

## **ENGLISH COACHING ACM NO.6 - MINUTES**

### **6<sup>th</sup> March 2010 – Holme Pierrepont**

#### **Present:**

Steve Scorer (SS), Lara Tipper (LT), Simon Hitchcox (SH), Andy Hall (AH), Andy Maxted (AM), Andy Oughton (AO), Anthony Bloor (AB), Bryan Stevens (BS), Carl Halliday (CH), Chris Davies (CD), Christopher Hill (CSH), Clive Marfleet (CM), Colin Broadway (CB), Dave Bateman (DB), Dave McEneaney (DE), Gary Denton (GD), Gavin Lewis (GL), Ian Bell (IB), Ian McMullen (IM), James Hinves (JH), Janet Cartwright (JC), Jeff Toser (JT), John Lucas (JL), Keith Shuttleworth (KS), Ken Hughes (KH), Luke Smallman (LS), Stuart Briggs (SB), Stuart Gibbon (SG), Tony Laws (TL).

#### **Apologies:**

Adrian green (AG), Andrew Pearson (AP), Brian Aplin (BA), Chris Childs (CC), Dave Barker (DBR), Dave Cook (DC), Dave Hopwood (DH), David White (DW), Derek Hairon (DHN), Dick Constable (DC), Gareth Field (GF), Gary Peverill (GP), Gavin Smallbone (GS), Ian Dallaway (ID), Ian Holmes (IH), Jenna Sanders (JS), Jo Hardill (JHL), John-Paul Eatock (JPE), Kevin Richardson (KR), Mark Brian (MB), Mark-Jan Dielemans (MJD), Matt Bishop (MBP), Mike Sunderland (MS), Nicola Smith (NS), Ozzie Higgins (OH), Paul Booker (PB), Paul Hurrell (PH), Paul Sutton (PS), Peter Pendlebury (PP), Richard Longstaff (RL), Richard Simpson (RS), Rob Yates (RY), Robin Oakly (RO), Simon Westerman (SW), Steve Newton (SN), William Hanham (WH).

#### **Annual Report from the English Coaching Manager and ECMC Chair**

SS gave the group an update from ECMC, starting off with performance goals and how the ECMC has been expanded to represent regions, disciplines, and other aspects of the sport gain full representation.

The role of the ECMC was explained in the decision making process: LCO – RCO – RDT (inc. PDO and SDO) – ECMC – UKCMC...

SS discussed the recent ECMC report that had input from each of the regional teams including statistics – these were circulated at the meeting and will follow to those who were both present and not via e-mail. Minutes from ECMC are circulated via SH and also published on the Canoe England website.

There were discussions about the BCU Governance and Management Review and the impacts this will have on the ECMC moving forward. This review was being discussed by the BCU board at 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010 and recommendations being agreed. Once these recommendations have been ratified or rejected and the changes are available for public consumption then LT will inform the group. It was noted that the English voluntary coaching network (LCO - RCO - ECMC – UKCMC) is a crucial element of the coaching decision making process within the BCU. It is also a critical line of communication for our members to voice their opinions.

LT circulated a paper of the ECMC in terms of statistics, targets, where it was noted that Canoe England are currently exceeding the targets set to them by Sport England in relation to funding levels.

CB raised the issue of 'retiring coaches' however, it was agreed that this would not be necessary as the figures which relate to the Sport England funding are based on numbers not percentages. It was suggested though that the criteria noted by CB were possibly used as guidelines for contacting (or not contacting) coaches.

LT reminded everyone of the requirements of the BCU Disclosure Policy and Child Protection Training Requirements that come into effect at the end of the year (2010). RCO / LCO's will be able to sign-off paperwork (section X) on the CRB application forms. All to promote and support coaches in achieving these requirements.

### **Election of English Coaching Management Committee (ECMC) Chairman**

Steve Scorer was up for re-election. IM proposed SS, seconded by JL – this was carried by the attendees. It was agreed by all that when the position of Chair or Vice Chair becomes up for re-election then this should be circulated to the group asking for nominations (and profile) for the role and these should then be circulated to the group prior to the meeting.

### **To consider any motions amending the rules**

It was discussed and agreed by the attendees that paid Canoe England staff such as PDO's / SDO's should attend English Coaching ACM, but not be allowed to vote. ECMC Terms of Reference to be amended.

Point 9 of the ECMC Terms of Reference should also include the Channel Isles.

### **Recommendations to the ECMC**

- Request for a review of 3 Star Touring Assessor requirements and the development of a route for assessors who are not qualified in both Canoe and Kayak
- The Coach Update scheme was recognised as a positive programme that we should continue to support and promote
- We should continue to support our membership through active RCOs and LCOs
- Request review of the BCU volunteer mileage rate (LT to take to EMT)
- 'Inactive' RCO's / LCO's these should be chased if these are not responding or seem to be 'inactive' in their role – if there is no response then this should be taken as read that they will no longer continue in their role. These should be chased by post, e-mail, and phone by RCO / PDO / SDO - this was agreed by all present.

Date of next meeting Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

Minutes agreed by email (CB, IB, KH)

**Meeting Closed**