



The English Ski Council

Alpine Racing Committee

**Minutes of the 90th ARC meeting held on 1st December Saturday, 2001
At The Snozone - Xscape, Milton Keynes**

PRESENT:

Des Pirkhoffer	DP	Peter Heath	PH
Gillian Gilyead	GG	Sandra Palmer	SP
Ian Roberts	IR	Willie Taunton-Burnett	WTB

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APOLOGIES

**Paul Hothersall
Alan West**

Action

90.1.0 MINUTES (already circulated)
Minutes of the 89th meeting were approved.

90.2.0 MATTERS ARISING
91.2.1 British Seniors – 2003

IR/PH to work towards getting Officials for the British Seniors 2003.

IR/PH

All England Incident

The report made by IR is to be sent to Mrs Telling in response to her letter.

DGP

Possibility of holding a Race at the Snozone

IR and DGP have looked and skied on the slope with the view of the possibility of holding the Inter-Regional at the Snozone. IR could see no problem apart from the run out area would have to altered. DGP will look into this further ie costs, possibility of media coverage etc.

DGP

World Artificial Dry Slope Race

DGP had a meeting with Andy Lockerbie to explore the possibility of the World Artificial Championships being run by the ESC, in principle there appeared to be no reason why this couldn't be added to the race calendar with the possibility of running it every other year, this arrangement would allow for the European Championships to interleave on the opposite years. It was felt that this wasn't something that ARC could sanction in isolation. It was proposed that the matter should be escalated to the BSSF or BARC (with ARC's approval) so that they may progress the matter with other HNGB's and FIS. IR will write to them.

IR

90.3.0 British TD Forum

The Age Group start order for Children this year will be the same format as previous year's. FIS equipment rules will apply for the plastic season in 2003.

90.4.1 The Future of English Alpine Championships

It was suggested that a working group be formed to review the needs of the EAC. Gordon Cole to be approached to see if he will lead this group. The review should address the Strategic position of the EAC rather than the details of event organisation.

DGP

90.4.2 English Alpine Team Selection

For next year's selection panel it was felt essential to have experience – ie from coaches etc. WTB to write a report with regard to the selection criteria and approved programmes

WTB

90.4.3 English Team – Website

WTB

(WTB joined for the meeting for the rest of the meeting)

WTB stressed that it was important to have a web site set up that would allow everyone to see what was going on with the English Alpine Team. Also essential for the sponsors. A number of options were put forward but it has to be thought through properly – so it was hoped to be up and running by the early part of next year.

90.4.4 English Team Clothing Update

It was confirmed that Five Seasons Clothing have agreed to sponsor the team for the next two years. This will initially consist of outer clothing – i.e. Jackets, Fleece and Salopettes.

90.4.5 Leaflets

GG suggested it was time to update the current leaflet which is designed to show pathways into competition. There was some thought that this was an outdated form of publishing and that the net would be more beneficial. GG pointed out that not everyone has access to the net. The ESC office to be asked to research costs to produce an updated leaflet.

DGP

90.4.6 ARC Budget

IR wanted clarification on the STP budget i.e. Who is responsible for it, how much is it, when it's financial year was etc. DGP stated that it was essentially his responsibility but that IR could work up a budget proposal, which if satisfactory would be IR's responsibility to manage and be accountable for. The same was noted to be true for ROTP.

90.4.7 Any Other Business

The English Team appeals (team selection) should finally be sorted out this weekend, with Athletes being notified of the outcome early next week.

Members of ARC went to meet the English Alpine Team who were training at Xscape Snozone for the weekend. DGP introduced himself and explained his role in ARC, also IR and GG spoke to the group.

The Team is going to train and race in Sweden for 3 weeks from the 13 December 2001.

The meeting closed at 4 pm.

90.4.8 Dates for future meetings

2nd February – Swadlincote

20th April - Swadlincote