

2012 Southern Region Summer Meeting Minutes

Friday, July 27, 2012

7:15pm

Hampton Inn, Paducah, KY 42001

Opening & Call to Order:

There is a sign in sheet being passed around – Please sign in

We would like to thank our Hosts the Kentucky Lake Ski Nuts – Joe and Cathy Burkhead, Pat Coomes and Bobby Hill (along with their wives) as Tournament Directors. Behind the scenes are the Bryant's, Bill Colp registration and the rest of the Ski Nuts Bob, Carl and the gang. We also want to thank the Kentucky Water Ski Federation that kicked in and did so much behind the scenes. Without that type of state support a successful Regionals could not be held.

To give people a chance to arrive we will move some of the topics around to keep things going.

Appointment of Parliamentarian - Kirby Whetsel

Roll Call:

EVP - Bob Archambeau

Directors – Chris Eller, Lyman Hardy

AL – Bob Schouten, Milton Weathers, Jazmine Mosley (Bob Schouten – Pres)

FL – Gordon West, Brenda Baldwin, Stan Switzer, Mark Griffin, Jody Seal
(Gordon West- Pres)

GA – Elaine Guarino, Ray Crenshaw, Craig Nolan (C Nolan – Pres)

KY – Pat Coomes, Tim McKune, Joe Burkhead (E Kelley – Pres)

NC – Jerry Hargis, (CE, BA) (C Eller – Pres)

SC – Jeanette van Akelijen, Rob van Akelijen

TN – Julie Yancey, Kirby Whetsel, Ham Wallace (K Whetsel – Pres)

There were an additional 15 people in attendance signing the attendance sheet

Announcement of Quorum: Per Kirby Whetsel - we have a quorum

Review and Approval of Agenda – There were no changes to the agenda - approved

Review and Approval of Winter Mtg Minutes – 2011 Winter Meeting Minutes were approved by
Motion / Second / and Vote

Report of Executive Vice President: (Bob Archambeau) Our winter meeting is our “business meeting”. Reports and Updates are critical, but this meeting should be more creative and we should be sharing ideas to help build our sport across the Region. We had a number of tournaments cancelled due to storms this year, but we also had almost as many cancelled due to Officials shortages and a couple from skier shortages. We are critically short in the areas of Tech Controllers / Safety / and Scorers. We need to begin to mentor people to into these roles. TC's are becoming harder to get – their numbers are shrinking and the time and expense of personal equipment is alarming. Go out and find people interested in these positions and mentor them into becoming officials. The same goes with skiers. We need to figure out a way to bring in more participants. In North Carolina a club hosts a learn to ski” clinic every Thursday in the summer as a way to bring in skiers. Another state has more INT skiers than they do 3 event – which is causing them concern. We need to look at ways to energize our events to bring in more participants. Florida, not to pick on you, but you may want to consider hosting more Class C tournaments as a way to boost numbers. Please consider ways to increase the number of officials and participants in our sport so we can grow.

Treasurer's Report: (Jeff Clark) As of today we have \$2507.00 in our checking account and \$75,302 in the Money Market account for a total of \$77,810 in total assets. These amounts do not reflect what is being held for Junior Development as they have a deficit amount but will be in great shape once we can deposit what was brought in last night at the Junior Development banquet. The Treasurers Report was approved by Motion / Second / and Vote.

Election (EVP / National Director / Alternates)

For EVP – Bob Archambeau - No other nominations presented

Council moved nominations be closed and ballot cast / Seconded / Voted / Approved

EVP (Alternate) – Jim Jaquess - No other nominations presented

Council moved nominations be closed and ballot cast / Seconded / Voted / Approved

National Director – Lyman Hardy - No other nominations presented

Council moved nominations be closed and ballot cast / Seconded / Voted / Approved

National Director (Alternate) – Leon Larson - No other nominations presented

Council moved nominations be closed and ballot cast / Seconded / Voted / Approved

Report of Federation Presidents: A motion was made that all Federation Reports would have an automatic second and vote to approve.

AL: Bob Schouten - Officers remain the same – no elections

President: Bob Schouten / Secretary: Debbie Miller / Treasurer: Shauna Crenshaw

Council: Milton Weathers / Jay Estes / Bob Schouten

2012 so far has been an up and down year.

On the down side,

- Alabama has only had 4 tournaments this year and we have had 3 tournaments cancelled.

On the up side,

- We had a great State Tournament hosted by Buck Lake in Chelsea , AL
- We filled up a junior clinic located on Lake Martin (instructor –Jon Travers)
- We had an big officials clinic along with a second Junior Clinic at Faith Lake in Shorter
- A novice slalom clinic on Lake Martin was a huge 2 day event.

Looking ahead in 2012, Alabama has 7 tournaments left with two of them being Record Tournaments. The record tournaments are at LymanLand and Ski Chaste. Also, we have a new host site named Divorce Lake in Valley, AL

We look forward to these events and adding more next year.

Comments: Look at the distance between one day tournaments in the same state / region. Better communication or communication for planning. Consider

FL: Gordon West - As usual we are having another busy year with tournaments starting in early Spring and scheduled through early Fall. Florida once again hosting most of the tournaments held in the Southern Region.

Our State Championships were once again hosted at Ski Paradise. As in the past, they did a great job. This year's inductee's to our FWSF Hall of Fame were Leon Larson & Corey Pickos along with Wade Cox & Larry Meddock from AWSEF Hall of Fame inductions. Elections of Officers were held and results are as follows: Gordon West, Pres., Mark Griffin, V.P., Diana Griffin, Sec., & Jeff Clark, Treas. Our S.R. council persons are: Jody Seal (NFL) Stan Switzer (CFL) and Dennis Longo (SFL) and Gordon West, Pres. / Council (CFL). There were once again multiple state records broken.

Still to come is the Nationals at West Palm Beach and the Big Dawg finals. Coming up in September is the "Soaked" pro event in Orlando at Lake Eola in downtown and the much anticipated "Rocketman" Night Jump in October at Lake Grew sponsored by Fluid Ski & Sports. And the Pan Am's in Santa Rosa Beach, FL.

I would like to thank Jeff Clark for keeping all our records straight and our website up to date.

GA: Craig Nolan - 2011-2012 has been a great year for water skiing in Georgia. There were six sanctioned tournaments held this summer in Georgia. There is a couple more scheduled after Nationals.

The primary focus of the Georgia Federation this year has been Junior Development and promoting the development of more officials. The Georgia Federation sponsored two Junior Development clinics organized by our Junior Development Coordinator, Kim Bryans, which included Brenda Baldwin as coach. Kim also worked with Whitestone for a Friday morning practice before the State Championship tournament. I again, want to thank Ray Crenshaw for his continuous support for the junior and Adult Development in Georgia as well as the rest of the Southern Region.

The Federation has made the development of officials another top priority. George Obser hosted an Officials clinic that consisted of scoring, judging, driving, and safety, this past April which was attended by over twenty participants. Many from that same clinic have been working tournaments all summer earning credits and will be upgrading their ratings. We would like to extend our thanks to Craig Bryans for organizing this clinic.

The elected officials for GWSF for the 2011-2012 Ski Season were as follows:

President:	Craig Nolan	Regional Council:	Craig Bryans
Vice President:	James Cawthern		Ray Crenshaw
Sec/Treas:	No Appointment		Elaine Guarino
Junior Dev Coord:	No Appointment		

2012-2013 looks to be another exciting ski year. Along with more great junior and adult clinics, we will really put our focus on the recruitment of new Georgia Families and juniors. We will work with local ski sites, and their local municipalities, to promote tournaments to be held in their cities. Our goal is to get people to watch first and then join in on the fun.

Comments: Post activities on the Southern Region Web Site.

KY: Eric Kelley – Kentucky has had a good year. Last year memberships were down but we have brought them back up. Junior skiers have really helped this out. The kids are bringing their parents and everyone is becoming involved. The whole state came together with having the Regionals. We had an advanced Water Ski clinic with Brenda Baldwin and we had a 1 day clinic just before our State. We had the usual amount of tournaments this year and Paducah has really stepped up to have all their tournaments as well as States and Regionals. We appreciate all your support in coming here and we thank you for being here. Officers remain the same. Next year, we will be having an Officials clinic over one weekend (probably in Paducah) to keep our officials current.

Comments: Paducah and the State of Kentucky have done a wonderful job in hosting this event. We need to better communicate the clinics between the States (maybe on the web site). Maybe a Southern Region Facebook Page. I-Contact is also another good communication tool. Need to sanction earlier to post.

NC: Chris Eller – The North Carolina Water Ski Association hosted one Junior Development clinic at Lake Magnolia with 25 skiers and 10 volunteers. This included big sponsors to cover the costs of the clinic. We started the Gary Pressley Scholarship Award given out to a Junior Skier and also completed a Legacy Donation through AWSEF for Gary. Tommy Harrington was selected for induction into the NCWSA Water Ski Hall of Fame. The NC State Championships were held at Beaver Lake and were a huge success. On Friday they hosted a Night Jump and we had well over 500 spectators. Next year they will be hosting the Collegiate All Stars in the spring. All of our State Officers were re-elected for another term.

SC: Jeanette Van Akelijen (for Scott Snape) - Seth Stisher hosted a spring Junior Development clinic which kicked off our year and was well attended. In May we hosted a Free Ski Day in the hopes to spark interest in former Collegiate Skiers and bring them back to competition. It was surprisingly well attended and we did get 4+ skiers back into the sport. We have 6 tournaments scheduled this year. Our election of officers will be held in the next month or so.

TN: Ham Wallace / Kirby Whetsel – We had a great State Tournament at John Carder's place. Great skiing and performances as well as great food were the highlights. Election of officers is pretty much the

same. Our Juniors raised about \$2K this year and the group has just been phenomenal. Next years State tournament will be over at the Stallings site.

Committee Reports

Tellers: Gerald Kirschner – There were no write in nominations for EVP (and Alternate) and National Director (and Alternate) this year. Absentee ballots were tabulated in case a vote was required

Awards: Michele Seal – There was nothing new to report

Bylaws: SR, AWSA, USA-WS: Jeff Clark – There has been no recommendations for change to the Southern Region By-Laws or P&P / the committee for AWSA has not made any requests for change / and there have been no recommendations for USA-WS for changes or additions to By-Laws. We are good.

International Activities: Stan Switzer – At the IAC meeting we decided to change back to the original Team Trials concept. We did that this year and held the Team Trials at Headquarters with the help of Fluid Motion (Scot & Kyle). We were able to select the Junior Team / Under 21 Team. We also selected the Under 13 Team and the Over 35 Team for worlds (not at the Team Trials). There is still the “5 bonus skiers” we have to select but we will be doing that after the Nationals. A question was raised on how teams are selected. It can be found on the AWSA web site. Look down the left hand column to find Athlete Resources => Team Selection => Policies and Procedures and you will find it under the Team you are looking for.

Judges/Scorers Qualifications: Ray Crenshaw – The National Judges/Scorers clinic was small this year and we are looking at ways to bring more interest to that clinic. The Policy Manuel was updated and all the Tests have been re-done after the new rule book came out, so they are current (Ray has taken that lead role to get this done). The Scorers test is being re-worked and will be updated shortly. Across the country we still need to hold more clinics – there is a specific shortage out West. On-Line clinics are currently available. A full version is found in the Appendix of the Minutes

Rules: No Report

Technical: Jerry Jackson has presented an in depth report which can be found in the Appendix of the Minutes

Coaches Advisory: No Report

Junior Development: Elaine Guarino – We had a clinic for our 24 member Junior Team in May at Whitestone Lakes. 15 members of the team attended, and our coaches were Brenda Baldwin and Stephen Seal. The Travers’s also hosted a 2 day clinic in April for any kids that skied in Regional’s last year.

We did an auction and raffle this year that netted approximately \$5K. We gave all of the Juniors that skied in the 2012 Southern Regional’s, mini backpacks and the 24 member team received bag chairs.

Amy Newman will be taking over Junior Development for 2013, and I will be supporting her through the transition. I will be co-chairing National Junior Development with Kerry Morgan.

Safety: Scott Crenshaw – There will be some new on-line updates and requirements to be posted soon.

Tournament Seeding: Kirby Whetsel – Being new to the role there in not much to report as there are still things to learn. Remember on Wednesdays after Tournaments you will be receiving an automated request to turn in your scorebooks if you haven’t already. Besides the reminder, I will also get with you if something is missing.

Skiers Rating: Tommy Newman – Tommy is rolling into this position from Joel Norton and there has been no new activity to report.

Boat Drivers: Ham Wallace – Everything is pretty quiet right now. I want to thank my Regional Driving Team. They have done a great job and have made my job this year easy. ZO will be coming out with a new revision that will require drivers / judges to ask skiers setting questions. We continue to look at ways to better driving skills and testing. Next year will be the big change due to the additional insurance requirements for Trained and Tournament drivers. There will have to be a lot of additional clinics to get everyone up to date.

Towboat/ Speed Control: Greg Webb - The Towboat web site has been updated to give the latest information on towboats and speed control systems. There is a new Zero Off Resources tab, instruction presentation with manuals and charts. We've already talked about revision R for ZO. Tow Boat tests are scheduled for October this year at Headquarters – Lake Grew.

Announcers: Hank Longo - Only new news with announcers is that Ryan Nason has replaced Tom Mecham as Western Region Representative. Otherwise we are just moving along recruiting new announcers. Chris Clark is Chief Announcer of Midwest Region and John Fowler is Chief Announcing his first Southern Regionals.

AWSEF: Jeff Clark – The American Water Ski Educational Foundation (AWSEF) has had a very busy and productive year.

Thanks to our faithful members and sponsors the foundation is doing well. The 2011 Hall of Fame Awards banquet was held in April at the Lakeland Civic Center. As in past years it was well attended.

Five scholarships were awarded in 2011, the first in the amount of \$3000, the others for \$1500.

1. The Barbara Bolding/Jim Grew scholarship to Caroline Hensley, Hixson, Tennessee
2. The Correct Craft scholarship to Maddy Baldwin, Shakopee, Minnesota
3. The MasterCraft scholarship to Emily Van Treese of Sidney, Ohio
4. The Tim Olson memorial scholarship to Brandon Furey, Clearwater, Minnesota
5. The Jennifer Odom/David Kammerer memorial scholarship to Jonathan Paulovich, Hewitt, NJ

The deadline for the 2012 scholarship applications is March 1st and applications can be found on the AWSEF website.

The website www.waterskihalloffame.com has been redone and is very informative. It provides a much needed way for members and other interested people to see what the foundation is all about and information about our various scholarships and programs. We have a Facebook page as well.

Lake Grew is being leased to Fluid Ski and Sports, owned by Scot Ellis and Kyle Eade. Besides using the world class lake for their ski school they've hosted many tournaments and clinics. The new women's world jump record of 188 feet was set at a tournament this past season. The 2012 US junior and 17 to 20 water ski team trials will be held at Lake Grew in June.

Fundraisers include a legacy program whereby individuals, families, clubs, or anyone else can be honored permanently on the web site with words and a photo.

A new brick 'walk of fame' program is being started. Bricks in various sizes are available for purchase. A raffle is under way now and will be held during the next two years. This year's drawing will be held on January 27th for the \$5000.00 grand prize as well as other cash prizes. Tickets are still available.

This past November a "Ski With The Legends" day was held at Lake Grew. More than 20 skiers showed up in early November for a day of skiing, coaching, and socializing with the likes of legends Lucky Lowe, Kris LaPoint and his wife Jennifer Leachman LaPoint, Ricky McCormick, Cory Pickos, Les Todd, Jack Travers, and Deena Mapple. Another event is planned for 2012.

The 2012 Hall of Fame banquet in April will be honoring inductees Sherri Slone and Wade Cox and Award of Distinction honorees Bob Maher, Larry Meddock, Lance Renfrow, Don Thomson, and Mike Tolzman.

Also planned during the Hall of Fame weekend are a golf tournament and a ski tournament.

Old Business: There was no old business to discuss

New Business: Lyman announced that he will be putting in a bid for the 2013 Regionals to be held at LymanLand in Duncanville, AL. He has been in touch with hotels and the sports commission in Tuscaloosa and will have more details at a later time.

A new and exciting format for slalom tournaments have been running in Ohio and are now being reviewed by the rules committee for any exceptions that they may need to consider. It is based on a series of tournaments and it is handicapped in such a way that anyone can win. Scores are posted from the 6 "stops" and they do have a final format to decide a winner of the series. It is enjoyed by everyone and we need to find out more about it.

Virginia has a similar format and has been enjoyed there for several years

Both have really increased the number of skiers and should be considered by sites as something to consider to increase membership in the sport.

Adjourn: A motion was made to adjourn / Seconded / and passed.

Appendix -

AWSA Judges and Scorers Committee Report 2012 Summer Board Meeting

To: AWSA Board of Directors

From: Gordon Hall, Chair, Judges and Scorers Committee

A. National Senior Judges and Scorers Clinic: Turnout was low at February's clinic at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. It is time to re-invent this clinic, and we're looking for ways. Ideas: Expand it to include other officials, provide new topics, combine it with other social activities or business meetings (e.g. regional mid-winter meetings, boat shows), make it more interactive, etc. We must give folks a reason to want to come to this, and in person. Please give us your input.

B. Hardship & Reinstatement Requests: Downgrades for the biennial reporting period became effective Jan. 1, 2012, with a grace period through May 1, 2012. Pro-active efforts to save and reinstate our valued officials were made during the grace period, with about 15 hardship applications approved. All required completion of online training system & quiz.

C. Policy manual updates and clarifications. Many of our recently downgraded members are looking for the easiest way to regain their ratings. This has necessitated many clarifications of policy, especially in the areas of fast-tracking, hardships, and reinstatement. With Melanie's hard work, all forms and policy materials have been updated for consistency with our current Policy Manual. Most had not been updated since 2008 or earlier.

D. Updated all Written Tests: Made a thorough review of all written tests, including review by the Rules Committee. Both Scorer's Tests (Regular and Senior) were revamped for the first time since 2008.

E. Online Training system: We have added and modified questions to our current library of online training quizzes. It is being used extensively and successfully for approved Hardship requests, with about 15 clinic credits awarded via

this system during the first half of this year. We continue to look for additional online training materials, particularly in the practical part of our Slalom and Jump Modules. We are constantly looking for volunteer help to do this, or ways to borrow existing materials from other sources, where possible. Goal: Double the amount of online training materials by the end of year.

F. Clinic Credit via the Online Training system: We are divided into two camps when it comes to this idea. Many of our officials ask, “Why do you force me to spend an entire Saturday, drive 100 miles, just to do something that could easily be done online?” On the other hand, many others believe that there are real differences in the amount, quality, and retention of learning that occurs online, versus in a live, interactive group setting. What both camps agree on is that the amount and breadth of our current online training materials need to be increased significantly. Once that is done, it may be possible to expand the use of the online clinic and quiz modules beyond their current application, which is for approved hardship cases only.

G. Mentoring Program: We are making efforts to encourage our more experienced judges to meet, work together, and establish mentoring relationships that will improve the quality of our officiating.

a. At tournaments: Tournaments are the best, logical place for mentoring of new officials to occur. For example, a good CJ or Assignments judge should go out of his way to assign newer judges with more experienced ones. Rather than sitting two seniors who already know each other very well on a remote slalom tower, assign a veteran with a newbie, and watch the mentoring occur! At this year’s Regionals, each Regional committee member was tasked with working with their respective Regionals Assignments Judge to encourage this when making assignments.

b. At clinics: Our in-person clinics are another logical place to foster mentoring relationships (see related topic above). We’re updating our clinic materials to include suggested activities, seating arrangements, and group assignments that encourage the sharing of our senior officials’ skills, and development of mentoring relationships among our officials.

J. Current Committee Members: <u>Region</u>		<u>Position</u>
Clarence Swift	E	Member (new; replacing Bill Baker)
Ray Crenshaw	S	Member
Floyd McCreight	SC	Member
Jeffrey Smith	MW	Member
Tom Nathan	W	Member
Alex Lauretano	AAC	Ath Rep
Mandy Nightingale	AAC	Ath Rep
Gordon Hall	SC	*Chair
Carol Boice	W	*Consultant
Jim Grew	WSDA	*Consultant
* non-voting		

K. Officials Statistics: Kudos to the Southern and Western regions, that have each added 6 new Senior Judges! They are leading in new Assistants as well. NEW OFFICIALS, JAN - JUNE 2012	<u>EAST</u>	<u>SOUTH</u>	<u>S CENT</u>	<u>MIDWES T</u>	<u>WEST</u>	<u>FOREIGN</u>	<u>TOTAL US</u>
New Ast Judges	4	7	6	2	9	0	28
Upgrades to Reg Judge	0	1	1	0	1	1	4
Upgrades to Sen Judge	0	6	0	0	6	2	14
Upgrades to Emeritus Judge	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
New Ast Scorers	2	2	0	3	1	0	8

Upgrades to Reg Scorer	0	1	2	1	1	0	5
Upgrades to Sen Scorer	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Upgrades to Emeritus Scorer	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

2012 Summer AWSA Technical Committee Report 7/17/12

2012 Nat'l Records as of 7/13/12: 10 new records (3 approved, 7 pending).

Rule/Interpretation of 8.03 (Skies): AWSA BOD did approve the TC Rule Interpretation for 8.03 as written on 1/12. However, the AWSA BOD requested that the rule be re-written to clarify without an interpretation requirement. Rule 8.03 was re-written (AWSA Rule Book, edition 4/5/12) by the Rule Committee with the TC Chairmen approval. The rule/intend did not change, but the rewrite should satisfy the USAWS Hearing Committee's Comment "We believe AWSA needs to ensure procedures to address rule interpretations and follow up are better understood and acted on."

2012 TCs Clinic: AWSA is in process of making a link to review a TC Clinic Presentation. The presentation is for TCs to obtain TC Clinic credit (for Maintenance only). Majority of all TCs are short clinic for renewal. A short test will be required to obtain the credit.

2012 TC Credit: Existing TCs who work Class C tournament in setting up Video Jump/Video Trick and ensure that the Slalom course/setup is correct can receive tournament credit by ensuring that the scorer inputs the TC's name in the scoring program. It has been agreed upon by the TC Committee that 2 Class C tournaments can be used as maintenance credit towards 1 Record tournament when performing all the same duties. Again, this is for maintenance only.

Jump Judges Clinic/Test for 2013: Part of becoming a Reg/Sr jump judge, you had to demonstrate how to setup jump meter; since Video Jump, most Jump judges do not understand how to setup VJ Program. The TC Committee will provide some instructions and test question to the Rule Committee that is to be incorporated into all Jump Judges Clinic/Test (Reg/Sr). The intent is to ensure that all new jump judges know how to setup BC VJ program (verify coordinates (X/Y) and know how to mark the buoys). BC setup is basically same as SplashEye.

21st Century: 11th year into the 21st Century, several sites have gone digital for recording data/backup in lieu of outdated VCR tapes. DVR recorders; (Example: Everfocus 264 4Channels for slalom; TiVo Series 2 w30min buffer for Jump, or ones with life time prescription like older Panasonic PV-HS2000).

Trick records are submitted to the RRB via YouTube to provide a quicker process review. These links are secured to prevent public review (same as IWWF process world records).

Record Approval: Bob Corson Systems (slalom boat path, trick timer and jump) are the primary programs being used for verifying records. For information, AVI files that were not captured/created in BC's programs will not run in BC's programs due to the type of codec.

Jump Nat'l records captured in SplashEye, must be pasted in MSPaint 640X480 prior to submitting Jump Nat'l Record.

2013 Recommendations- Rule Changes (TC responsibility):

8.04.A Light Towlines: It has been requested again to allow B2 to use the Light Towlines. This was approved by the TC committee back in 2010, but because the data used for justification was old, it was rejected by AWSA BOD. No specific data has been collected since. We know from various test performed by elite skiers that 750- 950lb is max measured on a strain gauge and light towlines spec is 1000lbs. At the 2013 Boat Test, we need to use a strain-gauge with B2 slalom skiers to collect data for evaluation.

AWSA 8.04.d 1st sentence, delete "~~and it is recommended that it shall float.~~" IWWF does not have this requirement. Or just delete the word "shall". [When was the last time you used a slalom handle that floated!](#)

AWSA 8.09.B “Non-spherical types: Rectangular may have a cross-sectional area of 75 - 450 square cm (12 - 70 square inches); **Cylindrical may be 9.78 – 23cm(3.8 - 9 inches) (recommend 6 – 8 inches)**; all shall appear vertical, and shall be 15 - 30 cm (6 - 12”) exposed above the water.” How many judges are going to know the diameter of a cylindrical buoy, based on square-inches. **Or add this to Judges Test $d=2*\text{SQRT}(A/\text{Pi})$?**

AWSA 10.16.A.4: “addition, these buoys shall be provided with an elastic device or equivalent (~~non-compressed buoy...~~.” **Delete word non-compressed buoy.** This was first put in too cover the Goode Bubble Buoy, but it is not required. Current wording was acceptable without adding non-compressed.

IWWF- Rule Change from AWSA TC to IWWF:

IWWF 14.11, Conf 4: When boat video is used, the boat video will be monitored on the tower by another judge with the event judge’s decision he will ask the judges to look at the video and the final score will be decided on by simple majority.

ADD: IF video playback (slow motion/frame-by-frame) is immediately available for the event judge, as determined by the chief judge, another judge monitoring the video is not required. However, for Worlds and Elite Tournaments with this configuration, the 4th judge shall monitor the video (2013).

Justification: Based on majority of the tournaments and the technology that we have, the event judges can re-review the boat video to determine the correct call without any delays.

I would agree at Worlds or Elite Tournaments that we should have the 4th judge.

IWWF 13.02 g): An apron shall extend the full length of ramp on the right hand side and be at least **30cm** under water when the ramp is set for the 1.80m height in Men’s Division. **IWWF 13.02 k)** The jump apron shall have a minimum angle of 28deg from perpendicular and a maximum angle of 60deg.

AWSA 9.16.c.6: Aprons shall extend the full length of the ramp and shall be at least **20 cm** (8”) under water when the ramp is raised to its full height.

The recommended apron angle is 30 degrees from vertical.

Recommend changing IWWF rule to match AWSA. 20 cm under water is acceptable and maximum angle should not be required providing it meets the 20cm under water requirement.

IWWF 14.05 c) Slalom Boat guide size: Add to end: Cylindrical buoy diameter between 9.78 – 23cm (recommend 15.2 – 20.3cm).

IWWF Page 53 Homologation Guidelines: 1 Slalom .e) Add at the end: Head to Head completion, if the handle is required to be checked after returning to doc and is found out-of-tolerance, the skier will be scored 0.

Future Recommendations for Slalom Timing Chart:

- 1) With GPS Speed Control, we need to change the timing verification from time base (sec) to average speed (kps) at each buoy; therefor speed/tolerance is same at each buoy (only 3 numbers to remember for each speed- min/actual/max speed).
- 2) 56kph (35.1mph); add to slalom timing chart.

AWSA TC Chairman
Jerry Jackson
