

TOC MEETING

Place:	Vuokatti, Finland	
Date:	8 - 9 July 2013	
Participants:	Roberta Falda (RF)	Member (Monday)
	Martin Fredholm (MF)	Member
	Taro Koyama (TK)	Member
	Frank Kuhn (FK)	Member
	Vibeke Vogelius (VV)	Member
	Sari Salomaa-Niemi (SSN)	Chairman
	Santeri Kenttä (SK)	Medical Expert (Monday)
	Owe Fredholm (OF)	Council (Monday)
Apologies:	Kreso Kerestes (KK)	Member
	Brian Parker (BHP)	Co-opted member

1. Opening remarks

- SSN welcomed members/participants and opened the meeting.

2. Approval of agenda

- *Commission remits 2013 – 2014*
- *“The meeting agenda should be organized according to the structure of the commission remit. The commission should use the present remit as the basis for its work and maintain efficient working practice.*
- *A member of the commission should be given the responsibility to prepare minutes within a week after a meeting and e-mail them to the IOF Office. In order to simplify this task, these minutes should be concise and should contain an executive summary suitable for publication on the Internet.”*
- The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of previous minutes

- The minutes of Commission meeting in January 2013 were approved as a true record of that meeting.

4. The responsibilities and the work of commission

5. Strategic planning

- *Commission remits 2013 – 2014*

6. Event development

- *Commission Remits 2013-14 / Trail Orienteering Commission*
 - *“Introduce a TrailO Relay discipline to replace the team-event. The goal should be to introduce TrailORelay at WTOC 2016 and consequently replace Team World Championship. Special task for 2013: To discuss a proposal with WTOC-nations and propose draft Rules at WTOC 2013”.*
 - *“Introduce WRE in TrailO and World Ranking List. Special task for 2013: Study the possibility to start an informal WRE-series from 2013 or 2014”.*

We talked about relay in PreO. Sweden and Ukraine have tried PreO Relay a few times.

We will have a demonstration of PreO Relay in Italy during WTOC 2014 and also in Sweden 2016. The idea is to give the orienteers an opportunity to get to know this kind of format.

We agreed to introduce (MF) these draft rules for PreO Relay in TOM during WTOC 2013.

1. The team shall consist of three competitors, only one card
2. The three legs of the competition shall be forked
3. There shall be a mass start
4. - In addition to the controls on the course all three competitors also have 1 or 2 timed controls.
 - The number of timed controls should be the same for all three competitors.
 - They could have the same timed controls but they could also be different for the competitors.
 - The timed controls should be taken after the controls on the course.
5. The competitors should not have the possibility to communicate in between the legs.
Quarantine has to be arranged.
6. The course could be arranged in different ways depended on the possibility of course setting.
 - a) The course consists of for example 24 controls (or another number dividable by 3).
 - The competitor at leg 1 has to take 8 controls, (he/she is free to choose 8 of the 24) then leave over to leg 2.

- The competitor at leg 2 has to choose 8 other controls of the left 16 (he/she is free to choose 8 of the remaining 16) then leave over to leg 3
 - The competitor of leg 3 has to take the remaining 8 controls. There should be a max time for all three legs. That is based on the minimum distance the team has to use. The max time can be freely used in between the three members of the team. It is also possible to have the rule that each competitor have to take 8+/- 1 control which gives more possibility for tactics in the team.
 - b) The other possibility for the course is to have a course of 10-12 controls. The competitors have to solve the same control sites. The forking system could be fulfilled by having different control definitions at each control site or at least 75% of each control site.
- Clinics in the future
 - TOC has to remember to apply for clinics.
 - We need a clinic for EAs every year!
 - ORingen in the future?
 - Portugal 2013 by Knut Ovesen
 - 2015 in Sweden (pre-WTOC), combined with Nordic Match
 - September
 - Event Advisers' Handbook for TrailO? Suggestion by Riikka Tolkki → Roberta is working on it. It will be ready by the end of October. The Event Advisers' Handbook for WREs (<http://orienteering.org/foot-orienteeing/event-advising/documents-for-event-advisers/>) as an example.
 - Unofficial "European Cup" 2013
 - Norway, Finland, Italy, Latvia, Croatia (October)
 - Unofficial "European Cup" 2014
 - We decided to have an event adviser for the events, even unofficial (not from IOF EA's list).
 - Event Quality? Evaluation?
 - We decided to continue with same "ECTO rules" as 2013.
 - The programme should be finalised by the end of August.

- Electronic recording (MF)
 - *Commission Remits 2013-14 / Trail Orienteering Commission: TrailO should for international Championship use Electronic punching. Goal: Implemented WTOC 2016*
 - *Special task for 2013: Together with IOF find technical solutions and financing for an electronic punching system for TrailO.*
 - TOC is working on several fronts to find solutions for this.

7. Competition rules

- To provide rules changes for 2014 IOF Competition Rules suggestions need to be in Council by 15.10.2013. We checked the rules changes that are needed. MF will talk to David Rosen with the rules changes that are already known.
 - It was discussed that the WTOC organiser must present 2 sets of maps, one bounded and one unbounded at a time control station. The competitor must then choose which of the sets to use. We decided to add this to rules.
- *Commission Remits 2013-14 / Trail Orienteering Commission: Eligibility in Paralympic class → Special task for 2013: "Collect the view from WTOC nations on the Eligibility rules during 2013. During 2014 in TOC study if there is any need of changes of the rules."*

Eligibility in Paralympic class was discussed:

- Two medical experts, doctors, take part in eligibility process.
- After first year the form was specified and some minor changes were made (AJ and medical experts).
- The process had worked very well (medical experts) for the last two years, it's clear and it seems to be more fair than it used to be.
- App. 85 % of applications are approved.
- We agreed that we can't change the rules in order to get more Paralympic competitors.
- We agreed to ask federations opinions and suggestions to improve the current rules or to say current rules are OK. Answers to Anna Jacobson's email by the end of October. → We will take this into our agenda again January 2014.
- VV will make a guideline for planners to understand people with different kind of disabilities.

8. Organisers guidelines and other discipline related documents

- Update of Technical Guidelines and Technical Notes → working group Brian Parker, Hannu Niemi, Jari Turto, Martin Jullum, Martin Fredholm, Ivo Tisljar, Kreso Kerestes, Remo Madella, Bohuslav Hulka. The work should be done by the end of August.
- Organiser's guidelines: VV will do the final work with Anne Braggins

9. Mapping standards

- *Commission Remits 2013-14 / Trail Orienteering Commission: To regularly check that the map standards are evolving harmoniously with the development of the discipline and its formats. To suggest changes and clarifications to the Map Commission. To collaborate with the Mapping Commission in monitoring maps of IOF events.*
- Nothing to report.

10. Accreditation of SEA/EA

- This issue was discussed.

11. Selection of SEA/EA for IOF events

12. Other matters

- We discussed that Lauri Kontkanen and Antti Rusanen had a good way to organise TempO in Joensuu, especially the last station was spectator –friendly → we decided to ask them to write the idea down for others to use.

13. Future Commission Meetings

- Next TOC meeting 17–18 January 2014 in Finland.