

Coaches Advisory Committee Meeting
September 20, 2002
Park City Ski Resort

Present: Dave Galusha-ACC Chairman, Mike Day-PCST, Steve Bonouse-SBSEF, Kyle Hopkins-Romark, Rueben Macaya- SVSEF and Carma Burnett-IMD Administrator.

- There was discussion on the Medal's Test. It was decided, since the Region is no longer using the medal's test for any sort of criteria that IMD will have clubs conduct their test independently of each other rather than doing a combined test. If clubs wish to get together for a common medal's test, which would be fine.
- The Coaches Advisory Committee will meet quarterly to discuss pertinent issues. The first meeting will be prior to the January ACC meeting. The second meeting will be the Monday following the Last Chance Slaloms, the third meeting will be the Friday evening prior to the IMD ACC meeting and the fourth meeting will be during the fall USSA Congress.
- Coaching Nominations for IMD Projects need to be completed as scheduled:
October 15th for November/December projects.
December 1st for January/February projects.
January 1st for March/April projects.
All nominations should be sent to the IMD Office via mail or email. Late nominations will only be taken into consideration if there are problems filling a staff. Please note that nominations should take into consideration van usage as well.
- There was discussion on creating Elite and Devo Boards. It was the groups feeling that we are no longer able to designate a certain tier of athletes for FIS races. We will generate one board and go down the list until the quota is filled.
- The CAC suggested that the Mt. Bachelor DH Series be added to the IMD projects that will be organized independently. Currently, The Sugarbowl Devo Series, The Mt. Hood Meadows Devo Series and the Mt. Bachelor races are the only independently organized events. All entries will be coordinated from the IMD offices and a head coach will be named.
- Discussion on lodging arrangements was also discussed. Many coaches agree that a condo situation is not desirable in many locations because of the logistics. We will try and book hotels rather than condo's to try and keep better track of athletes while on IMD trips.
- There was discussion on the North /South "flip" races at Brighton and Sun Valley. It was recommended that the top 50% of athletes from the south travel to Sun Valley to race head to head with the "A" tier. The "B" tier from the south will remain in the south and the "B" tier from the north will remain in the north. This went to an ACC vote last week and was passed.
- There was discussion on the points cut-off for the Open race to be held in Park City. It is recommended that there be a 100 point cutoff for JI's and racers from the North and the South have equal access. This also went to an ACC vote and was passed.
- Quota Team Deadlines- we need to establish deadlines for athletes on quota teams. The ideal will be to have the boards available at least 2 weeks (if not more) prior when at all possible. Money needs to be into the IMD office 1 week prior to leaving

on the trip. Athletes who have not paid will be pulled from the board. Collection will come primarily from the clubs. If an athlete is selected as an alternate at the last minute (which we are trying to avoid) then athletes must Fed-Ex payment prior to the first team captain's meeting.

- Entry Deadlines for IMC races that are designated to be qualifiers need to be 4 days prior to the event. This will allow teams to manage athletes who will not make the point cut-off based on field size.
- All world cup point selections will be on the new world cup point system giving points to the top 30.
- The Intermountain Junior Team will be named from the Park City Elite races and the Big Mountain Elite races. The team will be comprised of 6 men and 4 women. Entries will be comped at Intermountain races from the time they are named until a new team is named the following year. There was discussion on awarding the team with a jacket.
- Western Region automatic status will earn an athlete free entries at IMC races.
- Intermountain Cup race organizers must award trophies to the top three overall. Any more trophies will be at the organizer's discretion.
- Open Race organizers must give top three trophies for the JI, JII and JIII age classes.
- There was discussion on IMD Championship selections for the JI-JIII IMD Championships. Should JIII's be based on WC points from the JIII qualifiers or from the North/South Series races? Should JII's be selection off seed points? This needs to be resolved.
- There was discussion on how to award a team trophy for IMD Champs. Matt Brown has been asked to spearhead this project since the original proposal came from him.
- The need for ski-up releases is no longer needed this season.
- There will be a need for Intent to Compete forms for Out of Region racing, as has always been the case.