

ICF Wildwater Committee

Minutes of the ICF Wildwater Committee in Garmisch Partenkirchen (Ger), May 19 2004.

The meeting was held at Eistadium - Garmisch.

- 1) Welcome from Vittorio Cirini, Chairman
- 2) Participants
- 3) Minutes Secretary
- 4) Approval - past minutes
- 5) Agenda.
- 6) Report of organizing committee, current World Championships in Garmisch,
- 7) Monotype for Wildwater
- 8) World Cup 2005-2006
- 9) Competition calendar 2005
- 10) World Championships 2006 Bala
- 11) World Ranking 2004
- 12) Report of last ICF Board of Directors
- 13) European Championships 2005 – Chaux – France.

- 1) Welcome from Vittorio Cirini, Chairman
- 2) Participants:
 - Vittorio CIRINI
 - Mike TORDOFF
 - Jens PERLWITZ
 - David MASON
 - Francois BEAUCHARD

Invited: Jao TOMASINI-SCHWERNER ICF Vice President.

- 3) Minutes Secretary: Francois Beauchard
- 4) Approval past minutes, Garmisch 8-9/11/2003.
 - Vittorio Cirini asks to add at point 15-c “the USCKT did not present any candidature for world championships”.
- 5) Agenda: approved
- 6) Report of organizing committee, current World Championships in Garmisch,
 - Only 22 nations to be present
 - Good technical organization
 - Change of program
 - J. Tomasini confirms the fact that the situation is difficult for wildwater, knowing that governments do not give any subsidies to federation for wildwater. Added to this point, the prize of boats and boat transportation is a big problem.
- 7) Monotype for Wildwater
Due to the presence of Mister Tomasini, an explanation is made about the project and motivation that justify this proposal. Contract with manufacturers: some contacts were done with manufacturers, Brendani, Dagger, Perception USA... further contacts need to be made. Prijon after first contact rejected the idea. (See minutes meeting with the ICF executives)

8) World Cup 2005-2006.

- 2005
- A meeting has been organized with the next World Championships organizers in Bala. John Handyside proposes to have the 2005 world cups in England, Ireland and Wales. The proposal could be :
 - i. May 10 2005 Nottingham World Cup 1
 - ii. Washburn WC 2
 - iii. Ireland WC 3
 - iv. Ireland WC 4
 - v. May 25-29 2005 Bala WC 5-6 and pre worlds
- The world cup tour will be organized as an international training camp to develop the activity and help new nations. The goal is to have at least 30 nations for the 2006 World Championships.
- 2006
- With a World Championship in late May 2006 early June, the goal will be to extend the season to the month of July.

9) Competition calendar 2005

- As far 8 races are in the World Ranking
 - i. ENZA
 - ii. 6 World Cups in England, Ireland, Wales
 - iii. Sterting – Vipiteno last week of July.

Federations must apply to propose some other races at the international calendar.

10) World Championships 2006 Bala

- Open races will be organized during the event
- The organizing committee from Bala 2006 is asking the ICF WW Committee to change the rules and open a new category “Masters” and to accept a shortened course to this category. Mike Tordoff will present the writing proposals.
- The committee understands the project, and will make the proposal to the board of directors before June 30th.

11) World Ranking 2004

As decided at last meeting, the present races are counting for world ranking in 2004:

- World Championships in Garmisch Sprint
- World Championships in Garmisch Classic
- 6 World Cups
- Fulda (GER)
- Enza Classic (ITA)
- Grantully (UK)
- Bala (UK)
- Gauley (USA)

The organizers and federations are asked to send right after races to Vittorio Cirini.

12) Report of last ICF Board of Directors

- No mention of World Cups in Kernville (USA) was made in the report of the Continental Representant for America.
- Rules modifications proposed by committee were accepted and approved.
- Number of participating competitors at World Championships will be a total of 6 different individuals at both events sprint and classic per nation and per category.
- A proposal will be made by board at next congress to change the general secretariat, and have a professional as general secretary.

13) European Championships 2005 – Chaux – France.

- This event will be held in Chaux (Burgundy Region, Parc Naturel du Morvan) the July 22 to July 24.
- A presentation of the venue will be done to all team leaders in Garmisch.

Next meeting: 20-21 November in Madrid.

ICF Wildwater Committee Meeting with ICF executive

The meeting was held at Hotel Obermühle in Garmisch Partenkirchen (Ger), May 19 2004.

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Those to be present:

Ulrich FELDHOF	ICF President
Francesco CONFORTI	ICF Treasurer
Jao TOMASINI SCHWERNER	ICF Vice President
Vittorio CIRNI	Wildwater Committee Chairman
Mike Tordoff	Wildwater Committee Member
David MASON	Wildwater Committee Member
Jens PERLWITZ	Wildwater Committee Member
Francois BEAUCHARD	Wildwater Committee Member

A quit presentation is made about the wildwater discipline, and the arguments that justify a new project for wildwater development. The facts are:

- Less money or no money is given to the wildwater discipline from federations and governments.
- The cost of boats is too expensive for new nations
- The cost of transportation as increased a lot since 9/11 and makes any travel with boats very expensive.
- It is now forbidden to travel with reparation kits (epoxy...) in airplanes.
- The number of wildwater boats manufacturers as been cut by 2 around the world. There are no more WW boat manufacturers in America, Asia, and Oceania...

Due to all these points, the Wildwater Committee as pushed a proposal to give an opportunity to wildwater.

The project has been accepted by ICF board.

A letter will be sent to the biggest boat manufacturers (Dagger, Prijon, Perception, Systema, Bruden...) to explain the project, give some technical advices and ask them to make offers to provide a boat in a range prize of 500 to 700 euros. Joa Tomasini will ask boat manufacturer "Bruden" to make offers and give prize examples for building moulds. The dead lines should be:

- End of June 2004: proposals from manufacturers
- July 2004: acceptance by ICF board, choice of a company
- October 2004: congress approval
- November 2004: beginning of the work on the monotype shape.
- May 2006: World Championships Sprint in the new monotype boat.
World Championships Classic with the traditional boats
- June 2008: World Championships Classic and Sprint with monotype boats.

Mike Tordoff and Francois Beauchard will send a letter to boat manufacturers.