

**Minutes of 101st Meeting of EC Cable Council held on Sunday 6th February, 2022  
At Monte Carlo Bay Hotel, Monaco**

Present	Marie-Anne Persoons (MAP)	
	Nicky Caine (NCC)	
	Nigel Talamo (NT)	
	Maoz Tal (MT)	
	Elena Kunert (EK)	
	Ulf Langrock (UL)	
Invited	Michal Mos (MM)	
Apologies	Joost De Leyer (JDL)	Covid
	Martin Graw (MG)	Flight cancelled
	Alex Isayeu (AI)	Family Illness

Martin Graw had unfortunately decided to stand down and Ulf Langrock had agreed to stand in his place.

Congratulations to all members who had stood as they were all successfully voted back on at the European Confederation Congress.

During the lunchtime meeting on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 held during the following positions were agreed.

President	Marie-Anne
Secretary	Nicky
Treasurer	Nicky
AdminCom Member	Marie-Anne
Delegates for World Council	Nigel
	Marie-Anne
	Maoz
European Reserve	Elena
African Representative	Joost

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes were duly approved and signed by MAP and NCC

**Allocation of Jobs**

Seminars	Ulf
Officials	Elena/Ulf
Homologation	Joost
Website/EMS	Maoz
Liaise with Manu (Calculation)	Ulf
Liaise with Manu (Homologation)	Nigel

**Entry Fees**

It has been agreed that the entry fees for 2022 season would be increased by 10 euros

### **World Matters**

Nigel was to take over from Martin Graw as World Cable Council Chairman and will duly sit on the IWWF Executive Board

Martin has forwarded on the email regarding the Safety Manual and Louis Polome had invited MAP (Chief Judge at Tournament/Waterski Worlds) and MG (Chief Judge at Cable 3 event Worlds) together with Leon Larson, Head of Safety Committee, to a multi-discipline call on Friday 11/02 to discuss this document.

### **World Championships**

A site in USA was being looked into although we will need to find an organizer (subsequently it was found that this site was being renovated and therefore would not be available).

At the moment there are believed to be no genuine skiers in the PanAm region so hosting the Worlds in USA would be very advantageous.

MG is flying to USA sometime in April and MT also flying there in July for the World Games so both will be able to visit sites to see if suitable.

Thoughts also to look into having our Worlds in Australasia to keep up the enthusiasm that has been generated by World Cup and especially the SEA Games, in their region.

The panel will be discussed at our April meeting and some thought that we should still try and encourage some “non cable” officials to take part.

### **Declaration, Waiver, Release Form**

When reviewing in this document MM advised of his concerns. He was happy with Number 5 (on main document) but he has a problem with Polish law in connection with Number 8 (on Main document) and Number 4 (on Declaration of Parent/Guardian).

### **Competitions 2022**

Age Categories – we have received a bid from Poland in respect of Szelment on 8<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> September (unfortunately subsequently they have had to retract their offer due to the situation in Ukraine)

The homologation level for Silesian Cup being held in Wake Zone Stawiki, Sosnowiec on 3<sup>rd</sup> September (Jump only) has been increased to Record Capability. They are looking for a sponsor as they would like to make the competition a Cash Prize event.

Asten clashes with Belarussian Open Youth but this is not thought to be a problem.

### **New Sites**

NT advised that a new site was being built in Dubai and it is hoped that there will be a competition site for Cable 3 event.

### **Competitions 2023**

Sid will send the obligations to Israel in connection with hosting the “Open” European Championships.

## **EMS**

All competitions need to be entered via EMS and MT advised he has sent out emails reminding everyone and should anyone still be having problems they can always contact him and he will be happy to help.

It was confirmed that this is the last year we will accept late entries for calendar competitions but next year we will be sticking to the rule whereby all competitions need to be entered by Congress (per the byelaws).

All competitions entered on EMS will need to be authorized by their respective Federations.

All skiers entering competitions via EMS will need to be authorized by their Federations which will also confirm that the athletes have the relevant insurance needed. Athletes not authorised in EMS by their federation cannot enter competitions in EMS.

Brit will send an email to all officials to apply for positions before the beginning of April. At the moment there are 95 officials registered on EMS but we do not think that this is an accurate number so we need to go into the system and amend some of the officials to “inactive”. We will leave the end date open so that they can stay active until the Council decides they should be taken off. We should try and print off the list to see if anyone still there has actually passed away.

## **Seminar**

It was decided that once again this year we would look into hosting a “Zoom” seminar and then next year we hope to have a “face to face” seminar possibly in Frankfurt.

## **April Meeting**

The Cableski Meeting will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April in Bratislava or Pezinok. Most people will fly into Vienna and then hopefully get the boat down the Danube to Bratislava.

## **Rule Book**

The new rule book now shows both Senior 1 and the new division of Senior 2. We will start a ranking list for Senior 2, similar to the ones for U15 and U19.

G2.1: Safety Director This will need careful wording.

We do need to be able to show all skiers (and not their representatives) have “accepted” the safety of the site as we do not wish the Team Captain to be able to sign for all. The waiver forms need to be collected safely and kept easily accessible during the competition.

G4.2 Divisions - Seniors 2 needs to be added showing Jump at 1.50m.

G5.2 Overall Calculations – showing that meters are being deducted.

TR5. Slalom rule to be amended to advise now of the lack of exit buoys. We don't want to number the buoys in case it is a 4 buoy slalom course. The various buoys should be different colours.

Rules TR5.1, TR5.3 and TR5.9 to be amended.

TR6.2 Tricks – Safety and “cutting inside” will have an explanation.

TR10.2 Homologation levels – what officials are needed to obtain the various levels for the rankings list and MAP will change into the new wording for officials.

TR10.3 The homologation fees listed.

The LAO are available on EC website should anyone wish to look at them.

SC3.3 Non Team Skiers The rules have changed for Juniors U15 and U19 allowing 5 skiers instead of 2.

SC4.1.2 Explanation of new Senior 2 rules whereby if there are less than 5 skiers entered in that category then everyone will ski as Senior 1.

SC4.2 There will be 6 in a team from either Senior 1 or Senior 2, there will be a maximum of 4 skiers either Male or Female.

SC4.3 There can be an additional 5 Non Team Skiers again either Male or Female and from either Senior 1 or Senior 2 in all events.

SC4.4 The starting speed of Senior 2 Men will be 46kph and Senior 2 Women will be 43kph for European Championships. These will be the speeds used for calculation of overall.

SC4.6 - For Team Overall the top 3 Senior 1 or Senior 2 (Male or Female) will be used.

There will be medals given if there are sufficient athletes.

### **Budget**

We will be receiving 3000 euros, similar to previous years, from European Confederation for our operations.

We need to see if the World Budget has any money for officials travel. NT will contact Peter Frei and find out whether there is any World funding available?

Agreed we will utilize 1500 euros for Officials Travel for the Age Categories as previous years.

### **Succession Planning**

Sid is thinking of stepping down as Secretary General and MAP's name has come up as his replacement. MAP might be able to take over this position in January 2024 if elected.

We need to have a major discussion regarding this!!

MAP thanked everyone for their input to the meeting, congratulated them again on their election and looked forward to seeing everyone in April – Unfortunately MT will be unable to come to the meeting in Bratislava.

### **Extra "Zoom" Meeting – Wednesday 2nd March, 2022**

Nigel requested that due to the directive from IWWF/IOC regarding the fact that Belorussian/Russian athletes will not be allowed to complete, a quick additional meeting be held with World/European Cable Councils invited.

Due to short notice Ulf/Joost/Michal were unable to attend but great thanks to Kohei Yamaguchi for staying up to 4.30am in Japan so that he could take part in the meeting!!

It was agreed after discussion that the World Championships be postponed as it was felt that without the participation of Belarussia and Russia it would not be seen to be a "genuine" Worlds. However, it was agreed that it would not be fair on other countries that take part in all our major competitions not to have a "titled" event in 2022.

Therefore, it was decided that in 2022 we would try and organize an "Open" as well as the Age Categories. Due to the reduction of numbers of athletes it was proposed that it might be possible to host both events together over the same weekend.

Due to the email from Poland (mentioned above) reluctantly having to withdraw their offer to host the Age Categories we would need to try and find a replacement site -hopefully for both events.

We would request that Joost tries again to approach Weert to find out whether they might be interested.

MAP and NT are due to go to Australia to officiate at Moomba so they would try and discuss possible sites in that region while there.

The meeting was then closed, and we all looked forward to our next Meeting in April.