



**E&A Barefoot Council**



## **Minutes EA Barefoot Council Meeting**

EA Council Meeting 31th July 2022 Chartres.

Apologies/Attendees:

Apologise were received from, none

Present

Filippo Mussano Ribaldone (FM), Svenja Hemplemann (SV), Paul Turner (PT), Ludo Vrancx (LV), Dylan Tellier (DT), Nicola Saracco (NS) (zoom)

### 1. 2022 EA Championships

This was an extremely nice and well run competition and we all really enjoyed the event. The EMS had a few teething problems but were all resolved during the competition as we all got used to using the new system and the integration in to the scoring system worked well.

The council would like to thank the French Federation for all their support in hosting such a great competition.

The use of new officials in a supernumerary role worked extremely well and we now have additional qualified judges to support the sport as we move forward.

Financials of the EA Championships. The council had set aside €5000 to support the competition, both as a bounce back from the pandemic and to support the inclusion of new supernumerary officials. The aim was to spend only €3000 with remainder as a contingency. The support was specifically to cover some of the cost of hosting the officials. LV picked up the costs for the officials hotel etc, and will claim €3000 from the council and the remainder will be paid by the organiser.

### 2. Improvements for next year

Overall the competition was a great success with little or no issues. The spinal board was not an approved board and in future we will insist on a proper spinal board and a neck brace is on site through out the competition and is place near the Jump when jumping.

### 3. 2023 EA Championships

Austria have placed a bid for the 2023 EA Barefoot Championships at Wallsee. LV and SH will lease with the organiser with the aim of having the LOA signed by the November meeting.

The council has stressed that the LOA must include a back-up boat, spinal board and neck brace. The council will also require a contact person to liaise with to ensure everything is in place for the competition.

The skiers via the skiers rep has asked that we run the competition with the Open, Jr and Sr integrated. In order to support using the new Judges next year who will also be skiers in

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various divisions, we will need to run on alternate days. Day 1 Jr Sr heats, Day 2 Open heats, Day 3 Jr Sr Finals, Day 4 Open Finals.

4. Skiers Representative

Fillipo Mussano Ribaldone was re elected by the skiers as their representative on the Barefoot council.

5. World Masters 2022 Texas USA

Only 1 European skier is known to be attending from Hungary, and this skier is a resident in the USA. We have 2 officials attending LV and Andy Harris.

6. Worlds 2023 Mulwala Australia

It is too early to define which European athletes will attend. We have put forward 2 officials LV and Andy Harris. It should be noted that the cost of attending these worlds is high with flights close to €2500.

7. 2024 Worlds Planning

The council is working with the Italians and the owner of the Lake in Ravenna to host the 2024 worlds. The Bid will need to be ready for the WBC meeting at the worlds in Mulwala February 2023.

8. AOB - None

9. Meeting closed

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