

## **MIDLAND SKI CLUB – RACE STEERING GROUP**

### **Minutes of meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 at Paul Lawrence's Office, Solihull**

#### **In attendance:**

Sally, Carron, Nigel, Guy, Paul, Rob, Roger & Bryan

#### **Apologies:**

Jane, Jeff & Adam

#### **1. Minutes of last meeting**

Approved

#### **2. Schools Race – Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2010**

Entry for the Schools Race is now closed. We have received 39 team entries (141 individuals) and there are a number of new schools who have entered teams this year. Paul has a list of volunteers and will put out an email via google groups with names against jobs for the day. Roger and Guy will set the course for the race. Nigel confirmed Ellis will lend us the timing board for the race. Two seasons have offered vouchers as prizes. Paul will confirm whether Widney Sports will also offer vouchers or prizes for the race. Bryan and Rob offered to provide a gazebo for the BBQ. We will check on Tuesday what time the Ackers will open on race day but hopefully we will be able to start setting up at 8.30am. Roger asked to be sent an excell copy of the start list so he can make notes on the racers and hopefully recruit some new members.

**Action:** Paul to send list of ages of racers to the Ackers to help with equipment hire. Paul will speak to Mark at Ackers regarding checking the condition of the matting and start ramp. Paul/Jerry will send a list of racers to Rob so he can print the sticky labels for the magnetic board. Guy and Dave Hancock will check the condition of the gates on Friday. Sally will send numbers to BBQ team. Sally to chase up last years winners to ensure the trophies are returned by Sunday. Roger to contact WM radio to publicise the event. Roger to invite Tony Archibold to represent Esskia to the race. Bryan/Roger to provide a flip chart easel to be used as a stand for the magnetic whiteboard.

#### **3. Gloucester Summer Race League**

We are again entering 3 teams for the GSRL and the seed point cut off has been slightly amended this year. Boys less than 160 barts points

and girls less than 125 barts points will not be able to compete in the GSRL. This amendment to the girl's points has now allowed a couple of our girls to race again this year. Carron asked that we encourage parents to help at the GSRL so they gain valuable race official experience. Many parents are unaware that this series of races are subsidised by the Midland Ski Club so a section on the website would be useful. – Guy to speak to Jane to produce an information sheet and also put this in the newsletter.

**Action:** Guy to work with Jane to produce an information sheet for the website and the newsletter.

#### **4. Tuesday Night Training**

To remain unchanged at the moment but review at regular intervals.

#### **5. WMSA**

Training evening has been arranged for Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June. The inter-regional competition will take place in Gloucester on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June. At present we are uncertain of the number teams WMSA will enter.

#### **6. Training Days**

Midland Ski Club plan to run a training day on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, location will be Stoke or Rossendale.

#### **7. Midland Ski Club National 2010**

Nigel confirmed that Midlands would charge £17 entry fee for the club national, which is the same as Stoke will charge the day before. It was decided that a refund of £1.00 for taking part in both races over the weekend was not enough of an incentive and would create too much work. We will use Stokes timing equipment and PA system. Hay bales are needed at the end of the slope at Stoke so we will share the cost of £25 (£12.50 each) We need to have at least 120 racers to break even. Guy will set course for our club national and we will use our own gates for our race.

**Action:** As Midland Ski Club gates were used for the GP at Rossendale last year and 5 poles and 1 base was broken, Bryan to invoice Snowsport England for replacements.

#### **8. Indoor Snow**

There may be opportunities for Midland Ski Club to have occasional slots at Hemel Indoor slope but Guy will investigate for later in the year. Alpine – we could consider running an October ski training week or a trip to the longest indoor slope at Landgraaf in Holland but further investigation of costs and interest need to be made.

## **9. Ski Sharpening demonstrations**

**Action:** Adam to arrange a session on a Friday evening and sent out details of when via google groups

## **10. Gill hall**

Gill Hall has been invited and accepted to be an adviser to this committee.

**Action:** Rob to include her on the google group for this committee and she receive all minutes and agendas of future meetings.

## **11. Any other business**

### **Lockwood Cup**

The Lockwood Cup will take place on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 1.00pm – 5.00pm.

**Action:** Bryan to agree cost of hiring slope with the Ackers. Rob will advertise this date on the website and next newsletter.

### **Re-mitt of this Committee**

**Action:** Bryan to put together a definition of its aims and objectives

### **Race Manager**

**Action:** Guy to circulate a job description

## **12. Next Meeting**

**Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2010** at 7.30pm at the British Legion, Balsall Common.

Provisionally the next but one meeting will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May.