



BIU NEWS 2013 MAY

WBC

Entry:

It is the first time we got an entry from Denmark for WBC. Thanks to Biketrial Denmark. I sent the latest entry list and it was check by Ole.

Today I received the entry list from Japan. Thanks to BCJ Mr. Kaminaga.

Australian riders will also participate to WBC 2013. BIU will help issuing licenses for them by following the request from GS.

Event information:

Dear Hiro,

I've received information of 2013 WBC.

Thanks to Mr. Pere and Mr. Radim.

More details as usual are helpful and important.

I'll share all information I got so far to the riders.

Sincerely yours,

Yosnison Maretsa

INDONESIA

Dear Hiro,

Ref. Igualada WBC 2013.

About the letter you send to Maria, I inform you that the complete information I send to you and to all the Delegates, Presidium etc. on March 19 by e-mail, not by post. Not by post because for many reasons that Mr. Abant will give to you and all the Presidium in the next WBC meeting. In that information of March 19, I have 5 Delegates that the e-mail have returned back to me and I send to you in order to recheck the e-mail address and no get replay from you.

My best regards,

Pere

Dear Pere,

It is very clear that the promise and the rules were not kept.

I do not know who has decided to send just e-mail instead of post.

I have been informing my travel plan from some weeks ago and I have decided it a few days ago.

Because I do not see any change in the situation from the last year.

May be we can have discussion in Barcelona after Czech.

That is what I can do.

Sincerely yours,

Hiro

GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Hello Lukas and Presidium

Sorry for writing to you after the deadline (you must be used to it by now with me!) I do not have anything 'New' to send you. I have been speaking to many riders from different countries about their thoughts on bike trial rules and organisations.

I have previously sent you my list of ideas before, but I have attached Alex Fabregas's Ideas too. Both of these lists cover all riders' ideas and things they want in the future (I have spoken to young and old riders, current and past riders and riders from UK, Czech, France and Spain.

These are my thoughts after the 2012 WBC - 1. NOT compulsory to wear leggings. This rule makes no sense and does not help the riders or the sport's image (however, I suggest making shinpads compulsory for the poussin class) 2. No rule for shoes, any shoes will be ok.

3. Split the 20" and 26" classes. The bikes and riding styles are so different it is not possible to compare the two now. They suit different sections and events. It is sometimes a huge handicap.

4. Split the Femina class and remove the handicap. An idea would be to create a 15 and under class and an over 15 class.

5. Make sections more "Black and White" A lot of riders do not like the fact that there can be 101 ways to 'cheat' the section. If a rider must jump from one rock to another, then make them do that. Do not make it possible for them to ride 100 metres around the jump and jump from a completely different rock or sneak through markers. As riders we will always look for the easiest way, if there is a way to cheat the system we will find it! Eliminate this option.

6. Observers. Being an observer is hard work, we all know that and appreciate the work they do. All observers must have the same knowledge of the rules and must apply them in the same way. I have noticed in recent years in 1 section you could do 1 thing, in the next section the observer would not allow it. I think if all observers work in the same way I think it will make things run better. I also think observers must be stricter with riders, and must ignore the words of minders, family etc – They must only listen to a rider 7. Opening ceremony. This should be held on Friday evening before the Saturday competition. Holding the opening ceremony after a day of competition makes no sense. It is also disrespectful to the Saturday riders, it makes them feel like they do not matter.

These ideas are from Alex -

I will speak about rule very important: for children, rules about senior/ elite , and rule about visual sport, that it will be more professional

Then, we can speak about 2 categories of rule:

first: modification for this year, that it will be OK for the world biketrial 2013

second: modification this year BUT it will be OK in 2014

I have idea for the progression of BIKETRIAL, i want to speak with you, tell me your opinion. You can tell me others rules and we will discuss about this. After, when we are OK , we will propose this.

MODIFICATIONS OK FOR 2012:

- clothes about rider:

junior senior elite can ride with a short and a teeshirt poussin benjamin minime femina have to ride with pantalon, not a short

-bike

1/ Possibility to change bike if the rider have a problem. BUT he have to control his bike during the "control of bike". If the rider have 2 same bikes, he have to control 2 bikes.

2/ Possibility to change the bike after the inscription by web. Exemple: when we do the inscription the ider have a MONTY. During the world champion ship, he can have a koxx or other but we have to keep the same brand of bike (monty during all the world championship, or koxx, or ozonys,)

elite

1/ If a elite rider does'nt ride one year, he can't ride in senior category next year. exemple: When he ride elite in 2011, don't ride in 2012: he is an elite rider in 2013. If elite rider want to ride in senior category, it's the director comite that it will decide.

2/ TOP 10 20 UCI and TOP 10 26 UCI about the world championship UCI are automatically in elite category in Biketrial if the rider can participate to biketrial world championship. He have to participate at national biketrial championship, all is normaly. If a rider want to ride Elite, the comite director will say the decision (yes or not)

MODIFICATION OK FOR 2014

1/ category about 2 years and not 3 years (the most important rule to change) poussin benjamin minime cadet junior senior elite femina (very important !!!) scratch is not important, because it's important to respect all riders and the physical integrity about the rider. If a rider is very good, it's so good for him, but he will can't to pass junior to elite category.

2/ Other rule important, junior and senior will be not the same color. We have to create a special color (black) for junior, because this category is very important for the futur of this sport. A junior and a senior is very different. Cadet and junior can be the same color, but the classement is diffeent: category cadet and categorie junior.

3 foot = 3 points

4 foot = 4 points

5 foot = 5 points

The marketing and the visual is important to progress Biketrial is a sport with a rider and a miner 1/ So i think the minder is important. he have to have the same clothes (minimum teeshirt) to the riders Maybe we can accept this for elite. It permit to do a "big up" for them. So the minder have to wear the same clothes to elite rider in 2013 Then we can propose this rule for 2014 for all the category if it is a success in 2013

2/ we have to do the official ceremonie when the competition is finish. exemple. The last rider finish at 5h00 , the official ceremony is at 5h30/6h. So the comity of jury is next the ceremony. If there is reclamation, it's after (it is this in all sports !!!) The public see the riders in the sections, but the ceremony is so long, at 20h00... si nobody can see it, only the riders. In FORMULA 1 , and other sports, the ceremony is just after the competition.

Alex has made some very important points about the organisation of biketrial.

I think you can see some common ideas and commen problems we all agree on. I think these are something to be discussed and modified ASAP

The ideas highlighted like this are this I feel that can be implemented for the 2013 world championship. They are things every rider agree's on and are things thats do not need deep explanation in the rules. Adjustment in the rules and then notify all delegates and riders and It will work fine.

Thank you

Scott

Hi Scott and others,

just a quick reaction on Scott's proposals from my side. These are things to discuss for sure.

I think that for WBC 2013 we cannot make any adjustments.

2013 rules are already set and we cannot change the rules in the middle of the game. For WBC 2013 we must follow 2013 rules. We must take legal way to change things.

At BIU General assembly (BIU highest authority) in Blansko we will have an opportunity do talk about all these matters and make decisions for 2014 season. I agree with some of the points and I also

very disagree with some ideas which would destroy the origins of biketrial. I will tell you my opinions later in more detailed email. I hope we will find a good compromises to move our sport forward.

Yours

Lukas

Dear Scott,

If you read Lukas's opinion you read my opinion.

Some ideas are good some not.

Technically I must say you that each proposal must be discuss separately. It's not possible have opinion on all proposal in unique solution.

I hope to can continue this discussion.

BikeTrial have one history and one future. We must preserve our specificity and give it value.

Yours,

Giuliano

MY COMMENT ABOUT THIS:

First, I hope it will be organized by the rules of deadline. I think everybody has his/her own ideas may be like more than 100 ideas in 100 people at least. If we changed every time when people propose one or many rules and change even traditional things, what will happen in the future? Is it evolution or destroy original? Just one day discussion on the day of GA is not enough to decide such important things. Should make hearing of delegates before the GA. Or take like the national referendum to decide. This matter is such important things. If only presidium is the one to decide, you have to throw your egoism and think deeply about the future of our sport.

I feel very funny (or anger) to the people who bring every time the same proposal to GA. Is it right if the person continuing to propose until it is accepted? And every year we discuss the same things for this? Like 4 dub = 4 points thing, this was proposed from BJU some years ago. We already made deep discussion and finally we have

decided not accepted. Do you remember Swedish opinion? Any way why we need 4 points is not explained at all there. Proposed this again seems keep our works moving not forward.

To stop this, I will ask the presidium some day to set the rules that the same kind of proposal should not be brought at least 10 years to the presidium. If not, we should discuss the same items every year. And it makes us far way from improving.

We should have a policy to see the matter. Through it, we can see if it meets our way or not. I think most important thing for our sport is "make simple". Biketrial is already very complicate to every sides, the organizer, rider, spectator, observer, BIU and etc. Then make it more complicate is very stupid thing. I am sure we loose something by that.

Especially in these days, we are not easy to find the organizer of WBC. Making complicate things sure effect badly. I have one of the most experienced (17 times) in organizer to host WBC with not low level. Like 200 staff working just for the car parking areas. To organize WBC is not easy if you try to make it good one. We should make it simpler is okay, but if you put more things, rules, work, it will damage to host it.

From fathers and riders side, I know they prefer more categories. Some of them do not mind the work of the organizers. But adding more categories takes more work for the organizers. Do you think 26" has the handicap to 20"? What makes you think so? In 2008, who became WBC Elite champion? He became champion because we gave the handicap? No way! It is only complaining for his results. Category MTB was set up to get more riders coming in to our sport. We expected the success but it started loosing the riders when the competition became higher level. What left is we had to make 10 sections more, 30 observers more at least for 2 categories in MTB even not many riders. Then riders asked single speed bike in 26". Do you think this makes to get more riders? My answer was, if we accept single speed bike in 26", it only wheel size is different. It is not MTB at the shop any more. It is highly specialized Biketrial bike. We had to decide to combine it. Choice is free. Any wheel size can be used.

It the same concept like TRIAL. You can use any capacity of engine. Not like MX or road race. Trial is such sport. Not classified by machine.

This makes many things (cost, people, time and work) easier. This is a solution to prepare the difficult times in economy like now. If people ask change it likes before, Had to show the vision or make sure about how many entries will be increased till when. Just proposing it is not enough. Some body must take the responsibility if change it. Please think.

We have to see each proposal from many different angles and better to have enough

discussion. Not hurry. May be make test event in lower level events (continental or national) for some years at least. But not directly to WBC at once.

Now Wrestling is nearly fall from the next OLYMPIC games after 100 years they were in. The main reason that IOC explained was because of the rules is too complicate to understand. The Wrestling Union is trying to modify the rules simpler to survive in OLYMPIC games. The next IOC GA will decide it (we do not know Baseball-soft ball or Squash will win). The sport with the rules complicate does not make success in this word. We have to see the real.

Adding categories, adding groups, adding penalty, adding condition, all things belongs to make our sport complicate. Please be careful this.

I expect the right decision of the people who concerned.

Sincerely yours,

Hiro

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