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- Members of the Sub-Committee for Popular Cross-Country Skiing

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**Minutes Online Meeting Sub-Committee for Popular Cross-Country Skiing,
GoToMeeting platform, 05.05.2021, 17:15 – 19:15 hrs CET**

Dear Ski Friends,

We are pleased to send you the Minutes of the Sub-Committee for Popular Cross-Country Skiing held online, 05.05.2021.

You are kindly asked to send any remarks to the FIS Nordic Office in Oberhofen until **31th May 2021**.

We would also like to take the opportunity of informing you that the Minutes are available on the Member Services section of the FIS Website: www.fis-ski.com.

Thank you very much for your valuable contribution. We wish you a nice autumn and winter season.

Kind regards,

Angelo Corradini
Chair Sub-Committee for Popular Cross-Country Skiing

(sent by e-mail without signature)

Enclosure: ment.

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Sub-Committee for Popular Cross-Country Skiing

AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Members present
3. Appointment of a secretary (proposal: Robert Peets, EST)
4. Approval of the agenda
5. Approval of the minutes of the meeting (ONLINE) 29.09.2020.
6. FIRST draft of the FIS TD list 2021/2022. – G.Kadykov.
7. Popular long distance races Season 2020 - 2021
 - 7.1.1 Short report of Juha Viljamaa - WL President.
 - 7.1.2 Visma Ski Classics – Short Report C.e.O. David Nilsson.
8. F.I.S. Point at Popular races:
 - 8.1.1 Only for races over 30 Km
 - 8.1.2 One competition per EVENT
 - 8.1.3 Organizer must tell FIS and NSA which is the main race.
9. Temperature Limit of -25° at popular races. Tommy Hoglund
 - 9.1.1 Limit still valid with double pole tech ??
 - 9.1.2 Set up of a working group
 - 9.1.3 Impact of Wind Chill
10. Other matter arising
11. Next meeting:

All proposals and decisions of the Sub-Committee are subject to the confirmation of the Cross-Country Committee on 21.05.2021 and to the approval of the FIS Council online meeting, 02.06.2021 (tbc)

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened on 05th May 2021 at 17:15 hrs CET.

2. Members present

Angelo Corradini, ITA

Tommy Hoglund, SWE

Agnieszka Adamcyk, POL

Aureli Bisbe, ESP

John Burrigde, NZE

Gary Furrer, SUI

Eiliv Furuli, NOR

Ivo Ivanic, SVK

Georgy Kadykov, RUS

Allan Marsland, AUS

Jose Miguel Ormeno, CHI

Robert Peets, EST

Lukas Sacher, CZE

Cami T. Graces, USA

William Trachsel, FRA

Juha Viljamaa, FIN

Po-Jen Wang, TPE

Georg Zipfel, GER

Petar Zografov, BUL

Open, ARG

Open, HUN

Remarks

Chair

not present

not present

not present

not present

not present

not present

not present

excused

Patrick Field, GBR

Honorary member / not present

Guests

Pierre Mignerey, Vegard Ulvang, Sandra Spitz, Doris Kallen, Michal Lamplot, David Nilsson, Anton Karlsson, Enzo Macor, Josephine Aschhoff, Mara Geissbühler

3. Appointment of a secretary (proposal: Robert Peets, EST)

The meeting approved the Chair's proposal to have Robert Peets (EST) as Secretary of the meeting.

4. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

5. Approval of the minutes of the meeting in (ONLINE), 29.09.2020.

Minutes approved

6. FIRST draft of the FIS TD list 2021/2022 – G. Kadykov

Mr. Kadykov presented long distance races TD list. Visma SkiClassics races will have less TD-s working during the season to have more consistent decision trough the season. Worldloppet, Euroloppet and other events TD-s were discussed with local

coordinator and mostly TD-s were selected from organizing country, to avoid traveling in covid situation.

7. Popular long distance races Season 2020 2021

7.1 Short report of Juha Viljamaa – WL President

Participation has dropped dramatically in last two seasons:

2019 - 123 000

2020 – 74 000 (9 000 virtual racers)

2021 – 31 000 (15 000 virtual racers)

7800 new unique participants

1733 skiers participated multiple races

122 skiers skied 7 or more races

80% virtual racers did races on skies

Only 26% of participant are women.

7.2 Visma Ski Classics – Short Report CEO David Nilsson

Original plan was 12 races – 8 races were held in season 2020/2021

Number of participating women is rising every year – this season it was 40%

Next season plan is to have 12 Pro Tour weekends and 40 races are joined Challenger program.

VSC has hired Anton Karlsson (former athlete) working as Sport Director. VSC wanna empower the TD role, to combine TD and RD tasks. Pierre Mignerey and Vegard Ulvang: TD-s must follow the ICR and control that race is organized according to the rules, they must be independent, this two positions can't be mixed.

8. F.I.S. Point at Popular races

8.1 Only for races over 30 Km

8.2 One competition per EVENT

8.3 Organizer must tell FIS and NSA which is the main race

Proposal: fis penalty can be calculated in all races where following criterias are full filled: minimum 30 km distance and 5 fis licensed athletes finishing the race.

9. Temperature Limit of -25° at popular races – Tommy Hoglund

Discussion to lower existing -25 to -20 degrees in popular races.

Proposal: Tommy Höglund proposed to not make any quick decision, we need to analyze it.

Decision: Working group will be created and after deeper analyze proposal will be presented in Autumn Zürich meeting. Working group members: Tommy Höglund (Chairman), Anton Karlsson (athlete), Enzo Macor (race organizer), Georgy Kadykov, one member will be selected from FIS medical committee.

10. Other matter arising

Georgy Kadykov presented following rule corrections:

NEW 387.5 In competition with Block (wave) start, early start infraction should be sanctioned by time penalty equal to the time gained (actual wave start time minus actual offender's start time) + 30 minutes minimum penalty.

381.7 must be removed – FIS Marathon cup doesn't exist anymore.

11. Next meeting

In autumn 2021

Robert Peets
Secretary of the meeting

Angelo Corradini
Chair