

WELSH CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

Held at The New Inn, Newbridge On Wye on 5th March 2014

Present.

President;
Chairman; Daff Davies
Stats Officer; Brian Davis
Secretary; Ann Snelgrove
Treasurer; Jackie Spencer
Sporting; Richard Hughes
ABT; John H Thomas, Graham Evans
DTL; Dai Ricketts, Ian Jones, Will Palmer
Olympic Skeet; Gareth Wrentmore
Olympic Trap;
National Skeet; Angie Oliver, Mark Davies

Action

1. Chairman's addressed & welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.35 and welcomed everyone attending.

2. Apologies.

Rob Harrison, Arthur Williams, Mike Amodeo and Dell Davies.

3. Minutes of last meeting.

Acceptance of the previous minutes were proposed and sec, agreed by all & duly signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising.

3059. AO would like to reserve membership number 93 for George Seabourne for next year. Agreed & AS to advise Allan Jones. It was noted that number 2 had now been sold.

3065. AS still awaiting reply following request to be emailed direct the reports from the WSA. MD suggested that the Board now write to the WTSF listing all relevant questions from the WCTSA as arranging a meeting is becoming very difficult to do. Daff D suggested that the subcommittee has a meeting to discuss & further this letter.

3085. EST-Development proposal to be discussed in this meeting.

3086. Regarding the Double Trap shooters, it was noted that all correspondence now relating to this had been put together in one file. This included a letter from Cheryl Gizzi which had been sent to AW. All relevant details had been sent to John Dallimore as requested previously but had not been forwarded further.

3089. Re; Talent Identification funding from the WTSF – AO had looked at this with MA but it was felt that there was too short a time span, plus weather conditions, for this year but AS to ask for the details early for next year. MD stated that he felt that the Board should go for the funding on offer this year & IJ suggested that it was left to MD to see if anything could be arranged & therefore if it was possible for this year.

3092. Olympic Trap Procedure presented and noted that the veterans would stay as stated but that it would appear on the next ICTSC agenda. BD to put on website.

5. Correspondence.

3096. Invites for the 2014 HCIT's in OSK, ABT, Sporting & NSK, AS has put on website.

3097. Email from Will Andrews concerning selection shoots for Double Trap, ranking lists,

coordinators for this & BICTSF representation. AS was asked to reply & point out that AO was overseeing the D.T on behalf of the Board but as there was no CSF this year a ranking list could be formulated in readiness for 2015. AO stated other grounds should also be offered the chance to host selection shoots, as per other disciplines. It was noted that IJ had stood down as Chairman but had remained on the Board of BICTSF therefore there were two representatives as needed. Elections were held post AGM meeting. It was also noted that BICTSF, WCTSA & Home Nations did not have a say in team selection, this was completed by organizations such as the WTSF and the panels set up for this.

- 3098.** Email to Allan Jones from a member who wished to shoot for another County – various discussions took place on this matter but generally agreed that we did not want to lose shooters from County shoots. It was suggested in this type of case that the two coordinators discuss the situation fully to see if one County will release to the other, if agreed this release to be confirmed by letter as is similar to Internationals. It was also agreed that this might need adding/amending to the rules & AS to advise Allan Jones to look into and update on website if agreed & confirmed by coordinators.
- 3099.** Email from Helen Slack regarding the errors in her case. It was confirmed that the CPSA & WCTSA had completed the transfer correctly to allow her to shoot in Home Nation events but that it was the WTSF and the relevant panels who deal with Commonwealth matters as neither the CPSA or WCTSA have jurisdiction over this. It was also noted that the WTSF had gone to great lengths with another athlete and were therefore able to advise Helen fully on matters concerning who and how the CG committee & selection panel nominate.
- 3100.** EST Development & criteria was discussed but it was felt that as a non ground or buildings owner a list of WCTSA member shooting grounds should be sent to them for their use as the grounds themselves had the facilities etc to offer visitors.
- 3101.** Letter from Sport RCT regarding Future Champions in RCT and setting out their programme for funding, age groups, sports and workshops. This had been circulated prior to the meeting and copies sent to relevant youngsters falling within the catchment.
- 3102.** Email from Nicola Walker concerning the hotel booking for the forthcoming Sporting HCIT and querying how the process worked with regard to bookings and when beforehand the Nations were advised of the details as Wales appeared to have missed out again on the hotel bookings. This had caused her many problems & from this arose questions to which IJ asked she forward her email to him to enable him to send to the other Nations for their comments on the matter.

6. Treasurers Report.

3103. Bank Accounts - As at 5th March 2014

Current Account	10,005
Base Rate Reward	30,657
Saver	79
Secure Trust	55,726
Total	£96,467

Major movements since last meeting 22/01/14;

ICTSC membership for 2014	£700
ICTSF membership for 2014	£500
Stamps (Allan Jones)	£100
Insurance	£2650 – awaiting documentation for website
Sporting World Championships	£1895

Invoices to pay:

Sional re Badges	£435 contra to sale of clothing, AS asked for copy to check off.
Membership Secretary	£1000 divided between Yvonne (£1 new, 0.75p renewals) & Allan at changeover October 2013.
Statistics Officer	£1250
Committee mileage	£3000 (approx)
BICTSF	£275.50

Outstanding Debtors;

Stuart Dodd invoice 197 dated 02/09/13 for clothing	£55
Fauxdegla Invoice 21 dated 27/02/14 for membership	£350

JS requested that AS send her the updated stock sheet & any outstanding expenses.

PayPal had been investigated at 3.4% + 20p transaction fee therefore for all members charges could amount to about £900.

JS to again look into direct debits & the costings but it was noted that the form could be put onto the website if this option was to be followed.

BASC could be a good option but a real problem if a reference was not put on the transfer.

JS had received, and dealt with, an email from a member whose application had been sent to YR but who wanted to shoot a County shoot. Also wanted to have a temporary classification but did not appear to have any classification. A membership card had now been received but the cheque could not be found at the time. JS felt that this problem had now been concluded.

JS to ask the insurers if we can add rifle insurance to the policy and if so, how much.

A brief discussion followed regarding membership & Daff D asked for approximate numbers and it was confirmed at about 551 at present. AS then explained the problems that had recently occurred between Allan Jones and the CPSA with receiving & collating WCTSA membership. This had caused some major problems earlier in the year with shooters trying to book onto shoots for which they did not appear to be members & AS and MD had become involved in trying to sort this out quickly by going through the process involved & the copy emails between the two parties. The decision was taken that, for now, AJ sent copies to AS of everything that he sent to Mark at the CPSA and also that instead of 'bulk' membership details for the foreseeable future that he would send at least two weekly updates which was agreed by the CPSA. AS reported that at the time of the meeting this had been taking place & that the problem now appeared to be resolved but that it had greatly concerned AJ at the time & that is why the decision had been taken to step in and try to help immediately.

Daff D then thanked JS for her report on the finances & AS/MD for their input on the membership issue.

7. Executive Decisions.

- 3104.** A decision had been taken by the Executive regarding the Team selection procedure for the Sporting World Cup competition as this needed clarification before this scheduled meeting.

8. WTSF Report

- 3105.** No report had been received from JD by AS for the meeting. AS had received paperwork from the WTSF which had been circulated prior to this meeting; Minutes from their meeting on 06/01/14, Agenda for meeting dated 24/02/14, email concerning coach selections from John Dallimore, Key performance indicators 01/04/13 to 31/03/14, WTSF strategy for shooting in Wales 2013-2015, Progress on WTSF strategic plan 2013-2015, WTSF balance sheet as at 10/02/14, Income & Expenditure budget vs. actual 01/04/13 to 10/02/14, Update on GC sheet and details of Strachan Travel to GC. It was noted that a letter sent by the WCTSA to the Board of the WTSF concerning Helen Slack & Richard Stepney as coach was not noted in correspondence received in the minutes of 6th January 2014, AS to follow up.

9. BICTSF report.

- 3106.** A copy email from John Dallimore regarding dates that clashed in 2014 for GB selection shoots in OT and OSK & the GC. A new fixture list was provided and to go onto the website. IJ provided a brief BICTSF report & stated that the AGM had taken place 3 weeks previously & items discussed had been individual membership and OSK qualifiers with 1 GB shoot to move, back a week, but OT to stay the same. Peter Croft was now the new Chairman, some constitutional items had been discussed and also there had been a disciplinary hearing held.

10. ICTSC report.

- 3107.** IJ explained that the ABT HCIT this year would be combined with the BO, an extra £15 would be charged if part of the team was shooting this. There would be changes to the DTL rota, discipline representatives were to be told of this. NSK – were trying to use speed guns to set the targets, this to be done from three grounds to try & set the speeds. An appeal regarding a Double Trap HCIT but found not enough shooters participating as yet. The age groups were different between GB, FITASC & ISSF which could mean that in 2015 HCIT's could have super veterans classes too, this to be agreed by the Board. It was noted that teams could be bigger & proposed that veterans will be 55 & over & super veterans will be 65 and over. Everywhere else in big competitions & ISSF disciplines this is the age category as set. IJ would like the Boards comments & it was again noted that the team size could increase plus the costs. It was agreed that the discipline representatives discuss & report back at the next meeting for IJ to take their comments to the next ICTSC meeting in July. The ICTSC hold 3 meetings a year and are looking to bring down to 2. There was a discussion on the movement of shooters re Ireland & N. Ireland.

11. Sporting Procedure.

- 3108.** This had been covered by the Executive Decision and acted upon already.

12. Helen Slack.

- 3109.** It was noted that Cheryl Gizzi was very upset with the situation regarding DT & that she had also spoken to GE who had explained that it was not the fault of the WCTSA. The DT score of 137/150 benchmark had been taken from Delhi under a set format but the discipline was under a new format now which had changed to more difficult therefore it was felt that the score needed to be lowered. This was to be reviewed by the WTSF but had not been completed. Qualifying scores were then discussed with regards to disciplines here & in other Countries. IJ then went on to explain to the Board the qualifying procedure for Team Wales at the CG 2014. GE wanted it noted how very disappointed that he felt for himself & the other members & the seeming lack of communication & information received by them from the WTSF.

GE would also like to receive a copy of the reports made about him for his application & that of the other shooters & pointed out that the Coach, Richard Stepney, never appeared at one of the Welsh DT selection shoots. MD advised the meeting of the procedure of the last panel that he had sat on with respect to this type of application & GE advised that he had tried to cooperate with the WTSF, the Coach & the DT procedure fully & was writing to the WTSF requesting a copy of the reports regarding him.

AO told the meeting that Ian Coley would have happily coached a Welsh DT team and MD stated that he felt that the WCTSA should now look to take coaching back under their wing. A letter had already been agreed to be sent to Helen Slack with the Boards comments.

13. County Final Scores (AO)

3110. AO asked if we should use less scores at the County finals as some Counties did not field a full team. A discussion followed on this & BD suggested 8 from 10 but Daff D advised that an eye needed keeping on this for this year & if a change needed to put it to the next County Coordinators meeting for 2015 or whenever it is called.

14. Any Other Business.

3111. MD reported the sad passing of Andrew Tudge from a Gloucester Shooting Ground & reported that he, AO & quite a few Welsh team members had attended the funeral. The Chairman thanked them for this action.

AS advised the meeting of her problems with telephone & internet & apologised for any inconvenience that this was causing the WCTSA.

The subject of the Colts Winning prizes was raised, GE was kindly sponsoring them & it only applied to 5 disciplines.

John Henry queried the cost of the team runner up winners County final badges which he had agreed to sponsor for 2014. When advised the cost he very kindly paid for the complete order of these badges which should cover a few years to come. The Board thanked John Henry.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20pm and thanked everyone who had attended and wished them a safe journey home.

Date of next meeting to be Wednesday 7th May 2014.

Minutes agreed and signed by;.....

Position;

Dated;

