

ESC ROTP
Minutes of Meeting Held at Swadlincote
Sunday 13th January 2002 at 10.30

2002. 1.1 **Present**
Alan West (AW) Gillian Todd (GT) Carl McGregor-Ogden (CMO) David Pyle (DP)
Gordon Cole (GHC) Tony Archbold (TA) Tina Fairweather (TF)
- 2002 1.2 **Apologies**
David Manns (DM)
- 2002 1.2A **Welcome**
AW welcomed Tina Fairweather to the meeting as an observer. Tina has been asked to join the ROTP committee.
- 2002 1.3 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
The minutes of the previous meeting 2001 3 were approved as a true record.
- 2002 1.4 **Matters Arising**
- 3.4a The Milton Keynes Snow Dome is likely to hold a trial race during the coming season. Date to be confirmed.
- 3.7b CMO advised that this item is still on going and will report progress at next meeting.
- 2002 1.5 **2002 Race Calendar**
- 1.5.a Considerable discussion took place over the calendar. DP advised that it is becoming ever more difficult to find race secretaries and chief of race for our races. He will ensure that all current gaps are filled prior to the calendar being sent out.
- 1.5.b TA expressed concern over this year's change of date for the Welsh National/Open Championships, which are to take place over the weekend 5-6th October. This is also the date of the ESKIA Finals. DP will make contact with Ski Wales with a view to changing their dates.
- 1.5.c DP advised that Maurice Hugo of Rossendale Ski Club had expressed his disappointment at not being granted a Club National Race as per their request. DP stated that he had written to Rossendale in June 2001 and had not received any reply until last week. This was after the calendar dates had been set. DP had again written to Rossendale with an offer of a date in October and is still awaiting a reply.
- 1.5.d A general discussion took place over the "Notes on Entries". A small number of changes were agreed.
- 2002 1.6 **Changes for 2002**
A discussion took place over items raised at last months ESC TD Forum. All items will be added to the forthcoming ORB and the manual updated.
- 2002 1.7 **Occasional Race Bulletin and Race Pack**
- 1.7a Most of the changes to the Race Bulletin were discussed under item 2002 1.6
- 1.7b It was agreed that future Race Packs would be sent out to race secretaries from Halesowen. Not via TA as in previous years.

1.7c It was further agreed to make a number of small changes to the Race Pack to make it more presentable.

1.7d The race booklet for secretaries was re-viewed and amendments made. GT to update and circulate prior to release.

2002 1.8 **Accreditation Scheme/Training Courses**

1.8a The general consensus was that last Novembers course went very well. It was especially useful to utilise the slope.

1.8b A total of 15 candidates attended the course. The course was held at Hemel Hempstead at the specific request of the ERSAs Region. They had stated that they had a considerable number of candidates who wished to attend a course but did not wish to travel. It was very disappointing to note that only 3 candidates attended from ERSAs, which resulted in the course showing a small loss. It was agreed that GHC would write to the Chairman of ERSAs expressing our disappointment. However it was felt that this should not preclude us from seeking to run full courses at non-central venues but we should obtain a more definitive number of candidates from the respective region before committing to that region.

1.8c It was agreed that we should return to a more central venue for the 2002 course (somewhere within the Midlands) which hopefully would gain better support.

1.8d A discussion took place over the possibility of holding regular Level One courses within individual regions. GHC mentioned that Sandown Park Ski Racing Club which is within LSERSAs Region had asked him to arrange a course, both GT and TA had also received similar requests from other clubs. It was agreed that we should look to expand the Level One (beginners) courses for all areas and utilise the annual course as a "Further Development" course.

1.8e It was further agreed that we should attempt wherever possible to include the ESC registration as part of the course fee. AW to investigate with ESC Board.

1.8f A small sub committee would be set up specifically to look at training courses and accreditation. This in the first instance should consist of Helen Parken, Tony Archbold, Carl McGregor-Ogden and Ian Roberts (or another STP member).

2002 1.9 **Any Other Business**

It was agreed to reappoint signatories for the Alpine Race Series bank accounts. The New Signatories will be Derek Metters Gillian Todd and Gordon Cole.

2002 1.10 **Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be Saturday 18th May 2002 at Silksworth.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 14.30.