

Date 29th Oct 2014 Conference call

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

Agenda 1 Sport rider development – to include Gundula's paper 2 Non-resident GB team membership at WCs 3 Update on BC 2015 4 Judges' training – for discussion next time.	
Matters from previous minutes still open: The revised and agreed proposal on the TOR will go forward to the face-to-face meeting of the trustees. Mike to provide feedback. \rightarrow MA will take the TOR to the AGM. BC manual for organisers. We might not manage to meet together to put this together, but the people most involved over the last few years, might develop a first draft \rightarrow MA and AS will start work on this at the training weekend in Nov.	MA
For information: Due to family circumstances, Karen is unable to come to the team training event at beginning of November. But the event will go ahead as planned.	
 1. Sport rider development, Gundula's proposal In order to build up a broader base of sport riders, the following points were discussed (Gundula's previous proposal): Create a place on Website, possible name: Sport rider development (or something like it). 	
Aim to provide tools to riders to develop themselves ready for competition on the oval track. It is of utmost importance that all of the input and feedback is of the highest credibility and quality we can muster, but the input does not need to be 'perfect'. These tools may include: Individual space on website. Intro about sport riding: => fun, inclusive as there are different levels, providing a specific aim, setting own targets, better riding, better communication with the horse, further learning, being part of a (virtual) group, etc.	
Introduce the concept of the "training plan", how it can be used for setting short term and longer term targets, i.e.: this lesson! This clinic! Preparing for the next training event, etc.	
And think about (a) writing short articles for the website items such as: explaining the different level of classes (T7=> T1, etc) Tips on how to choose an appropriate class; on how to decide on the programme in 4-gait; how the judges think; etc, etc. We can all write or "commission" 2 of those short bits and very quickly we would have 10 pieces.	
And (b) - a very ambitious step - it would be wonderful, if we can offer feedback on video submissions. This needs to be consistent and should ideally be limited to one or two people. Fi? Karen?	
And (c) run two or three low level competitions in various places across GB. Note: this initiative is not so much directed at 'the future WC team', but rather everyone else.	
The preparation with Karen as team leader should of course go on, and must be run at the appropriate for that level.	
Some of these concepts will be tested at the training weekend in Nov.	

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Next potential clinic for training with Karen in attendance: 22 nd March 2015, tbc	
2. Non-resident GB team membership at WCs The issue was discussed, and the following consensus was reached: the aim is to promote homegrown riders, and that priority will be given to people with permanent residency. MA to draft a proposal for an amendment to the current selection process for the AGM in November.	МА
3. Update on BC 2015 MA to meet with Ruth Aitken at the AGM, followed by a site visit. MA started to approach to judges.	MA
AOCB Suggestion to relocate AGM to more central places. In the future the event should be framed by committee meetings and other conference-like topics.	МА
Date of next meeting: 8.30, 3 rd Dec 2014	

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