British Universities Lifesaving Clubs' Association

Competition Allocation Policy

Competition Bid will be submitted by all club at least 10 days prior to the AGM and will be released for viewing by clubs. This will be done in accordance with the Competition application Pack and will include a finances sheet.

Fresher's competition will be decided by each club presenting their bid for fresher for a maximise for 2 minutes before taking question. These presentations shall be completed in the order of submission to the Web Officer.

Algorithm for deciding the other competition calendar for the following year:

1) Clubs shall provide a list of dates they can hold their competition for the upcoming year 10 days prior to the AGM

2) Clubs shall rank these in order of preference with 1 representing their 1st choice.
   a. Clubs can choose to place an equal preference on multiple dates (including placing an equal 1st preference on all dates should they choose)

3) Each competition bid shall be allowed to present for upto 2 minutes before being questioned at the AGM. This will happen in the order of submission to the Web Officer.

4) During the course of the AGM a secret ballot shall be taken whereby each club shall be asked to list, in preference order, the bids from all bidding members. Equal preference to more than one club is NOT allowed.
   a. Should a club decide they do not wish for a bidding member to host a competition in the upcoming year they should indicate they wish to 'exclude' the bidding member, however, this club must still be ranked on the ballot sheet.

5) The ballot forms shall be collected

6) If for a specific bidding member, over 50% of the ballot forms indicate they should be 'excluded', the club will not be eligible to hold a competition the upcoming year. The ballot sheets shall than be amended to reflect the removal of this bidding member such that the remaining bidding members on each sheet are still ranked in consecutive integer order.

7) For each remaining bidding member, their rank on each club's ballot sheet shall be added together. The bidding member with the lowest total shall be ranked as A, the next lowest as B and so on
   a. In the event of an equal total for two or more bidding members, the bidding member with the most rank 1's shall be ranked highest, then the bidding member with second most rank 1's and so on
   b. In the event of an equal number of rank 1's for two or more bidding members, the bidding member with the most rank 2's shall be ranked highest, then the bidding member with the second most rank 2's and so on
   c. In the event this still results in an equal ranking, the higher rank shall go to the bidding member who first submitted their proposal.
   d. This process shall continue until all bidding members are ranked
   e. Should a host not have held voted to hold a competition in the previous year they will be removed from the ranking and placed at the top providing they were marked as excluded. Should this apply to more than 1 club they will be placed at the top in the same order they appeared in the from the original vote at the top of the ranking list.
   f. The bidding members that submitted competition bids after the deadline shall be removed from the ranking. The list shall than be amended to reflect the removal of these bidding members such that the remaining bidding members are still ranked in consecutive alphabetic order.

      g. The late entry removed bidding members shall be added to the end of the list in the same order as they appeared in the original list.

8) The bidding member with rank A shall get their first choice for their competition unless:

      i. That weekend has already been allocated. Existing allocations will be the BULSCA Championships, the RLSS Speeds and the RLSS Nationals.

      ii. A three consecutive competition weekend situation is created

9) For each subsequent bidding member, they shall get their first choice for their competition unless:

      i. That weekend has already been allocated

      ii. A three consecutive BULSCA competition weekend situation is created

      iii. A four consecutive allocated competition weekend situation is created

Should one of these eventualities occur the bidding member shall get their 2nd choice. Should there still be an issue the process shall continue to the 3rd choice etc. until either the bidding member is allocated a competition date or no date is found, in which case the process will move to the next highest ranked bidding member.

      a. Should a club place equal preference to multiple dates, step 9 shall be undertaken for each date for the next highest ranking bidding member. The date chosen will be dictated by:

          i. The next highest ranking bidding member gets the highest preferenced date available to them based on the process in step 9

          ii. Should more than one date meet this criteria, the second next highest preferenced date available to them based on the process in step 9

          iii. This shall continue until all clubs have been allocated date. Should multiple combinations still exist the original highest ranked club with multiple dates will have free choice of the date they wish to pick

The process shall stop once 8 competition have been allocated to the League Calendar.

10) The proposed calendar shall be voted upon by a simple majority of BULSCA affiliated clubs. Should the calendar be rejected then the competition calendar shall be debated without means of the algorithm. Where each competition is voting by simple majority using the order submitted to the web officer as the order to be debated in.

11) Once the calendar is thus complete, any bidding member is welcome to reapply for an alternative date after the AGM provided:

      i. They are not 'excluded'

      ii. That weekend has not already been allocated

      iii. A three consecutive BULSCA competition weekend situation is not created

      iv. A four consecutive allocated competition weekend situation is not created

If more than one club reapplies then applications will be granted on a 'first come first serve' basis at the discretion of the BULSCA Committee