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

WCTSA BOARD of MANAGEMENT MINUTES

Date: Monday 1st September 2025
Venue: Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm

PRESENT

President:	***Vacant***	**FITASC:**	Stuart Hart
Chairman:	***Vacant***	**FITASC:**	***Vacant***
Secretary:	Laura Lewis	**National Skeet:**	Rob Trow
Treasurer:	Paul Powels	**National Skeet:**	~~Paul Pratt~~
Membership Secretary:	Allan Jones	**Olympic Skeet:**	Alf Weston
Social Media Secretary:	~~Zea Purnell~~	**Olympic Skeet:**	Dave Jones
Stats Officer:	Rebecca Adlam	**Olympic Trap:**	~~Mike Bennett~~
ABT:	Kevin Tweedy	**Olympic Trap:**	***Vacant***
ABT:	Owen Hart	**Sporting:**	Mark Wintle
DTL:	~~Will Palmer~~	**Sporting:**	Dan Rees
DTL:	~~Elis Jones~~		

Vice -Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave a particular warm welcome to our guest Rob Shawyer from the WTSF.

1. **Apologies for absence**
   - Zea Purnell, Will Palmer, Elis Jones, Paul Pratt & Mike Bennett
2. **Rob Shawyer –** RS thanked AW for the invite to join our meeting. The WTSF is being rebranded as Welsh Shooting. RS is currently putting in pace a new strategy for Welsh Shooting which includes Sport Wales (where their funding comes from.) He informed the board he is very keen to meet with all the associations for them to put their views forward. They have taken on new staff including a performance manager, a development of events manager and governance officer. The federation consists of 5 members (which are the associations.) The associations are at the heart of Welsh shooting and are the connection to the athletes. Welsh shooting is there to help the associations succeed. Funding is based on participation numbers not medals. There are 21 disciplines which are covered under 5 associations. Michael the performance manager is available to help set up pathways and coaching. RS wants their events manager Angela to attend as many events as possible. If people attend taster days, where do they go from there? If other nations are putting on events, why aren't we? RS reminded the board to contact Angela and Michael to support us where necessary.
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 28th July 2025**
   - Minutes of the last meeting were read & signed as a true record.
     Proposed by DJ / Seconded by OH / Vote - All in favour

5. **Matters arising from the minutes**.

- **5078 - Ground affiliation forms & fees** – Done
- **5081 - Clothing (Sional)** – Done
- **5065 - OTR HCIT 2025** – AW stated the event was superb and gave credit to MB and LL for their efforts. Many positive comments have been received praising the team work which lead to a successful Home International. MB passed on a comment noting he has also received lots of feedback from shooters of various nations saying it was a fantastic event.
- **5093 – Thomas Mitchell-Pluck** – DR was at the ground recently and had a chance to speak to TMP. DR reported that TMP has a background of game shooting and was interested in joining the board as a non-executive director. AW appreciates DR's input and will speak to EJ.
  EJ and AW to action.
- **5090 – Selling of numbers –** DR stated this was something he was very keen to do before he resigned, however more work needs to be done in order to ensure that the available numbers are correct. This will need to be passed on to someone else to proceed with in the future.
- **5092 –** Database – LL is continuing to have issues contacting members due to information not being correct. It was noted by LL and PPo that there are issues with gloversure's email service.
  Needs addressing
- **5066- ESP HCIT 2025** – DR not present.

6. **Correspondence**

a. **Email received from George Seabourn: re OT representative.** The board received an application for the position of OT representative. A board discussion was held with many members sharing positive feedback and would like to welcome GS on the board. Letters were received by JL and OH to propose and second GS's application as they believe he would be an excellent rep and is widely respected amongst the shooters. Current OT rep MB also thoroughly supports GS and would like to work with him.
Proposed by OH/ Seconded by DJ / Vote - All in favour

7. **Business matters**

- **5066- ESP HCIT 2025** – AW thanked MW for all his hard work earlier in the week leading up to the international. It was noted that DR has put a lot of work into the event which is appreciated. PPo stated invoices have been sent to Scotland, Ireland, Northen Ireland and Jersey with England and Wales still to go. DR and LL to be in contact on Friday to confirm extra banquet numbers.
- **5094 – Directors update** – Current board members AJ has offered to become a director. AW has thanked AJ for his offer and noted he has been on the board for many years in his role.
  Proposed by DJ/ Seconded by PPo / Vote - All in favour
  - PPo clarified who are the directors and will update companies house as necessary. We have 5 however it would be appreciated to have one or two more.
- **5095 –** Secretary/ stats roles - PPo and LL declared a conflict in interest and therefore left the meeting at this point.

8. **Treasurer's report**

PPo has draft accounts ready to be put to the board at the AGM in order to be ratified. PPo stated that it's no surprises but we are making a loss each year. Membership fees have gone down by 40% in two years and we need to put a stop to the reduction – possibly with the help of the WTSF. PPo suggested we have a development section on our agenda to discuss matters such as how we can try and increase membership. It was stated that we need to try and support and encourage youth shooters and support

grassroot level shooting. PPo suggested a poster goes out to grassroot clubs to encourage people to become WCTSA members. PPo would like members selected to shoot for Wales to be fully sponsored. GLL shooting ground have asked for an accumulative invoice to pay all the levies at once. PPo has asked what shoos have been there, LL has previously sent a spreadsheet will qualifier details regarding invoices to PPo. PPo has been chasing payment from SF for the EPS qualifier.

9. Social Media & Marketing report

- ZP reported the following actions have been completed since the last meeting:-
  - At a glance events August/ September
  - Reposted a post from 2 members ED & KC – WCTSA members representing GB in UT World Championships
  - Advertising dates for the English Sporting, SuperSporting and FITASC Welsh Opens
  - Board Vacancies – Secretary, Stats Officer, Chairman, Director
  - Good luck messaged for HCIT teams
  - OSK Home International report
  - Welsh Open Sporting report
  - Team announcement Sporting
  - Reminder about booking County finals
  - OSK Paul Jenkins Memorial Shoot date
  - Qualification criteria clarification FITASC
  - National Skeet Home International report
  - ZP reminded discipline representatives that she welcomes information to share such as well-done messages and photos.

9. Membership update

- AJ advised the membership total (as of August 28th) is currently at 549 which by category is as follows:-

	Male	Female
Colt	8	2
Junior	19	5
Senior	170	28
Veterans	135	5
Super Veterans	171	6

10. Executive decisions

- None.

11. WTSF report

- Next meeting 8th September 2025

12. BICTSF report

- Nothing to report

13. ICTSC report

- AW was informed that as Wales are hosting the DTL HCIT next year, the Chairman of the WCTSA is now the chairman of the ICTSC. As the WCTSA is still without a chairman, Gordon has volunteered to take on the role on our behalf. This was seconded by Martin Sheedey. AW will continue to attend the meetings if necessary.

14. ICTSF report

- Nothing to report

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

The following need discussing/ amending prior to next years qualifiers:
** GB selection shoots*
**add in an additional way to split shooters when points are tied*
**shoot off procedure*

16. Any other business

- DJ - Date and captain badges for the OSK international. LL to post them. DJ also had a request for the points from the final OT qualifier to be uploaded to the website. ZP to upload.
- AJ - reminded the board that prior to the AGM we need nominations for Sports Personality of the year, Outstanding Achievement award, Young Personality
- OH – a reminder of dates: ABT county final at Crynant on 28th September, 12th October Welsh Open at Fauxdegla
- SH – request of change of date for the Sporting County final due to a clash of event. It will be moved from the 5th to the 12th
- DR – as it's his last meeting, DR wishes the board all the best and offered his help should the new reps require it moving forward.

17. Date & venue of next meeting

- 6th October 2025 - Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm.

With no further business the vice-chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:47pm.

Minutes agreed and signed by:-

Signed: ***A.J. Weston*** Date:- 06/10/2025
Alf Weston
WCTSA Vice Chairman