



INTERNATIONAL WATER SKI FEDERATION

MINUTES OF THE 12th MEETING OF THE WORLD BAREFOOT COUNCIL held in the Stakis Hotel London on the occasion of the 8th World Championships

1st SESSION 31st August 1992

Present were:	Gillian Hill	Chairman	
	Sam Spano	Region I	
	Karyn Scarpa	Region I	
	Chuck Alleger	Region I	(arrived later)
	Bob Londrigan	Region I	Substitute
	Selwyn Neiman	Region II	
	Len Berger	Region II	Substitute
	Charles Ramsey	Secretary	
	Graeme Dwyer	Region III	
	Brian Price	Region III	
	Brian Carroll	Region III	
	Clive Stephen	Region III	Substitute

The Chairman opened the meeting at 1008 and welcomed the Members, noting with satisfaction the full attendance. She specially welcomed Bob Londrigan, on this Council for the first time. Bob is substitute for Region I, and since Chuck Alleger was due later, he took his place on the Council. He will take over on arrival. Len Berger and Clive Stephen are substitutes for Regions II and III and are present as observers.

Item 2. Agenda

The Agenda was adopted. Chmn emphasised that since time available that day was short, the agenda items would be limited to those necessary for the Championships, including preparation for the Judges seminar later in the day.

Item 3. Items for AOB.

BP asked that a no smoking policy be formulated for such areas as the tow boat and the video room. It was necessary to have a policy as something the Council can enforce.

It was AGREED that no smoking would be allowed in tow boats.

BP produced an event judges allocation form. This will be dealt with under Item 18.

BP proposed a minimum runup to the jump course, in line with slalom and tricks. This will be made into a revision proposal.

BP wanted cloth badge souvenirs for skiers and officials. GH reported that at the Executive Board meeting she recently attended it was thought organizers should not be tied down, they might have something local and more attractive.

SN wanted to discuss the subject of communication between members. He also had in mind records and the need to write reasons for disallowing tricks. This will be dealt with under

Item 14d.

A proposal for team event medals goes to AOB.

Timing tolerance in slalom and tricks will also go to AOB.

Item 4. Minutes of the December meeting.

Proposed SN, 2dd BC that the minutes be accepted. Passed nem con.

The record approval team - BP, SN and BL - is to view the tapes when they come to the WBC. In principle, if they all agree on a record, then it is good. Other members are free to view as well. If agreement cannot be reached the whole Council will review it.

BL has brought the paperwork for a potential new record from Region I. It goes to SN for custody.

Chmn emphasized we must find a way of doing record approval properly and on time.

BP thought the Regions should preview records before submitting them to the WBC,

Item 5 Matters arising.

Chmn took Item 5b first as it had led to some discussion. The interim Standings List arrived too late for the Regions to be able to inform potential individual skiers in good time.

Chmn apologised on behalf of herself and the Secretary for this error. We will return to item 5b later.

Item 5f. Certificates

(arriving Friday) are to be distributed this weekend and will be presented at the final ceremony.

AG, Organisation President, will address the Council at 2000 hrs in the hospitality room.

Item 8.

The judges seminar was to bring together the judging standards of worldwide judging. The Council will express how it believes judging should be done. This will be done with the medium of the judges qualification film, which had been prepared by SN and BP. BL will be brought into this assessment process. The object is to establish a minimum acceptable standard of performance. The film is to demonstrate tricks visually as examples of what is acceptable and what is not. BC will chair the seminar. All Council members should be present if possible.

Chuck Alleger joined the meeting at 1100 and took his place.

Chmn raised a matter of urgency. Bobbie Brown (Chief Scorer) was unable to attend due to injury. We must appoint a substitute. It was AGREED that Kathy Alleger should join the panel as Scorer. SS proposed that she should take over the role of Chief Scorer. 2dd SN. Passed nem con.

A fax had arrived from Ed Finley that due to the hurricane he must work longer and would not arrive before Thursday. It was AGREED that BL should take his place on the panel, and in view of the fact that Ed will miss the seminar briefing, BL should serve the whole of the Championships. However, on the suggestion of BL, we will fax Ed that if he can get here by Wednesday, we will get him briefed and put him on the panel for the later part of the Championships.

The meeting returned to the seminar, and decided that since many members had not seen the film, they should view it before using it for judges briefing purposes.

At this point the meeting invited the Chief Judge, Ken Derry and the Assistant Chief Judge, Colin Black in.

Chmn brought them up to date on the decisions the Council had made so far.

KD informed the Council he had scheduled a session with the 3 drivers on the lake to get them aligned and get uniformity on rates of acceleration, the place and kind of turns at the ends of the course and other driving characteristics affecting the skier.

H announced that a TV boat will drive alongside the skier for media purposes. It had been tried before and did not affect the skier at all, although he had to get used to the idea. The drivers would be 2 competition drivers with experience of this operation.

The TV boat would be run during the finals and the question was if it was necessary to run it on earlier occasions for skier familiarisation.

It was AGREED to run it during familiarisation at the option of the team, i.e. available if required.

GH announced that bibs would be used, but only in slalom and jump and only for finals. A model would be available to teams likely to have skiers in the finals. It would be a requirement and BP read out the relevant passage in the Obligations, but he would have liked to have tried it out. GH will have models available Tuesday.

Chmn assured KD the seminar was not an exam. It was to show judges the judging standard the Council considers acceptable or not acceptable, and to get commonality in judging.

KD asked if it was possible, after the scores were out, to run the video of the runs for the benefit of the skiers. GH will organise this.

KD said that he had arranged for the scores to be given on the PA after each pass after being radioed back from the boat. The question was, should the skier also be informed, for everybody else on shore would hear it but most likely at the end of the lake he would not. GH proposed that the score be given only at the end of the 2nd pass, and also then to the skier. AGREED.

A senior judge in the boat will be nominated. One judge will be appointed communicator. One judge will perform the calculation of the score, based on his/her own sheets.

There will be a minimum turnaround time between passes. The exact time has not yet been established but will be posted. There will be a call at 30 seconds and one at 10 seconds, augmented by outstretched arms. If the skier does not at once give the OK to go, the communicator will raise an arm to indicate that an OK (go) is expected and if the skier still does not respond, he will be disqualified.

Outboard pickup boats will be used to pick up fallen skiers and bring them to the tow boat or the shore at the end of a pass. This is necessary as the banks are walled and the shoreline not suitable for climbing out.

There will be a team captains meeting Tuesday 2000 on the site. An officials briefing is at 1800 Monday.

An individual entrant may fulfil team representative functions for himself, e.g. protests. Speeds are to be called in whole kph.

GH reported that the electronic timing contemplated for jump was not operational.

GD felt that one person timing in the boat was inadequate, particularly if the acceptance of a jump is dependant on a mandatory re-ride on e.g. a hundredth of a second. No human could consistently attain that accuracy with operating a stop watch. It was AGREED that for these Championships, there would be 2 timers in the boat for jump, each with one stopwatch.

It was further AGREED that in the event of a difference in readings of the two stopwatches, the one in tolerance shall be taken for determining the official speed.

GD wanted all times to be recorded and made available to this Council for review, and this will be done.

The time was now 1245, and the viewing by the Council of the tricks and slalom was commenced. It continued till 1700 while members gradually closed in on a consensus of what was acceptable and not acceptable in a trick. The slalom film was not viewed, the feeling being that it was important to get consensus on tricks first.

At 1700, the panel and interested officials were invited in to a briefing on the standard of judging to be applied at these Championships.

It was determined that the skier's instructions in the terms of slow, medium and fast are to be given for the departure, over the bumps and up to final speed. Intermediate speeds are to be allowed for transitions such as out of the wake, spin around and plant.

A decision on reversion on taking handle in toeup will be made as a revision and dealt with Monday.

**MINUTES OF THE 12th MEETING OF THE WORLD BAREFOOT COUNCIL
held in the Stakis Hotel London**

Session 2. 1st September 1992

Present were:	Gillian Hill	Chairman	
	Sam Spano	Region I	
	Bob Londrigan	Region I	Substitute
	Chuck Alleger	Region I	
	Karyn Scarpa	Region I	
	Selwyn Neiman	Region II	
	Len Berger	Region II	Substitute
	Charles Ramsey	Secretary	
	Graeme Dwyer	Region III	
	Brian Price	Region III	
	Brian Carroll	Region III	

The Chairman opened the meeting at 0800.

Item 5d. Skiers rating books.

Rating books provided a means of skier certification and a record of performances abroad (=other Regions).

GH said the system had fallen into disuse due to the Standings now being derived from the results, and through computerization of the process.

CR said rating books were required for a record of competitions in other Regions.

BL cited proof of jump proficiency.

Ratings books are only of relevance at sanctioned tournaments. The system should be reinstated. Skiers who travel abroad (inter-region) should have a ratings book or performance carnet.

Speaking on the subject of skiers being allowed to ski in competitions in other regions, GD said it was good for the exchange of ideas, but it was not always a practice to allow participation. GH said it was not always practical to allow visitors to ski in Championships, but it was good for non-specific events such as masters, series etc.

Chmn returned to Item 5b. Interim worlds standings list.

GH showed that the current system gives the southern hemisphere 18 months of results against the northern hemisphere's 12.

SN pointed out that Region II had both north and southern hemispheres and advocated a November to November period, which encompassed all of the southern (SAF) season, for all. GD said the period was important for AUS for government support. In the last 6 months we have seen a 4 metre increase in male jump distances and this has to appear in the AUS results as well as in northern results for subsidy reasons. Without an interim Standings List they are disadvantaged since northern results have improved. Not everybody understood this reasoning and for the present, until we can come up with a fairer system, it was AGREED that the Standings List will coincide with the calendar year, i.e. Jan 1st to Dec 31st. We will look at

it again for the future and in the meantime see what other sports do. The scores are to be for competitions held before Jan 1st and the results to be in the hands of the calculator by Jan 31st.

There was a suggestion to include the age in the Lists for division purposes, but it was felt better to give the birth date as an invariable. A computer handling program could translate this into division related age for the competition in question.

CR proposed a compilation of skier lists with unique identifying numbers, to solve the problem of incorrect or incomplete names on results. Bob Corson was known to be working on such a system and we should take steps to ensure we are compatible. In the US, social security numbers are used. In skiing it was an advantage to have a numbering system that identifies the country of the skier.

World Executive Board

GH will make a precis of the EB report.

They had reversed their decision and now give medals to alternates.

Thanks were due to George Blair for his sponsorship of the Standings List and for the coming World Rule Book. At these Championships, George will be asked to start the finals off.

BP raised a question on the IWSF accounts and GH advised that the IOC subsidizes Junior Championships in Tournament. She hoped this could be extended to Barefoot in future.

There was a general discussion on sources of sponsoring, and promotion packages on behalf of barefoot for sponsoring purposes.

Barefoot has international recognition and acceptance within the IWSF, and is on the same footing as the other divisions. In Region I the relationship is not so close, but there are no barriers. In Region II all Divisions are fully integrated and are on an equal footing. In Region III there is much to be done for barefoot to be fully recognised and accepted as an equal member of the family.

Region representatives considered pressure from the top was needed on the Regional bodies to promote barefoot.

Item 11b World Games.

These are to be held in Holland in the last week in July. Barefoot is a demonstration sport, with a view to it becoming a sport in the future. Although the Games are seated in the Hague, skiing will take place on the Bosbaan near Amsterdam, with tournament and barefoot over a 6 day period, with 20 skiers. There will be no money, so a small panel of one judge from each Region plus a Chief Judge, a driver and a scorer will be appropriate, i.e. 2 officials from each Region. Further info would follow.

Item 11a) World Junior Championships.

The Executive Board are more than happy with a Junior Championships and will ask no sanction fee, and only limited Obligations. We ourselves must set the technical rules.

For variations in the Obligations, a bidder must negotiate with the IWSF himself. The venue is a problem, as an expensive-to-reach place might place a stopper on participation. This would appear to rule out AUS, at least for the first Championships. Europe was a possibility and ITA was a traditional supporter of junior events, but we must await a bid. In the US there had been some thought, and the financial result of the last worlds was a plus point.

BP need to know where and just when, so he could proceed with sponsors, but GH pointed out that details must await the appearance of a bidder.

SS will try to get a feel for the US and SN will try for ITA.

LB, SS and GD will form a subcommittee to look into the Obligations.

BP stressed that haste was necessary for sponsor approach reasons.

Item 11c). 1994 World Championships.

The Exec Board had accepted a bid from Australia. They will be held in Liverpool near Sydney. The site was known to the WBC, being the one used for an international when the Council met last year.

GD reported that they had accepted the full obligations, although they had not yet been signed.

The Championships will be held in late April.

A strong committee had been formed and was already in action. There will be a Bulletin shortly. The site is being developed. A two storey clubhouse is under construction. There is an alternate site 30 minutes away in the event of floods that washed out the nationals in past years.

There is adequate hotel accommodation, but fairly widely distributed. There is no large hotel capable of accommodating all.

The Organiser was given until Dec 31st to set a date.

GD reported on an undertaking to provide visiting teams an opportunity to get inexpensive training in the area before the Championships. There would also be a possibility for foreign skiers to take part in State titles, and also possibly in the nationals. Schedules were planned so that the Worlds would start about 10 days later.

Item 11d). 1996 Worlds Championships.

BP pointed out that the bid should be confirmed in Singapore in 1993.

If the rotation principle is to be applied, the US is next in line, but of course this principle cannot be enforced, the initiative rests with the potential organiser.

SAF would like to have run it but the current climate is not sufficiently stable to make such a long term project viable.

CA thought a Region I bid was on the cards since the last Barefoot Championships returned no loss.

CAN was just not on. KS reported there was just no organisation in place on the scale she had seen here (UK,92).

Item 11d). Other major international events.

BWSF is trying to get a cash prize competition going.

SS said his next goal was a cash prize tour event.

BP was hoping for a 3 round event in the AUS States which will be open to internationals.

Item 12a) Qualifications of officials.

Qualification systems:

Region I: categories: Senior, Regular and Assistant. Emphasis on length of service in function.

Region II: 1st and 2nd class for international competitions; 1st class worldwide. 3rd class (national) for Federation Nationals and limited use internationally.

Region III: 3 levels in AUS. NZL makes use of AUS examination for qualification of its judges.

Standardisation of judges and officials judging standards.

A subcommittee comprising DG, SN & BL was formed to set up standards for classes or categories of judges.

SN said the approval of records was a good starting point.

BL said that although slalom and tricks records are now scrutinized on video, it was important that judges know the rules and follow them when the action is outside of the video field.

BL thought we should narrow down what tournaments you can set a record at.

Item 13a) Long Service Awards Presentations.

GH required a few words on various individuals for long service awards presentation speeches.

Item 13b) Future Awards.

In future nominations must be in writing.

We must approve the nomination and advise the recipient in time to prepare to accept it on a suitable occasion.

The awards will be made every 2 years at the Worlds Championships. Nominations are to be made in (intervening) odd years.

Regional Reports

At a previous meeting the Regions were requested to submit reports on activities in their area. Three Regions reports were presented and are appended.

The methods employed to get representatives onto the Council were discussed. In the first place, the composition of the Council is set by the Statutes i.e. 3 plus a substitute from each Region, nominated by the Region according to its own Statutes.

Region I: there are byelaws to provide for other federations memberships

RII: WBC members are nominated by the Region and are not necessarily members of the Region Barefoot divisional Council.

RIII: has roughly comparable categories in AUS. GD found the judges seminar fruitful. Their final authority of judging standards is the Council. The lesson is that we need much more time to get interaction through.

BP thought the seminar brought levels of judging closer together.

SN foresaw a need for a week long seminar in a holiday context.

GH asked do we make a seminar a feature of future Championships. The meeting was of the opinion we should.

BP thought we should make a film of collected shots of the same trick to show differences and top/bottom acceptance.

The Council must take the lead and set the standard of judging levels of acceptance.

SS said many more surface turns are to be expected in the future.

GH said the Council should give thought to the possibility of limiting tricks.

The meeting reverted to Item 12 Record approval Policy.

C17

C1701: It is the Skier's responsibility if he breaks a record in another Region to get the data moving.

The Council may wish in future to establish Junior records but not at present.

1702: sets standards of homologation

SN said record capability must be announced, with suitable standards for officials and installations.

Add "sanctioned by". Remove "barefoot...iwsf"

AGREED the number of rounds at which records can be set is 4, but no more than 2 unless at a head to head.

If the existing record is exceeded more than once in a round, all claims go forward for consideration, and are examined in descending order. The first to stand is a record and all others are annulled. The same procedure is repeated for subsequent rounds.

1704/5/6 Integrate these 3 rules by referring to scores instead of distance, crossings and points. All...scores in an...

C1707: Administration.

There was much discussion on the diversity of information required to be submitted and its relevancy to the record under consideration. This stemmed largely from the requirement to include the homologation dossier in the documentation. It was AGREED to make a separate application form including all relevant information now taken from the homologation dossier. There would be a form for slalom/tricks and one for jump.

There would be a Region list of sanctioned tournaments compiled by the Region and sent to the WBC. It was agreed to establish a calendar from Region compilations at least for record capability competitions.

Intermediate stages in record approval. To save the Council the work of reviewing claims that are doomed to fail, the event judges are review it on the site. It then goes to the Region for approval and from them to the WBC review committee and the Chairman.

Datelines: the Region to approve it within 30 days from the date the record was set to receipt by the WBC. The WBC has 14 days to notify the result of its review.

AGREED that slow motion be used by the review committee. If the review committee are not unanimous in favour, it goes back to the Council.

**MINUTES OF THE 12th MEETING OF THE WORLD BAREFOOT COUNCIL
HELD AT THE STAKIS HOTEL, DARTFORD, KENT.**

SESSION 3, September 7th 1992

Present were:

Gillian Hill	Chairman
Chuck Alleger	Region I
Bob Londrigan	Region I
Sam Spano	Region I
Selwyn Neiman	Region II
Charles Ramsey	Region II
Graeme Dwyer	Region III
Brian Carroll	Region III
Brian Price	Region III

Apologies:

Karyn Scarpa	Region I arrived later
Len Berger	Region II Substitute arrived later
Clive Stephen	Region III Substitute

There was one record to be reviewed by the whole Council, 19.5 Slalom on 25/08/1991, there being no agreement by the review panel.

The Council had seen copies of a Barefoot Year Book prepared by Philippe Poyet of France. This book was well received and it was hoped copies could be obtained for all member of the Council.

Record Review

The Council approved the following new World Records:-

- Jennifer Calleri 28/07/92 application for Tricks 3170, downgraded to 3020.
- Jennifer Calleri 25/08/91 application for Slalom 16 crossings - ratified
- Brian Fuchs 25/08/91 application for Slalom 19.5 crossings. Council approved this application by 6 votes to 2 votes on the record, the last crossing being given in time.

The following record applications were not approved

28/06/92	Brian Fuchs	Slalom 19.6	Downgraded to 18.3 no record.
27/06/92	Jennifer Calleri	Slalom 16.0	Downgraded to 14.6 no record.
16/08/92	Jennifer Calleri	Tricks 3320	downgraded to 2960 no record as higher score approved in interim.
28/06/92	Don Mixon Jnr.	Slalom 19.2	downgraded to 18 no record.

G. Dwyer has a system of recording all data relating to records and possible records. It was agreed the WBC would establish a similar system and the offer of S. Neiman to be in charge of this was accepted. He asked for photocopies of presented certificates to be sent to him if possible.

The list compiled by S. McDonald was of great help in these preparation.

Some type of standard letter or form would be devised to inform skiers of the result of their application and this would include details of tricks / crossings not paid.

MEETING WITH CHIEF JUDGE

Ken Derry joined the meeting at 1115 to give his report. The layout and competition accommodation of this site are not ideal. It is too spread out and it is difficult to move between locations. It was agreed a judges tower is a necessity with a scorers area adjacent. This will be added to the Technical obligations.

The Chief Judge found the standard of judging below what he would expect of a World Championships. Some skiers were getting what they were not doing.

The seminar was a great help in bringing standards to a common level but still there were areas where the standard had to be raised.

Education of judges was necessary to ensure that skiers in turns come around before bumming down.

There was a need for more judging forums, not only at Worlds but at Regional and national level. Mr. Derry believed examinations from video should be taken by all officials before they are allowed to be on a Worlds panel. If they did not meet the standard they should not be allowed to judge. The Council would have to further consider this point for the future allocation of panels.

After the event the video should be monitored to pick up judging deficiencies.

Scoring was seriously delayed for access to the video which was sometimes not available. Part of this problem was to do with the BBC television filming taking place and acting as official video. In the meantime the judge(s) needed for viewing were back in the boat.

The duties of the number 1 judge in the boat had to be defined and carried out.

Difficulty was also experienced in getting sheets from the boat during an event for the scorers to start work on.

The turnaround time has to be enforced, particularly the last 10 seconds when the skier on hearing it must immediately give his OK. The driver should pick a point on the bank to start his timing so it is equal for all.

It was noted that as soon as results were posted this fact must be made known by PA.

Reference radio communication - it was necessary to have a dedicated channel between the Boat and Chief Judge.

Severe changes in weather conditions are a problem. It was not feasible to re-run whole series of skiers when the weather suddenly changed. Further consideration must be given to which, if any, skiers should be given a re-ride.

Karyn Scarpa and Len Berger joined the meeting at approximately midday.

The Council looked forward to receiving the Chief Judges full report on judging and all relevant conditions. On the whole Mr. Derry felt a more consistent approach to judging had been achieved, but there was still much work to do in raising standards.

On behalf of the council the Chairman thanked Mr. Derry for his excellent work as Chief Judge and congratulated him on a fine achievement under very difficult conditions.

SKIERS COUNCIL

Ron Scarpa had requested a brief interview with the Council and he was invited in at 1330 hours.

He asked if the Council would support the formation of a Skiers Council, comprised of representatives from the three regions and who could give advice to the Council from the skiers point of view.

The Chairman said at the present time there was no provision in the IWSF Constitution for such a council, but that she personally had no objection in welcoming expert opinion from outside the World Council. She would seek advice as to the manner in which such a body could be integrated into the IWSF system and what its terms of reference could be.

The Council felt such skier representation could be achieved with (say) two skiers from each region, who in turn would need to make sure they were representative of the sport in their region. The Skiers Council could then send a representative (if necessary on an invited basis) to the WBC meetings.

Mr. Scarpa said they would not be interested in much of business the Council has to perform, but in the nuts and bolts of barefoot skiing. He also believed skiers had a big role to play in the promotion of the sport.

He put forward some revolutionary ideas which the Council may wish to consider. Such as using only one judge in the boat for tricks and slalom, thereby giving instant definitive results after each pass. A video recording would be made in case the judge was unable to make an instant decision. This would cost less in terms of fuel and be more kind to the boat.

He felt barefoot skiers were ready to accept a submitted list of tricks for the first pass (at least) and to understand they must stick to them or lose points. For the second pass the skier could nominate to the judges in the boat what he intended to do. This left room for the skier to adjust his second pass according to the success of his first pass.

He pointed out that Kevlar rope was now outdated and 3/8th poly e was now being used.

The Council agreed that the way forward was for quick results from the boat - at present it takes far too long for results to be known. Mr. Scarpa's suggestions must lead to quicker results and the Council would consider these ideas for the future.

The Chairman thanked Ron Scarpa for his valuable and interesting comments which would give the Council members even more to think about in the future. Athlete participation in committee work was part of the IOC ideals and a move in this direction could only benefit our sport. She would be in touch with Mr. Scarpa in the near future.

RULE REVISIONS

The Council reviewed the list provisionally agreed between Messrs. Ramsey, Londrigan and Dwyer.

A list of the changes summarily agreed is attached to these Minutes. The Council authorised the Chairman and Secretary to deal with the wording of a number of items and these are included in the list attached.

The following points as debated during the meeting are noted:-

Ties: As a general principle it was agreed that runoffs were to be avoided.

WBC agreed a tie for any medal place in the final only in any event should be broken in the following manner:-

1. The highest single pass score or backup jump distance will be used.

If there is still a tie:-

2. The first round score will be used to break the tie.

If there is still a tie:-

3. The highest single pass score or backup jump distance from the first round will be used.

If there is still a tie a run off will be held.

The proposal to reduce the numbers in a team from 8 to 6 was rejected by a vote of 4 to 3. With this narrow margin the Chairman declined to exercise her casting vote. Proposal defeated.

The Council agreed to write to the IWSF President to ask for the team reserve medals (recently approved by the World Executive Board) to be presented for this current Championships.

The Rule regarding measurement from a position below the top centre of the ramp (to mean the centre of the skirt) had been misunderstood in some quarters. Mr. Ramsey would revise the wording to make it clearer.

A proposal from Region I to alter slalom scoring zones was discussed at length. The proposal was aimed at differentiating between being outside the wake and having made the turn to come back towards the wake. The Council agreed to look at more video before making a decision and assess the practicability of this for judges. There would be no change to the scoring zones inside the wake in any case.

New Tricks

It had been requested that any new trick submissions be accompanied by a video. None had been submitted and no new tricks were agreed.

However, the Council would be looking at a wake somersault reverse (being into wake from outside, and inside to out); one foot jump off feet; 360 step. In particular this last trick was of interest to the Council.

Some considered 150 points for the back jump off feet too high. However, very few skiers were scoring the trick and it was felt to lower the points would discourage those skiers trying to do it correctly.

Messrs. Price and Londrigan left the meeting at 1720 hours.

There had been an obvious problem in proving the jump set up for meter tables not in line. This was particularly a problem in relation to Jump records submitted in 1991 and where no ramp position could be established. In the absence of any ready solution it was agreed Mr. Ramsey prepare full guidelines when meter tables were not in line.

The existing record application form was considered by some to be too demanding and a repetition of information already in the homologation dossier. It was agreed a simplified form should be prepared. Mr. Dwyer would work on this, fax it to Mr. Spano for his consideration and then on to the Council for a postal ballot.

Region II had prepared an Homologation Dossier for consideration. It was agreed all members interested would review this and compile what they consider essential data for a common homologation dossier.

World Junior Championship Rules

It was estimated three days would be necessary with estimated 50 skiers (12 countries with a team of up to 4 each, plus individual skiers). The Council agreed that a team would consist of 4 skiers, maximum 3 of any one sex. The results of two skiers would be used for the team scoring. Both sexes would compete in all three events and the overall would be based on three events.

In addition the top 8 boys and 4 girls from the December 31st 1992 standings list who qualified for the 1993 World Junior Championships would be able to enter as individuals under Rule 4.08. This would require that Dates of Birth are printed on the World Standings List in future.

The judging panel would be kept as compact as possible with a maximum of 6 judges plus Chief Judge, 2 drivers, 1 homologator and 1 scorer. No assistants to any position were considered necessary. Regions are to be asked to send in official nominations when date and venue were confirmed.

No other rule changes would apply.

This led to discussion on the establishment of Junior records. The Council felt this was impractical at this time, but that best performances at World Junior Championships or other homologated events elsewhere would be kept.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A proposal to introduce team event medals or certificates did not find favour. It was, however, possible that team event results could be produced at World Championships and there would be no objection to this being done.

Jump Bias

Region II believed we had made a wrong decision in removing the 6 metre jump bias for the overall scores. There being insufficient time to give this matter proper thought, the item was deferred to the next meeting.

Jump Course

With skiers starting to jump near the 30 metre mark, a general consensus was reached that the end of course buoy should be moved out to 70 metres. The start of course buoy could be moved in to 30 metres. The Chairman felt the start of course buoy should stay where it was, but move end of course to 70 metres. This would mean new timing charts which was not a problem. No ready agreement could be reached and a postal ballot would be held.

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The possibility of meeting at the World Junior Championships would be considered. An alternative could be the World Tournament Championships in Singapore where the World Executive Board would be present and it would give members a chance to meet with the IWSF President and Board. A decision would be made by postal ballot.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked the members for their hard work during the week and closed the meeting.