



**Date** 4th Oct 2017 by conference call

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

### Agenda

- 1 Direction of the Sport Group and objectives
- 2 Composition of group – resignations, additions
- 3 Appraisal of the BC 2017 – trustees have asked for this to be done
- 4 Sports squad – future activities and focus
- 5 Selection criteria for future teams
- 6 BC 2018 – WR or not. Want to book judges early.

<b>Minutes</b> – Notes from previous meeting MA,KC, AS:		
1	Use newsletter to prepare competitors for voluntary duties at BC	MA
2	Organise a squad event before end of year	
3	Ask for trustees to support an active feedback on all activities, whether fully subscribed or not, to get better understanding of activities	KC
4	Can we confirm the date of BC 15-17 June? Check Highland Show? (not discussed at meeting)	MA KC
<p><b>1 Objectives of the Sport Group</b> (for presentation at the AGM); Currently there are too many disciplines going their own way, and not included in the activities of the Sport Group. TiH, Treck, Dressage, Gaedingakeppni and TiH.                  Should we (a) continue to try and keep all of above within our remit? Or (b) solely focus on riders engaged in “Icelandic Sports” (track competition)? Consensus that the Sport Group will focus solely on FEIF-style competition but with a renewed focus on supporting riders competing at lower levels (e.g. T7, V5, etc). Sport Group should develop (a number of) indoor type competitions that will count towards a national ranking, to allow for more sport riding nationwide.</p> <p>We already have a leaflet describing how to set up a completion on our website. <b>This leaflet will need to be refined</b>, and we need to create some “rules” for a qualifying event, and we need to create a list of judges who might come to GB, so not to exhaust Fi and Mic, etc.  <a href="http://ihsgb.co.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/How-to-Comp-leaflet.pdf">http://ihsgb.co.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/How-to-Comp-leaflet.pdf</a></p>		ALL
<p><b>2 Composition of Sport group:</b> current members current sport group are happy to continue. In addition it would be good to have an <b>additional member</b> who would represent the “intermediate” rider, interested in sport but without the ambition or means to aim for international level (Sport A) – <b>suggestions for the next meeting!</b></p>		ALL
<p><b>3 Appraisal of the BC 2017:</b> Trustees asked for an appraisal of the 2017 event. Sport Group received only positive feedback from riders and spectators, catering was a particular highlight. Good turn out. The facilities for the warm-up area very much depend on the venue. Volunteering: in future events, it will be made clear in the invitation that all riders are also expected to help out when they are not busy with their own horses, or preparing for a class.</p>		



<p><b>4 Sports squad</b> – get going again in January. Should we widen participation and send out an open conversation? Sport A Group by invitation?          Before Christmas, KC would like to re-evaluate 2017 with the current sport team and set a clear agenda for the future, particularly participation in the MEM 2018. If by invitation only, it needs to be transparent what the requirements are and who makes the decisions. Managing expectations is important, but this needs to be balanced against the fact that as a charity, IHSGB is an open society.</p>	
<p><b>5 Selection criteria</b> KC will draft a evaluation for 2017 and set down some direction for future strategy. This will include thoughts on the selection process, qualification mark.          We need to set the qualifying / selection criteria and procedures. Input from All!</p>	<p>KC          ALL</p>
<p><b>6 BC 2018</b> WR, or not? It will make a difference to which judges we will recruit. WR - Will be more expensive, but we can manage the judges' time better, and make better use of judges to help out in other ways. Consensus – WR! Mike will recruit judges on WR basis. 15-17 June 2018, West Tarf</p>	
<p><b>AOCB</b> – Are there ways in which we could identify (young) horses and (young) riders with promise and talent, which we could then support and sponsor in suitable ways? Introduce the idea, and aim to build a culture of this kind of altruism. MA to include idea in his report at the AGM.</p>	
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