

IBMXF REPORT BY G. DOES

Pro's meet Gerrit Does, IBMXF General Secretary

At the Coral Springs races 4-11-82, Gerrit Does spoke with almost all the Pro's. Explained European situation and growth we have in Holland. More than 2,000 riders and more coming in every week. In the whole of Europe about 10,000 BMX racers right now.

Goals for IBMXF

Promote the sport world-wide

Set up good international rules

Organize World Championship

A 5 year program (planning) is in progress

Within a 2 year period we will have Pro's in Europe also (they have to be 18 years old or older by law).

Contacts have been made with U.C.I. (International Cycle Union)

Future riders in each of the IBMXF affiliated organizations have to qualify for World Championships. IBMXF expert international - has yellow number plate and license (National Numbers).

IBMXF is there for the sport. Keep the cost down as much as possible.

All the Pro's were very enthusiastic about the whole set up and Gerrit Does asked for their cooperation to bring in the know how, etc.

After the IBMXF Congress in July more information (press - release) will follow concerning our future plans.

Open European Championship
July 17th & 18th 1982

Highlights

* Only NBL members will be allowed to race at IBMXF races *

* Ask for permit through NBL *

* Race at Beek & Donk *

Schedule Saturday 17th 1982:

Registration 8:30 - 10:30
Pratice 9:30 - 11:30
First race 12:00

Meeting all international riders at 20:00 (8:00 pm)
speeches, music, dances, fire-works
end of evening 22:45 (10:45pm)

Sunday July 18th 1982:

Opening of race day, parade all nations 13:30 (1:30pm)
Finals (qualifiers, semi-finals) 16:00 (4:00pm)
Presentation of awards (like the Olympics) 17:30 (5:30)

Through our NBL contact Don Hutelin arrangements can be made. It is possible to stay in private homes, hotels, etc.

IBMXF racing rules are to be used at Beck & Donk. No more than 700 riders will be accepted. There will be allowed a maximum of 50 U.S. riders.

From all European IBMXF countries the best 3 per class will be allowed to race (only the best). About 10 countries will attend these races; Hollands, Belgium, France, Germany, England, Norway, Denmark, Spain, U.S.A., and Austria.

Track:

fastest lap time 36.3 seconds
electronic starting gate
concrete starting hill
5,000 person grand stand
parking lot for 500 cars
35 showers
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30 kilometers from the city Eindhoven