Snowsport England – Coaching Committee

Minutes of 7 December 2003, Swadlincote

Present

AA Alan Ashfield (Director)
JG John Gledhill (Director) Chairman
MC Martin Carr (Freestyle)

Apologies

MH Mike Hammond (Adaptive Skiing)
GJ Garth Jones (Secretary)
JS John Shedden (Coaches Rep)
RW Ralph White (Nordic)
TA Tony Archbold (ESSkiA)
DH David Hart (Coaching Scheme Rep)
AT Amy Taylor (Schools)

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of October 03 were accepted.

1) Matters arising

- The 'Nordic Awareness Course', date needed. *Action:* **removed (ongoing but not urgent, to be discussed when needed) AA**
- The "How To" A5 booklets to have an introductory page. *Action: JG, Office ongoing*
- Need to specify a complaints procedure re: Coach or Instructor. Draft provided for DH review. *Action: DH ongoing*
- Course setters course- (revised documentation was being produced by WTB, but now may need to be TF). *Action: ongoing*
- A written scheme to become an Assessor or Tutor is to be made. further draft prepared, *Action: cleared*
- Snowboard Awareness documentation is being prepared. *Action: ongoing Office*
- Prototype uniform for Instructors and Coaches. *Action: ongoing AA, DH*
- Check to be made of website to ensure that it is up to date. *Action:* From council meeting to check that appropriate background assessment information was available. Latest information is on the site, however an improved version is due to be discussed in Nov 03. *Action: ongoing AA/Office*
- Board to provide high level strategy for all Committees to enable development of new four year plan. Advice also required concerning which areas Sport England wish to see targeted. Question raised with Board, but no guidance forthcoming. *Action: superseded*
- Office to write and confirm successful ASFSPC revalidation. *Action ongoing: Office/AA*

2) Freestyle

- Proposals to be considered for appointment of Tutors to run Moguls, Dry Ramp Supervisors course and selection criteria for Freestyle Tutors. Selection criteria approved (similar to that for Nordic). Dominick Cawdell approved as an ASFSPC Mogul Tutor, Simon Ashton approved as a Dry Ramp Tutor. *Action: cleared.*
- Additional skilful skiing Tutor to be proposed. *Action: AA, MC*
- The 2004 freestyle competition calendar was being co-ordinated with the alpine race calendar.

3) Nordic

- General publicity for next years coaches course in Norway (29 March 04) needs to be distributed. *Action: ongoing Office*
- The following initial updated coaching course documentation was approved in principle:
  Nordic On-Snow Club Coach (XC) – Course Training
  Nordic On-Snow Club Coach (Downhill) – Course Training
  Nordic Artificial Ski Slope Club Coach – Training
  Nordic Roller Ski/ Matting Club Coach Course – Training

4) Coaching Scheme

- Dates for the alpine coaches course should be investigated. Easter was being considered as a preliminary date. *Action: Office*
- Freestyle awareness documentation was required for the updated coaching scheme. *Action: MC*
- The bindings awareness courses had been well attended and further courses were proposed for 2004. *Action: Office*

5) Schools and Youth Committee

No new information

6) Adaptive Skiing

- The adapative skiing course will be reconfigured as a one day 'Awareness Course' to see whether this might improve its popularity and two further courses to be advertised (also in the Piste). Revised course documentation provided and approved. *Action: cleared.*
- It appeared that there had been a proposal that there should be a change to the structure or some amalgamation of organisations providing adaptive facilities/courses. ESC would try and obtain further information. *Action: AA/Office*

7) ESSkiA

No information.

8) Star Awards

No further information.

9) Coaches Representative

No information.

10) Coaching Scheme Representative

No information.

11) AOB

- Howard Craston had complained that Sheffield water ramp was in a very poor state. The pumping station was under repair and the ramp would be back in action next year. *Action: cleared*
- JS letter of 5 Nov 03 distributed for comment.

Date and venue of next meeting

7 February 2004	2pm Xscape, Castleford
24 April	2pm Swadlincote