



E&A Barefoot Council



Minutes Teleconference

EA Council Meeting 02nd February 2021

1. Apologies/Attendees:

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Svenja Hempelmann
Paul Turner
Dylan Tellier
Nicola Saracco
Peter Norberg
Apologise
Filippo Mussano

2. Due to the on-going Covid 19 in the UK, the proposed 2020 host club has declined to hold the rescheduled competition due to the risks associated with a large number of overseas attendees. Although the situation may change later in the year closer to the event, the club felt that the stress and uncertainty created by having an event of this nature was too great and combine this with the older dynamic of the club has meant it is not possible to host the event in 2021.

The GB team has made several tentative enquires of other possible sites, and due to the uncertainty and the wide geographic of attendees those clubs contacted gave a negative response. It is with great regret that the GB Team is unable to host the European championships in 2021.

The council discussed other locations and three possible locations were suggested. Briele in Holland where it is proposed to hold a combined Netherland, Belgium and German Nationals. France at Chartres or Norway at the location proposed for the Scandinavian open. SH will investigate the Briele option, PN will investigate the Norway option and DT will look at the French option.

It was further discussed that any host will have a high risk of the event being cancelled and will highly likely suffer from restrictions on fund raising events prior to and during the competition, as such it was deemed fit for the council to offer some support as a ONE OFF EMERGENCY support package where the council will cover the costs of the attending officials up to a value of €3,000.

We would like the event to be held on the 18th to 22nd August to minimise disruption caused to schooling for the Junior skiers.

3. The council approved DT to spend circa €150 to support the hosting of the new website. It is likely to cost the council a similar amount each year.

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4. The 2021 World Masters competition is due to be held in Florida in October. This is a new initiative for the World Barefoot Council and is the culmination of 4 years of planning. The event is still planning to go ahead but due to the uncertainties the WBC are holding off the nomination of officials. PN has been proposed as assistant Chief Judge.
5. Congress Report, no further additions were requested.
6. Questions for the admin com.

Due to the late organisation of any possible EA Championship, this may lead to difficulties in obtaining/organising anti doping tests. The council would like to request dispensation if doping cannot be organised for the event.

The council would like to request that we can add a clause into the LOA allowing the event to be cancelled if Covid restriction prohibit the event or if 2 or more nationalities are blocked from attending.

7. The council will run an officials seminar on the 20th March via zoom. The event will be organised and run by PT with the support of LV and PN. The event will be open to everyone. It will cover the 2021 world rule changes, EMS system and practical judging exercises.
8. AOB Non raised
9. Next meeting 2nd March
Meeting Closed