WP SB Working Group. “CLASSIFICATION”

MEETING DATE. 8th July 2020 21.00 CET => 2nd Sept 2020 21.00 CET

MEETING MINUTES.

Present:
Christian Femy (FRA)]
Anna Muldoon (AUS)
Jessica Tidswell (USA)
Leanne Rees (AUS) (not on the call, with notice)
Sandra Titulaer (NED)

Agenda:
1. Minutes last meeting 4th May (action items?)
2. Participation UL and LL1 women at the Games? (IP GB didn't discuss this topic yet.)
3. Classification opportunities 20-21
   a. *see also https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/events
4. IPC/WPSB activities
5. Research
6. Other topics
7. Next meeting date: ?

Minutes:

Ad 1: no comments

Ad 2: IPC GB meeting on this topic will hopefully be end of September.

Ad 3: currently only 1 classification opportunity (Landgraaf) with risk of cancelation due to Covid. Also lots of athletes will not be able to travel/compete (part of) this season. We discussed options: try to arrange extra SB races, in January (best in Europe, CAN will be closed, or 14 days of Quarantine) Christina is already looking into options. Or races end of the season (for new athletes, so they
can qualify for the PWG) For the WCH athletes with review status need to classified: best = January, or perhaps just before the WCH.

Other options discussed: online? (for amputees, 80% of SB riders are amputees) currently not possible, due the rules, but Covid is a Farce majeur, we need to look into all options, to be able that athletes meet the qualification criteria for the PWG 22

Ad 4: Not much change in WPSS (no manager yet), in IPC: the interim manager of the classification department resigned. Also no manager of the medical department. Legal department is busy with checking all our new rules. Research Grants are frozen, we have to wait for a new “plan”

Ad 5: see ad 4

Ad 6: Christian: licence has gone up, for classification (and other things) this was explained and discussed in nations meeting, we were not allowed to ask a fee for classification only for new athletes.

Organizing extra classification is not a money problem, but there are no races, not enough classifiers etc. As soon there are extra options we can plan. (we have 12 classifiers, 5 of them live in Europe, rest in AUS, NZL, ARG, USA, CAN, they cannot travel)

Ad 7: next date = 7 October 2020 at 21:00 CET