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

WCTSA BOARD of MANAGEMENT MINUTES

Date: Monday 22nd June 2026
Venue: Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm

PRESENT

President:	***Vacant***	**FITASC:**	~~Stuart Hart~~
Chairman:	***Vacant***	**FITASC:**	***Vacant***
Secretary & Stats Officer:	Laura Lewis	**National Skeet:**	~~Rob Trow~~
Treasurer:	Paul Powels	**National Skeet:**	Paul Pratt
Membership Secretary:	Allan Jones	**Olympic Skeet:**	Alf Weston
Social Media Secretary:	Katie Cowell	**Olympic Skeet:**	Dave Jones
ABT:	Kevin Tweedy	**Olympic Trap:**	***Vacant***
ABT:	~~Owen Hart~~	**Olympic Trap:**	George Seabourne
DTL:	~~Will Palmer~~	**Sporting:**	Mark Wintle
DTL:	~~Elis Jones~~	**Sporting:**	Bleddyn Lewis

Vice -Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **Apologies for absence**
   Rob Trow, Will Palmer, Elis Jones, Owen Hart

2. **Declarations of conflict of interest**
   The Vice 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.

3. **Minutes of the last meeting held on 11th May 2026**
   Minutes of the last meeting were read & signed as a true record.
   Proposed by AJ / Seconded by PPo / Vote - All in favour

4. **Matters arising from the minutes.**
   5093 – AW to contact.
   AW to action.

   5105 – Done

   5096 – LL gave an update on the DTL preparation. Regular contact is being made whilst finalising details with the banquet hotel. LL has chased other nations to submit their teams and she needs to get the programmes printed. WP has asked an email to go out to other nations asking if anyone is bringing a referee as the ground is

short. AW has offered to referee as he has sufficient qualifications. EJ to speak to Sional about polo shirts and caps to sell at the event. PPo has been receiving numerous payments for additional banquet and many do not put a reference. LL to put a reminder on the remaining letters to ask shooters to make it clear what the BACS is for.

LL to action.

5094 – LL informed the board that as the rule book stands, all grounds hosting WCTSA events must have a safety officer. LL and BL spoke to RH at a shoot to gain further information and it was explained that this could be changed but strongly advised a health and safety document is in place at the grounds. In order to make county shooting more inclusive and accessible for smaller clubs, its suggested we amend the country rule book.

Proposed by GS / Seconded by DJ / Vote - All in favour

5. **Correspondence**

Chris Gourlay 1504: re insurance for referees. Mr Gourlay contacted seeking clarification regarding the wording in our insurance policy. The CPSA stipulate referees must be qualified however we have very few qualified referees at our events. Our qualifiers are run by the shooters staying behind to referee the next round. PPo has contacted our insurers and for an additional £800 we can have a more comprehensive cover. Following a board discussion, it was agreed to obtain further clarification on the wording of the additional cover to make sure it is correct for the WCTSA.

6. **Business matters**

5097 – DJ brought to the boards attention that paper membership reminders are still being sent out. These are very costly to the association and it was agreed that reminders go out via email. This is a good reminder that members need to include an email address on their membership form.

5098 – it's been questioned by some reps and shooters how a captain is chosen. LL noted there isn't anything in the current rule book to suggest how a captain is chosen. Following a board discussion, it was agreed that discipline representatives are mainly responsible for selecting the team captain. They may also discuss with the team manager and fellow shooters should they choose to do so.

LL to action.

7. **Treasurer's report**

- Account updates given
- Corporation tax assessments will be submitted in the next few weeks
- Invoices will continue to be chased as some grounds are very slow paying

- PPr asked could we start giving shooters expenses again as it's reported the WCTSA are in a positive position and to avoid tax. LL reminded the board we have hosted our 2 largest internationals during the last 12 months. Next year we host a much smaller international which will not generate as much revenue.
- MW noted its good to be paying tax as it proves we are doing something right. We are all keen to get back to the position of supporting international shooters however we are far too early in our recovery to consider it at the moment.
- We need to encourage members to pay via BACS for their membership as PayPal take a cut.

8. **Business Development**
   - MW has delivered posters to 4 grounds that host a lot of qualifiers for us. It would also be a good idea to get the posters out to smaller clubs. It was also suggested to put poster in gun shops.
   - MW to seek a quote for a leaflet dispenser to put at grounds with cards to make the WCTS more visible and easy to join.
   - The CPSA give £8 incentive to clubs/grounds as a referral fee. Something for the board to consider.
     Proposed y DJ seconded by KT for MW to get the resources he requires.

9. **Social Media & Marketing report**
   - Facebook views on Facebook have gone up 172% in the last 30 day period
   - Engagement has gone up 660%
   - KC would like to get names and share stories of shooters milestones (1 NSK and OSK shooter are captains this year having represented Wals for a considerable length of time) – reps please send any information over to Katie
   - DJ raised the use of photos. Are reps ok to be taking photos at events for sharing? There may be an issue as grounds are classed as private land. AW suggests when the jury list is placed on the board, a note is placed there to say photos may be taken at this shoot for use of promoting our sport with in the WCTSA.
     KC to investigate.

10. **Membership update**

AJ advised the membership total is currently at 542 which by category is as follows:-

	Male	Female
Colt	5	1
Junior	16	4
Senior	160	24
Veterans	138	8
Super Veterans	180	5

11. **Executive decisions**
    - Nothing to report

12. WTSF report

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13. BICTSF report

- Nothing to report

14. ICTSC report

- Nothing to report

15. ICTSF report

- Nothing to report

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

- Change of county rule book
- How a captain is selected for international events

17. Any other business

AJ – confirmed he no longer sends membership reminders in the post

KT – asked if trigger release guns are suitable for use at Esker? GS notified the board that they were banned from CPSA events in 2024.

- Does the board still pay for the permit to Ireland? LL answered once the team has been selected, PPo will have a list of shooters. Shooters will need to email PPo with proof of payment for the permit and he will then re imburse them.

DJ – OSK team manager has asked about banquet tickets, cost of tickets and skeet vests. LL explains and email response has been sent and that all information will go direct to the shooters on their invitation letters.

- The OSK shoots were capped number wise due to only one layout being used. AW explained the reason the numbers are capped is only 18 shooters can get through 100 birds in a day if there are more than 3 squads. DJ noted that it is in the rule book that every affiliated ground should allow a fully paid WCTSA member to participate at events. By limiting numbers the shoot is then turned into a closed event. PPr also raised that a Welsh shooter can not be denied the opportunity to shoot a Welsh Team qualifier. LL raised that potentially only grounds with 2 layouts should be used.

18. Date & venue of next meeting

- Monday 3rd August 2026 - Video / Telephone Conference @ 7:00pm.

With no further business the vice-chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:48pm.

Minutes agreed and signed by:-

Signed: ***A.J. Weston*** Date:- 03/08/2026
Alf Weston
WCTSA Vice Chairman