

Multisport Committee Minutes – public

Meeting: 20 April 2023

Approved 18 May 2023

Duration: via Zoom 00.50.35

Present

Brian Hinton (BH), AUS – Chair

Alicia Garcia (AG), ESP

Diane Henderson (DH) TTO

Ahmed Allouch (AM), TUN

Stefane Mauris (SM), SUI – World Triathlon Staff Liaison

Daniel Martin (DM) AUT winter triathlon consultant

Antonio Álvarez (AA) MEX– TRI Board representative

Bernard Saint Jean (BSJ), FRA, TRI Board representative

*For ease of minute taking only first names or initials of the members will be referred to in the minutes. You can see full names above.

Absent

Melody Tan (MT) MAS

Nicky Dick (ND) GBR Age Group Commission representative

Tim Yount (TY) USA

Qin Jianquiu (QJ), CHI

Discussion Items	Discussion	Who
1. Welcome and introduction		
2. Apologies/absence	Received from Melody, Tim, Nicky	

<p>3. Approval of Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes -march – internal version approved. • Minutes – march – public version approved. • Minutes pending from February meeting (public) approved 																									
<p>4. Cooperation with WT Women’s Committee</p>	<p>Duncan Hough is present at the meeting to discuss cooperation with the MS Committee and the Age Group Commission to build Women’s participation in future MS World Championships.</p> <p>The discussion is what can we do as multisport committee to get more women participation in multisport?</p> <p>Some examples mentioned,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USA program with a specific Facebook page for multisport group and a lot of activities for the participation in the last winter triathlon, lead by one woman, - Nelly Becerra in latinoamerica leading a programme called Woman Up, with very shorts races, no more than 20 min, organized the day before the important races. - In Spain specific races only for women <p>Agreed we need to act but difficult to define the actions, but the clear purpose is trying to make it easier for people, as a lot of people feel intimidated. Aquabike is a fantastic tool.</p> <p>To have more data, we need to split the number of athletes in the races, male, female in our database</p>																									
<p>5. World Triathlon World Multisport World Championships and other Multisport events update</p>	<p>1. Ibiza Multisport World Championships 2023 Update</p> <p>Participation is around 1/3 for women. Aquathlon is the discipline with more athletes.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="506 1125 1234 1361"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Female</th> <th>Male</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Aquathlon</td> <td>336</td> <td>506</td> <td>842</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cross Duathlon</td> <td>76</td> <td>181</td> <td>257</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cross Triathlon</td> <td>121</td> <td>295</td> <td>416</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Duathlon</td> <td>46</td> <td>90</td> <td>136</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LD Aquabike</td> <td>138</td> <td>211</td> <td>349</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Female	Male	Total	Aquathlon	336	506	842	Cross Duathlon	76	181	257	Cross Triathlon	121	295	416	Duathlon	46	90	136	LD Aquabike	138	211	349	
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LD Triathlon	189	483	672
Sprint Duathlon	263	494	757
Standard Duathlon	170	368	538
Total	1339	2628	3967

The numbers are the same level as Pontevedra. By NF biggest group GBR (over 1000), then USA and ESP both around 500.

Regarding the analysis about the ages, the top of the curve is 25-40-55. The Youngs are not growing up, so one fact to be considered.

One explanation can be the airfares are youngest people can't afford the prices.

The good thing, 61 NF's, including Kuwait with 12 athletes, 150 from Brazil and participation from Central Africa.

Regarding organization LOC is working hard. The political situation in the last weeks had change and this is not helping.

The event is complex, due to the different venues, and always working in an island is more complex, but as it is one of the places where everybody want to be in terms of tourism, so good for Multisport to be there.

The event is granted with the gold sustainability certification from World Triathlon. A lot of side activities in this sense, no material gifts, food coming from organic places, local, a lot of effort to minimize the footprint, no plastic on the island, so no plastic water bottles, only aluminum cans to be recycled.

2. Pontevedra 2025 Multisport World Championships

2025 organization has been appointed to Pontevedra. No more information, waiting for the date. For the future, still no bids for 2026 but some interest for a couple of organizations.

3. Update on Winter Triathlon

SM made an analysis in the last champs, participation for age, the curve is even further to the right, the old generations are more interested than the young people. Regarding women participation, about 1/3.

Set up was fantastic, and weather conditions perfect. All very well appreciated by the athletes.

	<p>Broadcast Production was really high. The problem is some races were not interesting due to the quality of the field of play or the number of athletes. So a lot of things to do, but the good thing is the new format gives a lot of changes of the lead, and this is interesting.</p> <p>It is important to identify the winter triathlon coordinator in the NF's</p> <p>Still no plans for 2024, as with the number of athletes in 2023 the event is not sustainable.</p> <p>4. 2024 Townsville Multisport Championships</p> <p>The dates of the events will be announced during Ibiza or just before Ibiza, for promotion in Ibiza. There will be people from LOC in Ibiza promoting the event.</p> <p>The Team and TDs have been appointed. There are people from New Zealand, Australia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea. Cross triathlon has this year a test event.</p> <p>5. Duathlon World Games Chengdu</p> <p>Last meeting two weeks ago. The participation in World Games is still not clarified, good potential to be there but the LOC is still deciding the sports.</p>	
4. Varia	AA proposes to have a meeting in Ibiza. ND is trying to gather a few people together	
5. Next meeting	Next meeting on Thursday, 18 May 2023 22:30- 23:30 CET	