

The Minutes of BDFPA 2012 AGM, Fairfield, Bromsgrove West Midlands, October 14th

In attendance

Pat Reeves
Gren Elmore
Neil Thomas
Nicola Elding
Manon Bradley
Les Pilling
Andrew Davies
Mike Davies
Ben Southeast
Glen East Midlands
Pete Gaskin
Eddie Bennett

Les Pilling

North West quiet in general, the qualifier for the British went well in September and a number of people have qualified to be National and International referees.

Eddie Bennett

Has organised a qualifier for 8 December where people can enter on the day.

Ben in the South-east trying to organise a divisional first week in December in West London.

Glen is trying to find somewhere with space and equipment.

Neil to put in place a page on the website for military.

In January army bench press will have 90 lifters and this competition will be 100% drug tested as will be the inter army and RAF. It was mentioned again the importance of watching what supplements you take as some of these drug tested.

The BDFPA has tested 70 people in the last year

Manon Bradley would like to see drug tests featured on the homepage of the BDFPA site. Other organisations cannot compare to our tests. Mark Fleming received a life time ban . We currently send test results to Belgium after the UK this process can take a year this took 3 years as he was tested In and out of competition test that caught him one he passed as all high then a pass and a fail again all information sent to Ghent his professional opinion that trend analysis was someone using WDFPF conducted 1st tests and they issued the life ban and we up held this. If he wishes to challenge has to take WADA to court not BDFPA there are two more test results being sent. Kings College London keep seeing Ghent issue very quickly. We are expecting one of the results to be positive.

You can issue a ban straight away but this way the results are completely accurate.

Test with over 4.51 a ban can be issued straight away. We prefer to make sure we are totally sure.

Kings College and Ghent cost the same to test.

Drug Control wise there is always testing going on behind the scenes. Everyone must flag up if they believe someone may be taking.

Mike Davies said they tested a person who said you will never catch me.

Neil Thomas tells a story of people flagging up someone who they thought were taking, the test was

clean but out of competition test was carried out. Neil told us to remember if someone tested and not taking it is a compliment we thought they were good enough to think they were taking.

When records are registered with someone with a positive test we must take the record away. If banned all records removed if you leave organisation, the only way we can remove records is if they test positive in another organisation. This is why we would like everyone to join in January. WADA

Stimulants banned in competition not out of competition. Military test in events but the out of testing rules.

Neil said he would show everyone how to do a drugs test which he did.

West Midlands doing well another 14 joined and 43 lifters for next week's event. Pat sends newsletters to WM members in addition to main BDFPA Newsletter.

Andy Davies technical sec.

Divisional referee exam has organised committee to be in charge of the exams

Eddie Bennett was invited for his area Eddie not a qualified referee so agreed Mike Davies and Andy to cover the North

Exam paper go to Andy with cheque upgrading done in competition the upgrading to International that Andy has not sanctioned this has to stop Andy is the only one who can upgrade as the standard is dropping. Signals not being executed correctly.

Nation apply every 5 years for a competition but if people not coming up with venues old venues can be used. Weigh in must be done in underwear to lift in this is now proposed. Bid at bid the hotel prices and entry fee must be disclosed. Switzerland given bid the 120 Euro big mac meal £15 entry fee high, hotels high ravioli £40 so very expensive. In Russia 50 Euro night rooms gone only 800 Euros left, standardisation of awards best lifter awards best nation either have or never have minimum standard of award.

New formula team points simple 12 points win second 10 points the points will be in the 1000s nations who send big teams will be respected for their efforts

New equipped gear must be approved by technical committee bench shirt single ply as good as double ply until 2014 congress no new equipped gear can be used. This came about after a new dead lift suit was seen in Switzerland

All referees to register each year with the wdfpf if not a member not a referee if national must referee at national and international events. Any referee who has been inactive for four years is required to sit exams again.

Germany 2014 single lift. Wim supporting this

Moldova 2014 full power

Estonia world championship European

Estonia Olympic Power lifting 5 day competition every four years starts in Estonia from last year needs to be voted on.

Pete Gaskin - few changes to website added new pages spreadsheet with competitions and paperwork Jim stringer wanted a list of East Midlands records big lifts last 20 years he offered to do this for other divisions.

Championship secretary and Pat Reeves confirmed that we ask members to look at message board weekly to see any deadline changes. It is up to the lifter to get entry in on time for major events.

Manon has organised a new online membership that will take effect from 2014

There will be votes on national competition to be sent out this week

The question was asked do we need to identify the winners of each age class in a group the group

thoughts were to leave it as it is this year but be mindful that we need to speed up the awards ceremony. Neil showed the new rule book pocket sized version and demonstrated the drugs test.