

**Minutes of 104th E Cable Meeting (Zoom)
on Wednesday 27th July, 2022**

Present Marie-Anne Persoons (MAP)
Nicky Caine (NCC)
Joost de Leyer (JDL)
Elena Kunert (EK)
Maoz Tal (MT)
Nigel Talamo (NT)
Ulf Langrock (UL)

Michal Mos (MM)

Apologies Alexander Isayeu (AI) sent apologies he could not attend as he was still in the boat!

This meeting had been mainly requested to discuss the E&A Open and Age Categories to be held in Weert, Netherlands on 22nd/ 25th September, 2022.

The entry form submission date is to be changed to 7th September and Joost will duly send out a new bulletin.

As of today's date there are 132 skiers who have submitted their names via the Intention to Enter forms. However, the exact numbers taking part in tricks/slalom/jump were still unknown particularly the breakdown between the age groups. Once this was known than a "provisional schedule" could be drawn up.

We believe that nearly everyone is slaloming. For the longer lines and first shortenings it will take 3 mins per skier and then from 13m there will be an empty half round so this will take 4 mins per skier and from 11m there will be a full empty round which will take 5 minutes per skier.

We need to factor time into the schedule to be able to change the buoys.

We will start at 12 on Thursday with "Open" Slalom until 4pm to allow time to get ready for the Opening Ceremony. Then there will be about 10 ½ hours of ski-ing on Friday with 9- 12 hours on the Saturday and 7 ½ hours on the Sunday.

We are hoping that there might be a couple of skiers from both Norway and Greece. Also Cyprus as they may be able to get funding.

The site is now set up and some of the ropes will need to be replaced but there are no real problems.

Discussion regarding the "high cost" of Doping Control which was more than was thought when the Dutch Federation had signed the LOA.

Due to the "late agreement" for these Championships the Dutch Federation had been unable to obtain any funding from their Government to assist with these Drug Testing Costs. Apparently they could claim 25% if this Championships had only been Juniors but as it is combined with "Open" there are no monies available.

NCC to ask Gill for Gary Probst's email address/phone number and then Joost would contact him and ask for his assistance and whether it might be possible for the "testers" to come from other

countries. (Testers were duly sourced from another European Country and it was decided that an additional 20 euros would be added to each Entry fee to cover these costs)

We need as a Council to draw up a letter for the AdminCom to consider as these Drug Testing costs will deter Countries applying for "European Championships" so a solution needs to try and be found.

Dutch/German Nationals

2 skiers had been entered in this competition held in Weert but they did not seem to have EMS licenses so Danny de Baker will look into this as this should not be possible.

This competition as it was a combined Nationals had been entered as 2 separate competitions so Germany need to take it out as their Nationals so that it becomes one competition as otherwise the skiers will be getting 2 lots of points. Some entered this competition via Germany and some via Netherlands.

It was decided that this would be treated as just one international competition. Participating in a Nationals earns less rankings points than an International.

Marie-Anne thanked everyone for taking part in this meeting agreed at short notice and she looked forward to seeing most of the Council in Weert in September.