

# Minutes - EC Wakeboard Boat Council Meeting, 15/1/2021

#### 1. Welcome

Linda welcomed all members to the meeting held by zoom.

#### 2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting in November were agreed and all have been passed to Brit to upload to the website.

### 3. EMS

Peter Frei had been invited to join the meeting to follow up on the progress to EMS implementation. Peter assisted with queries from members and highlighted the need to promote EMS and to include this in the training for scorers.

The IWWF license has now been introduced via EMS.

Agreed that all members of council will continue to promote the roll out the EMS across the European Federations.

Finland, Greece, Austria, Netherlands, Latvia, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and Ukraine have not yet invited any riders to the EMS.

SD has agreed to write to all these countries to advise them to action their invitations. Peter is available to support Federations on zoom calls.

# 3. 2020 Ranking

The ranking will be produced from the results in the EMS.

# 4. 2021 E&A Wakeboard Boat Championships

#### 2021 IWWF - E&A Wakeboard Boat Championships -

**Dates:** 16 to 20 August 2021 **Venue**: Toutainville, France

The LAO had been signed for 2020 by the French Federation/ Organiser and will carry forward to 2021 – confirmed by Admincom

The Official panel as appointed for 2020 will remain the same and all will be invited to confirm availability for the 2021 Championships.

Chief Judge - Jean Philippe Richonnier (FRA)

Assistant Chief Judge – Stefano Duranti (ITA)

Judges -

Arnaud Jacquesson (SUI)

Didier Roux (FRA)

Oskars Kruze (LAT)

Alexey Philipov (RUS)

Colin Hart (GBR)

Nils Kroon (NED) - reserve

Nicolas Subjobert (FRA) – reserve. Liaison with organizer

Nuno Eca (POR) - reserve

Chief Driver: Cyril Cornaro (SUI),

Assistant Driver: Jan Kees Speksjnder (NED) Chief Calculator: Maria Bulgakova (UKR), Assistant Calculator: Linda Johnston (IRL)

Malibu will be the exclusive tow boat for the E&A Championships 2021, providing 2 identical boats to tow the event.

CC agreed to take on the Social media and contact MM with regard to promoting the event and ensuring Malibu are kept involved regards the PR.

# 5. 2021 Partnership Planning/ Events

**Dates:** August – dates tbc **Venue:** Cologne, Germany

This event will be held in conjunction with the Eat Play Love - a street food and music festival, attracting thousands of spectators in Cologne.

The Wakeboard Boat Council is working with our partner and secure the dates for the event schedule for 2021 to seek to host a realistic series of events given the covid restrictions and the limitations on travel.

Council is in discussion regarding financial sponsorship for 2022 onwards.

### 6. 2021 E&A Wakeboard Boat International Officials Seminar

**Dates:** 7/8/9 May 2021.

Venue: Portugal

Nuno will produce the bulletin for this seminar

#### 7. 2021 Wakeboard Boat Rules

Following discussion in November 2020 the agreed changes will be made to the rules.

- Concussion guidance to be added
- O50s category to be added to the E&A event to trial it is felt this will attract more riders and keep people engaged in the sport
- Further discussion will be required on the options to replace the start/ finish buoys for the course. Suggestions have been made of timing the pass or

having a specified number of tricks - perhaps 5 tricks per pass.

- CC raised discussion about judging Execution/ Intensity/ Composition.
  CH, CC and NS agreed to discuss and bring forward a proposal
- Parameters to be assigned to manage the level of competence required to manage entries to the E&A Championships
- Safe Sport Policy needs to be referenced for the attention of all participants

### 8. 2021 Wakeboard Boat World Championships

Dates: 19 to 24 July 2021

Venue: Rieti, Italy

The LAO is not yet signed however work is progressing for the event. Officials for the panel have been invited and will be appointed by the World Wakeboard Council

### 9. Finance and Sponsorship

Discussion about the need to continue to seek funding opportunities – several ideas were floated. CC and CH agreed to liaise about the possibility of approaching sponsors external to our sport.

### 10. Congress

**Date:** 6 Feb 2021

Zoom – all members are requested to attend

EC Report has been submitted