

WELSH CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Held at The Castle Hotel, Llandovery on Wednesday 14th April 2010.

Present.

President;	Arthur Williams
Chairman;	Daff Davies
Stats Officer;	Brian Davies
Secretary;	Ann Snelgrove
Treasurer:	
Sporting;	Nigel Hart
ABT;	
DTL;	Ian Jones
Olympic Skeet;	Del Davies
Olympic Trap;	
National Skeet;	Mark Davies/Angie Oliver

Apologies.

Jason Shannon, Jackie Spencer, Gareth Wrentmore.

Chairmans address.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everybody including the two new discipline representatives on the Board, Angie Oliver and Ian Jones.

Minutes of last meeting.

The minutes were proposed by AW and seconded by DD to be a true & accurate record.

Matters arising.

2313. An order has been placed with Topgun clothing for new shooting jackets & it was suggested that the new costs to team members could be £65. The wording on the back was discussed & it was prop and sec. that in place of Team Wales it should read Wales/Cymru with a second proposal & sec. that it should just read Cymru. Both proposals having equal votes the Chairman gave the casting vote in favour of Wales Cymru. The old stock held was discussed with suggestions to replace bad jackets with these but it was decided to hold them in stock as 'back up'. The mesh vest was considered & agreed by all that an order be placed alongside the shooting jackets. As the general secretary was about to leave for a holiday she requested that BD placed the order, adding a few extra small sizes, in her absence & advise of the new wording to be used.

The costs of the new discipline bar badges were presented to the meeting & found to be very favourable, an order had already been placed for stock.

2331. AS had contacted R. Stepney who believed that the items in question were returned to Mid Wales. AW was unaware of this but would look into.

2334. AS read out the relevant minute from a previous meeting as had been requested. BD also noted that he required the scores from shoots abroad to be sent to him.

Correspondence.

2347. Emails had been received from Angie Goodman concerning late payment/non payment of club membership by two grounds which also appeared on the WCTSA website and requesting the procedure for ensuring that grounds were members & that shoots & scores were protected. It was noted that Dovey Valley had been an oversight and was resolved & that Brondai believed that their

standing order was for club membership when it was for personal membership. This had been resolved by the Chairman who also received membership for a new shooting member of the WCTSA. An email was also read out from Yvonne Rees, membership secretary, on the procedure followed by her with regard to clubs. BD advised the meeting of how the clubs had, this time, appeared on the website but it was agreed that the procedures to be followed for club & ground membership would have to be discussed & tightened up at a later meeting, as an agenda item, & it was suggested that this take place around the selection procedure time.

A discussion then followed on ground insurance & it was stated that the shooters were covered by the WCTSA insurance but not that of the ground. AO suggested that we should ask for a copy of the grounds insurance policy when they join the WCTSA & MD agreed that it needs tightening up.

2348. An email, passed to AS from Dave Lea, regarding membership queries/standing orders which had been answered by Y. Rees in that the WCTSA cannot increase S/O's, it has to be done by the member themselves.

Whilst on membership NH queried how a member had sent a cheque for the wrong amount which had been cashed but had not received any communication or card.

2349. Treasurers Report.

BD presented the report in the absence of J.S.

Current Account £5989.53

Deposit Account £34371

Investment Account £50000

J.S had sent a letter to BD, DD & AW reference various investment options –

Barclays 1.85%

Investec 2.19% with 3 months notice

Secure Trust 3.21% with 120 days notice.

The unanimous decision was to go with Secure Trust.

Letter from BICTSF regarding the levy mentioned before, 50p per member capped at £1000 will cost the WCTSA approx. £300, they are responsible for the GB teams. Prop. & sec. to pay, all agreed.

2350 Executive Decisions.

None had been made apart from BD advising A. Goodman to accept Dovey Valley Scores.

2351 WCTSF Report

No report as JD not present at this meeting.

2352 BICTSF Report

AW advised of the meeting at Bisley. They discussed the 50p levy, which had been discussed above, it looked as if the Olympics (shooting) would be held at Woolwich Barracks & there was an ongoing item about disrepute abroad.

2352. Llandegla

The invoice for Northop was discussed, JS to look at the question of the two cheques presented & then the Board can consider the outstanding amount.

2353 Raffles at County Shoots

This item was brought from the last meeting & discussed in full. NH explained about his recent raffle at Brondai & that the proceeds were fundraising for the Welsh Team. It was agreed to advise Angie Goodman that due to the current financial problems of the WCTSA the Board would like all proceeds to go to the Association.

2354 **New Director**

It was prop.& sec..that Mark Davies be the new director replacing John Hall. All in favour, JS to supply the relevant forms.

2355 **Calendar Event/Banquet**

A proposal/suggestion by MD & carried forward from the previous meeting.

It was suggested that it be used as a fund raising/PR exercise on a banquet format which could include the sports personality of the year and an auction. It was suggested that it take place after the Internationals but before Christmas & that the team members, their partners & possibly ground owners could be invited. It might not be possible to arrange for this year but AS to make general enquiries & it was suggested that perhaps the Metropole Hotel in Llandinrod Wells might be an ideal venue. It was also suggested that it might be held on the same day as the AGM.

2356 **Postage Cost Reduction**

IJ pointed out that franked mail is about 20% cheaper than postage and offered the Association his facilities for block mailings & he would then invoice the WCTSA. This will, on large mail outs, save the WCTSA money & the Chairman extended his thanks & acceptance to IJ for his kind offer.

2357 **County Shoots**

MD advised the meeting that he had been approached by some ground owners with regard to the County Finals being held in the middle of Wales & he felt that they felt excluded from the WCTSA. It was explained why the decision had been taken to hold the finals in the middle of Wales & that the County co-coordinators had done some research which supported this decision.

AO also pointed out that care should be taken to ensure that shoot dates did not clash.

It was also felt that the County finals should rotate with regard to venues and should go back to the Board to decide. Therefore prop & sec that the Board appoints the County Finals but that the appointed grounds are to run registered shoots throughout the year also. All in favour.

JS was asked how much funds they raise for the WCTSA and also suggested that the grounds applied for the finals on a similar form to the International selection shoot form.

2358 **AOB**

J. Shannon asked AS to present the following on his behalf. He was pleased to advise that the first qualifying ABT had gone very well, without a hitch, & that the results are now on the website. Whilst discussing ABT qualifiers AW would like JS to look at the June date as he had requested that they try to organize this shoot for the same day as the DTL, which it was not, as it made for less noise disruption for his neighbours.

It was reported to the meeting about a disruption that took place during the proceeding Skeet shoot. It was explained to the meeting how it had been handled on the day but suggested that if this arose in the future they seek the ruling of the jury. MD agreed but explained that he had handled the situation as he felt best for the shoot & shooters on the day & stood by his decisions taken but he felt that he should make the Board aware of the situation. This was agreed & supported by the Board.

IJ passed on a query from Gareth Wyn Jones regarding the £200 he had raised & could he give to the juniors for the Home Internationals, agreed by the Board.

IJ had received a few queries regarding DTL funding for the Home International & it was advised that the team would have the banquet tickets & competition entry paid plus £75 expenses for the Home International in Scotland but not for the British Open the next day.

IJ had received a few enquiries regarding the grandparent rule for Wales as on the website it states parent only. Prop & sec by that grandparent be included & BD to change website.

It was requested for full information regarding the details for the Home International to be held at Telpyn this year. MD agreed to get in touch with R. Stepney for details of his agreement with the ground owner & either AS or MD to confirm in writing.

It was agreed that in future a formal contract needed drawing up for these events, AS to action but stated that she needed some input on the content of this contracts requirements.

It was requested that AS to check the 2011 rota for Home Internationals as it was stated that FITASC is yet to be allocated.

As there was nothing further to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20 pm and wished everyone a safe journey home.

The date of the next meeting was left to the general secretary's discretion although it was pointed out that June is not a very good month for meetings. The general secretary to call a meeting either later in May, correspondence and other points pending, or the beginning of July.

Minutes agreed and signed by;.....Dated;.....

