

TOC MEETING

Place: WTOC 2014, Lavarone, Italy
Date: 9 – 10 July 2014

- 9.7. from 5 pm to 7.30 pm
- 10.7. from 4 pm to 7.30 pm

Participants:	Martin Fredholm (MF)	Member
	Vibeke Vogelius (VV)	Member
	Kreso Kerestes (KK)	Member
	Taro Koyama (TK)	Member
	Sari Salomaa-Niemi (SSN)	Chairman
	Owe Fredholm (OF)	Council (9.7.)
Apology:	Roberta Falda (RF)	Member
	Frank Kuhn (FK)	Member

1. Opening remarks

- SSN welcomed members 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 secretariat. 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.
- It was informed that we will have a meeting with TOAC tomorrow (= 10th of July 2014 at 5 pm)

3. Approval of previous minutes

- The minutes of Commission meeting in Helsinki, January 2014 were approved as a true record of that meeting.

4. The responsibilities and the work of commission

- TOC 2015 was discussed.

5. Strategic planning

- *Commission remits 2013 – 2014*

6. Event development

- Commission Remits 2013-14 / Trail Orienteering Commission (new/updated tasks for 2014 bolded)
 - ***“To trigger WOC candidates for the next three championships.”***
 - ***“During 2014 study any need of changes of the Eligibility rules based on WTOC Nations views collected in 2013.”***
 - ***“Evaluate the new competition format PreO Relay and make suggestions for improvement, if needed.”***
 - ***“Develop the ECTO (unofficial European Cup in TrailO) launched in 2013.”***
 - *“Introduce a TrailO Relay discipline to replace the team-event. The goal should be to introduce TrailO Relay 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”.*
- The Eligibility rules based on WTOC Nations views
 - The results of Eligibility hearing were discussed. The questions for Nations were:
 - 1) Do you think that the current rules work fine and should remain as they are?
 - Please answer YES or NO.
 - Answers to first question:
 - YES – 8
 - NO – 6
 - 2) If you answered NO, please tell your concrete suggestion on how the rules could be improved.
 - *“It was suggested, that we should only allow wheelchair users in paralympic class and all others to open class.”* The amount of competitors is too few for this solution.
 - *“Medical diagnosis is the only relevant possibility and to avoid misunderstandings there could be a medical checking of independent body prior the*

event.” This is not possible, there aren’t enough medical experts in IOF to make this work.

- *“Declaration by the athlete’s national federation. It says that we have to verify that the athlete needs more than 40 minutes to walk 2500 meters. The test results give major differences based on where you perform the test. Because it’s different walking speed on track, road and path. The test will give different results based on the gradient (uphill, downhill, flat). There are no standards in the way the tests are coordinated now.” → **We agreed to change the rule: “2500m /40min under the condition in Trail orienteering course”***
 - *“It was suggested that we divide the Paralympic class in two sport classes. The suggestion is based on the International Paralympic Committee’s work on classifications.”* This suggestion could be possible in the future when we have more competitors. This was also the medical experts’ opinion.
 - *“Also new way to count maximum time limits was suggested.”* This suggestion is useful when the time limits are evaluated in the future.
- PreO Relay
 - We agreed to discuss this after Relay demonstration and also with TOAC in our meeting during WTOC 2014.
 - A level to make a protest
 - Good maps, course planning and professional event advisors are key elements in this matter.
 - The matter was discussed.
 - Clinics in the future
 - Clinics are reserved for EAs, development seminars are for organizers, new countries etc.
 - Clinics
 - Sweden, O-Ringen 2014
 - 2015 in Sweden (pre-WTOC), combined with Nordic Match
 - Sweden 2016 during WTOC?
 - Unofficial “European Cup” 2014
 - Evaluation
 - Finland, Lithuania and Latvia have so far (July 2014) organised a competition.

- In general people are taking part in competitions in different countries more than before.
 - It seems that many countries are developing better quality in their competitions by organising ECTO competitions. But for even better quality, why not ask event advisor from another country?
 - Starting times and result service is needed.
 - MF has already got some applications for 2015. The dead line for applications is the end of July.
- Update on future WTOCs
 - **2015 Croatia**
 - SEA Vibeke Vogelius, Assistant EA Lauri Kontkanen
 - Tue 23 June, Model Event 1, Opening Ceremony
 - Wed 24 June, PreO Day 1
 - Thu 25 June, TempO Qualification
 - Fri 26 June, TempO Final, Model Event 2
 - Sat 27 June, PreO Day 2, Award Ceremony, Closing Ceremony & Banquet
 - Sun 28 June, PreO Relay Demo Event
 - **2016 Sweden**
 - SEA Libor Forst, Assistant EA?
 - Dates to be confirmed
 - WOC 20.-27.8.2016
 - PreO Relay
 - **2018 Latvia, Riga**
- Regional Trail Orienteering Championships
 - European
 - 2014 Portugal
 - Report from SEAs and organizers were discussed.
 - It was agreed that TOC will send a report/comments to Council before October. SSN will write a report based on discussion in meeting.
 - 2016 Czech Republic
 - Dates 21-28 May
 - SEA Lars Jakob Waaler
- How can we recruit more young orienteers?

- We agreed to discuss this with TOAC.
- 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.*
 - MF has made contact with Sport Ident people from Germany.
 - Also the IT commission will discuss this issue in their meeting.

7. Competition 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.” → During 2014 study any need of changes of the Eligibility rules based on National Federations views collected in 2013.*
- *To propose rules changes for 2015 IOF Competition Rules to the Council by 15.10.2014.*
- We agreed to suggest a minor change to The Eligibility rule.

8. Organizers guidelines and other discipline related documents

- Organizer’s guidelines are prepared by VV. The document will be ready in few months and it’s based on three “levels”
 - Must know
 - Need to know
 - Nice to know.
- Information for planners to understand people with different kind of disabilities is prepared by VV. This will be ready latest on January 2015.
- Event Advisers’ Handbook for TrailO is prepared by RF. Ready?

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.*

- New version from ISOM will be released “soon”. We decided that MF will take contact to Map commission about “double location descriptions”. MF will write a document.

10. Accreditation of SEA/EA

- We decided to discuss this with TOAC.

11. Selection of SEA/EA for IOF events

12. Other matters

- No other matters.

13. Future Commission Meetings

- Next TOC meeting is in January 2015 in Finland.