

WELSH CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Held at The New Inn, Newbridge On Wye on 10th September 2014

Present.

President;	Arthur Williams
Chairman;	Daff Davies
Stats Officer;	Brian Davies
Secretary;	Ann Snelgrove
Treasurer;	Jackie Spencer
Sporting;	Richard Hughes, Rob Harrison
ABT;	Graham Evans
DTL;	Dai Ricketts
Olympic Skeet;	Gareth Wrentmore
Olympic Trap;	
National Skeet;	Angie Oliver, Mark Davies

Action

1. Chairman's addressed & welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.40 and welcomed everyone attending. On behalf of the Board he extended his congratulations to Martin Heywood who won the ABT HCIT High Gun of Match and was the B.O Champion & also to Mark Davies for his shooting 150/150 at the recent NSK HCIT & for being High Gun of Match.

2. Apologies.

Received from WP, JD, MA & Dell D.

3. Minutes of last meeting.

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

4. Matters arising.

3122. S. Dodds had still not paid, AO& JS to contact him again.

3124. GB Academy letter, still to do.

3127. Rich H reported that he had spoken to N. Hart's wife re; the trophies & she will look for them & advise Rich. H. further.

3130. Trophy base – AS showed the meeting a base and quote that she had received & it was agreed to order if name plates could be added & if it was a suitable size. GE offered to pay for the base & was thanked by the Board.

3142. Visit Wales recognition had been completed & J. Lewis had been advised to enable Griffin Lloyd to apply. AS to circulate the details to the larger/premier member grounds of the WCTSA.

3156. Further emails had been received from JD on the subject of the Wixkeys letter, previously circulated to the Board as requested by JD, and AS advised the Board that he wished this to be brought up as an agenda item at a meeting that he could attend. This was discussed but it was felt that the Board had already made a decision on the details given to them. Prop.and, sec, that the decision of the Board stood & no further discussion was needed. AS to advise JD.

3157. Reply from J. Dallimore regarding the payment of practice rounds advising that there had been a series of members who were also members of the WCTSA Board giving a list of names, and years of office. It was agreed that no member of the Board had any recollection of this being paid & also that the payment of practice rounds did not get paid for those attending HCIT's. AS to advise J. Dallimore.

3167. AS had received some ideas of black trousers from Sional for HCIT Team shooting members but it was agreed to hold this for another meeting.

3168. JS had paid L. Davies expenses for Team Manager of the OSK Team this year.

3169. It was agreed that AS contact Paul Gumn to ask him of the process to enable the WCTSA to change their Director at the forthcoming AGM of the WTSF as advised by them the previous year that the term of office of the current Director ended in 2014. To add that they wished to action this for 2014 otherwise they might have to consider their position as members of the Association.

3171. AO pointed out that the new OSK layout at Griffin Lloyd was 'being constructed', minutes amended.

5. Correspondence.

3173. Email from Elena Allen thanking the Board for her letter of congratulations. Noted.

3174. Email from ICTSF regarding the possible date change for the World English Sporting Championship 2015. BD had replied on behalf of the WCTSA & the CPSA had asked if the date had been fixed yet, possibly September/October. Noted.

3175. Email forwarded from the CPSA from Mr. Stanley regarding the setting up of a new shooting ground in Carmarthenshire. AS had forwarded to Dell D & GW for their information & it was believed that Dell D had contacted him but no further information to date. To go to next meeting.

3176. Mackintosh Trophy results for 2014, previously circulated and noted.

3177. Further emails from C. Hames/CPSA which had previously been circulated & noted.

3178. Email from Allan Jones asking about ABT scores on the website, this had now been resolved. Also noting problems with the ABT selection shoot held at Fauxdegla where broken & whole clays were falling on the range & competitors whilst shooting the ABT. AW advised that J.H. Thomas had visited Mid Wales following the shoot & had advised him also and GE advised that the buzzer on one layout, for missed birds, was too quiet for those wearing padded ear protectors. It was agreed that AS write to Mike Faux advising him of these concerns & asking him if he could possibly correct these problems before the next round of selection shoots.

3179. Email from Jackie Lewis thanking the Board for completing the Visit Wales criteria but pointing out an inaccuracy in the minutes of 18th June 2014, 3142, where it was stated in the WTSF report that a complaint had been made to them regarding this. The Board noted these comments but also noted that the word complaint came from the original meeting with the WTSF. AS to advise.

3180. Email from Paul Gumn regarding the last two WCTSA minutes where his name and that of Paul Donovan, Treasurer, had been confused. AS had already apologised for the mix up & it was noted by the Board but also noted that the minutes had already been ratified. AS to advise.

3181. Letter re NSK HCIT, held to agenda item 13 to be dealt with.

6. Treasurers Report.

3182. JS presented to the Board the accounts as at 10/09/2014 and also a copy of the draft accounts to go to the AGM. She had also produced a spreadsheet showing the costs of HCIT's in 2014. The accounts showed a Staples invoice which included a new printer for JS, prop. by Daff D & sec. by AO for JS to have this new printer.

Bank Accounts	10/09/14	18/06/14	Diff
Current account	5653	14062	-8409
Base Rate Reward	25719	30696	-4977
Saver	79	79	0
Secure Trust	56368	56045	323
Total	87819	100882	-13063

Major movements since the last meeting 30/07/2014;

Base Rate Reward transfer to Current account £5000.00 31/07/2014

Gross interest RECEIVED Secure Trust	£322.65	30/06/2014
Top Gun mesh vests x 2 (£20) cotton x 26 (£35) + VAT	£1140.00	
Membership Secretary 3 months	£250.00	
Stamps	£62.00	
Home Internationals, see table attached	£23788.	

Invoices to pay;

Clive Sawyers re Accounts for 2014	£950.00
Membership Secretary 3 months	£250.00
Staples including printer @ £40	£81.84

Income;

Griffin Lloyd	£539
St Dials	£923.00 + one
Fauxdegla	6/7/14 Sporting, 10/8/14 ABT, 29/6/14 NSK

Euro DTL Championships

JS explained the problems that had arisen where members were told by the CPSA that they did not have to pay individual entry fees for this event, WCTSA had paid Team entry fees. However the invitational letter sent did advise that these individual fees had to be paid but the CPSA people taking the entries advised otherwise. JS had now been presented with an outstanding invoice by the CPSA for these fees. AS briefly advised the meeting of the problems that she & WP had been having with incorrect trophies being presented, and signed for, at the DTL this year which was also ongoing. AO asked the meeting if, in future, the individual should pay the WCTSA upfront for these entry fees. JS to write again to those individuals with outstanding amounts of £85.00;

RP Hughes 573 confusion as G. Lloyd paid on his cc £170 for R. Jones who did not shoot.

RM Faulkner 1759

DM Irving 1940

AG Jones 1916

J Moore 2433

J Richards 2301

Cheques received from;

R Millichamp 1173

D Baugh 375

D Jones 350

W Spencer 2187

RM Jones ELLIS? RE Jones 2324

YE 31/03/2014 Accounts

Loss £9933

Will get Corporation tax back paid last year of £596

Debtors paid after YE except for S Dodds £55

Only one Welsh HCIT this year – next year accounts there is none so going to be worse.

Paid for World DTL in New Zealand £6065 (12 x £500 expenses) £65 conversion charges

World Sporting Canada 5 x £600 + entry less ICTSF refunded £1720.

AO queried from the draft accounts the lack of profit from the ABT HCIT & this was discussed with regard to entry fees, banquet costs & ground costs. IJ asked if in future that Board consider these costs carefully before awarding a HCIT.

AO asked that as the BO is a compulsory shoot should the WCTSA pay for their birds only but IJ pointed out that this was not allowed & that he would bring it up at the next ICTSC meeting that he attended. AS also asked him if he could sort out who was overseeing the ICTSC Dropbox as this was now in some disarray.

IJ queried a refund from the ICTSF attendee at the World DTL Championships, JS to send a claim in for this & IJ to look at previous emails to see the amount to be claimed.
AS to contact Sport Wales again regarding any monies available to pay for the updating of the Articles but to check previous correspondence first.
IJ queried if there should be a small rise in membership fees, seniors and veterans, as this had not been done for some time. He suggested adding £5 to seniors and veterans & this needed announcing at the forthcoming AGM explaining the reasons behind this & the length of time since this had last happened. To go on to the Agenda of the Board meeting held prior to the AGM.
The Chairman thanked JS for her very full & comprehensive reports, the accounts were agreed by all, and draft accounts to go on the website for the AGM.

7. Executive Decisions.

3183. None taken.

8. WTSF Report

3184. Agenda for next meeting to be held on 15/09/2014, noted & circulated prior to meeting.
Minutes of last meeting held on 19/05/2014, noted & circulated prior to meeting.
WSA e-newsletter, noted & circulated.
Copy emails between MD & Paul Gumn, noted.
Emails from J Dallimore regarding Target Tokyo, AS had already advised all concerned.

9. BICTSF report.

3185. The BICTSF meeting was the same day as this meeting, IJ & AW were therefore not in attendance. IJ did advise that there were some issues over shooting selection ongoing & that BICTSF has to approve the names of those who go on to courses. They had been asked for their approval of R. Stepney to take a course, declined.

10. ICTSC report.

3186. AW had left his notes at home and apologised to the meeting. IJ was to follow up the Sporting HCIT & question of accommodation but AW felt that this had not discussed in detail so IJ will bring it up again as an agenda item to ensure that it is discussed & that in future the process is fair to all.

11. WCTSA Articles of the Association/Rules.

3187. BD had received notification of the advice on this subject from the solicitor's hours before this meeting. AS to forward the documentation to the Board for their comments/suggestions and they were requested to advise BD of their findings ASAP.
IJ suggested that the Draft Articles went before the AGM stating that they would go for approval before an EGM in possibly December 2014.
AO suggested adding Conflict of Interest to the agenda of future Board meetings & IJ suggested that at the start of each year the Board all sign a declaration regarding conflicts of interest. It was agreed that AS to add Conflict of Interest to the agenda for forthcoming meetings.
There followed a brief discussion on the points made by the solicitor regarding the Articles & BD again asked for all to read and contact him with points asap. IJ suggested that they go on to the website once completed with a resolution at the AGM that they be presented, and accepted, at an EGM to follow.

12. AGM matters.

3188. Had been posted on the website, nothing brought forward & BD to post the Agenda on the website & to mention the draft articles. AS to post last year's AGM minutes on website.

13. Managers Reports.

3189. Two reports had been received from AO, Team Manager, for OT and NSK plus a letter from N. Davies & Henry Bales regarding the NSK HCIT (from correspondence).

OT – AO reported that JD was High Gun for Wales after a shoot off with George Seaborne, congratulations from the Board. She had noted that other than WCTSA Team clothing issues the shoot and behaviour of the Team could not be faulted. It was noted that some members of the Team did not wear either all or part of the WCTSA Shooting uniform as set out in the WCTSA rules, section 11, which were included on the invitational letters sent to OT shooters and published on the discipline news sections of the WCTSA website. It was noted that J. Davis & J. Lewis did not wear any of the WCTSA shooting uniform and that N.Lyons & M Evans wore only part with S Morgan starting off with the correct shooting vest but changing it later stating that it did not fit well for gun mounting. AO stated that she felt it would have been detrimental to the shoot and the Team to discipline or exclude members at the shoot.

A discussion followed on this subject and it was also noted from the photographs that R. Price & B. Llewellyn, OSK HCIT, did not comply with the shooting uniform rule either.

Rich H. suggested that Team Managers could hand out expenses cheques but withhold to those not abiding by the rules & BD suggested that all shooters should have their expenses later.

After further discussion it was agreed by all that AS write to each individual concerned enclosing a copy of the invitational letter with a letter stating either non wearing of shooting uniform or part non wearing & asking them to explain their reasons to the Board for not complying to the rules & pointing out that the Board felt that they were disrespectful to the Welsh Team. S. Morgan to be requested to ensure a correct fitting WCTSA shooting vest is used in future years.

It was also noted, from photographs, that 4 of the DTL Ladies were not wearing the correct mid grey skirt/trousers to the Banquet & AS advised that she had been told of this by J. Lewis during a recent telephone call from her. AS to discuss further with WP & DR the wording of a letter to them.

The Board to consider amending or adding to the wording of the invitational letters for next year with regards to non wearing of uniforms as per the rules.

NSK – a letter was read to the meeting received from N. Davies & H. Bales regarding the events of the evening of Friday 22nd August 2014 during the recent NSK HCIT concerning a Welsh team member, Mr. L. Morris, whilst in the hotel bar. This was also reported in full, and confirmed, in the NSK Managers report presented to the meeting & MD gave his confirmation that he was very disappointed at a Welsh Team Members behaviour towards himself, his wife, daughter & other Team members. It was also noted that the situation had upset and affected the shooting of some the following day.

After a long discussion on this matter it was agreed by all that AS write to Mr. Morris regarding the stated abusive language & aggressive behaviour on the evening of Friday 22nd August in the hotel towards other Team members, Officials & those accompanying them and ask him for his explanation of the matter for the Boards consideration.

It was also noted by the meeting the enormous contribution that M.D's family contributed to the NSK discipline throughout the year.

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3190. Welsh Selection Shoots. (from last meeting)

As JD & MA were not present at the meeting to discuss this further with regard to OT matters AS was requested to email them for their thoughts on the issue and present to the next meeting as an agenda item. This to include the ABT/DTL Discipline Representatives who are requested to discuss and sort out the number of selection shoots for 2015 also.

15. Expenses – Team Managers for World/Euro events. (from last meeting)

3191. It was agreed by the Board that this be discussed and agreed at the Discretion of the Board at the time of the event.

16. Sports Personality of the Year.

3192. There were three proposals put before the Board and these were presented and voted on as follows;

Prop. Mark Davies, and sec.	6 for
Prop. Jess Moore, and sec	2 for
Prop. Nigel Hart, and sec	2 for

Therefore following the vote Mark Davies is to be presented with Sports Personality of The Year at the forthcoming AGM in October.

17. Any Other Business.

3193. There was none given.

The Chairman thanked all who attended and closed the meeting at 10.30pm.

Date of next meeting set for 12 o'clock prompt on Saturday 18th October 2014 at Mid Wales Shooting Centre prior to the AGM.

Minutes agreed and signed by;.....

Position;

Dated;

