

**Minutes of 63rd Meeting of Region EAME Cable Council
Held at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Belgrade on Sunday 27th January, 2008**

Present

Marie Anne Persoons (MAP)
Nicky Caine (NCC)
Jurgen Pitz (JP)
Maoz Tal (MT)
Mikhael Padliak (MP)
Michal Mos (MM)

Apologies

Joost De Leijer (JDL)
Julia Meier-Gromyko (JMG)

During lunch session of EAME Congress it was agreed that MAP would remain as the President and AdminCom Member, NCC would remain as the Secretary and Treasurer. The World Council members would be JP, MAP and Heidi Pauen with the Reserve being MT.

Meeting on Sunday started with MAP welcoming to MM who had been co-opted onto the Council and was thanked for attending, Unfortunately JDL, as newly elected member and JMG had been unable to travel to Belgrade due to work commitments. It was confirmed that JDL and JMG would both be travelling to Warsaw for Cable meeting and Seminar.

MAP had talked to Arnaud Demontal (France) and he advised that he hoped he would be able to join the Council in the future.

MAP confirmed that all members of the Council were attending as individuals and not representing the countries they came from.

Minutes/Matters Arising

Minutes of previous meeting were duly approved and signed by MAP and NCC. NCC apologised for delay on distribution which was due to misunderstanding between the President (MAP) and her Secretary(NCC)!! Juergen has not being getting emails so MAP will investigate.

Homologation Dossiers can now be filed electronically. If any hard copies needed then they will be asked for.

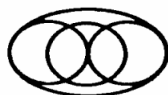
In previous minutes we noted that there were 34 votes but in end only 33 were announced. It appears that Bulgaria did not get the vote they were entitled to.

Videos of the record passes in tricks were put on web to show World Council members. JP had requested Olga Pavlova, JMG & Irina Tourets to allow the files to be published for everyone to see and MP will ask them if that would be OK. It is felt that it would be a good idea to show where the problems on the trick runs were, However, the skiers are concerned that the judges will become much more strict in these specific tricks in the future, which

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would be unfair for the skiers involved. MP himself thinks it is good idea but the skier's trainer is the person making the issue. It is believed however that the waiver signed before the competitions may say the videos can be used. MP thinks it is very important to have more DVD for training for judges. Maybe at the seminar JP can show a video of tricks that are being disallowed.

NCC to ask Paul Lambert whether he still has the video tapes of Mens Tricks Finals that he filmed at EAME Open.

Council work distribution.

Officials – JP There will be a review all the officials before the seminar in Warsaw. Jill Howard (GB) is hoping to take First Class exam in Warsaw.

Website – JP

Rules/Records – JP - Thinking of raising records for “Juniors/Seniors”.

Technical Officers - MT

Seminars - MM and he will be in charge of “special projects”

Standings List – Jurgen and Heidi Pauen.

Homologation dossiers – JDL - Homologation dossier needs to be updated. If it was possible to have immediate video review then the announced trick results would be more accurate.

Technical -MM

Eastern Country Development – MP. He will also look into the technical side of actual rig such as keeping the speed constant and whether the dimension of the actual course needs to be made longer because the jumpers are landing further. He will also look into the best sites to hold titled events.

Cableski in Middle East – MT

Technical equipment for competitions – MM & JDL (with this we mean would like them to look into items like : immediate video review for tricks, video trick timing, video jump, speed measurement, etc more understood and workable for cable competitions, without going too much technical)

Then MAP gave each member of the council 2 pendants to hand out during the season.

Standings List

There were still problems with skiers being shown twice on Standings List due to names being spelt differently. Results are on webpage and if you need adjustments sent to JP.

A request has been made to have one version of the standings list for all skiers together and then separate versions for “Age categories” This needs looking into to work out what is possible. The final decision makes a big difference on entry to World/EAME Championships particularly if many of the original skiers are been taken out. If Records are downgraded the standings list has not been changed. This possible new standings list format can only be implemented for 2009 season.

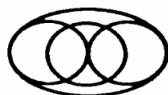
This item will be more discussed at the next meeting in Warsaw.

Any Record /Rankings list competition from 2009 season should be done with video timing. We want to raise level of our competitions. MM and JDL to review requirements of what is needed to achieve the right results. To review video a space with electricity needs to be provided.

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Seminar

Unfortunately Warsaw is turning out to be expensive. The Seminar brochure will be posted on website tonight. We are trying to find out if there is a deadline to book hotels. MM will investigate and see if it is possible to get "holiday prices" and not business prices. MM will be the contact person. Price of the conference rooms is on webpage.

Benni Esder will be there with his transportable rig which is good. MT will host Technical Officer session. JP will host session on tricks with MM demonstrating video trick timing. Martin Kocur will give information regarding Grand Prix JDL will demonstrate video jumping. We need time for exams and NCC will oversee the exams.

MAP has a list of all the people who have attended the seminars. Anyone who has not attended at least once in the last 3 years will not be considered for "Titled" events. Officials who are not being active also need to be reviewed. Calendar needs to be sending out electronically in about 2 weeks and forms need to be back by middle of March. As usual we will "fill in gaps" at seminar.

Alain and Sid

AA and SAD joined meeting.

The November meeting will be in Toulouse and our meeting will commence on Saturday at 9.00 am and will continue on Sunday finishing at lunchtime. The AdminCom meeting will be on the following Monday/Tuesday.

Competitions

Bulletins need to be sent out in "Word" if possible. Particularly the entry form so that it can be returned electronically. This request will be passed on to organisers. Previously some of the bulletins have been sent out late. They should be at least 2/3 months before the competition and we can request this but there is no actual rule.

EAME Youth/Seniors – List of obligations for Lublin have not yet been received back so MM will investigate. If there is a problem the obligations can be sent again (a new list of obligations was sent again and they have now been duly signed). First Bulletin also needs to be sent out as soon as possible. We need to decide who is going to be the Council representative. MT agreed that he will be there whatever. EAME Representative will be appointed by AdminCom.

It was agreed that there would be no EAME meetings at Worlds as most people will be busy however there may be a World Council meeting.

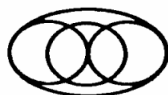
Calendar – Schloss Dankern everything has arrived. Twisteese is confirmed as 20/22 June not July but nothing official has been received from them. They will have to be fined but will be put on calendar.

It was confirmed that there is no blocked date for Nationals anymore.

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Worlds 2008

The contract is now signed and just waiting for sanction fee. The delay has been due to an invoice not being sent out by IWSF. The Organising Committee are working on the first bulletin. The World Council needs to think about who the officials should be. The training will be allocated fairly between all the countries so people may not get as much time as they had hoped

Homologation Dossiers

All dossiers have now been safely received and were reviewed by Juergen Pauen.

Age Categories

They will be "Best Results" and not records as the performances are not reviewed. These "Best Results" will be taken out of the results of the Region EAME Age category championships, as for these we are sure the results have been done under the technical rules for that age category. For the EAME Region MAP has raised list based on the results of all age category championships held till now. MAP will send them to JP to put on Web.

New Rulebook

So far there has been no feedback and JP has not yet included in Additional Rules. We need to put in a link from Additional Rules to World Rules and a note to explain that the rulebooks have now been amalgamated. JP will do a session at Seminar to note changes. Trick points will not change

Promotion

Twinskates are being purchased by people but it has not taken off the way we had hoped.

Brochure – MAP gave more copies out to Council members. We are not sure when German version will be ready. It was agreed that more 3 event pictures are still needed. Some amendments still need to be looked at. People are looking into raising a video

Finance/Budget

We need to raise a budget to show what we are doing with our money and have 5615.74 euros for this season. We need to check if late entry fees are included (confirmed included in budget). It is not possible to accrue more than 6000 euros.

Seminar rooms – 1400 euros (includes equipment?) MM to check

Benni – 500 euros plus travel (budget 1000)

Officials Juniors – 14 people dependent on mileage? 1500 euros?

We need to look into how much we pay officials to attend EAME titled events. People from the country holding competition do not get anything? Based on kilometres and if less than 10 euro we do not pay anything? We need to name maximum/minimum and ask people to advise whether the money they receive is more than they have spent. The general feeling was that the Tournament system seems to be the most fair.

New Cable Sites

2 sites in Poland and they have asked for a National competition, One will be in the middle of the country and one near Warsaw.

Cable 2009/2010 in Dubna but they do not know how deep lake is

Ayia Napa - they are building a new cable but it is near the Black Sea and will be clockwise.

2 Cables being built in Moscow but they do not want competitions and they will be just for business. Russia does not have Cableski judges at present

In Kiev (Ukraine) they are building a "Wakeboard Cable" however there are 2 Federations in Ukraine so this will cause problems for organising competitions there.

Latvia near Riga will be another cable that has been built for business but we do not know if they are interested in holding competitions

No more news from India or Egypt.

Cable being built in Eilat maybe 2009

Age Categories

Discussion regarding the change (increase) of number of people in team. Worries regarding declining numbers. At the moment teams are 3+2 and the proposal is to change it to 4+2

We must ask Brit to update the website with new Council member's email addresses.

MAP confirmed that the next meeting will be Friday 28th March (day before Seminar) starting at 9.00am.

MAP thanked everyone for their attendance and gave congratulations on their election and duly closed the meeting at 12.15

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