



## BARSC Championship 2010 update

### Cancellation of BARSC Championships 2010

Unfortunately, adverse weather conditions caused the 2010 championship to be cancelled and the BARSC board have been identifying a course of action.

Ski racing is conditional on weather conditions and no organising committee can guarantee a full or partial refund of entry fees if a single event or a whole series is cancelled. This is clearly part of the contract between athletes and the organising committee and was stated in the invitation and in the acceptance bulletin. ***“REFUNDS** Due to the enormous cost of organising these Championships, there will be no refund of race entry fee made available after your race entry has been accepted even if one or more races are cancelled.”*

Normally the organising committee has sufficient information by 20<sup>th</sup> December to make a decision about the event. On 18<sup>th</sup> December there was at least 40cm of snow on the race piste, more than sufficient for the competition to go ahead. On 21<sup>st</sup> we learned that conditions had deteriorated, that all lifts were closed and that slope workers had been unable to access the piste. Reports on the situation were published as soon as the organising committee had them, on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> warning of the change and on 25<sup>th</sup> December with the decision to cancel. This decision was made as soon as we knew that conditions were not going to improve in time and that no alternative venue or other arrangements could be made.

The BARSC board has discussed the options and has decided that they are able to consider a partial refund of the entry fee. This refund will 50% of the original fee if offset against entry into the 2011 championship, it is hoped that most people will accept this option. If anyone wishes to be refunded by cheque it will be necessary to charge an administration fee to offset the additional cost of processing. This will be £5 per athlete.

All athletes should indicate to the Race Secretary, Ros Humprey, [ros.humphrey@btinternet.com](mailto:ros.humphrey@btinternet.com), by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April to tell her if they wish to claim a refund and if so whether this would be by credit against 2011 or by cheque. Any athlete who does not contact Ros by 30<sup>th</sup> will automatically be credited against 2011.

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