

WELSH CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION LTD CYMDEITHAS SAETHU TARGEDAU CLAI CYMRU CYF

WCTSA BOARD of MANAGEMENT MINUTES

Date: Monday 15th August 2022

Venue: Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm

PRESENT

President: DTL: Will Palmer

Chairman: Robert Harrison DTL:

Stats Officer: Rebecca Adlam Olympic Trap: Mike Bennett
Secretary: Nicola Walker Olympic Trap: Emyr Davies
Treasurer: Olympic Skeet: Alf Weston

Membership Secretary: Allan Jones Olympic Skeet:

Sporting: Richard Hughes National Skeet: Rob Ace
Sporting: Janine White National Skeet: Rob Trow
ABT: Vacant Website Manager: Clive Bowen

ABT:

1. Chairman's address & welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

• Brian Davies & Jackie Spencer.

3. Declarations of conflict of interest

The Chairman asked for any conflict of interest to be declared & reminded everyone that should any arise at a later point in the meeting they were to be declared.

4. Minutes of the last meeting held on 6th July 2022

Minutes of the last meeting were read & signed as a true record.
 Proposed by CB / Seconded by AJW / Vote - All in favour

5. Matters arising from the minutes.

- 4054 CB advised he has received a new mock-up sample of the Clayclo vest. RJH advised the long-awaited Castellani order has now been received and vests sent out to all those on the waiting list. It was unfortunate they did not arrive in time for the OT & OSK Home Internationals, but it was beyond our control. He explained the delay was due to an error with the order, which meant the vests had to all be remade. After speaking directly to Castellani and the CEO at Bisley, they confirmed the error was on their part and they did not keep us informed of the situation despite numerous phone calls. RJH suggested we try to deal directly with Castellani going forward if possible.
- **10c.** RJH advised the WTSF have still not replied to his email and suggested maybe the Association should look to obtain a grant to progress the procurement of a membership database.
- 8. To be followed up at the next meeting as JS is not present.
 ('Office Holders' need to sign a declaration confirming they will advise HMRC of their

remuneration payments).

JS to action.

- **6a.** It was noted the FITASC selection shoot recently held at Ferndale S.C. was a good event and an external course setter was brought in by the club to vet the targets. Still some concerns over the safety, but a significant improvement on the Sporting selection shoot held in June. Reps to monitor future events and take action if necessary.
- **6b.** [INFORMATION REDACTED]
- **4059** RJH advised he raised the matter at a recent ICTSC meeting and it was confirmed the team shooting vests are not to have sponsors on them, but further clarification is needed on whether other team clothing can contain sponsors.

RJH to action.

• 15. - NW advised she has been contacted by a member asking about the possibility of a Safety Officers course. RJH advised he has had an initial conversation with the CPSA about offering courses in Wales and these would be around £90 each for the Safety Officers course and £60 each for a Referees course. Minimum attendance is 6 people and their maybe extra cost for accommodation & travel for the instructor if the course is run for low numbers. The chosen venue must have the relevant discipline(s) and a classroom type environment for the written component of the course. RJH suggested we advertise the courses on social media to see what interest this would be to the membership and to email all grounds regarding the Safety Officers course before committing to anything. RJH also advised he will get written confirmation from the CPSA on the costings and requirements.

CB & RJH to action.

6. Correspondence

- Letter from Mike Wixey (WW845) re: incident at SW2000 RJH advised the letter was concerning a safety incident at SW2000 and upon receipt of the letter he had spoken to Mike Wixey & also to Mike Amodeo to get his version of events. The Board agreed we have no jurisdiction over ground owners or their actions. We are not responsible or liable for incidents that occur, especially given that this incident occurred during a practice session and not at a sanctioned WCTSA event. Grounds are affiliated to us so they can host WCTSA events, but they are ultimately responsible for the running of the event. If the Board deems the events to be unsatisfactory for any given reason, then future events would not be awarded. It was also noted the ground in question is also affiliated to the CPSA. MB advised he has since spoken to Mike Amodeo who regrets his actions. RJH suggested maybe MB has a further conversation with him to see if he can encourage him to address the matter personally. If he wishes to take the matter further, then he too will need to send in a written statement to the Board.

 MB to action.
- Email from Stephen Hughes re: Sporting event versus Army team RA commented the events held previously against the Army in National Skeet have been very successful and members enjoy having an additional team event in calendar. RH agreed this would be a good event to add to the Sporting schedule but would be better suited earlier in the year as the Sporting calendar is quite heavily packed over the coming months with the British Open & HCIT both approaching. It would make a good warm up event at the start of the year. AJW also commented the OSK discipline is arranging a similar event and have made plans to hold it in October. He requested an official invite letter be sent to the Army which will help them obtain expenses to attend the event. RJH suggested a response be sent to the Army advising of our interest and the suggestion to hold it early next year.

NW to action.

7. Business matters

• 4058 - Inclusion of Para Olympic Trap category at Home International - With more disabled shooters taking up the sport, ED suggested the ICTSC should consider introducing a disabled category. Other sports are already including these categories, which then gives those individuals concerned a level competitive playing field. He proposed including a high gun category with the view to possibly including a team category if numbers permit. RJH suggested ED speak to other nations at the upcoming OT HCIT to gauge their feeling on the matter before taking it to the ICTSC as a proposal.

ED to action.

• 4060 - Expenses for 2023 DTL World Championships, South Africa - WP advised there is some interest from members in attending the above event and asked what, if any, expenses would be available. Previously, the ICTSF have provided expenses for a travelling delegate to attend the ICTSF meeting, which is held at the event. If someone attends the meeting, the expenses received have then been matched by the Association and the total split between the team members. This worked out to be £300 each when the Sporting World Championship was held in Canada in 2013. RJH said it would very much depend on whether the expenses from the ICTSF are still available as all the meetings in recent years have been conducted remotely. He also asked how many are likely to attend. WP advised there will probably be a senior team, veteran team and one junior individual. NW asked how the team selection process will be decided. WP advised it will be based on the 2022 HCIT team standings.

RJH to action.

- 4061 Team selection eligibility criteria It was noted there is an additional eligibility criterion which the ICTSC permit which, we as an Association, do not recognise. Individuals may shoot for a Country if they are married to a national of the relevant Association. It was agreed we should be in line with the ICTSC criteria and therefore this needs to be added to the membership page on the website and all future membership literature updated accordingly.

 CB to action.
- 4062 Resetting of CPSA classifications for members NW advised she has been contacted by the CPSA to ask if we are happy to authorise the resetting of classifications for a member who has contacted them. The individual in question has also spoken to NW to advise of his request and to explain the reason behind the request. Following a serious accident 4 years ago, the member in question hasn't been able to shoot to the standard he used to shoot and his current classifications aren't a true reflection of his scores. NW advised this is a genuine request and the CPSA will reset classifications based on personal circumstances. All were in agreement with the request.

NW to action.

- 4063 Anonymised membership It recently came to light that members can request to
 anonymise their details on the CPSA website. This means their name, membership number,
 scores and classifications are not visible and has caused some issues throughout the year.
 Having reviewed the CPSA rules regarding this, they state the following:-
 - "Any member who has chosen to have their records hidden from listing in the shoot program under GDPR is not entitled to enter registered shoots either as a full competitor or as targets only. They can however, shoot on a 'Have a Go' basis only. It is important that those competing allow scores to be processed and published on the CPSA website to maintain the integrity of the competition and its results."
 - RJH proposed we adopt this ruling with the added caveat that "members cannot shoot WCTSA team selection events as anonymised members." This was seconded by RA with all in favour.

- 4064 OSK County Final Report AJW reported 7 members attended and enjoyed the event. Medals for 1st, 2nd & 3rd were donated by AJW and a cup will be acquired for future years. RJH noted he was disappointed in the turnout given that a County competition for OSK was specifically requested by members at the County meeting last November. The purpose was to try to encourage others to have a go at the discipline.
- 4065 AGM arrangements It was agreed to hold the AGM on Saturday 15th October at Trefeglwys Memorial Hall at 2pm. It will be conducted as a hybrid meeting again so those not able to travel can join via Zoom. The date for discipline rep nominations, resolutions or proposals will be Friday 23rd September. RJH asked NW to send CB the AGM notice for publication on the website & social media as soon as possible. At this point, RA advised he will be stepping down as National Skeet representative at the AGM.

NW to action.

- **4029 FITASC HCIT 2022** NW advised a planning meeting was held on the 27th July with Dovey Valley S.G. and preparations are going well for the event.
- **3999 I.T. sub-committee update** CB advised there is an issue with the WCTSA Membership email account at present, but he is liaising with Gloversure to get the issue resolved.
- 4020 PR & Marketing update CB reported he has sourced sponsors for both the goodie bags and programmes for the FITASC HCIT. The sponsors will in return be allowed to have their banners displayed at the event, free advertising on our website & social media, plus their names in the event programme. A local gin distillery, Dyfi Distillery, has also given 5 bottles of gin for the high gun of each nation, a ladies country magazine has given a year's free subscription for the ladies high gun of each nation and Tanners Wine have agreed to give 5 bottles of champagne. Other sponsors include Castell Howell, Mid Wales Tourism & Aztec Printing.

8. Treasurer's Report - See Appendix

- In JS's absence, RJH ran through the account balances since the last meeting.
- On behalf of JS, NW asked if the banquet tickets for the Sporting HCIT in Jersey have been confirmed as being £47 as opposed to the usual £42. RJH confirmed this is correct.

9. Executive Decisions

None.

10. WTSF report

Nothing to report.

11. BICTSF report

• Nothing to report.

12. ICTSC report

RJH advised BD attended the last meeting on the 14th July and a lot of discussion was had regarding the JCTSA's inclusion on the hosting rota. Views on their future inclusion were invited for discussion at the next meeting along with any suggestions on how to move forward. It was noted they are not allowed representation on the ICTSC committee which means they are out of the loop on rules & regulations, so should they be included? NW advised the preparations for the Sporting HCIT in Jersey next month have been problematic for various reasons, but the main issue being cost. Due to the Air Show also taking place at the same time, hotels and ferry costs are very high. She suggested the date should be changed for the years they are hosting so it does not clash.

13. ICTSF report

Nothing to report.

14. Rules update needed as a result of items passed at this meeting

- Team selection eligibility criteria to include marriage to a national.
- Inclusion of the CPSA rule regarding anonymised membership and eligibility to shoot WCTSA team selection events.

15. Any other business

- RH asked congratulations be noted to several members who had picked up good results at the recent Sporting Pro One shoot at Barbury S.G. Josh Keeble was 3rd overall, Jacob O' Loughlin 2nd in Juniors, Janine White 2nd in Ladies & Sean Martin 3rd in class. RH also asked it to be noted that he will be stepping down as the Sporting / FITASC rep at the AGM in October after 10 years on the Board.
- CB asked if the National Skeet team could be sent to him for publication on the website & social media.
- RLA asked if the gun storage facilities for the Sporting HCIT at Lecq C.T.C. will be secure. NW
 advised the ground owners have been liaising with the Jersey Firearms Officer who has
 approved the storage as meeting their requirements.
- JW advised she will also be stepping down as the Sporting / FITASC rep at the AGM but is happy to support the newly elected reps whilst they find their feet in the role.
- RJH reminded everyone the Sports Personalities of the Year will be decided at the next meeting
 so nominations will be required. To start the ball rolling, RJH asked it to be noted he would like
 to nominate Mick Harding (Sporting / FITASC) for his fantastic achievement of becoming FITASC
 Sporting Veteran World Champion at the World Championships in Italy last month. He also
 reminded everyone nominations will be required for the Arthur & Rita Williams Outstanding
 Achievement award.

16. Date & venue of next meeting

• 28th September 2022 - Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm

With no further business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:29pm.

Minutes agreed and signed by:-

Signed:-

Date:- 28/09/2022

R. J. Harrison WCTSA Chairman

APENDICES TO THE MINUTES

8. Treasurer's Report

WCTSA Ltd as of 6th July 2022

Bank Accounts:-

Account Name	Account No.	As at 15/08/2022	As at 06/07/2022
 Current Account 	30924024	25,224	33,124
❖ Base Rate Reward	53163849	18,161	18,161
❖ Saver	33558894	80	80
❖ Paypal	N/A	40	53
Close Brothers Savings		62,937	62,651
Total	<u> </u>	£106,442	£114,069

Major movements since last meeting (PAID)

		£
*	Wages – Secretary & Treasurer	1,173
*	PAYE & Pension	344
*	Barclaycard	68
*	Expenses cheques	2,872
*	UCPSA – Down The Line BO & HCIT	6,092
*	ICTSA – Olympic Skeet HCIT	1,079
*	Gloversure	29
*	Stationery	19

Major movements since last meeting (RECEIVED)

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*	Memberships	1,250
*	Paypal Transfers	1,150
*	Levies	152
*	Clothing	206

Due to Pay

*	ICTSA – Olympic Trap HCIT	1,910
*	ICTSA – Olympic Trap Expenses	2,346
*	SCTA – National Skeet HCIT	?
*	ICTSA – ABT HCIT	?
*	JCTSA – Sporting HCIT	?