

THE MINUTES
OF THE TEAM CAPTAIN'S MEETING – Prague (CZE) – 11 August 2006

20:00 pm

1. Opening of the team captain's meeting by Irena Rosa
2. Apologies for absence: Petros Petrou
3. Greeting from EMAU President Mr. Mario Scarzella. Mr. Mario Scarzella thanks everybody for their work in archery, for coming to this meeting. The results of the European Junior Archery Cup show that the quantity of young archers is growing and the scores are getting higher. EMAU President is happy to see good results, new European and World records. After greeting the team captains Mr. Scarzella let the President of the EMAU Junior Development Committee (JDC) Mrs. Irena Rosa to lead the meeting and left.
4. Mrs. Irena Rosa apologized for changing the time and place of this Meeting. The team captains were informed about the changes in the rules that were adopted at the last EMAU Congress in Jaen, ESP. Some of them are:
 - 1) the composition of the JDC was reduced from 5 to 3 members;
 - 2) the elections of the JDC members will take place at the Congress, not at the Team Captain's meeting at the Outdoor Junior Championships;
 - 3) the final decisions will be taken by Council; the liaison in the Council was appointed Mrs. Eva Thessen (NOR).

The Council made a decision to cancel the European teams, therefore from the next year 2007 there will be no European teams at the Junior Cups.

Mr. Thomas Bill (AUT) asked about possibility of hotel booking till Friday (the day previous to the day of official departure), because the competition program will become shorter for the delegations without teams.

(BEL) asked whether it will be allowed to form the combined National teams, cadets with juniors, girls with boys.

Mrs. Rosa replied that it is a subject to propose to the Council for approval.

The question was raised about the Jury of Appeal at the JC events. It was the opinion of the majority that it is necessary to have the Jury of Appeal at the JC events.

5. The next topic to discuss is JC events 2007. There were 2 bids submitted for the next year: Cyprus for the 3rd week of May 2007 and Ukraine (not confirmed officially) for the 3rd week of July 2007. The bid was not received from Ukraine Archery Federation before the deadline, but still the event can be granted if the bid will be received.

Due to the reason that the main junior's event – the European Junior Championships will be held in the end of June, there is a possibility that not many countries will come to Ukraine for the 2nd leg of the Junior Cup. The Meeting was asked for its opinion whether it is necessary to hold the 2nd leg in Ukraine. The opinion of the EMAU President was announced that the 2nd leg in Ukraine should be held, and the JC rules will be modified so that the awards for the European Junior Cup will be given based upon the scores at the 2nd leg in Ukraine and either one of 1st leg in Cyprus or European Junior Championships in Portugal.

Mr. Jocelyn De Grandis (SUI) expressed doubt whether it is fair to force countries to participate in the 2nd leg by changing the rules about the European Junior Cup awards.

Mr. Martin Frederick (GER) proposed a possibility of holding the 1st leg of Junior Cup in April 2007, and the 2nd leg in May.

Mr. Jocelyn De Grandis (SUI) agreed and pointed the attention of the Meeting that JC legs are held in order to give the possibility to archers to prepare for the main event –European Junior Championships. The proposal was also to hold the Junior Cup in shorter terms of 3 days.

The representatives of few northern countries expressed common opinion that in April there will be no possibility for them to train outdoors, and the training session in warmer countries will take the children away from schools.

(GRE) noted that April in Greece is school time.

(NED) noted that it is too early to hold the Junior Cup in April and the only possibility is to have 1st leg of the JC in Cyprus.

Mrs. Irena Rosa expressed hope that in case of negative decision about holding the second leg, the EMAU will not lose the Organizer of the JC event.

The representative of Ukraine Mr. Victor Mikhailenko informed the Meeting about the position of the local Ukraine Archery Federation that the Organizing Committee is ready to host the event in any case and in any time.

Mr. Zorigto Mankhanov (RUS) said that Russian Archery Federation would rather have more Junior events, otherwise the calendar for the young archers might finish already by the end of June. Taking into account the position of the Ukrainian Archery Federation about the 2nd leg, we shouldn't refuse to have another event in July, and let the federations to decide themselves if they want to take part or not. Mr. Mankhanov pointed that he doesn't see any discrimination in the change of rules about EJC awards.

Mr. Victor Mikhailenko (UKR) proposed to vote for 2 options: to hold both JC legs before the European Junior Championships (in April and in May) or to hold one leg in May and another in July.

EMAU JDC made another proposal: to determine by voting the opinion of the Team Captains whether they would prefer to participate in one leg or in two legs next year. Then if the Team Captains prefer to have 2 legs in the year 2007, we would ask about the preferable dates.

It was decided that the voting should be organized the next day 12th of August 2006 in written form.

6. The last topic of the Meeting was the awarding the Coach of the Year. Everybody was informed that the award to the coach of the year is nominated by the EMAU JDC. The Meeting was asked if there are any opinions about this matter and if there is anything that should be changed in this procedure. Everybody expressed common opinion that this award should be nominated by EMAU JDC as usually.

EMAU JDC expressed thanks to the Team Captains for their trust.

7. At the end of the meeting Mrs. Irena Rosa summarized the results of the Junior Cup competitions as successful in achieving its goal of preparation to the major junior events. Therefore it is necessary to state new goals for the EMAU, and one of the directions is development of archery among the youngsters under 14 years old. The Team Captains were requested to inform about the competitions held for the kids of lower age, with purpose to put new universal standards and holding some local competitions and development to the European level. After stating the new goals the meeting was declared closed.

The meeting ended at 21:00 pm.

Zorigto Mankhanov

Results of voting:

18 countries brought their voting document back and 1 country replied by e-mail. The voting document is attached.

Results of voting:

Option 1: 1 leg + European Championship 4 votes
Option 2: 2 legs + European Championship 19 votes

Of those who voted for option 2 the further results of voting are:

Option A: 1.JC/April, 2.JC/May, EC/June 6 votes
Option B: 1.JC/April, EC/June, 2.JC/July 9 votes

As you see the majority of team captains voted for option:

1st leg during the 3rd week of May

EJCh during the last week of June

2nd leg during the 3rd week of July

Irena Rosa,
President of EMAU JDC Committee