



Snowsport England

Freestyle Key Committee

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Snowsport England Freestyle Meeting 12th Sept 2004

A. Those present: Martin Carr, Leigh Paley, Mike Smith, Steve Adamson (SASM), Jon White, Simon Ashton

Apologies - Stewart Smith

B. Matters for Previous Meeting

After much discussion it was decided that we should produce an ASFSPC course aimed at people coaching people through the Freestyle parts Snowlife awards. We aim to have this course documentation by August 2004 ACTION SA/JW/MS *After much protracted discussion it was decided that it was not possible to run such a course in 1 day*

5b. Aerials - Now that the water ramp is working ok there should be much more development. There is the possibility of getting those who use the trampoline at Ponds Forge wanting to do Aerials ACTION JW. *Jon is now investigating other facilities ACTION JW*

D1. It was agreed that we would talk to active freestyle organisers in other regions to see if they could become part of their regional committees and use this influence to create regional freestyle squads ACTION MC - *We have contact all the regions that we have directly influence over. The only one with positive feedback was LSERA, who is now setting up a regional Freestyle Squad*

C. Items for Discussion & Reports

1. Financial Arrangements

1a. Request from Simon Ashton for Funding for Saas Fee. It was agreed to provide upto £1000 for squad members and to goto the Saas Fee World Cup Halfpipe and Ski Cross
ACTION SA

1b. It was agreed to spend £500 for water ramp sessions for next year. Martin Carr to book with Sheffield Ski Village **ACTION MC**

1c. It was agreed to spend upto £1000 for Steve Adamson and some athletes to goto an Aerials Europa Cup in Arosa. **ACTION SADM**

1d. It was agreed to spend upto £1750 towards Tignes Summer 2005 **ACTION MC**

1e. It was agreed to spend upto £1000 for Jon White and some squad members to goto a comps in January 2005 **ACTION JW**

2. Dates for competitions - It was agreed for do competitions at Kendal, Stoke and YSF as last year next year **ACTION MC**

3. Dates courses

3a. Revalidation Course - It was agreed that Martin Carr discuss the revalidation of moguls coaches be done next year with the coaching committee **ACTION MC**

3b. Simon agreed to goto the British Ski Slope operators association to promote Freestyle courses **ACTION SA**

5. Development plans;

5a. Moguls We had a number of people taking part in the training camps in Tignes. This summer saw a number of people taking part for the 1st time. This October will see even more new people taking part.

To assist this we have Eric Berthon in Sheffield for a development day on Oct 2nd. Some of the development details mentioned above should also assist getting more of these people who do training to move to competitions.

5b. Aerials We have had an excellent uptake in those taking part on the water ramp sessions. The series of 10 training sessions is proving to work well and we will continue this next year. We will now be able to get more people moving from water ramp to snow given the program as above in 1c. The money invested in wet suits and water ramp equipment has enabled us to 4 fold the number of people using the facility. Previous wet suits the we had were aimed at larger male sizes, the current new ones are now available in smaller kids sizes and female sizes.

5c. Acro. We took part in the Edinburgh Fringe Arts Festival at the end of August. Three skiers performed in this play on skis based on the battle between Scotland and England titled, 'Pentland Rising'. It was a great success, much interest was generated and many other people took part using acro tricks in the display. Our skiers lead the final parade of the performance.

5d. New School. There is ongoing success with lots of people taking part in the Orange AIMS comps. We have a number of people taking part in Half Pipe world cups and well as Ski Cross. There is currently pressure from the sponsors of new school skiers to take part in FIS events.

5e. General - We have received a request from Andrew Jolly for numerical figs within the development plan, is this possible and if so what values do we suggest? Simon Ashton to quantify this. **ACTION SA**

6. *Selections 2004/5* - The next selection will take place May 2005

7. *Press & Publicity* Simon Ashton reports Lots!. The A team have had a vast exposure in both videos and photographs. Details are given on sponsors web sites, as well as in house publications like Emma Lonsdale in the Fat Face catalogue, Industry magazines and high street magazines.

7a. The Piste Mag deadlines - Details noted

D Any other business

D1 Jon has arranged for squad members to get free access to the facilities at Castleford and will investigate the situation at Milton Keynes.

D2. We will organise Acro development days for those who are registered skiers for Acro with Snowsport England **ACTION LP/SADM/MS**

E. Date of next meeting May 8th 10am Sharks Club House, SSV