

Summary of the Minutes

Foot O Commission 1-11, Helsinki (FIN)

Friday, 21 January 2011, 19.00 to Sunday, 23 January 2011, 11.00

WOC 2011 FRA status report:

The preparations move forward as planned. There are still a lot of uncertainties in map making. The WOC organisation has contracted TV and arena production as well as time keeping and result service to teams from Switzerland (the same as for World Cup 2010 in FRA and WOC 2012 in SUI).

WOC 2012 SUI status report:

Preparations are on track.

WOC 2013 FIN status report.

Preparations are on track. The WOC 2013 team will organise the pre-WOC (World Cup Final 2012 part of NORT).

WOC 2014 ITA status report:

The Organising Committee has been formed.

WOC guidelines

The 2nd edition is published on the IOF website. Clive Allen made again an excellent job. The IT Commission will have to produce appendices with information on IT usage, and configurations of IT networks.

IOF project WOC in the future (WIF)

An intermediate report has been circulated. WIF was also a subject of the discussions between Council and all commission members present in Helsinki. FOC will continue to actively contribute in the next stage of the WIF project:

- 1) A document presenting the positive and negative aspects of both the mass start proposals and chase start proposals will be prepared and fed into the WIF project group.
- 2) A qualification proposal for Long (perhaps also to be used for Middle) will be further worked on and then presented to the WIF project group.

Independent of the WIF project FOC believes that a guideline for chase start should be written in order to transfer the know-how of former organisers. A draft should be discussed at our meeting 3-11 and then cross-checked at the chase start in the World Cup 2011 in CZE.

World Cup 2011

Everything is set up properly.

World Cup 2012

The overall programme is as follows:

6.-7.4.2012	France (Middle and Sprint)
17.-20.5.2012	EOC, Sweden (Sprint, Middle, Long)
23.-24.6.2012	PostFinance, Switzerland (Middle, Sprint)
14.7.-19.7.2012	WOC, Switzerland (Sprint, Middle, Long)
2.-8.9.2012	NORT, Norway/Sweden/Finland (4-5 competitions incl. Final)

The NORT programme is still not finalized, but the dates are fixed. It is important that the national federations take note of the dates and adapt their national event calendar accordingly. The NORT programme will comprise one event in Norway, one or two in Sweden (possibly Night-O, possibly chase start), and two (Middle, Sprint) in Finland at the end of the week. Finland offers a WOC training camp in the week 10.-15.9.2012 following the World Cup Final.

World Cup 2013: status of planning

The provisional programme comprises

7.-12.1.2013 Oceanian OC, New Zealand (Middle, Sprint, Middle)

4.-12.5.2013 (**tentative**) NORT, Finland/Sweden/Norway

8.-12.7.2012 WOC, Finland (Sprint, Long, Middle)

5.-6.10.2013 PostFinance, Switzerland (Middle, Sprint)

The Special Rules will be written such that participation in the first round in NZL is compulsory for those aiming at winning the World Cup 2013.

World Cup 2014

Application deadline for World Cup 2014 is 31st January 2011.

JWOC 2011 POL: status report

Preparations are on track. Bulletin 3 will be published in March.

JWOC 2012 SVK: status report

Preparations are on track. Accommodation will probably be in the city centre, and still reasonably priced.

JWOC 2013 CZE: status report

The organising team has been set up. The first SEA visit and Bulletin 1 are planned for May.

JWOC 2014

Application deadline for JWOC 2014 is 31st January 2011. Based on a request from Council, FOC will now change the procedure for application evaluation and adapt it to the new procedure applied to WMOC applications. FOC will prepare a shortlist, and then the shortlisted candidate federations will be evaluated on site. Based on this evaluation FOC proposes the preferred candidate to Council for decision at the August meeting.

JWOC guidelines

Suitable persons for drafting such guidelines will be contacted.

Rule change proposals

Further rule proposals in the SEA report from JWOC 2010 were discussed.

Rule 6.12 should be updated to allow C finals. Up to 69 runners should be allowed in the B final.

Rule 22.3: Winning times for the Long should be changed to: Women 55-60, Men 65-70.

WMOC 2011 HUN: status report

Preparations are on track. FOC thinks it highly important that the competitors in the public race must not be in the competition terrain at the same time as WMOC competitors.

WMOC 2012 GER: status report

Preparations are on track.

WMG/WMOC 2013 ITA: status report

It is still not resolved whether the World Master Games (WMG) will take place in Torino as planned.

WMOC 2014

Application deadline for WMOC 2014 is 31st January 2011. FOC will prepare a shortlist, and then

David May will visit the shortlisted candidate federations for evaluation purposes on site. Based on this evaluation FOC proposes the preferred candidate to Council for decision at the August meeting.

WMOC guidelines

The proposed updates were discussed and agreed on. The updated guidelines will be published.

Regional Championships:

The North American Championship 2014 is planned in Canada, and could be a possible candidate for World Cup 2014. Australia will host the Oceanian Championship 2015.

World Games 2013

Event director Erik Nielsen and SEA Christine Brown visited Cali in January. The terrains were designated, and discussions held with the WG Organising Committee and the new Columbian orienteering federation president. Paul Pacque (BEL) is the mapper designated.

WREs

The WRE guideline update was discussed and agreed on. The updated guidelines will be published. The guidelines now contain a paragraph that indicates that after the event the organisers should send printed maps to the IOF secretariat for evaluation by the map commission.

SEA selection and training

The High Level Event Adviser Seminar will be held 5./6.2.2011 in Prague. An EA clinic is planned in TUR (Antalya, 22./23.3.2011), during World Masters (HUN) 4.7.2011 and during O Ringen (SWE) 26.7.2011.

SEAs were proposed for North American Regional Championship 2012 in USA (Adrian Zissos, CAN) and World University Championship 2012 in Spain (Carlos Monteiro, POR).

FOC agrees that NORT 2012 in Finland should have the same Event Adviser team as WOC 2013, and supports the nomination of Henning Spjelkavik (NOR) to take responsibility for the NORT events in Finland. Henning will cooperate with Göran Andersson (SWE) and Ivar Maalen (NOR) already designated as SEA for NORT 2012.

Guideline course setting

Göran Andersson will contact further persons directly to get opinions from competitors. The first draft should be prepared such that it is ready to be used in the High Level Event Adviser Seminar in 2012.

AOB

Change to Rule 9.10 (Replacement of runners up to 1 h before the event). Based on such replacements during World Cup events in FRA and SUI, it is proposed to change this rule by limiting it to WOC and JWOC.

Marking of electronic punching poles on the finish line. It was agreed that the next Event Adviser Newsletter should suggest control flags for marking punching poles on the finish line if they are barely visible.

Next meetings

2-11: Saturday, 16 April 2011, London

3-11 Sunday/Monday 14/15 and Friday 19 August during the WOC week

4-11 Monday, 26 September 2011, Liberec or Prague