

**Minutes of the 99 “O” Meeting of Region EC Cableski Council
Held on Wednesday, 1st September, 2021**

Present Marie-Anne Persoons (MAP)
Nicky Caine (NCC)
Maoz Tal (MT)
Nigel Talamo (NT)
Martin Graw (MG)
Joost de Leyer (JDL)
Elena Kunert (EK) Late due to work

Apologies Alexander Isayeu (AI) Doctor

Invited Michal Mos (MM)
Kohei Yamaguchi (KY)

Minutes

The 99N Meeting minutes were approved and would be “signed off” together with the other minutes at our November meeting in Paris.

MM has not contacted Peter Frei yet, regarding his EMS query – “National Judge Trainee”, as he had not had time, but it is felt that it is mainly a Polish problem.

NCC apologised for the lack of an agenda for this meeting but had been short of time due to work pressures.

World Championships 2021

We are hoping that there will be 59 skiers representing 11 countries. We need to adapt the schedule as the proposed Thursday “Skiers meeting” now clashes with the visit to the mine. Therefore, the new proposal is to hold this meeting on Saturday with the Team Captains meeting being held on Friday.

It was discussed whether there should be a World Council meeting via Zoom on Thursday (but in the end there unfortunately was not enough time)

On Friday there will be official training. It was decided to move everything back a half an hour and therefore the Judges Meeting would now be 13.30 – 14.00 Judges meeting followed by the Team Captains meeting and then the preliminaries of Tricks will commence at 15.00.

There will be an Opening Ceremony which would include both the Skier of the Decade presentations together with the Athlete of the Year 2019 awards.

All medal ceremonies will be made on site but the organizers are happy to change this if we wish and this will also depend on the Covid situation.

Although a request has been received no additional wild cards will be allowed.

The Belarussian Team has been changed since the official Entry Form so MG will work out the “fine” payable.

Patrice Martin (President of EC) will arrive on Friday and leave on Sunday. His presence was greatly appreciated as it is felt to be important to have an IWWF President attending.

MG will be the Chief Judge and this will be confirmed in Bulletin 3.

Lucy (Luidmila Mikhanovic) has a travel problem so she will need to come to Poland in the Belarus team bus and therefore has requested some funds for the extra hotel nights. MM confirmed that this has been solved, for which we thanked him.

Should anybody test positive for Covid while they are at the competition then any testing and additional expenses will be at their own cost.

We have to wait and see what type of Covid testing is needed and we will duly implement it to adhere to requirements.

A request had been received for Konrad Oborski to be able to take his International Scorers exam during the Worlds. EK will reply and advise that he will need to work with Calculator/Jury panel. MM confirmed that there would be enough space on the Jury Tower and it just has to be decided when/where he can join.

Letters for officials to be able to enter Poland, if needed will be raised by Paul Fong

Trick Records

Unfortunately, Alexander Vasko's record was not granted due to a trick not being given credit.

In future, it was agreed that the record result should be announced quicker if possible.

A query whether 3 consecutive flips in the same direction is allowed and whether this was OK here because there was a trick in between. After a good discussion, we agreed we need to make this rule much clearer and this needs to be done now so that it can be announced before the Worlds. Agreed that clarification is needed. What is "3 subsequent tricks"?

The question really was how the sequence of the three flips in the same direction is being broken. A 180 turn is considered a positional turn and can therefore be seen as not breaking the sequence, but does a 360/540 or 720 turn, break the sequence. Does it need to be an air trick to break the sequence, or does the skier need to pass under the cable again to break the sequence, however this could make judging more difficult.

Notes that this rule was made for safety reasons, for both skier and cable.

We think that the "spirit of the rule" was there should not be 3 flips in a row to the same direction even if there is trick/tricks in between and the rope should not become horizontal

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the rule would be amended to read: "Only two subsequent flips in the same direction, meaning the same side of the cable, are allowed."

As this is an Open World Championships then the Russian Flag cannot be displayed anywhere (either WSR or IWWF should be used instead) and therefore the Start List will need to be amended not to show "RUS".

Several skiers have not yet registered with EMS but this can be done just before the competition if needed. First pay the entry fee and then check it whether you are active on EMS system. The EMS closes 24 hours before the official start time.

Age Categories

At the moment there are hoped to be 75/80 representing 12 Countries taking part in the Age Categories EC Championships. The deadline for Official Entry Forms is 8th September.

Next Meeting

We are hoping that we may be able to have a meeting in November – our 100th!!

Now confirmed that the November meetings will be held in Paris on 13th/14th November starting at 9am on the Saturday morning.