



Information-Platform for IMC Team Captains

IMC board news

Introduction:

The IMC newsletter shall be sent regularly to the team captains in order to inform them of all IMC Board News. The IMC Board News shall be specifically directed to the responsible leaders of the IMC countries in order to publish opinions, proposals and decisions of the IMC. In that way every country gets informed and can take part in discussions and decisions. The IMC board, consisting of Klaus Günther, Stein Arne Hoel and Manuela Steinki, will collect votes and publish the results by sending the newsletter to the country leaders. The IMC board thinks that it is important that the country leaders communicate with each other. Only in that way can we reach a consensus.

With the IMC BOARD INFORMATION, all active Masters shall be informed of actual results and news. For a couple of years now Don West has provided the Masters with IMC news and important information on the IMC website. Don's website is the IMC platform where decisions will be published, but no direct reply to the answer is possible.

The IMC BOARD INFORMATION shall contain a broad range of information including, in particular, the feedback from the country leaders. At the same time we would like to have a category "Criticism and Suggestions", where each Master can contact the IMC Board directly. In that way the family spirit of the IMC will be increased.

Therefore we ask all country leaders to send us the email addresses of their Masters so that we can create an address list. The more addresses we have, the more productively we can work.

Actual IMC Board News

The IMC Summer Grand Prix, which shall be carried out in Roznov /Czech Republic was negotiated by James. We think that we should not change anything. Most of the Masters already received the invitation via Facebook or directly from the host in Roznov, but for your convenience, we have attached a copy of the invitation as well as an accommodation list and further information.

For the first time in IMC history no new host was chosen and determined for the next years' world championships. Planica, Slovenia has offered to host the IMC in 2014, but up now the IMC board did not get any further information. Peter Slatnar wanted to contact the responsible persons in Planica once more.

The board has the opinion that...

More and more participants are unhappy with the high entry fees and other charges. We hear negative comments concerning the high costs for each participant. The IMC and also the host of the games want to welcome many Master skijumpers, including those who do not have a high income. Therefore we feel that it is necessary that we make regulations concerning the fees and prices. We all should discuss how we should proceed in order to develop a new fee schedule. Of course we must take into account the host's expenses – outlays and costs which change from host to host, nation to nation and year to year, and may also be effected by the weather, etc.





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The costs of preparing the jumping hills and stadiums are much higher in winter than in summer, but up to now the entry fee is the same. The new IMC board thinks that we have to regulate this inequality.

The banquet on the last evening is the gastronomic and cultural highlight and is organised by the host. As this final evening is often also used for the last IMC medal ceremonies, all Master jumpers should have the opportunity to take part. That means that the banquet price should be adapted to the local price level. In that way more jumpers (and their families) can take part, and thus the profit of the organizer(s) also increases.

The reduction of the banquet fee for country leaders and the board is (mostly) compensated by caterers and beverage companies. Thus, this is only a small or no financial burden for the host – assuming, that the host made good contracts with companies and hotels.

Caterer, hotels, restaurants as well as the tourist information and other institutions often provide special offers.

The new IMC Board would like to discuss the following items with the team captains:

- 1. New regulation of starting fees and the IMC part of the starting fees
- 2. Fees for training
- 3. Differences in fees between winter and summer games
- 4. Banquet arrangements to be made by the organiser

The host country for the IMC is also responsible for the arrangement and the success of the games. We think that it is important for the IMC to help so as many jumpers as possible can take part at the games. The team captains should encourage their jumpers to participate. In that way the hosting ski club can get enough money.

We have to make sure that the hosting club can limit costs and achieve an adequate income.

We propose that the IMC reduces the IMC costs of the host to a minimum. In return, we also expect a small reduction of the starting and training fees and reduce the banquet fees for the team captains.

If we can achieve this, then we should be able to find more hosts for future IMC.

The IMC board proposes:

- Reduction of the IMC money part to EURO 1,00 (in winter) and to EURO 2,00 (in summer) per athlete and competition.

And that the host should charge:

Starting Fees in Winter:	EURO 20,00 (EURO 1,00 is given to IMC)
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Starting Fees in Summer: EURO: 17,00 (EURO 2,00 is given to IMC)





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Trainings Fees:

Winter EURO 10,00 per day is given to the host (no money for the IMC)

Summer EURO 5,00 per day is given to the host (no money for the IMC)

In return, the cost of the banquet for team leaders should be reduced or eliminated. (Just the leaders, not partners or families.)

It is not difficult to find interesting and safe places for the competitions, but it is much more difficult to find clubs willing to organize such events. Our task should be to make the IMC attractive so that many clubs would like to have the IMC games on their hills. This should give us interesting offers from potential hosts at our annual IMC meetings.

Kind regards,

Manuela, Stein and Klaus

IMC board

(Text written by Klaus; translated by Manuela A big thank you to Don West for correcting some sentences)