With some questions or problems please contact the secretary (Petr Hrouda, cell phone (+420)607534211) till the beginning of September. Special "hot line" will also be functional few days before and during the championship – (+420) 602 60 60 65.

FACILITIES: rooms with two beds, a bathroom, a kitchen unit with dishes, a cooker and a fridge; several rooms with higher standard facilities. Meals will be provided in canteen with 240 seats. As the capacity is lower than total number of participants, it is not possible to have 1 seat / 1 person and there will be a necessity to alternate. This is the reason for long interval of feeding of each meal (typically 2 hours, see time schedule). There will be choice of four meals (one meatless), and buffet breakfasts. On the days of WCH competitions (Thursday, Saturday), lunch will be either provided in the finish area or the participants will get the lunch packet. Also, an assembly hall with 300 seats, a bar,

buffet, suites, 2 gyms and sauna will be available. VIP lounge with the equipment will be at your disposal as well.

DETAILED TIME SCHEDULE

Sunday-Monday, September 5-6
Arrival of participants (some teams or individuals, after previous arrange with the Organising Committee)

Tuesday, September 7

Arrival of participants
12:00-24:00 Registration
12:00-14:00 Lunch
18:00-20:00 Dinner
20:00 Meeting of ARDF Working Group

Wednesday, September 8

07:00-09:00 Breakfast
09:00 Meeting of international Jury
09:30 Meeting of the team leaders (determining of start sequence for both competitions)
10:00-16:00 Model event not far from the event centre. Training transmitters of both bands will be installed here. Sportsmen will also be able to use the IOF training map which covers neighbouring "Pisárecké stráně" (Pisárky hillsides). The map will be at your disposal at the registration.
12:00-14:00 Lunch
14:00-17:00 Meeting of ARDF Working Group (optional in this time interval, according to decision of Tuesday evening)
17:00 Opening Ceremony+ "Master's Race" - an exhibition for world champions in the men category. Both bands competition, starting together, the length will be approx. 20 minutes.
18:00-20:00 Dinner

Thursday, September 9

05:00-07:00 Breakfast (lunch packets will be also distributed at the breakfast)
07:00 Departure for the 1st WCH official competition
09:00 Start time 00 of the 1st WCH official competition
16:00 Expected end of competition, "flower ceremony" in the finish area after finish of last competitor: Meeting of international jury in the finish area

- 17:00-19:00 Dinner
- 20:00 Awarding ceremony of the 1st WCH official competition
- 21:00 Meeting of ARDF Working Group (continuing)

Friday, September 10

- 07:00-09:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Meeting of international Jury
- 09:30 Briefing with the team leaders
- 11:00 Application deadline for "Park Czech Open"
- 11:30-13:30 Lunch
- Optional program:
- 13:00 Departure for excursion
- 17:30 Expected return from the excursion
- 16:00 Start 00 of "Park Czech Open" - the park ARDF competition. Band 3,5 MHz; permanent transmitters at the different frequencies; the first Tx is strictly given for each category (competitor will be informed about his/her first Tx in the warm-up area); distances (between the transmitters, start-transmitter and transmitter-beacon) are not limited by the ARDF Rules for the "classic" competitions (distances may be less than 400 m, resp. 750 m). It will be also a public competition for journalists, non-racing team members and visitors.
- 18:00-20:00 Dinner

Saturday, September 11

- 05:30-07:30 Breakfast (lunch packets will be also distributed at the breakfast)
- 07:30 Departure for the 2nd WCH official competition
- 09:00 Start time 00 of the 2nd WCH official competition
- 16:00 Expected end of competition, "flower ceremony" in the finish area
- after finish of last competitor: Meeting of international jury in the finish area
- 16:30-18:30 Dinner
- 20:00 Awarding ceremony of the 2nd WCH official competition
- 21:00 Hamfest

Sunday, September 12

- 07:00-09:00 Breakfast
- Departure of participants, check-out till 12:00

FEES

See previous bulletins No. 2 and 3. (Important note: As described in previous two bulletins, the payment is 9000 CZK/person, not 300 USD/per-

son. Today's exchange rate is between 25-26 USD/1 CZK, somewhat lower than one year ago.) In the case of any differences between the correct amount and the real payment it should be solved and paid at the registration. In case the Organising Committee received the money transfer minus the bank transfer fees, the participants will be charged with the missing amount. If any problems occur, please contact the Organising Committee.

TRANSPORT – VARIOUS OPTIONS

AIR TRANSPORT: Airport Brno-Tuřany is cca 10 km SE from the city centre. International airports are in Prague (220 km) or Vienna (120 km). The organisers are able to provide the transport from Prague or Vienna or Bratislava airports; the price for transport will be individual according to the used vehicle and number of persons. Probably VW Transporter (8 seats) or small bus (14 seats) will be at disposal; "classic" (40 seats) bus is not certain in this moment.

Important note: If you want the organiser's service, please announce the exact time of your arrival as soon as possible. We need these information to arrange our possibilities, inform you by return and choose the final option which should be the best one.

RAILWAY: The Brno Main Station is a major international railway junction with many international connections.

BUS: The Central Bus Station "Zvonařka" offers a large number of international connections as well.

Official Czech timetables (train and bus connections, including international lines passing through the Czech Republic):

<http://www.idos.cz> (Czech, English, German version).

If you arrive to Brno with any type of public transport, the organisers are able to wait you at the station or bus station and show you the way or accompany you to the event centre. If you want to be waited by the organiser, please announce the exact time of your arrival in advance.

INDIVIDUAL TRANSPORT: Brno is located 220 km SE of Prague connected by the D1 highway and 120 km NW of Bratislava /Slovakia/ connected by the D2 highway. Remember that you will need an appropriate "highway label" (sticker); these stickers you can buy at main border checkpoints, at petrol stations or at post offices.

Prices of "highway labels" in the Czech Republic were mentioned in Bulletin 3; you can find this

information at

<http://www.ceskedalnice.cz/en/english.htm>

Ideal exit from the D1 highway will be Brno-západ (exit 190 km); "highway label" is not necessary at the part of highway between exits Brno-západ and Brno-východ.

TRANSPORT DURING THE CHAMPIONSHIP:

Transport from the championship centre to the start areas and back from the finish areas to the championship centre will be arranged by the organizer. Exact times of departure see in the time schedule or they will be specified in ext bulletins during the championship.

As the finish sites are known in advance, individual transport to the finish for the guests and visitors will be possible; instructions will be published in later bulletins. Access to start is allowed only to the competitors and team officials with transport provided by the organiser.

TECHNICAL DATA OF WCH COURSES

Technical Data of Transmitters:

3,5 MHz Transmitter

Output power 3 W

Frequency MOE-MO5: 3580 kHz

MO: 3550 kHz

Aerial wire 8 m,
single counterweight 8 m
144 MHz Transmitters

Output power 1 W

Frequency MOE-MO5: 144.550 MHz

MO: 144.850 MHz

Aerial crossed dipoles 3 m above
the ground level

COURSES: Technically and sportwise demanding courses complying with WCH standards will be prepared. The winner's time is estimated to be approx. 60-70 minutes. The organisers are preparing "two bands competitions":

THURSDAY: 3.5 MHz for junior and senior categories, 144 MHz for old-timer and veteran categories;

SATURDAY: 144 MHz for junior and senior categories, 3.5 MHz for old-timer and veteran categories.

Start and finish location will be the same for all categories in each WCH competition.

REGISTERING DEVICE: Electronic device SportIdent will be used in all competitions. (Information: www.sportident.de.) To eliminate possible problems, all competitors will compete

with SI chips (version 5) lent by the organiser (start with your own chip is not possible). If the competitors will want, there is a possibility to buy the chips after the competitions.

You will have opportunity to practice SportIdent at the training on Wednesday, September 8. You can also practice its using at the national events in the Czech Republic during the year 2004.

Radio transmission of the split times from all controls to the finish area will be ensured by Racom technology (www.racom.cz). Sample of "hardware", which will be used for the radio transmission, will be also installed near training transmitters on Wednesday.

Attention! The competitors will have to check SI unit at the finish line. They also will have to register their pass by SportIdent not only at the control points, but also at the beacon (beginning of the finish corridor). For classification, the beacon is taken as equal control with the another ones (sixth one for men, fourth one for the oldest veterans and fifth one for further categories). If this innovation will be successful, it should be incorporated to the international ARDF rules.

COMPETITION AREAS

Main competitions of the World Championship will take place in these areas:

Thursday, September 9: area among Boskovice, Valchov, Némčice, Kuničky and Újezd u Boskovic; finish: Boskovice, sport stadium

Saturday, September 11: area among Zastávka u Brna, Příbram, Zbraslav, Řičky and Řičany; finish: Zastávka u Brna, sport stadium

area of the park open ARDF race (Friday, September 10): city park in Brno, somewhere steep slopes, variously crossable vegetation

In these areas (except the park race area), no entrance is allowed for all potential WCH participants since publication of this information (June 1, 2004) till the date of WCH races (September 9 and 11, 2004).

Warning: No entrance, not only forbidden sport activity as so far!

Violators of this restriction will not be allowed to take part in the WCH races. In the case of collective violation, the whole team will not be allowed to take part in the WCh races.

The strict specification of the competition areas should allow training in other areas in the Brno region. The entrance restriction is now limited only to the former restricted areas 3 and 5. Entrance to the areas 1, 2 and 4 is possible.

SUMMARY OF APPLIED TEAMS

Country	W19	W20	W35	W50	M19	M20	M40	M50	M60	Officials	Total	Actualisation	
										Visitors			
Czech Republic	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	6		32	1. 8. 2004
Australia						3						3	20. 5. 2004
Belgium									2			2	30. 6. 2004
Bulgaria											1	5	17. 7. 2004
Croatia	3	3		3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	27	5. 4. 2004
Denmark						1		3			1	5	28. 6. 2004
Estonia						2	2					4	9. 7. 2004
France		3				3	2	2				10	29. 2. 2004
Germany	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	6	23	56	19. 8. 2004
Great Britain								2	2			4	20. 6. 2004
Hungary		2	2	1		2	1	2	2	2	1	15	23. 7. 2004
China	2	3	1		3	3	3			4	2	21	3. 8. 2004
Japan				3	3	3	2	3	2	4	2	22	9. 7. 2004
Kazakhstan	2				1	1		1		1		6	3. 8. 2004
Korea						3	3	1			2	9	2. 8. 2004
Lithuania	2	2			2	3	3		1			13	7. 7. 2004
Moldova	3	1			3	3	3			3	6	23	23. 7. 2004
Netherlands				1				1	2	1	1	6	17. 6. 2004
Norway												5	30. 6. 2004
Poland	3	1			3	3	2	1	1	1		15	1. 7. 2004
Russia	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	35	6. 8. 2004
Serbia & Montenegro	1	2			3	3	1			2	4	16	27. 7. 2004
Slovakia	2	1	1		1	3	3		1	5		17	20. 8. 2004
Slovenia	2		1		3	3	2	1	2	1	1	16	21. 7. 2004
Sweden						3	2	3	3			11	28. 6. 2004
Switzerland								1	1			2	5. 8. 2004
Ukraine	3	3	3	1	3	3	3	3	3	5	8	38	18. 8. 2004
USA			1	1	1	3	3	3	2	4	3	21	1. 8. 2004
Total	33	30	18	18	34	60	48	39	35	50	64	441	

Just to be sure, please take with you the record about sending of your payment to the registration. To prepare the identification cards for the participants, we will need signed photo of each team member (ideally of passport size; scanned photo in new types of passport is not acceptable). If you want to simplify your registration, you can send the originally scanned photos of your team members (with his/her name at each one!) to the organisers e-mail address photo@wch2004ardf.com; 300 dpi is sufficient resolution, JPEG (JPG) is the preferred file format (BMP or TIF are files of large size, GIF has some colour losses). To the registration, please take with you record of your national anthem (in MP3, or some audio format).

TERRAIN CHARACTERISTICS:

The competition areas are within 40 km around the city of Brno. Terrain of the continental type, 90% forested, relatively dense net of paths. Relief varies from slightly downy to the steep slopes. Water: only streams; no uncrossable river or marsh occurs in the competition areas. Vegetation: all common types - somewhere mature, well runable forest, on many places replaced by the mosaic of young stages (various types of thickets and cleanings); dense undergrowth is not so frequent here.

MAPS: IOF standard, scale 1:15000, contour interval 5 m, status August 2004, size up to A3 (420x297 mm).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The competitors are starting at their own risk. Necessary medical treatment is provided in the finish free of charge; further medical care should be paid by the participants themselves, or from their health insurance.

Body covering is not limited in the WCH competitions. Considering the dense blackberry undergrowth at some places, covering of legs with long trousers is recommended.

ATTENTION! There is a lot of ticks (*Ixodes ricinus*) occurring in the forests of Brno surroundings.

START AND FINISH ORGANISATION

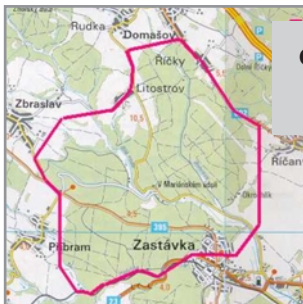
ORGANISATION OF START:

The designated start area will only be accessible for competitors and technical members of teams and organisers (visitors will only be allowed in the finish area); there will be a warm-up area, refreshment, tents and sufficient number of mobile chemical toilets. It is strongly forbidden to use any communication devices (e. g., cellular phones etc.) during the competition time. The map will show start, finish and appropriate "rings".

ORGANISATION OF FINISH:

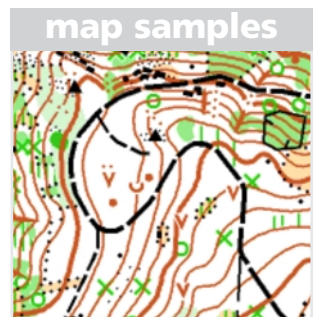
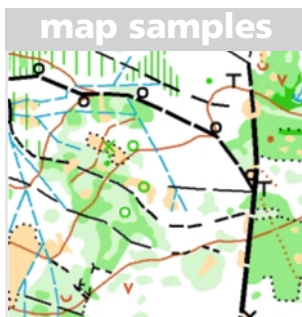
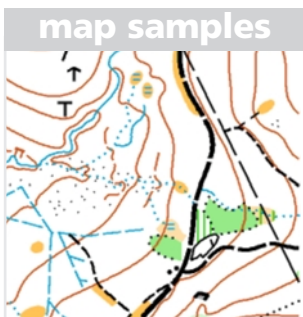
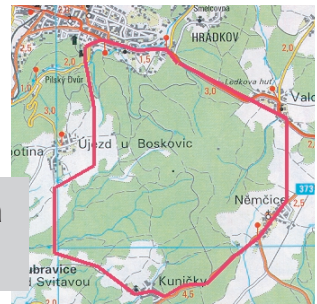
The finish area will accommodate satisfactory number of visitors (like at the EAC'93 in Milovy). There will also be toilets, refreshment, tents, and stalls with sport and other goods. For competitors and visitors, the information service will provide maximum information about situation on courses, adequately to the possibilities given by recent technologies. A large and easy-to-read information and result board including commentaries on individual competitions will be installed.

Detailed organisation of start and finish areas (incl. plans) will be described in particular bulletins during the championship.



competition area
11. 9. 2004

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9. 9. 2004





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