



Standing Committee Meeting AUGUST 7TH, 2022, at 0930

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Minutes

1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Marcus Wuest opened the meeting & welcomed all in attendance.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/ROLL CALL

Apologies: Phil Lustig, Joe Connolly, Kim Bowden, Norway, Wales, Italy, Belgium.

HQ attendees: Marcus Wuest, Warren Doyle, Andy Smith, Joe Edward.

Sections represented: Iceland, Sweden, South Africa, Denmark, Gibraltar, Germany, Scotland, England, Ireland.

3. BEREAVEMENTS

Notification received for the passing of:

Kristbjorn Raffnsson, Iceland & Marianna Sperlinger, Germany. May they rest in peace.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST SC MEETING APRIL 9TH 2022

Taken as read. HQ/Ireland.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

Russia position. Remains as is, per April SC meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Section reports received from several sections. (Appended to AGM minutes.)

7. RESULTS PROGRAMME

The new EFSA England programme has now been trialled extensively & has worked very well in these trials. The fact that it is cloud based still raises concerns. It was mooted that trials be carried out by other sections before recommending it as the EFSA preferred programme. The question of cost was raised but could not be answered at the meeting. EFSA England will report back to HQ.

8. Festival Officers' Updates/Reports

GAME FESTIVAL OFFICER'S REPORT

Review of Championships held at Mindelo, Sao Vicente, Capo Verde – 25th to 28th April 2022

After a three year wait, the Championships were held as planned. Fifty four anglers took part, fishing on eighteen boats and a total of ninety nine blue marlin were caught. The event was won by Team Dakar with 7100 points. Heartfelt congratulations to EFSA Netherlands who organised an excellent event under extremely difficult circumstances. A full report can be seen on the Website

2024 Championships – Simon's Town, Cape Town, South Africa - 13th May to 18th May 2024

The proposal is for a four days competition with three anglers per boat, fishing for Yellowfin tuna/ Longfin tuna. Costs should be in the region of £1,960 Euros per head including fishing, all food and drink, welcome celebration and gala dinner. 30 boats will be available (90 competitors). The competition is being organised by Nick Nel of SADSAA and a brochure should be available early in 2023.

Future Championships – No Proposals to date

Warren Doyle has investigated holding the Championships in the Donegal region of Ireland but it is proving difficult to get a satisfactory number of boats.

Any other proposals from Sections are welcome.

An observation was made about the rule regarding allowing only 4 persons from a 5 person team on a boat in Cape Verde. This did not make sense given the costs involved for entry, travel & accommodation. It was agreed to examine rules more closely in future.

Shore:

Just a few quick lines still waiting to hear back from Massimo and the Italian Section. Miranda has told me that it is ok for 2023 11th-13th May they are waiting for the Dutch Fed. To put there dates out as they are hosting the Junior World Championships if there is a problem, they will move it to November. 2024 Shore in Wales work in progress hope to have more info by Sardinia.

Phil Lustig.

Boat:

Boat Festival Report

Nothing much has happened in the last few years apart from the Boat Species Championship in Iceland in May this year this was very successful a lot of big fish were caught a full report and pictures has been sent to all section secretaries A big thanks to Iceland for running this event. The full report will be put on the website in due course.

Future events will be read out at this meeting after the delegates confirm Competitions that have not been approved at past Standing Delegates Meeting.

My health has not been good for the last few years but hopefully I should get back to normal "Do not Laugh".

If any section is interested in running a Championship, they can contact myself if they want to discuss this.

This can be discussed in confidence. I am here to help all sections regarding running a Championship.

I must wish EFSA Denmark a successful Championship

Joe Connolly

EFSA Festival officer Boat.

Future Events Update.

Boat:

Iceland 2022. Species. Very good event. Report on website.

Denmark 2022. 63 entries, 3 boats. Clarification given for (a) Hook size – Size 14 agreed. (b) Silky method for garfish is not permitted. There must be a hook. (c) There will be no bait fishing.

Ireland 2023. Boat & Line. 5 day event. 2 days line class. 16th to 23rd September. Cobh, Co. Cork. Brochure expected end of September.

England 2023. Species (Bream). 7/8 July, Weymouth.

England 2024. Boat & Line. 5 day event. 2 days Line Class. 7th to 14th September. Weymouth.

Langeland 2024. Possible small boat event. No details.

There are no further applications currently.

Shore:

Sardinia 2022. Brochure has been circulated. Closing date for entries extended to September 10th.

Netherlands 2023. Noordwijk 11th to 13th May, probable dates.

Wales 2024. Work in progress.

Game:

South Africa 2024. Simonstown. 13th to 18th May.

9. DRONES/ASSISTED BAIT DELIVERY. PROPOSED RULE.

Mechanical or assisted bait delivery of any kind is prohibited including but not limited to drones, kites, balloons, mini boats, rockets etc. Drones are not to be used by competitors or management teams at any time during competitions.

Passed. HQ/Iceland. This will be presented to the AGM.

10. Yearbook.

There has not been a yearbook printed for 2 years due to covid & other issues. The cost is now a real issue.

It was agreed to print a full 'souvenir' issue in 2023 & thereafter a digital version.

11. Officer's Reports.

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Supplies Officer:

Joe Edward read a very comprehensive report to the meeting (appended to AGM minutes). He said he was sad to be standing down from the position at the next AGM & asked sections to find a replacement.

Following on from his suggestion that a venue bar be introduced for the Boat Species Championship the initiative was accepted & passed. HQ/Gibraltar.

PRO:

Andy Smith who has been doing this job since Dmitry Baturin stood down reported that he was having severe difficulty when trying to contact the web master.

No applications have been received for the position. Andy agreed to continue until someone applied.

Treasurer's Report:

2021 Financial Report

The accounts for 2021 have been checked and signed off.

They show a loss of almost £2000. The reason being it was agreed at our EFSA HQ meeting that due to the events of 2020 that for 2021 the HQ Levy will not be payable. Also, there were no events income in 2021.

Of note in the accounts our bank decided to cancel all Euro accounts, so the balance was transferred to Sterling. So, until we can look at possibility of a different bank we will have to conduct all transactions in Sterling.

We are still in a strong financial position and now we are on the other side of the effects of Covid, this year should be a return to normal business.

My apologies I have not been able to attend the meetings or the Championship, but this is due to a family commitment, on this occasion any expenses will need to be emailed to me along with bank details, that is IBAN and BIC codes for non-sterling payments.

In closing I wish Denmark a successful Championship.

Secretary's Report:

Warren Doyle reported that 2021/2022 had been a very busy time & it had been a very fast 2 years. The monthly HQ zoom meetings had been a huge help in reducing the business required at face to face meetings – SC & AGM. They had also been helpful in compiling the revised constitution & rules now ready for presentation to the AGM. He advised that the new constitution, if passed would separate the AGM & SC meeting from the boat championships. This will allow sections to run an event with fewer days required

thereby reducing costs for competitors. He said that the yearbook was going to be a challenge as there is currently no editor in place.

Concluding he wished EFSA Denmark a successful championship.

President/Chairman's Report.

Welcome to Helsingør,

It is good to be able to meet in person again at our usual event. I have fond memories of Helsingør as I have fished here numerous times with EFSA Germany and European events. The last time was in 2015 for the flatfish species championships.

This is the 2nd time since COVID restrictions came in that we can gather in person. I would have liked to see more member attending, though.

Fishing is back in full swing with the 2022 Game championships and Species Championships already behind us. We are looking forward to this week's boat championships and the shore championships in Sardinia, Italy, later this year.

Due to world politics, we have had a few changes in HQ with officers stepping down. We have so far managed to plug the holes, but we will need your support going forward.

In October I plan to visit our main sponsor, Italcanna in Italy. Hopefully I will have the opportunity to meet Horst there too and celebrate a proper handover.

Thanks to my fellow HQ officers for their tremendous amount of work that is getting unnoticed at times. I wish EFSA Denmark a fantastic competition with no hiccups.

Marcus Wüst

13. Any other relevant business.

RSA delegates brought up the issue of visas. They said it is taking a huge amount of time & effort for both the host section & RSA. It was agreed to look at a 'Pro-Forma' type application form to address the issue. RSA to send example.

Fundraising. Marcus Wuest emphasised the importance of fundraising into the future.

14. Date & venue for next Standing Committee Meeting & AGM.

25th of March 2023 will be the preferred date. Venue: Dublin, Ireland if it can be arranged otherwise it will revert to London Welsh Rugby Club. Decision before year end.

Attendees:

NAME	SECTION
W. Doyte	Ireland/H.Q.
Thorir Svendsen	ICELAND
Kjartan Gunnarsson	Sweden
STEPHAN HÖSTEN	SWEDEN
Daniel Hughe (RSA)(SAOSA)	South Africa.
OCKZE THEUNSEN	SOUTH AFRICA LTB.
Martin Hobart	Denmark
Valeme Balban	Gibraltar
JESUS BAIBAN	— " —
Katharina Illi	Deutschland
JOE EDWARD	H.Q.
ANDY SMITH	ENGLAND/HQ.
MARCUS	HQ

