



London & SouthEast Regional Snowsports Association

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at 7.00pm on 29th February 2012 at Bromley Ski Centre

Present:

Freddie Tetlow
Andy Proudlove
Sue Vale

Keith Evans
Alan Sandell
Jules Golbey

John Curtis
John Lewington
Susie Moore (SSE Development Officer)

1. Apologies for absence received from:

Dick Greene
Marc Telling

Sally Woods
Dafina Keys

Sandy Telling
Emily Evans

2. Approval of Minutes 10 March 2011

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by FT.

3. Matters Arising from AGM Minutes

A comment was made that the Guide to Ski Racing had been very good but due to the recent changes to racing rules, was now out of date.

4. Susie Moore – SSE Sports Development Officer

i. On 22nd May SSE are hosting a Club and Facility Conference at Loughborough Head Office and is open to all clubs and we are invited to come along – 80 spaces are available 2 from each club. Susie Moore to send details.

ii. Wholesport Plan – The next application process has begun. Letters have gone out today for feedback on the support and funding for last year which had primarily been spent on the recruitment of 3 Sports Development Officers and the 10 highlighted priority sites. This year there is better focus and understanding and the need is still to bring more people to sport. The Active People Survey was previously done in mid-winter then mid-summer and this time asked whether skied in England and the numbers have crept up slightly and done through random telephone survey. Organisations helping with funding for sports activities include Sportivate and County Sport Partnership of which there are 49 across the country. SSE last year assisted clubs with attaining the Snowmark, coaching grants and helping the Hemel Telemark Club stand alone with an equipment grant and they are affiliated to SSE. When asked why no slopes in our region were in the priority sites SM confirmed she had expressed the need in our region and was supportive during the negotiations with Bromley Slope. KE felt let down by SSE during negotiations; he had approached Tim Fawke direct – SM said if she had of been approached she would have taken this up with Tim Fawke and she was happy to help in future, so please ask. KE updated that he believed that Michael was handing the running of the slope over to his son and daughter now. SM was asked about the funding for Surrey Schools and confirmed that this had been over a three year period and she would chase payments if we confirmed they had not been paid. SM said there was funding available for School Area in the budget and we could put forward proposals; JC asked about funding for Kent Schools as we had lost some of our big sponsors, Captains Cabin had previously sponsored all the medals, the slope hire is £950 this year – FT to speak to SW and send costing details to SM – event being held on 20th May at Bromley. Previously fees had not been increased as we were breaking even and this was a non profit event but the fees this year have had to be increased to £8 per racer. AP is involved in training at three schools and has spoken to SM regarding funding but feels we need a School Support Package to encourage them to continue. AP to forward contacts to SM. SSE is bidding for the 2013/2017 applications which will be for 14-25 year olds

involving universities and school to club links including satellite clubs with progression routes.

- iii. Sport England would shortly be sending out their annual Satisfaction Survey again and SM asked us to encourage our clubs to participate as the results would determine how much money Sport England allocated to Snowsport England. The questionnaire was still lengthy and dealt with participation in generic sport. There were prizes available to participants.
- iv. SM was seeing potential partners e.g. Dare2Be and Atomic trying to get prizes for events and competitions and asked us to let her know what we could be looking for e.g. prizes for Kent Schools.

5. Summer Race Format

An email had been received following the AGM regarding the proposed changes to the race format. A response had been sent back and the format of 3 timed runs will remain the same but changes to the timing of the day will be made. Expected timetable would be open practice to start at 8.00am with course setting at 9.00am and course inspection at 9.20am. First run to start at approx 9.45am. The teams would be sorted out during the third run and be based on the times from the first 2 runs. It is hoped the three runs will be completed by midday. The Superstars Fitness event will no longer be run and we will not stop for a specific lunch break. The club slalom races will begin immediately after the individual slalom, once the course has been set and will run until semi final stage. The scratch team races will then run and if people have left after saying they plan to race we may take racers from the club teams to fill those spaces. The club semi final and finals will be run during/end of the scratch races. Not enough officials come forward and it is to be made clear to clubs that they must provide a certain number of officials with larger clubs having more officials.

The minimum number of races needed to be eligible for a series win will be 3 races but the points from 4 races will count. The points awarded will be changed and this will allow the racer in next position down to win the series if they have completed one race more than the racer in 1st e.g. if racer 1 competes in 3 and wins 3 races and racer 2 competes in 4 races and wins 1 race and is 2nd in 3 races they could win the series. Points changed to 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 – we have added an extra position and closed the gap between 1st and 2nd. The fastest skier prize would be based on the average of the best 4 finishes and would require at least 4 finishes.

Age Groups – FIS have changed their age groups and British Skiing has followed suit. We will change our age groups to offset changes.

6. A.O.B.

- i. Sally Woods – All slopes for summer season have been booked. Awaiting confirmation of remaining sponsors and their logos before finalising bulletin. ST is helping with this - currently we have Elan, Ambition and Snowbits on board. We need to confirm whether Bartletts are getting involved at any level. Snow and Rock are not involved this year.
- ii. AP asked if he could add a sticker on the LSERSA Guide to Ski Racing brochures he had which gave either his or details of a central contact – it was agreed that he could put his details on them for those he was distributing.
- iii. Club Affiliation. SM would check which clubs were affiliated – all details were sent out in August/September and details of affiliated clubs could be found on the SSE membership area under Slope Locator – these were updated last April.

**Meeting concluded at approx 8.10pm
Thank you to Bromley Ski Centre for allowing us to use their facilities
and to Mags for the catering**