

Subject: LSERSA Committee Meeting - Minutes

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LSERSA Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:30pm



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| Minute taker | John Lewington (JL) |
| Attendees | Jim Gibb (JG), John Ali (JA), Dom Wakeling (DW), Keith Evans (KE), Emily Evans (EE), Steve Biggs (SB), Andrew Atkinson (AA), Natasha Toms (NT), Jules Golbey (JG), Claire Gravener (CG), Marna Wakeling (MW) |

| Topic | Type | Note | Owner | Due |
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| 1. | INFO | Apologies received: Dom Wakeling, Claire Gravener, Natasha Toms, Keith Evans | JL, | 2017-05-11 |
| 2. | AGENDA | Updates from previous meeting: | JL | 2017-05-11 |
| 3. | TODO | Website needs to be updated. Race programme, race rules and training programme all need to be updated. The race results all need to be added to the website. John(s) will talk to Dom Wakeling to discuss requirements. | DW | 2017-05-11 |
| 4. | INFO | <p>Dom has suggested that we should start again with the website - we will archive all old material so no information is lost, but update the design to make it more user-friendly.</p> <p>John Lewington will update the race rules document and circulate for approval before publishing on the website.</p> <p>A rule is to be included to state that once a racer has raced for one club during a season they are not permitted to change clubs (in terms of LSERSA points and results) until the start of the next summer season.</p> <p>The race results will no longer be published on the LSERSA website, but instead a link to the skiresults.co.uk website will be listed.</p> | | |
| 5. | DECISION | Dom to update and redesign the website | | |
| 6. | TODO | John Lewington will work with Emily to set up a training booking system on Teamer (similar to Bromley) | JL, EE | 2017-05-11 |
| 7. | INFO | - Still to be done. John will try to set something up shortly with Emily. | JL | |
| 8. | TODO | Someone has donated two new timing boards for use during races. One of these will be passed to Snowsports South as thanks for their work to update our timing system. | JA | 2017-05-11 |
| 9. | INFO | Pete Calvert is writing updates to the timing software in order to utilise the new timing boards, currently held by John Ali. | JA | |

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| 10. | INFO | Timing Equipment: If we don't have money straight away, we could purchase Emily's timing equipment and some additional items to use for a dual slalom competition. We did ask SSE for funding towards new timing equipment, but we were later than other regions with our submission this year. This year we will approach SSE earlier to try to secure the required funding. | AA | 2017-05-11 |
| 11. | AGENDA | Schools Races - Review | EE | 2017-05-11 |
| 12. | INFO | Race went well - for next year (and for Surrey Schools) we will enter all racers into the fun teams and not run school teams in the dual slalom (as in previous years). Class names may change to remove "MID" and replace with more easily understandable categories (e.g. Secondary Lower, Secondary Upper, etc.). | | |
| 13. | AGENDA | Purchase of new bibs - update | AA | 2017-05-11 |
| 14. | DONE | Bibs have been ordered from SkiBitz with new sponsors - delivery expected before next race. | | |
| 15. | AGENDA | Race Entry cut off time | JA | 2017-05-11 |
| 16. | DECISION | The race rules state the cut off time for entries is 7pm on the Wednesday before the race. This will be enforced in future. | | |
| 17. | AGENDA | Late entries for races | JA, CG | 2017-05-11 |
| 18. | DECISION | We will no longer accept late entries unless publicised for a specific race (e.g. due to low numbers) | | |
| 19. | AGENDA | SSE Action Plan | AA | 2017-05-11 |
| 20. | INFO | <p>We didn't receive the funding we asked for last year, but have managed to secure some sponsorship in order to help fund the new bibs we require. We also asked for funding for software development but have developed that ourselves with Pete Calvert</p> <p>We received funding to send someone on a UKCP course.</p> <p>We believe we should push for assistance in future with helping to develop the Chatham slope, and to update the timing equipment.</p> <p>The action plan should be started earlier than last year in order to secure the funding we want.</p> | | |
| 21. | AGENDA | AOB | AA | |
| 22. | INFO | Chatham slope update from the centre manager, Andy - John Nike died last year and since then the company management has changed and passed to other members of the family. PermaSnow was John's invention and product, but the slope is no longer tied to fitting that product on the main slope. The Nike family have asked the Andy to carry out a feasibility study to determine whether Dendix or another bristle product could be fitted and whether this would be financially beneficial to the company. The company may be in a better position financially in the near future. Chatham will be the next slope to be upgraded. Andy has already spoken to other slopes to source some second hand matting in order to make a start - believes there may be up to 200 mats available pretty much immediately and a total of 400 mats available from around the country. He needs to demonstrate the advantage of running races and training at Chatham. When the race clubs were here before, it only provided 4% of the slope income, so there is work to do in order to demonstrate the benefit. The slope is 3800 square metres. One option would be to part cover the slope with bristle mats to enable a race to be held (e.g. upgrade | AA | |

one side of the slope).

If various organisations e.g. LSERSA, Snowsports South, SSE and regional clubs can put forward proposals or suggestions of their intentions to run races, training sessions, etc. this will help the argument. If all goes well we may have a section available to train on by autumn this year.

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23. **AGENDA** Race entry fees - we are losing money by offering a discount to enter all five races. No other regions do this.
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24. **DECISION** We will not offer discounts for entering all the LSERSA races in future seasons.
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25. **DECISION** Marna Wakeling has been co-opted on to the committee as Child Welfare Officer. This post was removed from the committee some years ago on the advice of SSE, but recently the thinking has changed and it is now considered good practise for each region to have a CWO to attend races. If unable to attend, LSERSA will advertise the name or contact details of the appointed person or deputy.
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26. **AGENDA** We need to make more use of social media, especially on race days.
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27. **INFO** Codes of conduct were discussed. Andy Atkinson will prepare a reminder of the behaviour expected at races to be circulated to racers and parents.
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