



Date 10th Feb 2016 by conference call

Present: Mike Adams (MA), Kirsty Carson (KC), Andrew Nickalls (AN), Gundula Sharman (GS), Ann Savage (AS), Shona Stewart

Agenda

1. Actions from last meeting
2. BC HestFest 30
3. On line tests (Shona Stewart)
4. FEIF conference, Haarlem
5. HestFest - update
6. MEM – team requirements and Exloo
7. Trainer education (See item 4)
8. GB judges development
9. AOCB

Update: 5/6 March SRDP (North) ca 12 riders have committed. Plus possibly a few from Shetland. Preparation going well.	ongoing KC
<p>1 Actions arising:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MEM preparation: Both Marina and Maaike are happy to support the team throughout 2016. They are willing to come to GB for a team training session (with or without horses), possible date May. 2. Team coach: Maaike raised the question about the potential conflict between personal coaches and the team coach. This could be discussed with all at the next SRDP. We are confident that we can find a solution to this issue. 3. Revive the annual distance awards – we are still looking for a volunteer to run the scheme. 4. Promotion and sponsorship – Andrew will continue to look at the possibility of promoting the team with sponsors to secure longer-term relationships with them. Andrew has been in touch with Lorna George from NAF. Attempt to use the 30 anniversary as ‘hook’. Another hook might be the a WR event which might attract international competitors. But WR or not, it is not likely that it will make a difference re number of participants. 	
<p>2. BC 2016 BC 2016 This year’s BC has been registered as a WR event. Potential judges: Sævar is keen to come back, Marlise Grimm is interested if the dates work out, Stefan Schenzel is also very interested.</p> <p>Temporary stables were very popular last time. Andrew to investigate sourcing suitable stables for the BC, minimum 12 stables. Thy to get NAF to sponsor the stables and use the walls for advertising space.</p> <p>Vaccination – FEI or annual? The rules for WR (but national) Agreed to stay with annual vaccination, because we do not want to lose potential riders due to the higher cost of 6 monthly vaccination.</p> <p>AN still to confirm if shoeing rules are compatible. If there are any changes, the rules need to be widely publicised and explained in good time.</p> <p>And we need to think about if the events of the “festival” fall under the same shoeing rules.</p>	<p>AN</p> <p>AN</p>
<p>3. Töltonline (Shona Stewart joined the meeting for this part):</p> <p>Rationale: encourage riders to become involved by trying to overcome the distance that separates us. The hope is that some riders might take the step to join real time completion. Currently on offer are 3 levels of dressage tests, the TTT (tölt training test) and a 4-gait test. Maximum number per month so far was 14 riders. The aim is to keep things simple, riders can use their facilities “at home”. Judges: Fi judges TTT and 4-gait, and local (and well respected) dressage judge is responsible for the</p>	



<p>dressage tests. Cost: £6 per class, £5 goes to judge and £1 goes towards end of year prizes. – The fee has come down from £10 per entry, with everyone getting a rosette but it is felt that the lower prize is better value. Concept can easily be expanded, and made to grow; there are some issues with uploading the video clips. Currently there is no yearly membership, riders just pay for each class. A yearly subscription might encourage more regular participation.</p> <p>Feedback: to Shona:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the website could become more user-friendly / or shift the content to the IHSGB site. • Suggestion of how it can grow: Kirsty offered to encourage local riders, where one person is doing the filming and will upload the films. • A common filming session in local venues will also bring people together, by creating a real-time event, and might also ensure continuity. • Create a link on IHSGB website under sports, explaining the concept, and directing them to the toltonline website <p>Mike to send a thank-you letter to Shona, summarising the discussion, and pointing the way forward. Find a way of recognizing Shona's effort at IHSGB level. Concern that Fi might get overwhelmed, we could help with finding more judges. Since the clips are on youtube, any FEIF judge in the world could do it. Anne will contact Fi to ask at what number of riders she would begin to struggle an might want to seek some help. Suggested extra judge Marina. → www.toltonline.weebly.com</p>	<p>MA</p> <p>AS</p>
<p>4. FEIF conference in Haarlem – was a very intensive but stimulating event. Gundula will write a short report for next Sleipnir.</p> <p>Doug Smith announced his resignation from next year. Part of the problem is that Doug receives very little positive feedback. Suggestion that our chair Dave Savage will write a letter of recognition on behalf of IHSGB, and Mike has already been one (of very few) sport leaders who expressed his appreciation to Doug in conversation and via email.</p> <p>Gundula reported on the fact that FEIF will invite observers to the committee members meeting in October. Small countries might get together and send a single observer on behalf of several member states.</p> <p>Trainer education – There are now five English speaking FEIF Member countries (AU, CA, GB, NZ, US) – and the suggestion is that these countries should work together to complete the translation of the (German) material. Contact person, Silke Feuchthofen.</p>	<p>GS</p> <p>DS / MA</p> <p>Trustees</p> <p>MA to talk to Christina</p>
<p>5. HestFest – Gundula will send round to the committee a copy of a sample invitation that can then be used as template for other invitations, and a copy of the article coming out in the next Sleipnir. It would be good if we can start filling the calendar with a number of events before the publication of the next newsletter!</p>	<p>GS</p>
<p>6. MEM – Exloo and the MEM are the two international competitions where British riders will be represented. GB will send a team to the MEM. Participation is by invitation from the trustees. Mike to put together an invitation. Exloo (May 6/7/8) is another opportunity for GB riders to compete abroad.</p>	<p>MA</p>
<p>8. GB Judges' development – this year's sport training event will take place in IS. It is unlikely that either of our national judges will attend. Recently Fi held a workshop for potential judges. It is not quite clear what the aim is. General education for riders? Or a training programme for potential judge? Anne will clarify this with Fi.</p>	<p>AS</p>

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<p>9. AOCB There is no longer any commercial riding school in GB mainland, as Janice is not renewing her licence.</p>	
<p>Mike to organise another team conference call after consultation with Marina and Maaike.</p>	MA
<p>Team selection rules – they need to be revised before the end of the year. Action on all to read them for next meeting and raise any concerns with Mike before that date.</p>	All
<p>From previous meeting Gundula – the Tölt in Harmony even on 27th Feb in Cheltenham. To what degree is this part of the remit of the Sport group? Mike to take the question to the Trustees.</p>	MA
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