Minutes of the GB Alpine & Telemark TD Forum meeting
Online
14:00 to 16:20 on Saturday 17th May 2025

No	Item	Action
1	**Present:** Ross Anderson (RA) Chair David Manns (DJM) Vice Chair Julian Adams (JA) Taryn Archbold (TA) Richard Dawe (RD) Lloyd (Dippy) Diprose (LD) Richard Ellis (RE) Tim Fawke (TF Jonny Gillespie (JG) James Heaton (JH) Steve James (SJ) Richard Love (RL) Martin Leach (ML) Derek Metters (DGM) Jez Spring (JSp) Paul Trayner (PT) Martin Triggol (MT)	
2	**Apologies / Not Present:** Kirsty Crawford (KC) Jamie Davies (JD) Ross Gardner (RG) Andrea Grant (AG) Lloyd Jenkins (LJ) Christophe Lemeire (CL) David Mansfield (DSM) Michael van Moppes (MvM) Adrian Pery (AP) John Poole (JP) Elke Roels (ER) Jenny Shute (JS) Logan Tannock (LT) Shell Thomas-Quaile (ST) Gary Turner (GT) Gwyneth Watson (GW)	
3	**Minutes of Sunday 23rd November 2024 meeting** The Minutes were approved as a true record.	
4	**Matters Arising not already on Agenda** None.	
5.	**Reports from Delegates** **5.1 GB Snowsport** See written report. **5.2 UKAFWSA** LD summarised what was overall a very successful season with all events delivered. Thanks must go to those who worked hard to ensure races were completed, and to GBS for the support given to armed forces team at the British Champs. **5.3 SE** See written report. **5.4 SSW** See written report.	

	5.5 SSS Will report at November Forum meeting. **5.6 British Championships** See written report. **5.7 Telemark** See written report. MT highlighted AP stepping down as Chair of British Telemark – a huge thank you must go to Adrian for all his work in this role over the past 14 years. Huan Davies to take over from Adrian after the appropriate handover period. MT noted the outstanding results for Jasmine Taylor collecting no fewer than three Crystal Globes. On a negative note, there are difficulties with delivery of British Championships which is still looking for a solution. **5.8 Finance** See written report.	
6.	**Timing and Calculations** **6.1 Timing & Calcs SC** See written report. DJM reported that background discussions were taking place around improving resilience in terms of both the technical aspects of hosting and maintaining the GBSKI system and the potential risks with single points of failure for the majority of this service. RA confirmed that where the correct solution(s) may carry a significant cost, this would have to be discussed with the stakeholders (largely the HNs) about how it should be financed. **6.2 Telemark seeding** MT noted that processing results into GBSKI was successful over the Winter season, although noting the lack of the British Championships means that the requirement to generate TM seed lists is currently not there. Import of results into GBSKI will continue next season in any case.	
7.	**FIS Matters** **7.1 Update** **7.2 FIS ICR** PT reported key points from recent FIS meetings. a) The number of results used in calculating FIS points in Slalom and Giant Slalom is proposed to increase from two to three, with no change for Super-G and Downhill. To be run in parallel initially, then reviewed, before implementation in official FIS lists. JA amongst others highlighted how difficult it can be for the youngest athletes to achieve even two results over their first season, so hopefully this will be taken into account when the results are reviewed.	

	b) Category adders are likely to be reintroduced to help resolve (reduce) the ever-increasing number of events achieving minimum penalty. c) The wording for 614.2.3 (coming to a stop) is to be revised to clarify the situation around to coming to a stop and not thereafter continuing on the course. **7.3 Medical** RA to pursue an outstanding query about what happens to medical forms that are submitted to GBS.	**RA**
8.	**British TD Matters** **8.1 Contact List** Circulated via Dropbox, please check, amend and inform Chair of any changes including email addresses. **8.2 Resignations / Retirements** None. **8.3 Candidate and Aspirant TDs and Mentors** Kirsty Crawford — FIS — Scheduled for FIS written exam Nov. Jonny Gillespie — Services — Passed assessments (recommending TD qualified) Gary Turner — Services (tech) — Re take Speed assessment at ISSSC Nick Hands — Services — Scheduled for GBR written exam Nov. Practical assessments in 25/26 Jamie Davies — FIS TM — Scheduled for FIS TM written exam Nov. Martin Triggol — FIS TM — Scheduled for FIS TM written exam Nov. Emily Evans — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed Nigel Greenfield — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed Ali Jubb — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed James Knock — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed Reini Kornberger — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed Calum Shepherd — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed John Whitmarsh — GBR — CV submitted, being reviewed Those who have submitted new CVs for will be contacted with feedback on their suitability, experience and next steps, then review again at November meeting. **8.4 Sanctions and TD feedback** For seeded events, RA highlighted the need to wait for results to be posted to GBSKI before completing report otherwise there is no record of which races you are approving for seeding. DJM again reminded not to put sensitive info (e.g. details about injuries) in comments box otherwise this information could be circulated rather wider than it should be. If there is anything extra of a sensitive nature that needs to be recorded, please submit a supplementary report. **8.5 Snow Safe and Injury Surveillance** No further information available.	**RA/JA**

	8.5.1 Concussion and injury protocols FIS concussion protocols have been updated but not yet available on their website. RA to inform the TDF when they are accessible and where appropriate publish links to the latest information. **8.5.2 Monitor use of photographic/video evidence** No reports of issues. Continue to monitor. **8.6 Assessment, Competency and Currency** No issues with anyone lacking assignments. **8.7 TD Expenses** No issues reported with expense claims. Continue to monitor, review in November to ensure that stated amounts/caps cater for inflation. **8.8 Right to Work in Europe** No change. Continue to review. **8.9 Gender Policy Update and Review** Needs to be reviewed over the Summer, particularly by HNs, to identify/clarify policies. Include in agenda for further discussion at November meeting.	**RA**
9.	**British Calendar and TD Appointments** **9.1 GB Calendar update** New system in place using Microsoft Forms to capture information, driving a summary spreadsheet that can be used to manage the stages of the process. Currently applications have been submitted for 33 of the expected total of around 37 competitions. Applicants will be contacted via email as their applications are moved through the various stages. **9.2 TD Assignments** No issues reported. **9.3 BARTS events** DJM highlighted several events still requiring a TD, please contact DJM if you can help. Hemel/MK 12th/13th July – vacancy. Hillend 19th/20th July – originally assigned to KC who may need to side-step to cover Calcs thus leaving TD role empty. Bearsden 2nd August – PT assigned. **9.4 Calendar Fees review** It was agreed that no increase was required at present. Continue to review.	
10.	**Rule Changes** **10.1 BCR** See written report from Rules SC. **10.2 BACR** See written report from Rules SC.	

	10.3 UK AFWSA Rules No changes to report. **10.4 Telemark rules** MT noted that some significant changes to FIS TM rules were coming, expect more on this at the November meeting. **10.5 Dispensations** None required.	
11.	**Other items** **11.1 TD arrival time in resort** RA noted that rules clearly state that arrival time must be 24 hours before draw, 48 for speed. There have been issues around this at some events, but the rule has to be followed otherwise TD is open to problems if an incident occurs. **11.2 Course Setter Qualification Policy** DJM presented a summary of an on-going discussion amongst HNs about establishing a minimum level of qualification and experience for Alpine course setters. ML amongst others confirmed that once the course is set, ownership – and liability – in that area then rests with the Jury. It is also – per ICR – the Jury who appoints course setters. The consensus of the meeting was that it would not be appropriate to construct a rule to mandate how the course setters are selected based on qualification and experience as this could well cause more problems than it solves. **11.3 Terms of Reference (TOR) SC Chairs** RA currently finalising TORs for sub-committees. Key point is Chair of each SC needs to identify Vice-Chair. **11.4 Athletes Declaration Review** Rules SC to consider wording of Athlete's Declaration for use by unregistered athletes, as current wording implies use as part of the registration process. **11.5 Risk Management Review** RA and DJM to review advice given (if any) to CGs and OCs on risk assessment and management.	**RA** **SJ** **RA/DJM**
12.	**Dates of Next Meetings** Friday 31st October to Sunday 2nd November 2025: Manchester Pinewood Hotel Saturday 16th or 23rd May 2026: Online November 2026: Edinburgh (TBC)	

Reports and additional documents follow.

Alpine Report to the TD Forum – 14th May, 2025

Juliet Foster – GBS Alpine Discipline Committee Chair

1)) Performance

This season has been a fantastic one for Alpine with amazing results at all levels from U14 to World Cup.

The Alpe Cimbra FIS Children's Cup in Folgaria is arguably the most famous children's International race and is often referred to as the Children's Olympics or Children's World Championships. Lily Flitton achieved a bronze medal in the U14 slalom. In addition, Harris Humphries achieved a Gold medal in Super G and a bronze in slalom at the World famous La Scara races in Val d'Isère.

In the European Youth Olympic Festival (**"EYOF"**), Freddy Carrick Smith made history with the first ever Gold medal in GS for Team GB. Zak Carrick-Smith added to his record breaking 3 Olympic medals from the Youth Olympic Games (**"YOG"**) in 2024 with a further Bronze medal in the men's slalom.

The World Juniors Ski Championships saw terrific performances all around. Luca Carrick-Smith made history with the first ever slalom podium for a British alpine ski racer and the first overall U21 World Juniors podium since Graham Bell in 1984. Luca achieved Bronze from a start number of 24. His brother, Freddy, took the World Under 18 titles in both slalom and giant slalom. We also had an unprecedented 3 men finish in the top 12 of the men's giant slalom (U21). Jack Irving led the

British contingent in 5th, with Freddy Carrick-Smith in 6th (U18 gold) and Dominic Shackleton in 12th. Freddy and Dominic had the 2nd and 3rd fastest 2nd runs respectively.

The World Ski Championships, held in Saalbach, Austria, in February, were also a huge success with Dave Ryding achieving a 6th place finish and Billy Major 15th - the best men's results since 1934. Our ladies too, excelled with Reece Bell and Vicky Palla both finishing in the top 22 in slalom, Reece with some very fast splits in the 2nd run- delivering Britain's best female slalom results in a generation. We also had 4 ladies finish in the top 40 in GS. While all of these athletes compete in technical disciplines, mention should also be made of one of our skiers who is pushing boundaries in the speed events. Roy-Alexander Steudle placed 29th in the World Championship Super-G and came close to scoring World Cup points in Kitzbühel. He is currently recovering from an injury sustained during downhill training at World Champs but, having improved his Europa Cup personal best this season, he will be back next season, ready to target his first career World Cup top-30 finish.

At World Cup, our men's slalom team ended their season ranked 8th in the Alpine Skiing World Cup Nations Cup in slalom ahead of nations such as Italy, Sweden, the United States and Canada. Dave Ryding finished his season ranked 13th in the World Cup Start List (**"WCSL"**) finishing every WC Slalom in the top 30, 3 of those in the top 10. Billy Major ended his season ranked 31st in the WCSL and Laurie Taylor in 36th. After a tricky start to the season with a back injury Billy finished the season strong with a 9th place finish in Hafjell rounding out 5 top 30 finishes to add to his 15th place at The World Ski Championships.

Laurie achieved 4 top 30 finishes including a very strong 12th place in Val d'Isère.

2) Fundraising

There will be an end of season Alpine event on 10th June, 2025 hosted by Neil Foster at Brown Rudnick at his offices in Mayfair. This event will celebrate the season, thank sponsors and aim to secure new sponsors and donors.

I have also recently been in negotiations with Guy Gillon of Tenzing, regarding his existing donation. Last year, Guy agreed to donate, to the men's World Cup Slalom program, £100,000 per year for 2 years from April 2024. My recent negotiations have resulted in a significant uplift to his fixed donation form £100,000 to £150,000 per year together with an underwrite of an additional £150,000. This underwrite is conditional on a number of things, including the formation of an Alpine fundraising committee. This committee will be formed as a sub committee of the overarching GBS Fundraising Committee. The underwrite will be reduced in certain agreed ways. Once the World Cup slalom program is fully funded (this figure is set at £550K), then further amounts brought in will start to trickle down to the Europa Cup and FIS Squads as well as the World Cup Squad, in agreed percentages. Heads of Agreement

have been signed and we are in the process of finalising long form documents.

3) British Championships, 2025

This year, we held the British Championships in Santa Catrerina for the first time after many years in Tignes. We also significantly changed the format with Marc Telling heading up the Organising Committee with assistance form a very small number of GBS staff and a local on-hill team. The event was an absolute triumph with all races held and clockwork organization. We only lost one DH training run. The feedback has been resoundingly positive. Unfortunately, numbers were down on previous years, partly due to a late Easter and partly due to uncertainty about the venue change. Both of these issues should be resolved next year.

It was a great success and there was and continues to be, much support from the Alpine community which is fantastic.

I leave you with a quote from 4 time Olympian Emma Carrick-Anderson:-

“…..Just wanted to give some feedback on Santa Cat as a destination for the British champs. I thought it was a fantastic week with amazing conditions and brilliant races. The organisers did a fantastic job and Marc was so good at keeping us all informed. He really did an incredible job.
I don't think there was a better place at that time of year to run the champs and really hope the champs will take place there for many years…..”

4) Foundation

Conceived in May 2024 and launched in October, 2024, the Foundation has been a huge success with just over £200k received with a further £42k due imminently. We are also in talks with 4 other potential donors.

We already have £72k contractually committed for next season and the expectation is that other donors will also renew their donation agreements.

5) Coaches

Unfortunately, last April, we lost our men's head coach to the US Ski Team.

As a result of the Foundation, a couple of generous individual donors and £82K of national squad funding for Dave Ryding, we managed to run a World Cup Slalom program, but with a skeleton staff. For the upcoming season, coaches Jai Geyer and Alain Baxter and physio/ski tech, TJ Baldwin, will be joined by a much needed third coach along with Alain Baxter's son, Kerr, who will provide an extra pair of hands in the ski room.

6) FIS Update

To be provided by Paul Trayner.

JULIET FOSTER
Chair, Alpine Discipline Committee
May 2025

GB Alpine TD Forum
Snowsport England Report May 2025

Sponsorship
We would like to thank our sponsors who have supported our racing programme, including Rossignol, and Minerva Virtual Learning who supported us at the English Alpine Championships in 2025.
We would also like to thank, Ski Bartlett, Ski Racing Supplies, UK slopes and organising clubs and regions for their continued support during 2025 and to Rossignol who will continue their support for 2025 and to Copper Horse who will also continue with their support of the GBR series in 2025 as the headline sponsor.

Bormio 2025
Visiting Bormio for the sixteenth time for the English Alpine Championships, SE once again managed to run a very full race programme with the help of our volunteers and the visiting clubs, coaches, racers, and parents.

As in 2024, the FIS race schedule was brought forward by a few days with the races scheduled to run from Wednesday through to Monday This was done to help 'de-pressurise' the busy race week and avoid trying to do too much all at once. This should have allowed a 'free' day on Saturday for the small sub-team who arrived early to meet with the main part of the team who arrived on Friday afternoon/evening. However, some issues with snow conditions, it was decided to move a Slalom from Monday to Saturday to allow the Super-G races to be split over Monday and Tuesday.

Bormio had not received a great deal of snowfall during January and February, but the on-piste conditions were good. Snow conditions and warmer weather meant the FIS Super G races had to be reduced to one SG for women and one for men, held on the Saturday.

The popular opening parade took place in 2025 on the Saturday. The Children's programme was as normal, commencing on Sunday and running through to the last races on Friday. The parallel slalom events were held during the final Friday in 2025. The children's programme was held on the Stelvio, Stella Alpina and Adler pistes in Bormio. Entries were very high. The Super G races were held on Stelvio for both U14 and U16 categories.

At the younger end of the age scale, there was a GS event and a stubbie slalom which were run for the U10/U12 age groups. The parallel U10/U12 event was also included in the programme. This proved once again to be a popular experience for all.

A big "thank you" goes to the team of volunteers who gave up their time to run this year's Championships. The organising team, David Manns as Chief Race Director, leading the activities on the hill during the week, and Andrea Grant continuing as Race Secretary.

Dates for 2026 have already been agreed and are planned to take place later than usual during March, due to the 2026 Milan/Cortina Winter Olympics, with some events taking place at Bormio during February. It is planned to start with the FIS races running from Wednesday 4th to Monday 9th March, and the Childrens' races from Sunday 8th to Friday 13th March 2026. The current contract with Bormio will extend to 2028.

2025 Summer Season

The 2025 Artificial Race Season has a full programme of race events during the summer months once again.

GBR Race Series

A similar programme of events is planned to take place in 2025. The outdoor series now will comprise of five races; 2 organised by SE, 2 organised by SSW and 1 by SSS. The GBR Outdoor Series will be run in accordance with the BACR using oBARTS seeding.

The indoor will comprise five races with 1 organised by SE; 2 organised by SSW and 2 organised by SSS. The SSS indoor races will be held at Chill Factore in Manchester.

The GBR Indoor Series will be run in accordance with the BACR using iBARTS seeding.

Championships

The Indoor Championships events for 2025 in line with the outdoor equivalents. It is proposed that for 2025 there will be a British Indoor Championships held in conjunction with the GBR Indoor 5 race as a double header in July. The Welsh Indoor Championships and the English Indoor Championships will take place as a double header weekend held at Manchester in August.

The All-England Championships and Inter Club Team event will be held at Chatham in 2025, and the Inter-Regional Team event will be held at Stoke.

The BASS indoor races at Landgraaf have had to be cancelled for the 2025 season due to on-going Netherlands requirements for Work Permits preventing coaching and volunteers working at the event. SE did look again at arranging them at Snow Valley at Peer, in Belgium, but negotiations on the hire of the facility could not be concluded satisfactorily.

Following the ninth Lowlands Indoor Championships which was hosted by the Netherlands in 2024, it is likely that the Netherlands will host again at Landgraaf for 2025.

Club National Races

It is expected that there will be 20 SE Club National events in 2025, 4 of which will be held indoor. SE does not propose to impose a limit on the number of Club National events held under its authority in 2025. Confirmation of all seeded events including Club Nationals is however subject to the availability of a TD to oversee the event. Financial responsibility for a Club National event sits with the organising club. SE is freely available to consult and advise and clubs will be told that mentors are available to help new and experienced race organisers and officials.

Excel Introductory Races

The Excel Introductory Race format was rolled out into the calendar in 2014 on the basis that 1 race could be held within each Region, aimed at attracting new racers into the sport. The format is 3 runs down a single course with the best time to count and the race seeded under the oBARTS system with a minimum penalty of 20 seed points. The race is open to racers with seed points greater than 20 points and is limited to a maximum of 75 entries to enable such events to be run in a morning, afternoon, or an evening. As these are seeded events it is necessary to assign a TD to oversee the events. No Excel events will be held during 2025.

Quality
SE is responsible for ensuring that all events that are organised under the SE banner meet quality criteria.

All events should take place on homologated slopes and action is being taken to ensure that where a slope is undertaking major work the venue is subject to re-homologation or inspection by the TD Forum. TD Reports for all seeded events are actively reviewed by SE Alpine Committees to ensure that the recommendations in the TD report are implemented as a condition of awarding future events to a club or venue.

Award letters for Club National events clearly state that the Chief of Race should be an experienced and qualified Level 4 Official (consistent with the updated pathway). This requirement will only be waived in exceptional circumstances The Race Secretary for any seeded event should have attended the Race Secretary course or be otherwise experienced. Clubs should be advised that Race Secretary training can be provided on a 1:1 or group basis if requested. A Race Secretary mentor can also be made available to a Race Secretary who is undertaking the role for the first time.

Officials' Development and Training
A limited number of Level 3 officials training courses were held during 2024. The L3 modular course has proved popular with an option for attendees to attend a single day of the two days to obtain the training. Modules are also available for courses to be held online via Zoom. It should be noted that the course has evolved over the years and that SE are the principal providers of this course and other related courses; and the other Home Nations are able to take advantage of these courses as required. Those who have completed the course provide the key resource for organisers of events, both on snow during the Alpine calendar and at artificial venues during the summer season.

Several Level 1 courses have been run during over the past year at various clubs, which is encouraging. An online version of the Level 1 course is available which makes the course more accessible to clubs and regions.

It is encouraging however, to report that there has been interest from Clubs and Regions of SE to attend some of the Level 3 modular courses. A number were held during January 2024 and further courses are scheduled during 2025 based on demand.

A Calcs course was held during November 2024, which was well attended, and a further course will be held during 2025 if there is sufficient demand.

The Alpine Committee maintains a central race officials' database and the formalised Race Officials Pathway for race officials is being updated. Thanks go to Andrew Hjort for his continued hard work in developing and documenting the Race Officials Pathway.

Lloyd Jenkins
Chair, Alpine Committee
Snowsport England

Snowsport Cymru Wales report to the TD Forum – May 2025

Welsh Alpine Championships

In January, the Welsh Alpine Championships returned to Switzerland for the 18th running of the event. The event continues to benefit from sponsorship by the ski resort of Champery as well as a number of partners in the area. We have had great feedback about the organisation and the atmosphere of the races from many of the athletes and race academies.

This year we managed to run FIS races for the first time since 2020. Back then we had been running the events as part of the FIS-CIT Arnold Lunn series of races, but for this season we chose to run the events as FIS-NJR races. Again this worked well with the ENL races scheduled for the two days prior to ours in Villars, and the Swiss requested a special quota of 40 entries for our races.

In the end, despite the Swiss entries we did not manage to beat our highest number of entries, but for those young British racers who took part, the majority managed to lower their Seedpoints.

The following 3 days of BASS racing consisted of a day of U10/12 GS competition, a day for BASS GS, which sadly had to be cancelled due to adverse weather, and a final day of Slalom for both BASS & U10/U12 racers. This year with some help and encouragement from the coaches we managed to increase the length of the U10/U12 stubby course to give them more of a challenge. This was well received by athletes, coaches and parents and will be continued in future years.

Many thanks to Richard Ellis who stepped in late on as our BASS TD.

The event will be returning to Champery from the 19th – 23rd January 2026, again with 2 days of FIS races and 3 days of BASS.

People Development

Again this year we have introduced several new volunteers to work in different positions at our Alpine races. All have been ably supported by our current volunteers, hopefully providing us with a larger pool of trained officials.

Gwyneth Watson
Snowsport Wales.

GB Alpine Championships 2025

The 2025 GB Alpine Championships was a great success running a full complement of the scheduled programme. This was testament to everyone involved (as well as some fortuitous weather).

Due to the efficiency of the races, the event ran 2x days within our original schedule (therefore saving €8k in race fees. Omar (the head of Technic Ski) and his team did an excellent job in terms of piste preparation; and ran the races with exceptional professionalism.

The lift company was also more than accommodating, with the OC lift at 0630 in the morning during the warmer or busier days (and athletes following at 0700). This was a huge help & much appreciated by the Organising Committee.

Attendance by the CEO / Chair of the Alpine committee. This added so much to the event. The overall feedback on this aspect has been brilliant; “we felt like alpine was important” “was good to meet Juliet” “great that Vicky was here”.

Having Billy Major and Laurie Taylor in attendance was also ‘spot on’ and we need to continue to have our very best athletes and coaches at the GB Alpine Champs. The International coaches were all a bit shocked at how good our athletes were, and it was a true “British” Championships in this way, and hope this can continue.

We are grateful to Vicky for backing the decision / direction last summer to run the Championships in the new format knowing that it was a big risk both in its success and finances

Finances – whilst our budget initially showed a loss which we reported to both Vicky and Andrew (CFO) we took a good number of internationals and British late entries in resort and kept a tight reign on spending and are happy to report that we made a small profit of £1000.

General feedback from coaches/athletes/parents was that they were impressed with the race/event organisation and were talking positively about the event.

There was some criticism about not promoting the event enough on GBS social channels enough prior to the event. Marc Telling raised concerns that if we did get a main sponsor for the event, would GBS be able to fulfil a contract with the sponsor, given the limitations GBS face on their socials due to UK Sport.

<u>2026 Champs</u>

Going forward, Santa Caterina are keen to run it in 2026 but would like a longer-term contract for 2 – 3 years.

Having been a success championship, we feel that we now have a good product to go to organisations / clubs to seek sponsorship, eg Ski Club of GB, Ladies Ski Club and many others.

Marc Telling, Andrea Grant, Lucy Mackenzie

May 25 TD Update Telemark Report

GB Telemark

Adrian Pery has decided to step down as the Chair of British Telemark after 14 years with BSS/GB Snowsport. Largely due to avoid conflict with his role as FIS Telemark Race Director. Huan Davies has been nominated and validated by the GB Snowsport board as his successor and will spend the remainder of the year conducting the handover. His selection retains the strong links between British and Services Telemark.

Unfortunately, due to funding and liability issues regarding civilian attendance at Exercise Telemark Titan (the British Army Telemark Championship), there was no British Telemark Championships this season. Currently AWSA has no plans to allow civilians to return to Ex TT. This currently leaves the British Telemark Championship without a host. Options are being explored for alternatives, but these are currently limited.

At FIS level the GB Team again produced some excellent results, most notably Jasmin Taylor building on last season, winning both the Sprint and Classic discipline Crystal Globes and the Overall Telemark Women's Cystal Globe. Team selection took place throughout the season seeing several Service athletes offered places on the development squad for the 2026 season.

UKAFWSA Telemark

Army Telemark has faced some considerable funding scrutiny for this season but with a new funding model for 2025 they delivered a successful three race Championship at PLV, although with reduced number from previous seasons.
RN Telemark team attended Ex Telemark Titan as a training camp followed by the RN Telemark Championship held at Alpe D'Huez for the first time due to resort issues at Les Deux Alpes (where the main RNSF was held). The RNSF contract was retendered for 2026 and the next event is scheduled in Tignes.
RAF Telemark continued to build their telemark portfolio at Saalbach Hinterglen with tuition and a non-seeded race provided as part of this season's activity.
ISSSC once again delivered a successful series of races that suitably challenged all the athletes that competed. Again, all three Services entered both male and female Telemark Teams for the competition. Several Service members also successfully competed in several FIS WC events during the season.

Telemark Officials Training Pathway

All three Services continued to build on the pool of qualified race officials, however, there is a recognised weakness in CoR and T&C roles due to several retirements. Whilst it is deemed that this is manageable in the short term, given the length of time required to generate SQEP CoR's, suitable candidates need to be urgently identified. Jonathan Young (RAF) has made a strong start on his TD candidate development and will look for maximising opportunities to qualify as a CoR next season. Both Jamie and Triggs successfully completed FIS Telemark TD assessments during the season and will sit a written exam in the summer (Jamie will do his second assessment next season).

Seeding

Whilst the publishing of a revised BTR III Seeding is still on hold, the process of uploading telemark race results and SkiPro files on to the GBSki website was trialled throughout the season. This identified several issues that David Manns worked his magic on. We now need to discuss with David the best way forward for next season.

Rules

Any rule changes required for the 2026 season will be submitted prior to the November meeting having reviewed any amendments to FIS Telemark ICR's.

Report compiled by
Martin Triggol
GB Alpine (tech) & Telemark TD

GB Alpine & Telemark TD Forum
Treasurer's Report to Forum Meeting May 2025

Steve James
15 May 2025

The TD Forum's fund is in an unusually clear position, with the regular outgoings paid and almost all calendar invoices paid too. The fund is able to cover the forecast cost of the November meeting, and there is some contingency for a new calendar system if necessary.

I recommend that there is no need to adjust calendar fees.

Steve James
Treasurer
15 May 2025

GB Alpine & Telemark TD Forum
Timing and Calculations Sub-Committee
Report to Forum Meeting May 2025

David Manns
TDF T&C SC
14th May 2025

BASS seeding

Seed Lists

The closing ("EOS") list for the 2024-25 Winter season was published on April 23rd, slightly earlier than originally planned, to fit in with Home Nation athlete selection processes. Publication dates for the 2025-26 season will take this into consideration.

Seeding Decisions

No Seeding Decisions to report.

BARTS seeding

Seed Lists

Publication of artificial slope seed lists for 2025 commenced with the opening list on Wednesday April 9th, with lists now being published every four weeks for most of the season.

Calendar

The Summer calendar continues to grow year on year, with a total of 45 seeded competitions over the season (spanning April 19th through November 8th) compared to 41 last year. Three TDs will pick up 60% of the assignments with six more covering the remainder.

GBSKI

Routine maintenance and small updates to the site were carried out during the year. No major changes are expected in the near future, although some discussions around GBSKI resilience have taken place with the long term aim of securing the future operation of the system.

Just for information, some stats from the GBSKI database as of 24th April this year:

Competitors	22,220
Officials	2,956
Competitions	1,680
Events	8,467
Times	224,265
Seed lists	371
Seed list items	1,013,193

GB Alpine & Telemark TD Forum
Rules Sub-Committee
Report to Forum Meeting May 2025

Steve James
Rules SC
15 May 2025

Three changes have been made since the November 2024 meeting. Two concerned specific issues in seeding, and the other was recording the agreed policy for refunding race fees in the rules. Since these were not contentious they were made without wide circulation.

BCR IV

Insert new Para 6 for Lowlands Indoor Championships. (An action from the Nov '23 Forum that had been "implemented" as a dispensation, but a rule is more appropriate)

Insert new 7.3.5 defining when race fees are refundable.

Renumber paragraphs and update contents.

BACR III

11 Calculation of Seed Points for End of Season List.

11.2 a) minimum load 30 points for anyone with no results in the season.