

Snowsport South Committee Meeting

Tuesday 10 March 2015, 7:30pm

Present:

Brian Davies (BD)
Nigel Vincent (NV)
Peter Calvert (PC)
Mary Calvert (MC)
Matt Williams (MW)
Susie Moore (SM) SSE Development Officer

1 Apologies: There were no apologies.

2 Previous meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting on 9 December 2014 were accepted; there were no matters arising which do not appear elsewhere on the agenda.

3 2015 Summer Race Series

3.1 Race Calendar: The calendar had already been confirmed and published on the regional website. Berkshire Race Squad would be organising the first of the 2 races being held at Aldershot. The race dates needed to be sent to SM and Victoria Crampton (VC) at SSE. SM confirmed that race reports could be published via the SSE weekly newsletter (emailed to all members and member clubs).

**Action: MC to send SM and VC the race dates
BD to ask Peter Davies to provide a brief race report after each race**

3.2 Medals and trophies: NV and PC had obtained quotes for medals. It had then been agreed to proceed with NV's quote and the order had been placed. It is unlikely that the medals will arrive in time for the first race. The surplus medals from last year will be used on that day and replacements given when this year's order arrives.

It was agreed to purchase the same trophies as last year for the Club National Race at Southampton.

Action: NV to order trophies for the Club National

3.3 Timing Kit and Dual Slalom System: PC reported that he was rebuilding the dual slalom timing kit for this season. NV reported there was now a tripod for the Brauer timing kit.

3.4 Commentary: It was agreed that the region would purchase a radio mike for use at the races.

Action: NV to purchase radio mike

4 Snowsport South Club National

4.1 MW reported that the race invitation was ready to send to SSE (Karen Conde) for publication. All costs would be increased a little from last year but it was still felt that the race would be worthwhile. Overnight camping will be available at the slope, organised by Active Nation, on the Friday and Saturday evenings. Shower and toilet facilities will be available in the sports centre and there will be a food and refreshment stall.

Action: MW to send CN race bulletin to Karen Conde

BD confirmed that ASR would bring their TAG timing kit to the race as a back up. Bibs and back up timing equipment would be hired from SSE.

4.2 There was some confusion as to whether membership of an affiliated SSE club would allow entry to the CN race without the need for payment of an extra £5 to cover insurance. At regional races, £5 is only collected if a racer is not

- an individual Snowsport England (SSE) member
- a listed member of a registered SSE club
- a member of an ESSKIA registered school club

Action: MC to confirm situation regarding day entry fees with SSE

5 Selection Criteria for Inter-Regional and Tri-Regional Team Competitions

To qualify for selection to the Snowsport South Inter-Regional team, a racer must have competed in at least one regional race. Their oBARTS points would then be used.

For the Tri-region team, a racer must have competed in at least 2 regional races. They would be seeded using these results expressed as a % behind the winning time. A 5% loading would be given to racers whose time had been recorded through Stubbies.

Action: BD to publish the selection criteria for the website

6 Merchandise

6.1 It was decided that T-shirts would only be ordered for the inter-regional and tri-regional events (approx 60 may be needed). None would be produced for sale at the Club National.

**Action: BD to confirm T-shirt numbers needed for Inter-regional teams
NV to order all T-shirts**

6.2 It was decided that 15 Hi Vis Vests should be purchased for use at regional races. They would have Snowsport South printed on the back.

Action: NV to order Hi Vis Vests`

7 SSE Reorganisation and matters arising from Regional Chairs' Meeting

7.1 SM gave her presentation from that meeting and outlined what she and SSE could do to support the region – and what SSE expected from the region. She agreed to provide a summary of this for the minutes.

Action: SM to provide a summary of her presentation

7.2 BD reported that the region needed to provide SSE with a core action plan for 2016 in time for the Regional AGM. The new committee would need to sign this off. In association with this, there were 2 documents which SSE wanted the region's feedback on – an annual regional planner template and an Annual Regional Plan.

**Action: BD and MC to look at templates and report back to the committee by 14 April
MC to send SSE a list of current committee members as an interim measure**

8 Regional Constitution

It was agreed that the Constitution needed to be revised and updated. It was felt more appropriate to do this after further details had been received from SSE on reorganisation. The topic was deferred until nearer to the AGM.

Action: MC to add the constitution to the agenda later in the year

9 AOB

9.1 2014 AGM minutes: MC confirmed that these had been drafted and checked by the committee. (They cannot be approved until the next AGM.) It was agreed that these should be sent, as a draft, to club chairs.

Action: MC to send out draft AGM minutes to club chairs

9.2 Club Reps to the committee: It was felt that representation was needed on the committee from all the clubs whose primary affiliation was to the Snowsport South region. At the moment, Berkshire Race Squad (BRS) and Aldershot Seniors (ALD) are not represented. A new list of clubs affiliated to the region is needed from SSE to check which other clubs need representatives.

**Action: BD to contact BRS and ALD to provide club reps on the committee
MC to ask SSE for a list of affiliated clubs**

9.3 Communication

9.3.1 SSE newsletters: PC reported that he had added a link onto the region's website to the weekly SSE newsletters. There had been some problems because the feed address had varied. He would liaise with VC.

Action: PC to liaise with VC to publish SSE newsletter on regional website

9.3.2 PC suggested that the committee used Dropbox to store documents and ensure year to year continuity.

Action: PC to set up Dropbox facility and link all committee members to it

9.3.3 SM asked whether the region could become more involved with GoSkiGoBoard. It was agreed that this would be useful. As a first step, a link would be added to the website.

Action: PC to add GoSkiGoBoard link to website

9.3.4 PC confirmed he would update the current committee details on the website and check that the forwarding of generic emails was correct.

Action: PC to update website with current committee details

9.3.5 MW asked if it might be possible to organise a level 1 official's course in advance of the regional Club National at Southampton. The TD at last year's race had suggested this. All agreed that this would be useful if it could be fitted in. It was felt that Southampton would be the best venue. Alan Bullock (AB) is currently responsible for officials training on SSE's Alpine Race Committee.

Action: MC to liaise with AB and report back to the committee

9.4 Sport Hants Bursaries: It was reported that 4 athletes had received support from the Hampshire Talented Athletes Scheme. Will Wheeler, a Ski Cross athlete, is one of 56 athletes to receive a full bursary, with snowboarder Ethan Smith and Alpine skiers Sarah Woodward and Toby Case also receiving support from the scheme.

9.5 University of Surrey: BD had been contacted by Olly Wells to say that the University of Surrey were planning to register with SSE as a Snowsport South club and would be competing in the Summer Series Races. SM pointed out that universities had reduced registration fees. Olly had also asked how he should go about registering the racers and entering them for events.

**Action: SM to contact Olly Wells regarding Uni registration fees
MC to contact Olly Wells regarding entry procedures to the races**

9.6 Landgraaf Training Camp: MW confirmed that the Landgraaf training camp being organised by Nigel Greenfield and Emily Evans (13 – 17 April) was going ahead – although he thought current numbers were low. There was no further information.

9.7 Finances: NV reported that the region's finances were healthy and he had no concerns at this time.

There was no other business and the meeting was closed.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 12 May at 19:30.

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3.1	MC	to send SM and VC the race dates	
3.1	BD	to ask Peter Davies to provide a brief race report after each race	
3.2	NV	to order trophies for the Club National	
3.4	NV	to purchase radio mike	13/03
4.1	MW	to send CN race bulletin to Karen Conde	16/03
4.2	MC	to confirm situation regarding day entry fees with SSE	1/04
5	BD	to publish the selection criteria for the website	
6.1	BD	to confirm T-shirt numbers needed for Inter-regional teams	
6.1	NV	to order all T-shirts	
6.2	NV	to order Hi Vis Vests	
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8	MC	to add the constitution to the agenda later in the year	
9.1	MC	to send out draft AGM minutes to club chairs	
9.2	BD	to contact BRS and ALD to provide club reps on the committee	
9.2	MC	to ask SSE for a list of affiliated clubs	16/03
9.3.1	PC	to liaise with VC to publish SSE newsletter on regional website	15/03
9.3.2	PC	to set up Dropbox facility and link all committee members to it	15/03
9.3.3	PC	to add GoSkiGoBoard link to website	15/03
9.3.4	PC	to update website with current committee details	15/03
9.3.5	MC	to liaise with AB and report back to the committee	11/03
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