



The English Ski Council

**Alpine Racing Committee
Minutes of the 89th ARC meeting held on 20 October Saturday, 2001
At Swadlincote Ski Centre**

PRESENT:

Des Pirkhoffer	DGP	Graham Beck	GB
Gillian Gilyead	GG	Sandra Palmer	SP
Peter Heath	PH	Paul Hothersall	PH*
Ian Roberts	IR		

APOLOGIES

**Willie Taunton Burnett
Alan West**

Item	Minute	Action
89.1	Minutes (already circulated) Minutes of the 88 th meeting were approved.	
89.2	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>Ski Racing leaflet IR had sent Ali Jubb leaflets for her perusal and action.</p> <p><i>Fitness Report</i> DGP circulated the fitness report. It was acknowledged that some form of fitness levels do need to be in place for children.</p> <p>DGP will contact Austrian and French Academies to see how they go about setting up their fitness programs.</p> <p><i>BARC Membership</i> IR is now ESC's representative on BARC.</p> <p><i>British Seniors – Chief of Championships</i> IR is not available to be Chief of Championships for the Seniors owing to commitments at the RAF Championships. IR and PH to consider possible candidates for proposal to BSSF.</p>	<p>DGP</p> <p>IR/PH</p>
89.3	<p>ESC Board Report</p> <p>GB reported that, of the 28 registered only as officials, 15 had officiated at 4+ events and would receive the £8 rebate for their next registration fee. There is a need to find out why less people are training to become race officials. Various reasons were considered, but no conclusion was reached.</p>	

	Graham Beck, Alan Ashfield and Benny Hill will attend the BSSF AGM & Congress in November.	
89.4	<p><u>Report on All England Incident</u> Following an incident at the All England, ESC had received a letter of complaint concerning safety matters. At the request of the Board, IR had investigated the incident and presented his report. After discussion, it was agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To accept the recommendations contained in the report • To request STP to review the slope homologation criteria for parallel slalom races • GB to reply to the letter enclosing a copy of IR's report. 	GB
89.5	<p><u>ESC's standing in the skiing community</u> It was acknowledged that ESC must participate fully and be properly represented at all British meetings and events.</p>	
89.6	<p><u>ROTP Report</u> Written report received from Alan West. Following consultation, the 2002 Inter-Regional event will be the same format as this year, but preferably at a more central venue. DP to investigate the possibility of using the SnoZone. A trial event may be necessary to identify potential problems. Race Entries - no change to closing date; entry fee to be £15 with £5 surcharge for late entries. All acceptance lists, bulletins & results to be published on the internet. They will be mailed only to entrants who send in envelopes. The admin fee for no envelopes will cease. Alpine Championships confirmed at Kaunertal on 24-29th March. Gordon Cole to visit next week to liaise with resort. 2002 Race Calendar to be available in November. The future of the World Championships, currently organised by Wycombe Summit, is under discussion. It was noted that any recognition of this event must have the support of BSSF and FIS. IR to prepare a discussion paper/proposal.</p>	DP IR
89.7	<p><u>English Alpine Team</u> DGP has liaised with Derek Metters & WTB and gathered information on the appeals. These will be dealt with shortly. The Team has completed two training sessions at the SnoZone and is leaving for Saas Fee today - 12 on camp plus WTB, Kelly Morris & Tim Fawke The Team will be training in Are, Sweden over the New Year.</p>	
89.8	<p><u>STP Report - IR</u> Feedback for TD Forum Super-G for minis - no support - prefer an open GS Age group start order for Children's snow races - agreed to support a trial for this season. Equipment Regulations for dry slope races Agreed to await FIS Precisions and decision of TD Forum for snow races</p>	IR IR

89.9	<p><u>Schools/ESSkiA Report</u> GG asked that we should try to avoid organising Team training sessions on the same days as the various schools races. Top junior athletes should be encouraged to support schools competitions, as this usually promotes more co-operation when seeking time off for other training and competition periods.</p>	
89.10	<p><u>BUSC Report</u> Noted that BUSC has now joined ESC.</p>	
89.11	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>Inter Schools Ski Challenge. Noted that the BSSF Board has overturned the decision of the TD Forum reported at the last ARC meeting. The event will be on the 2002 British Calendar.</p> <p>Team Selection for Home Internationals The agreed arrangements for selection did not happen. Alternative arrangements are required next year</p> <p>Home Nation eligibility was an issue at some Home International events this year. The Commonwealth Games Federation eligibility rules may provide a suitable precedent. To be discussed at the TD Forum and ESC TD meeting.</p> <p>SnowSport Wales would like to send a representative to future ARC meetings. IR & PH to discuss with Dave Parsons at the ESC TD Meeting</p>	<p>IR/PH</p> <p>IR/PH</p>
89.12	<p><u>Dates for future meetings</u></p> <p>1st December - Milton Keynes SnoZone 2nd February - Swadlincote 20th April - Swadlincote</p>	