

Meeting between runbritain/UKA and Association of UK Course Measurers

Athletics House, Birmingham

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012 at 2pm

In attendance

Phill Holland (PH), Mike Sandford (MS)

Gavin Lightwood (GL), Geoff Wightman (GW)

- GW agreed to put out a call for new personnel interested in becoming course measurers, especially in Mid and North Wales and Avon/Glos, with responses coming in to GL. This would determine the level of demand for another course measurer's course in 2013
- At present there are approximately 90 active course measurers with each measuring courses on average four times per annum
- UKA/runbritain has so far licensed 2,013 road races in England in 2012, with Wales joining the fully online process from April 2013
- GL agreed to provide a link to AUKCM, supplied by MS, on the application process for those races to update, rather than renew their ten year licences
- An increasing proportion of races that are licensed are on multi-terrain or trail surfaces. MS would provide a guidance note to GL in time for a March meeting of the UKA Endurance Advisory Group that would help shape the licensing process around
  - Proportion of off-road
  - Type of off-road surface and therefore the method used for measurement
- PH indicated that degree of accuracy around GPS measurement v Jones counter could move out from 0.1% accurate to 0.3% accurate or more. GW indicated that for the majority of races, this would be tolerable, especially for those with an off-road component
- An indicative budget of £1,300 for 2013-14, covering training course, AGM and website costs would be covered by UKA/runbritain on presentation of invoices.
- GW expressed annual concern over AUKCM support for ARC races although the bigger issue for road running was the proportion of large charity races that have no licence. MS agreed to keep an eye on whether any AUKCM personnel were measuring this category of event.
- Agreed to meet in 2013 in late summer/early autumn