MINUTES OF THE TD FORUM MEETING HELD AT THE

HOLIDAY INN, BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT ON 7 NOVEMBER 2010

1. PRESENT	
Ian Roberts	Chairman
Julian Adams (JA)	NZE TD
Susie Berry (SB)	British TD rep. BARSC
Mark Berry (MB)	British TD
Ingrid Christophersen (IC)	British TD
Tristan Cole (TC)	British TD
Nicky Cullen (NC) – pm only	Aspirant TD
Richard Dawe (RD)	British TD
Sian Harris (SH)	British TD
Peter Harris (PHa) – Minutes Taker	British TD rep. Snowsport Wales
Phil Harris (PhilH)	Aspirant TD
Peter Heath (PHe)	BASS Seeder
Aggi Hunt (AH)	British TD
Maud Instone (MI)	British TD
Sid James (SJ)	British TD rep. CSWSA
Ali Jubb (AJ)	Aspirant TD
Ross McMillan (RM) – pm only	Aspirant TD
David Manns (DMa)	British TD BARTS Seeder
Derek Metters (DMe)	British TD rep. Snowsport England
Lucy Pyle (LP)	British TD
Jenny Shute (JS)	Co-opted Member
Frank Straddle (FS)	British TD rep. Snowsport Scotland
Paul Trayner (PT)	British TD
Kevin Webb (KW)	British TD
Larry Young (LY) – pm only	British TD

2. APOLOGIES: Marie Rudd (MR), Ewen Maclean, Peter Willis, Logan Tannock, Richard Ellis, Martin Leach, Mike Pilarski.

3. Minutes of 15th May meeting The Minutes were approved	
4. Matters Arising	
5.5 Request for TD training material – very little supplied to date. Please notify potential training material to Chairman as soon after occurrence as possible.	**All**
Timing overview delivered by JA at update on 6th Nov MR circulated a draft GBR timing form – see Item 6	**Closed**
7.4 Limited FIS licences – no issues reported	**Closed**
5.7 British Children's Championships, following the resignation of Richard Ellis, a replacement is being sought.	
5.1 TD Forum funding model approved by MGs. Will be applied for 10/11 season on snow and following season on plastic	**Closed**
Reminder to race organisers to submit British Calendar applications along with FIS applications	**All**
6 BASS/BARTS seeding report - Email transmission had	**Closed**

been successful over the last season and should continue 7 FIS matters – SB and IC reported that their FIS licences had been extended IC reported that GBR TDs had been awarded record number of appointments for the coming season SB reported that the FIS are becoming more vigilant on correct race quotas this season. JS reported that the FIS had dropped the suggestion to raise the minimum entry point level for CIT races. There is a lot of concern that these races are attracting high level racers, which is against the ethos of the race. 8.2 SB has circulated a draft document covering Information for Race Officials. Please comment. (Enc 1) Will be finalised at the meeting in May 2011 8.4 Minis Racing - No progress, working group did not meet but will form part of the age change review **Add as standard agenda item for future meetings** CRB process – JS reported that SSS & BASI do not have an enhanced CRB check process. SSE and SSW operate the enhanced check process and advised members to approach them for checks. JS offered to advise anyone unsure about the validity of their CRB check. 8.5 TD Forum Terms of Reference – see 8.6 in main agenda 11.2 The Super-Combi rules had been clarified by FIS. JS reported that Super Combi competitions were difficult to set up and run and may disappear. The Athletes Declaration had been updated and is now in place. (see gbski/Forms) 12. November 2011 venue – see main agenda item	**All** **All** **Chairman** **Closed** **Closed**
5. Reports from Delegates **5.1 British Ski & Snowboard** – Chair In summary, as reported by Dave Edwards at the update on the 6th Nov **5.2 BARSC** – SB (See Enc 2) Guidelines on bindings have been drawn up by BASI and should be circulated to all coaches. SB will report further at May meeting. **5.3 CSWSA –** SJ (See Enc 3) Invitation for teams from the UK to enter the RAF Championships (no children). Request for ML to be the TD at the Combined Services races. **5.4 Snowsport England** – DMe (See Enc 4) Plans to run FIS race in Landgraaf in May 2011 **5.5 Snowsport Wales** – PHa (Enc 5) See report **5.6 Snowsport Scotland** – FS (Enc 6) See report	

5.7 British Champs – Chair. Will take place in Meribel. PT has taken over from MR as CoC Sen/Jun. CoC CH Champs required	
6. Seeding and Regulation See attached BASS (Enc 7) and BARTS (Enc 8) reports Please inform Chairman if you are unable to attend your assignment, this will allow time to assign a substitute. Crucial for insurance cover. If it is necessary to make a force majeure substitution without being able to contact the Chair, please inform the Chair as soon as possible after the event. DMa requested that all TDs use the latest forms which are available on GBSki site. It was suggested that an email reminder was set up to let everyone know when a form was updated. DMa agreed to action. Two venue trial – see attached report (Enc 9) Following a 2 year trial it was agreed to revert to the original rules and adopt recommendation 12.1 of DMa report Timing Report - The Chairman reminded the meeting of the reason the May meeting thought the forum needed to create the form for use at BASS races. Form can be used to ensure Chiefs of Timing are using the correct timing equipment. JA advised that all the information required for training time keepers is included in the FIS timing manual. PHe suggested that the list of approved equipment might get withdrawn as it seemed to be drawn up in favour of the timing equipment manufacturers. The Chairman proposed trialling the new form for the 10/11 snow season and to give the Chief of Timing the option to complete the FIS form if they preferred. The new form will be added to the GBSki web site and all member groups will be notified of the FIS rules on timing equipment and the implications of not complying. Representatives of member groups who are organising FIS races in 10/11 will need to ensure the contract with the resort covers the type of timing equipment used JA agreed to review all timing reports at the end of the season. Chairman to provide completed forms for review.	**All** **DMa** **DMa** **DMa** **DMa** **All** **MG Reps** **Chairman**
7. FIS Matters **Special Quotas** - Member group representatives should inform FIS Chiefs of Race of the agreed special quotas. These might not all be available on the FIS site, so also check with BSS. **Single Gate GS** – FIS have introduced the option for GS races to be run as single pole events. Concerns were expressed over safety, no defined outside gate to set course width. Chairman – suggested that we should follow the FIS rules and avoid a repeat of the single gate slalom situation that	**All**

happened in the 09/10 season. MI propose postpone introduction for 12 months. SB and DMe – proposed we follow the FIS decision as the option to run a single gate GS was discretionary. SB confirmed rules also apply to children's races Chairman stressed that safety concerns should be paramount should the decision be taken to run a single gate GS. Particular points to note were; location of officials and spare poles on piste, movement on the piste during the race. It was agreed that the BCR should follow the FIS rules on single gate GS and on the reduction of number of competitors on the second run. **Children's Issues** – report by JS No new equipment rules for 10/11 season Youth Olympic Games • 1005 maximum competitors over all FIS disciplines • 95 year of birth • No GB quota but could qualify at World Youth Champs A new equipment working group has been formed Minis single gate slalom – concerns over outside gate in combination SB asked if there were any printed guide lines for mini races JS confirmed there were no printed guidelines Alex Greasby and Xaviar Barlow will be attending the Garmisch World Championships as guests Chairman asked JS to monitor children's age changes and report to TD forum PHe asked if a decision could be considered in May meeting to cover dry slope season. Agenda item for May	**All** **JS** **Chairman**
8. British TD Matters **8.1 Contact List updates** Circulated and updated (Enc 10) **8.2 Candidate and Aspirant TDs and Mentors** The Chairman reported that Martin Watson had decided not to continue as a candidate TD and that Alan West had decided to retire as a TD and race official. The Forum thanked Alan for his work as TD and Race Official over many years. AJ indicated her intention to take the TD written exam at the 2011 May meeting. (See Item 8.3) **New Aspirant TDs** Gus Currie as a British TD, progress at May meeting, CV to be provided Paul Trayner as a FIS TD, send CV to Chairman	 **FS** **PT**

Both proposals by SnowSport Scotland David Mansfield, Aiglon College, is a Swiss national TD and would like to become a British FIS TD. David will be asked to provide his CV for review to recommend best route Ross Anderson and Ross Poole - CSWSA to submit CVs for review by Chairman (NB CVs received after meeting) Quentin Tchakotine and Tamsyn McGary will submit applications when ready	**SB** **SJ**
8.3 Scheduling of Written Examination Chairman proposed that the option to sit the written examination should be available for candidates at the November and May meetings TC suggested a more casual arrangement for the exam to be taken when and where a TD and candidate are available. Meeting approved Chairman's proposal to hold exams at May and November meetings. Meeting also approved consideration of aspirant and applicant TDs at May and November meetings	**All** **All**
8.4 Sanctions update Nil	
8.5 Child Protection and Disclosures No further information	
8.6 Review of TD Forum Terms of Reference A copy will be circulated for comment with track changes highlighted. (Enc 11) To be tabled at May meeting	**Chairman**
9. British Calendar and TD Appointments Appointments ongoing (circulated post meeting) Inform Chairman of availability for Landgraaf The artificial slope event list for 2011 will be sent out shortly. All TDs invited to notify DMa if they wished to receive an assignment	**Chairman** **All** **DMa/All**
10. ICR Update No further discussion following briefing from Janez Fleré on 6 Nov	
11. BCR Update **11.1** Rule Changes Pending. See attached Reports. All proposals were agreed. (Enc 12) For 2 run events held under **BASS** in an indoor venue, a category adder of 40 points was proposed by PH and accepted See also Item 6 concerning the reversion to the 2 venue criterion for seeding within BARTS. In addition, it was decided to remove the exception to allow SSE Club National events at indoor halls to be seeded as two separate single-run races. These events would in future be run as standard two-run races with a minimum penalty of 5. **11.2** Children's Age Groups - No further comments	**DMA**

11.3 BSA had proposed running a BASS seeded summer race for children on the glacier at Les Deux Alpes. Concerns were expressed over the shifting nature of a glacier surface and the consequent risks. Moreover, there is neither the expertise nor experience amongst British TDs to undertake the formal homologation of an alpine slope for children's racing. It was suggested that BSA should pursue the homologation via the FFS or FIS. Chairman to advise BSA	**Chairman**
12. Date of Next Meetings Sat 7th May 2011 – Venue TBC (probably B'ham) 4/5/6th November 2011 – Scotland, venue TBC, request for suggestions of suitable locations near Glasgow or Edinburgh airports 12th May - Venue TBC	**Chairman** **All**