



**President:** J.B.De Beer (RSA) **Vice-President** C.C.C. Cheshire, O.B.E. (GBR) **Secretary-General:** E.P.J.Harrison (GBR)

Minutes of the World Championships Committee Meeting held on 1 August 2015 at Camp Perry Ohio, USA

#### **WCC Committee Members Present**

**Chairman:** Mr D Flaharty (and as USA Council Member)

**Australia:** Ms. C. Berry

**Canada:** Mr. S. Bissonnette

**Channel Islands:** Mr. M Creber

**Great Britain:** Mr. J. Webster

**South Africa:** Mr. B. De Beer

**New Zealand:** Mr B. Mehrtens

#### **Affiliate Members:**

Japan: Mr Y Sakakibara

#### **Non-Voting Advisers:**

IRRG: Mr R Mullin

IRRG: Mr EPJ Harrison (also as S-G)

Barbados: Mr. Javid Benjamin

CI: Ms L Watson

ENG: Mr CCC Cheshire (also as VP)

GB: Mr C Brooks

Canada: Mr P Westlake

USA: Mr. W Walter

NZ: Mr R Mason

### **1. WCC Chairman's Opening Remarks**

1.1 The Chairman welcomed all the delegates to the Meeting. Special mention was made to Camp Perry having last hosted the 1976 Palma.

### **2. Minutes of 2011 WCC Meeting**

2.1 The Minutes were approved electronically following the 2011 World Championship Committee Meeting. No "Matters Arising" was proposed for discussion and the 2011 minutes were confirmed.

### **3. Palma 2019: New Zealand**

3.1 New Zealand provided an excellent audio-visual report on proposals for the 2019 Palma which included, among other things, a statement that the activities of Event Managers and the renovation of the ranges would NOT generate costs to be recovered from the competitors. WCC expressed its satisfaction with the proposals. NZL requested that potential competing nations should notify NZNRA of their intentions, and provide a point-of-contact: a form on which to provide necessary information was passed to representatives of competing nations for completion and return.

3.1.1 Electronic Targets (ETs) were discussed as a possible 2019 New Zealand application however the WCC thought the proposal was premature and refer the action to the full ICFA Council.

### **4. Palma 2023.**

4.1 South Africa presented its request to hold the 2023 World Long Range Championships and Palma Team Match. A full written application had been received from South Africa to host the 2023 Palma Match. WCC noted that South Africa had addressed every relevant point in the World Championship Management document and given the necessary undertakings, and approved the bid. It was noted that Great Britain would be 'due in turn' to host the 2027 Palma and was willing to do so. The SA bid was accepted by the WCC.

### **5. Australia Match.**

5.1 WCC discussed the application by Great Britain to host the Australia Match in 2021. No other applications had been received. WCC approved the requests and moved that this should go to the full Council for confirmation. South Africa provided information on the dates and arrangements for 2017.

### **6. Team Sizes.**

6.1 SABU requested all teams be reviewed for team size given the increasing difficulty of fielding full teams as presently defined.

6.2 No change was determined by the Veterans Committee thorough an electronic vote. No change for the Palma Team was also determined.

6.3 Canada proposed that the U-25 Team WC should revert to "one Team per Nation", and this was passed by 4 votes to 3. Note that this vote has come up three times since 2007. It was approved twice before for multiple teams in the spirit of promoting the Fullbore Sport in the next generation.

### **7. Canada U21/25 Individual.**

Canada had also proposed that the U-21/25 Individual WC should revert to its original scheduling of being shot concurrent with the host-nation preliminary matches (i.e. the same as for the Veterans WC). This achieved a 2:2 split vote in WCC and was referred to Council for determination.

### **8. U21/25 Age Cut-off Dates.**

8.1 Age cut-off dates were discussed to better define the timing of U21 or U25 age eligibility. This matter was referred to Council given # 7 above.

### **9. Palma Team Nomination Dates.**

9.1 It was agreed in WCC and referred to full council that the pre-nomination date for Palma Teams should be the end of day 1 of the Individual LRWC, rather than day 1 of the pre-meeting

**10. Nomination of the 2019 WCC Chairman.**

10.1 Mr. Malcolm Dodson from New Zealand was nominated and unanimously approved as the 2019 WCC Chairman.

**11. Any other business.** The Secretary General briefed the WCC on two minor rule clarifications which had been electronically approved by WCC prior to the meeting. Both were approved.

11.1 WCC Chairman presented the new Ian Cheeseman Memorial Trophy for the U25 Individual World Champion and the inclusion of new perpetual bases for both U25 Individual and Team trophies. It was proposed that the ICFRA Rules concerning these trophies should be edited to reflect the new names and dedications. WCC approved.

**12.** No further business arose. The WCC Chairman closed the Meeting at 16:00.