

## **ACC DECISION**

ACC AGM 18/03/2013: redirect £300 from ICSC to TriIC grant.

NB: Our ACC grant appeal was <3 pages of text, the rest was tables of finance figures.

### **1. Growing Membership:**

TriIC membership: 70, up from 36 in 2011-12

ICSC membership: 196, up from 160 in 2011-12

Unbalanced view of membership: should take into account active members.

TriIC: Swim session have ~20-25 people per week.

Core sessions have ~20-25 people per week.

BUCS Duathlon: 13 people competed.

BUCS Sprint triathlon: 18 people competed.

ICSC: Two batches of ski lessons for 10 people, plus one batch of ski lessons for 5 people for the year. So a maximum of 15 people have had lesson this year.

How many people competed at the ICSC BUCS competitions?

BUiSC: 5

BUiSC finals: 4

The high ICSC membership number is due to the membership requirement of anyone going on the winter ski trip. A few of these members are involved in the club further.

### **2. Union Allocation per Head:**

Again, this is a weighted statistic reliant on the inflated membership numbers of ICSC due to the winter trip. The grant is there to encourage more students into activities, and so should be based on how active a club is and how many members are actually attending sessions.

### **3. Coaching/Training/Trip Costs:**

The 'one lesson' claim came from a look into ICSC's finance records. The lessons produced by ICSC chair were not referenced as lessons in the financial documentation, hence the confusion. We accept that ICSC organised 3 lessons trips, 2 for 10 people, 1 for 5 people.

In defence of our training: Ethos do not allow clubs to take large groups into the pool for an organised session, and explicitly do not allow coaches unless lanes have been booked. These lanes cost £6.50 each for one hour. We hire two lanes for 1 hour a week, and need to expand to three lanes due to too many active members.

We do run in Hyde Park, and Cycle in Richmond Park. We also run a coached core strength session every Wednesday.

#### **4. Competitions:**

It is of great importance to note in this section that TriIC have never subsidised race entry and transport by any more than 50% due to shortage of funds, while ICSC are able to subsidise the full cost of all travel, accommodation and race entry (based on BUiSC qualifying and finals).

TriIC would love to subsidise race entry to near this extent, but cannot. This is what the grant can help even out.

#### **5. Source of Funding:**

Again, an important element has been left out. NUCO/Wasteland ski offer the club a selection of free ski trips for organising with them. Of this selection, the committee in the past has each taken one, amounting to 9 free trips. If ICSC is in need of funds for race entry or training, the committee can instead pay for the ski trip, increasing the club SGI by ~£5000.

Process:

Each committee member takes a free ski trip from NUCO/Wasteland.

A product is then created on the ICSC website for the trip (~£550 each).

Each of the committee then pays for their trip into the club SGI.

ICSC then gains ~£5000 more to spend on their members.

By reducing the ICSC grant it is not an insult, but a complement on ICSC: it is able to fund its activities far better than other clubs thanks to the large donations from NUCO/Wasteland. The grant is there to increase student activity in the union, not to benefit a select few individuals, and so the grant needs to go to those clubs that first and foremost are including many student and broadening horizons, and also those clubs that need it the most.

We too push hard for sponsors, and have two. If our sponsorship amounted to many thousands of pounds, we wouldn't need the grant as badly as we do, but unlike ICSC this is not the case.

#### **6. Having Enough Money:**

In conclusion ICSC can afford:

£303.42 spent on alcohol for a free all you can drink social.

£1035.00 spent on subsidising the annual dinner for 38 people (40 people).<sup>[1]</sup>

100% subsidy on race entry, travel and accommodation.

Each committee member to have a free winter ski trip.

TriIC:

Members are paying 100% of the annual dinner charge.

Members pay 50-100% of race entry, travel and accommodation.

Members pay £25 per term to attend the swim session

(accidentally £20 in sprint term)

Our large SGI at this point in the year is due to us still having to pay for:

- Two term's pool hire.
- Two term's room hire.
- Two term's swim coach.
- One term's core coach.
- BUCS Sprint entries
- BUCS Sprint travel
- BUCS Olympic entries
- BUCS Olympic travel

## **7. Buying Membership:**

In no way did I infer they were "defrauding members", it is simply a fact that members have to pay membership to go on the trip. However, this does still artificially increase membership numbers.

And as stated above, ICSC is not being penalised for organising the trip, it is a clear source of great income that NUCO give away so many free trips. The grant is there as a charitable support for clubs that need it for good cause, not to make clubs with plenty of money richer.

In response to the question:

*"does TriIC allow non-members to attend its official training sessions subsidised by member-subscriptions and, is this ultimately to the benefit of the club?"*

Yes we do, we allow cross country members to attend the core sessions on Wednesdays. This is because of a partnership created this year to strengthen both clubs by sharing sessions. We attend their Monday session and they attend our Wednesday session. This doesn't cost either club any more to accommodate, and allows both clubs an extra session. We do not allow them to attend the swim sessions as these are over-crowded and we do not allow members of other universities to benefit from club subsidisy.

## **8. Specific Subsidies**

With respect to the Annual dinner subsidy, we were wrong, it was actually subsidised by £1035, not £700.

This is a lot of money on something not related to the sport. If the £300 does go to TriIC, then ICSC will only be able to subsidise the annual dinner by £735 next year, not a terrible cut, and that is only if they continue to have free ski trips for committee.

## **9. Timing of Grant Spending**



This does not mean the club should be allowed to have more money just because the rest of the money is coming in later that year. If the winter ski trip is also planned by the beginning of the term, then the committee can just pay for their ski trips and the club has more money than it will need. They will also have a lot of money from membership:

Membership: 196  
 Cost: £20  
 Income: £3920

2013-14 Grant Amounts		
Account Name (Code)	Triathlon	Snowsports
Affiliation Fees (605)	£52.50	£315.00
Entrance Fee Competition (680)	£620.63	£893.25
Equipment Purchase (685)	£350.00	£0.00
Ground Hire (710)	£266.18	£747.38
Instructors (735)	£477.75	£450.00
Referees (835)	£0.00	£0.00
Travel Expenditure (895)	£0.00	£560.00
	£1,767.06	£2,965.63

[1] – ICSC Cost and Income for Annual Dinner (£1415.00 cost, £380 income).

Annual Dinner (55) - Hospitality (730)

Date	Document 	Description 	Amount (£)
13/02/2013	32015 Proforma Inv: 150313 (157619...	AP Invoices - KEN3	-250.00
13/03/2013	32354 ProForma Inv 150313 (159235)	AP Invoices - KEN3	-1150.00
14/03/2013	ICSS 150313 AB/JH (159301)	Bank Charges 4 CHAP Transfer (Marri...	-15.00
			-1,415.00

Annual Dinner (55) - Ticket Income (580)

Date	Document	Description	Amount (£)
24/02/2013	ECOM 15186 (158303)	Online Sales 20130224	10.00
25/02/2013	ECOM 15188 (158332)	Online Sales 20130225	40.00
27/02/2013	ECOM 15192 (158435)	Online Sales 20130227	20.00
01/03/2013	ECOM 15196 (158791)	Online Sales 20130301	10.00
04/03/2013	ECOM 15202 (158794)	Online Sales 20130304	30.00
05/03/2013	ECOM 15204 (158795)	Online Sales 20130305	10.00
06/03/2013	ECOM 15206 (159238)	Online Sales 20130306	40.00
07/03/2013	ECOM 15208 (159620)	Online Sales 20130307	120.00
08/03/2013	ECOM 15210 (159239)	Online Sales 20130308	50.00
10/03/2013	ECOM 15214 (159195)	Online Sales 20130310	10.00
14/03/2013	ECOM 15224 (159391)	Online Sales 20130314	20.00
15/03/2013	ECOM 15226 (159392)	Online Sales 20130315	20.00
			<b>380.00</b>