



# Balloon Federation Of America

January 13, 2025

**TO:**

Mark Sullivan, President of the FAI Ballooning Commission (CIA)  
Sanne Haarhuis, Secretary of the FAI Ballooning Commission (CIA)  
Lindsay Muir, Chair of CIA Events Development Service Subcommittee

**FROM:**

Jason Jones, President of the Balloon Federation of America (BFA)

**RE:** Intent to bid for the 6th FAI Women's World Hot Air Balloon Championship

On behalf of the National Aeronautic Association (NAA), the Balloon Federation of America (BFA), the BFA Hot Air Competition Division (HACD) and the Hot Air Jubilee (HAJ), it is our intention to bid for the 6th FAI Women's World Hot Air Balloon Championship to be held in Jackson, Michigan USA from July 11 to 18, 2027.

The HAJ will be celebrating their 42nd event this year and has recently hosted the 2023-2025 BFA US Women's National Hot Air Balloon Championship. The maximum number of competitors and invitation and entry fee policies will be set according to the completed sanction application.

We realize that the standard deadline for a CAT-1 event has passed, but ask that if no bids are approved at the March 2025 Plenary, that the submission deadline be extended to September in accordance with the sporting code, allowing time to solidify sponsorship and submit a complete sanction application via WatchMeFly.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Jones, President of the Balloon Federation of America (BFA)

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Date