



E&A Barefoot Council



Minutes EA Barefoot Council Meeting

EA Council Meeting August 5th, 2023 – Wallsee Austria

Apologies/Attendees:

Apologise were received from, Nicola Saracco (NS), Dylan Tellier (DT)
Present Svenja Hempelmann (SV), Paul Turner (PT), Ludo Vrancx (LV), Filippo Mussano Ribaldone (FM). Joined for discussion, Andy Harris (AH) and Stefan Wimmer (SW)

1. 2023 EA Championships, Wallsee Austria
The competition was very well organised, and the council would like to thank the Wimmer family and their LOC for a well-run event.
The entry was lower than expected at circa 40 skiers. This was primarily due to no entries from Sweden, Finland, and France. The championship had 7 countries enter, Austria, Belgium, Germany, Great Britain, Netherlands, Italy, Switzerland.
No Open Tricks or Jump finals were possible due to weather conditions, and the results were calculated from the preliminary round.
2. Officials Travel
To support the travel of officials to the competition the council will provide €2,000.
Additional budget will be used to support the subsistence costs of some of the additional judges to limit the impact on the LOC.
3. Chartres
The council would like to support France during the current dip in Barefoot participation. The council will look at organising Junior Training camps at Chartres. The site is one of the best Barefoot sites in Europe and we do not wish to lose it as an active Barefoot site.
4. E&A Championships 2024
Currently there are no bids for the 2024 Barefoot Championships. Some discussions have been initiated with 4 countries but nothing firm at this point.
5. 2025 Masters
The WBC has asked if the council would consider holding the 2025 Masters in Europe.
A sponsor would be available for the sanction fee. We will investigate the possibilities with several members of the council.
6. WBC Rules committee
SW and AH joined the meeting. A discussion was held around the role of the WBC rules committee. To balance up the committee, with the American and AO representatives, LV will propose FM and SW join the committee.
7. Skiers Meeting

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FM held a skier meeting during the championships. The primary outcome was that the skiers were happy with the mixed Jr, Open, Sr events. They would like to ask that the CJ take care with balancing the mixing of events with skiers who are entering dual age categories and those acting as officials.

8. AOB – Non.
9. Meeting closed