

# LONDON & SOUTH EAST REGIONAL SKI ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 12th June 2001 at Bromley Ski Centre.

## **1. Present:**

Brenda Mills (Chairman)	Tim Alcott
John Shaw (Treasurer)	Matt Woods
Sandy Telling (Secretary)	Sally Woods
Alan Sandell	Kay Whelan
Sally Bartlett	

## **Apologies received from:**

Chris Drake	Jacqui Lowes
Chrissie Drake	Debbie Johns
Ali Jubb	Martin Boshier
David Greig	Ian Edwards
Charlie Jerrett	Joe Keyes

**Approval of the minutes** of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2001.

Minutes were approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed.

## **2. Matters Arising - None**

## **3. Finance Report**

John Shaw gave a summary of the financial situation. [See Appendix 1.](#) Finances are fairly healthy. All the money in the capital account has been used and all remaining money is in a general account. This account is kept separate from the race account, which is used solely to finance the regional races and support the squad.

## **4. Hillingdon Ski Centre**

Kay Whelan gave an outline of the current situation. It is hoped that the slope can be saved by either a third party taking over the lease or by organising the present club to take over the running of the slope. It was felt that whilst L&SERSA could not join in any commercial venture but it would support any initiative which would maintain the facility. A joint venture between a commercial organisation and Hillingdon Ski Club may have advantages.

Since the BSCD have used Hillingdon as their headquarters in the past it was felt very important to include them in any discussions involving L&SERSA.

It was decided that a working committee should be set up to investigate the possibilities. The working party will include Kay Whelan, John Shaw, Sandy Telling, Helmut and a member of the BSCD (Joe Keyes/Ian Edwards).

**Action:KW/JS/ST**

## **5. ESC Update**

Ali Jubb and Des Pirkhoffer (Vice Chairman of SRSA) have both shown an interest in the vacant chair of the Alpine Race Committee (ARC). The Squad selection meeting was held on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> June at Swadlincote. Des attended this as an observer.

The English squad selections took place at the weekend and all those athletes selected will receive letters during the coming week.

For details concerning the English squad selection go to:

[www.britski.org/engteam.pdf](http://www.britski.org/engteam.pdf)

A list of athletes should be available by the 1<sup>st</sup> July.

An English coach has been asked to consider the position of English Team Coach. It will be important, that a reasonable number of the selected athletes elect to participate in the programme put together by the new coach.

## **6. BSSF Update**

Finance: BSSF will be on budget this year.

Selection: The British Youth Squad has now been selected.  
The new team coach for Snowboarding will be John Clark.

Athlete's Rep: Hilary Head and Andrew Freshwater have been nominated to replace John Clark as Athletes Representative.

Olympic News: Sponsorship deals with the BSSF have been finalised. Additional grants have been obtained from the Sports Council to support Olympic Athletes.

The Mens Team coaches have been picked.

With some world ranking British Athletes the Olympic alpine team consists of 6 men and 3 women.

British Ski Team Selection - [see Appendix2](#)

Only one woman, Lesley McKenna, is eligible for the Olympic Snowboarding team.

BARC: The British Alpine Race Committee led by Ewan Maclean had its inaugural meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June.  
For details go to [www.britski.org/barc0106.pdf](http://www.britski.org/barc0106.pdf)

One of its functions will be to co-ordinate all race calendars including entrance to FIS races. It is important for that there is good communication between coaches and BARC. It was agreed that Matt Woods would contact BARC on behalf of L&SERSA.

**Action: MW**

## **7. Regional Squad.**

Some racers have selected to the squad during trials held at Wycombe in March. MW/SB felt that it was possible to take on some additional skiers making the squad larger.

Matt Woods explained why no regional team was being entered for the Inter-Regional Races to be held in Sunderland. Many racers/parents felt it was a long way to travel especially since the race was no longer seeded.

Bearing in mind AJ association with ARC it was agreed to make her aware of the reasons why L&SERSA had not entered a team and seek to raise some questions about how the Inter-Regional races are organised through ARC.

**Action: MW/AJ**

New clothing for the L&SERSA squad will be investigated and priced.  
A training session for the squad will be organised as soon as possible.

**Action: MW/SB**

## **8. Race Report.**

SW reported that the ESC races held at Chatham and the Regional races had all been a success. There had been sufficient volunteers to run the races. There are two more regional races (July 1<sup>st</sup> Chatham and August 26<sup>th</sup> Bromley). Also two more ESC races - a Club National and a Grand Prix at Wycombe on July 21<sup>st</sup> /22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **9. SportsAid Awards**

The London Awards Evening will be held on Monday July 2<sup>nd</sup> at Kensington town hall courtesy of the London Evening Standard. 12 special achievement awards are presented to athletes who have previously received a SportsAid Grant and have exceeded their expectations.

LSERSA was asked to nominate an athlete and after discussion with SportsAid London staff was able to nominate 3 athletes from the London area for a Special Award.

## **10. British Ski Club for the Disabled**

Unfortunately, no representative was able to make the meeting. However, Joe Keyes has sent a report of the activities of the BSCD, which is appended. [See Appendix 3](#)

## **11. Schools Program**

Unfortunately neither AJ nor JL were able to attend the meeting. An e-mail received after the meeting from AJ stated there had been no further developments due to pressures of other work, so there was nothing to report.

## **12. A.O.B.**

### **NEXT MEETING**

To be held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August at Bromley Ski Centre

It is proposed to hold the AGM in November.

Many thanks to Bromley for the use of their facilities and to Sally Woods for organising the refreshments.