BHPA

CLUB BULLETIN 157: 04-2007

This monthly bulletin is aimed mainly at club contacts/secretaries. It usually covers administrative topics and news from the Executive Council. General interest items are repeated in Skywings magazine for the information of all members.

If you require further information on these items please contact:

1: Instructor Competence Report

All TI & Instructor renewal forms MUST be returned with a completed Instructor Competence Report.

Instructor renewals will be returned to sender if not sent with a completed assessment form. Where a form is signed by a senior Instructor this must then be countersigned by the CFI of that school.

Forms are available from the BHPA website;

Members/Schools Admin/Forms:

1.Inst_competence_Rep.pdf - Instructor Competence Form

The guidance sheet to complete this form is also available on the BHPA website as above 2.Inst_Skill_levels.pdf

2: Course Dates

2007 Course Dates

Autumn Coach dates.

Organisers please note that there are two changes; club coach course fee is now £30 per participant, £20 for a retake.

Also all organisers MUST speak to Dave Thompson before a date can be allocated. (0179 2469 244).

October 20-21 Wessex Contact Sean Staines Tel 01256 473346 Eves 01344 751673 Daytime E-Mail sean.staines@virgin.net

The following dates are available for Clubs to book:

November 17-18 January 12-13 2008 February 9-10 2008 March 29-30 2008

Senior Instructor November 6-7 (2007)

Instructor

Please note that an additional course is proposed for this year

October 6 - 8 2007 Tbc. April 12- 14 2008 Mark Dale Tel 01937 585 587 mark-dale@bhpa.co.uk

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3: Club impact survey

A research project being carried out on behalf of the Central Council of Physical Recreation (CCPR) is aimed at measuring the impact of Government legislation on sports clubs. The research will enable the CCPR - the umbrella organisation for 270 national sport and recreation bodies - to argue more effectively on behalf of UK sports, and particularly to protect the interests of voluntary sector organisations such as the BHPA.

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The research will take the form of an online survey. Representatives of BHPA member clubs are invited to help by completing the survey - it will take around 15 minutes to complete. The ideal person to take this on would be a member of your club committee with a good knowledge of the running of the club. Participating clubs will be entered into a prize draw to win £500 worth of sports equipment. Data will only be used in compliance with the Market Research Society Code of Conduct and the Data Protection Act and will only be used in aggregate form to assess trends. The survey can be found at www.sportinginsights.com/ccpr/survey.htm. Clubs - please take the time to direct someone to complete this survey.

4: Foreign Pilots and BHPA ratings.

Recently we have had a couple of foreign pilots contact us wishing to join and gain a BHPA rating at short notice. They were advised by their clubs that all they needed to do was copy to us an ippi card. THIS IS NOT CORRECT!

Please note that the way in is as laid out in the Technical Manual (Alternative Entry to the PRS), 3.4.1. The Technical Manual is on the website at:

http://www.bhpa.co.uk/members/schools/index.php

For all pilots, whatever their level of accomplishment, an examination is necessary!

Either the Club Pilot exam or the Pilot exam can be ordered and invigilated by an appropriately qualified Club Coach.

Obviously with the best will it will likely take a couple of weeks to get a person BHPA membership and a rating, so last minute applicants before a competition will be disappointed. Elaine Lane Tel 0116 261 1322 elaine-lane Tony Mitchell Tel 0116 261 1322 tonymitchell@bhpa.co.uk

5: EPPSL examinations and course.

Bill Morris is carrying out examinations at JSHPC, Crickhowell on Sunday 8th July. There will be a further day of examinations in the Peak district to follow at a later date, details to be announced. Any candidates ready for examination who would like to make use of this opportunity please contact Bill and submit an application to the office. The examinations will be preceded on the 7th July by a day of revision and practice packing, highly reccommended but not compulsory. Please note that those attending will need to organise their own accommodation mitchell@bhpa.co.uk and meals.

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We also have a provisional EPS Course in October 2007 (Date to be arranged and venue). Please let us have contact details if you are interested. Existing applicants will be kept up to date.

Enclosed: No enclosures

Distribution: Club Contacts/Secretaries, Executive Council and Sub-committee members, BHPA Officers.

Copy: This bulletin is published monthly. If you have any items you wish to be included please send

them to Stephanie Blankley at the BHPA office by the 1st of the month.