



# ERSA Newsletter

December 2009

**Welcome** to the new ERSA newsletter. This is intended to compliment the ERSA website and by no means replace it in terms of obtaining information about what is going on in the Region. Continue looking at the website and newsletters will be issued as a when news is available. For those of you with Facebook accounts there is also an ERSA group on there where you can find information and provide any feedback or start a discussion. You can find it here <http://tinyurl.com/ybeldou>.

**May we take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and Good Luck to all those skiers venturing out to races on snow over the winter.**

## Summer Racing Survey

[www.skizog.co.uk/survey](http://www.skizog.co.uk/survey) is a brief online survey about the summer racing and would appreciate any feedback, so far several responses have been received and results can be viewed online. The survey will remain open throughout December and January.

## Update

Lesley Yeung is taking over the role of Treasurer for the 2009/10 period until another Treasurer can be found for the following season. If you are interested in the future please contact Bernie.

## Trophies

will need to be returned at the first race of the season to allow them to be checked and repaired if necessary. A reminder will be sent out nearer the time.

## ERSA Champs 2010

ERSA are inviting clubs to host the 2010 ERSA Champs. An invite has now gone out to all clubs asking if they wish to hold this event and should respond to Ian Mawson

## ERSA Website

The website at [www.ersa.co.uk](http://www.ersa.co.uk) is currently maintained by Steve Lambert when he has time! He is looking for someone or a group of people to help with the maintenance of the site. Now is the opportunity to update and improve the website, so not only are we looking for volunteers to undertake the work, we are taking the opportunity to ask members as to what they would like to see on the site. If you are willing to offer your services and/or have ideas for the content of the site then please contact [chairperson@erskia.co.uk](mailto:chairperson@erskia.co.uk) or visiting the Facebook ERSA discussion board.

## Race Calendar - 2010 Season

The SSE Summer race Calendar is expected to be published this month. As you will see it is another busy calendar next year with a lot of choice. The calendar will be published as normal on [www.britski.org](http://www.britski.org). The Indoor series calendar is available here <http://tinyurl.com/yc9ecx2>. Ian Mawson is in contact with the regional clubs to discuss the dates ERSA races and we will aim to have these published around the February time.

## ERSA AGM

The ERSA AGM was held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at Hemel Snow Centre. Full minutes and accounts are posted on the ERSA website. The Chair's report stated that 2009 had been another successful year with an average of 160 racers participating in the ERSA races this year. ERSA was the most successful Region in the country in terms of participation and thanked all volunteers without whom the races could not take place. The Treasurer (Andrea Grant) reported that ERSA had received income of £6500 in the past year and currently there was £7958.41 in the bank. In light of this it was agreed that the ERSA entry fee remains at £9 for the 2010 season.

New officials were elected to the ERSA Committee as others were standing down. The following people were elected: Bernie Wright as Chair; John Curtis as Vice Chair; Ian Mawson Chair of ERSA ROTP and Bill Parsey as Secretary.

## ERSA Meeting 22.11.09 outcomes :

### ERSA name change

The Committee resolved to change the name from Eastern Region Ski Association to Eastern Region Snowsports Association. Members of the Region have already been e mailed to determine if there are any objections to the change and are encouraged to respond to Bernie or Bill. An EGM has been arranged for the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 9.00am, at Hemel, Snow Centre to ratify the name change if there are no objections.

### Level 2 Official course

ERSA is looking to organise some sort of officials 'training course next year, ideally a Level 2 course. We are currently talking to SSE about the costs involved and once we have the information will hopefully be able to progress. It's important that we have volunteers to help run the races and this year we had several step forward and assist. The more that help the easier the races become and the less we rely on single individuals. If you like to get more involved please contact either Ian or Bernie, it's not onerous and is simple to help out.

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