

SASI Limited Board Meeting Number #17

10th November 2024

Agenda Item	Precis	Actions
1. Apologies and Attendance	Max Berends Kees van Vugt Bev Meek Claire Simpson Topher Dawson Rory Reilly (observer) Judith Uyss Robert Graham	
2 & 3 Minutes of the last meeting and Matters arising	Minutes of the last meeting were approved	CS issued the Club Guidance and Race Schedule Doc to SWSA MB shared minutes of SWSA meetings
5. SWSA Update - plans - minutes of meetings - survey	Preparation Plans - MB shared the minutes of previous SWSA meetings which cover SWSA preparation plans. RG noted that the most recent meeting minutes were missing and MB explained they would be issued prior to the next SWSA meeting. (26th November) Results of club survey - MB shared the results of the Notice of Interest survey. RG noted that heats would be required in the junior race categories. TD noted that the overall numbers were good. MB explained that the work on the water based side of the regatta would start in January 2025. TD noted that a pontoon would be a waste of money and was tasked to investigate this further. TD confirmed that there would be both intermediate markers on the race course (500m) and between the turning buoys. TD also confirmed that there would be special measures in place to keep the buoys in place.	TD to find out about the plan for a pontoon.
6a Heats/Finals progression	As well as the two systems, A and B , issued for comparison with the agenda a third version was considered which was received from Stuart Mack through SCRA. All three were considered in a full discussion and it was decided that the version from Stuart Mack (half way between A and B) would be the chosen system: For for a category with 5 heats Top 2 from each heat (10 places) +5 next fastest times. Category with 4 heats Top 3 from each category (12) + 3 next fastest times. Category with 3 heats Top 4 from each category (12) + 3 next fastest times Category with 2 heats Top 6 from each category (12) + 3 next fastest times	
6b. Scoring System	Scoring System B (proposed by RG) was chosen: With an example of 73 entrants in the competition, for ease of counting, the score for first place in the final in all of the race categories is rounded up to the nearest decade ie 80. Second place in the final gets 79 and so on down to 66 for 15 th place in the final.	

	<p>1st = 80 points 2nd = 79 points Down to... 14th = 67 points 15th = 66 points</p> <p>Competitors who do not qualify for a final in an age category are awarded points from 65 downwards based on the times recorded across all the heats.</p> <p>1st fastest non qualifier = 65 points 2nd fastest non qualifier = 64 points And so on</p> <p>Every skiff will have a definitive score awarded in each age category.</p>	
6c Lane Draws	After further discussion considering safety, fairness and interest to the audience it was decided that random lane draws for the heats and finals would be the preferred system and that no seeding of boats would take place.	
6d Recording results	Are we happy with the use of webscorer software to be used for timing and results?	
6e Penalty system	An example attached as per SCRA (notice this is an example) was considered. It was agreed that any penalty system must be published in advance.	RG and TD to propose a draft scrutineering document and penalty for consideration at the next meeting.
7. Umpiring -	The compilation of Umpire rotas and tasks will be delegated to Lindsey Watt (Golspie and SCRA). Kees asked that details of the Race Schedule were published on the Skiffie Worlds website. It was also noted that DARA and DCRA should be contacted for volunteer umpires.	MB to contact Wendi Cuffe with regards to what contacts she has from DARA and DCRA.
8. Income Stream for medals - update on Entry Fees and Merchandising	MB reported that SWSA are organising the merchandise for the World Championships and that SASI has asked to be part of it by combining the logo. A discussion on how SASI might be involved resulted in an action on MB to go back to Wendi Cuffe for some clarification of SWSA plan. It was noted that the cost of medals will need to be paid for upfront and KV noted that he had identified a good supplier in Poland.	MB to liaise with Wendi Cuffe with reference to how SASI might be involved with merchandise sales. KV to share medal supplier details.
9. Validation of age of rowers	A discussion around how to validate the age of rowers covered the collection of data, use of photography and self certification.	Max Action??
10. Club Membership of NCA's?	It was suggested that if a participating club had an NCA then they should be affiliated to it if they were competing at the Worlds. This would not be necessary for clubs without NCA's or The Rest of the World crews.	
11. Scrutineering	Doc Prepared by Andy This item has been dealt with under item 6e	
Item 4 on original agenda was moved to the end of the meeting	SCRA 2024 Approved Motions RG noted that since the approval of this motion at the SCRA AGM, some of the comments on Scottish Coastal Rowing facebook group had been unfounded and malicious which	CS to identify the moderators of SCR facebook group and

	<p>could lead to reputational damage of individuals and clubs. It was noted that eventually the comments feature of the group were turned off. RG requested information on the governance of the group and that the moderation policy was published. It was not clear who monitored the Scottish Coastal Rowing facebook group which is separate from the SCRA facebook page. RG also reminded the committee that a seven page document regarding the Measurement Rules consultation was written in 2019 and although some of the points may not be valid now, he would make it available for future Measurement Rules discussions.</p>	<p>request a moderation policy.</p> <p>RG to share 7 page document on Measurement Rules consultation (2019).</p>
AOB	<p>One club had requested that more than one junior crew be entered in each of the junior categories. The committee agreed that this should be able to be accommodated in the race schedule.</p> <p>Another question relating to sponsorship on shirts/oars/blades was agreed. Anywhere but the hull of the boat.</p>	
Date of Next Meeting	TBC	