

# International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation World Barefoot Council

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## Minutes

Telephonic Meeting of the **World Barefoot Council** held on  
3rd December 2017.

Attendees: Geoff Blaauw, Claire Mowday, Richard Gray, Rob Groen, Gustavo Serrano, Brian Price, Ben Groen, Richard Kaufman, Svenja Hempelmann, Paul Turner, Andy Harris, Al Moynes and Oscar Mann.

Apology received from Garth Strydom.

### **UPDATE ON 2018 WORLD BAREFOOT CHAMPIONSHIPS – Al Moynes**

- 5 Sanger boats sourced, including 3 brand new.
- In contact with drug testing organisations in Canada and Switzerland.
- Rob Neggis confirmed as head commentator.
- Accommodation for officials to be booked as soon as possible. Federations to follow-up.
- Only 4-5 Intent to compete forms received to date.
- Appointed officials to advise their arrival dates so that accommodation can be booked.
- Al advised that it is a fairly standard site, he is not aware of anything unusual, he will provide a layout plan of the site to Geoff Blaauw.

### **UPDATE ON 2020 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – Geoff Blaauw**

- Championships most likely to take place in April 2020.
- LOC Chair not yet appointed. Tim Hall and Kevin Murray carrying the banner at this stage.
- Working with the committee to discuss further details.

### **UPDATE ON 2018 POLICIES, PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES – Brian Price**

- Final PP&G Document has been circulated.

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- Policies, procedure and guidelines document to be adopted.  
Adoption seconded by Claire Mowday.  
Adoption acknowledged by Svenja Hempelmann.
- Brian will send the document to Gill Hill once he is satisfied with it.

### **Sincere thanks to Mike Holt Enterprises for their contribution to the Policies, Procedures and Guidelines.**

#### **COMMITTEE UPDATES:**

**Website & Media – Richard Gray:** Need a chair for the website and media.

**Athlete's rep – Ben Groen:** Ben is periodically updating athletes on everything. He is on call if anyone has any complaints or comments, nothing received as yet. He would like to pass his role onto someone else by 2020. It would be ideal to find someone soon as he would like to spend the next few years teaching and training them. Seems to be a challenge to find someone willing to take on the role.

**History – Geoff Blaauw:** Brian Price will coordinate History items from Australia and Rob Groen for New Zealand. Ben Groen possible new chair for position.

**Rankings List – Geoff Blaauw:** Seems to be running smoothly with only a few errors to resolve.

**Concern Raised – Brian Price:** Separate Confederation ranking lists currently not available. Brian Heeney is working on it to resolve the problem.

#### **Systems and Technology – Rob Groen:**

-Terry Jones looking at using Loretto system at the world championships.

-The Loretto system will be used at the tournament in January as a trial.

-Rob Groen will discuss the Loretto system with Ashley Stebbeings.

-Rob is assessing and has purchased a new 'Ship to Shore' system, a Japanese product from the Konex range. Rob Groen and Ross Linton will trial this product on three different sites, in three different positions. A full report will then be provided to the WBC.

**2017 Athletes of the year – Claire Mowday:** Male - Keenan Derry and Female - Ashleigh Stebbeings

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**Records – Richard Gray:** Only one record has been approved since the last championships. Recent submissions have been of poor quality. The on-site review is not to the standard required.

**Rules – Oscar Mann:** Rule book has been submitted to the committee for one final proofing prior to being published.

-One outstanding issue is the line turn, which was approved by the council. Many people have advised that they do not believe that it meets the written rule. Ben and Oscar are working on amending the rule.

-Rules for separation of two championships are being worked on.

-Call for more Committee members to be put forward.

**Officials – Geoff Blaauw:** Everyone attending the world championships needs to be reminded that they are to be completing quizzes and undertaking clinics to be at a world Standard. Mike Molepske will speak more about Officials in next meeting.

**2021 Senior Worlds – Geoff Blaauw:** Document has been circulated in relation to Senior Worlds. Ben Groen will speak to the athletes in relation to the over 45's jump event. Call for people to be a part of developing rules. Need to be aware of and discuss the positives and negatives of over 45's jump event.

**2022 – Junior, Open Worlds – Geoff Blaauw:** Clarification that 2020 is the Junior, Senior, Opens Worlds and 2022 is the first Junior, Open Worlds. Call for a Committee to be a part of the formatting for the Junior, Open Worlds. Rob Groen and Svenja Hempelmann would like to be part of this committee.

### **2018 ATHELETES OF THE YEAR – Claire Mowday**

- Reminder that it is the responsibility of the confederations to put forward their nominations for AOTY.
- Confederations need to make sure that they put forward their athletes if they want to be considered for AOTY.
- Nomination are to be sourced by the confederations, however anyone can put together a nomination and send it through.

### **OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS – Claire Mowday**

- Claire would like to complete citations for all who have received outstanding service awards in the past so that all citations can be displayed on the website.

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- Those who have not provided requested information on past recipients to Claire, are to contact her as soon as possible.
- Nominations for 2018 Outstanding Service Awards to be provided to Claire Mowday by 31 March 2018.

## **HISTORY OF PAST & NEW TRICKS – Claire Mowday**

- Claire is working on the history of all tricks that have been developed so that recognition may be given to those who have developed and entered them.
- If anyone has information on tricks that have been developed and entered, the information is to be sent to Claire Mowday. ([claire.w@outlook.co.nz](mailto:claire.w@outlook.co.nz))
- An incentive/award to be developed for those who are developing and entering new tricks.

**MEETING CLOSED**