



Isle of Wight Target Shooting Association

Meeting date: **Monday, April 13, 2015** Started: **7:35 PM** Ended: **8:45 PM**

Location: Castle Inn, Newport

Purpose/Notes: Pre AGM Meeting

Chaired by: Dom Cowen

Minutes rec. by: Dom Cowen

Attendance:

Present: David Atkin, Dom Cowen, Anthony Elgar, Mike England, Frank Jones, Bob Morris, Ian Savill

Regrets: Ted Allen, Martyn Potter, Jemma Toms, Roy Wade, Denise Wilson

Absent: Mike Jolliff, Sally Lee, Steve Lee, Jason Smy

Late:

Guests:

Anne Bessant (present)

Meeting Documents:

(no documents)

Meeting Minutes:

1. Committee Business

1.1. Apologies of Absence

Dom Cowen

Apologies of absence:

Denise Wilson

The meeting was opened at 19:35 by the chairman, and apologies of absence were noted from Ted Allen, Martyn Potter and Denise Wilson.

Status: Completed

1.2. Agree the Minutes from the previous meeting

Dom Cowen

Agree the Minutes from the previous meeting

Dom Cowen (DC) asked everyone present if they had all had a chance to read the minutes from the previous committee meeting. Everyone present agreed that they had and that they were correct.

DC asked for someone to propose and second that the minutes were read and agreed as being correct.

Resolution #: Minutes Agreed as Correct

Moved by: Anthony Elgar

Seconded by: Anne Bessant

Status: Carried

Vote: 7 for, 0 against

2. Matters Arising

2.1. Liaison with Local Police

David Atkin

David Atkin asked about the Liaison with Keith Woods as discussed at the last meeting. Dom Cowen said that he hadn't had a chance to get in contact with Keith Woods in order to discuss this, so David Atkin said that he would try to arrange this with Keith when he spoke to him next.

From meeting of 20/01/2014

This item was brought up in the Any Other Business

From meeting of 10/7/2014

David was not present at last meeting, so deferred until next meeting.



From meeting of 09/2/2014

Dom Cowen (DC) suggested that DA should contact Keith Woods (KW) with regards to all of the matters mentioned here and see what he can tell us about it, and what they are trying to do in order to sort out the FAC renewal problems. DC also said that he would send an email out to the club secretaries, to try and find out the club's member's experiences for recent renewals.

DA will let us know the outcome with KW at the next meeting.

Minutes

David Atkin said that he had not contacted Keith Wood regarding this, as he had not received any feedback from any clubs regarding the renewal of FAC's. He asked the group present whether they had had any bad experiences. Anthony Elgar said that his renewal had been done recently, and was fairly quick. Mike England said that his had been done recently too, but that his took 3 months and that he received his renewal on the day the old one expired.

DA also said that there was a seminar being held at the Riverside Centre on Thursday 21st May, at 18:30, which was being organized by the police, with regards to their 'Operation Solitaire'. Representatives from all clubs are encouraged to attend this, however, attendance is by RSVP only, and all responses must be sent to Newport Police Station, for the Attention of 'Firearms Licensing'.

Status: Parked

2.2. Guest Speaker for AGM

Dom Cowen

Any suggestions on who we could have as a guest speaker at the AGM?

Last Meeting 09/02/2015

David Atkin suggested that we could ask a former member of the Isle of Wight Sports Council, Susie Sheldon. Everyone seemed to think it was a good idea, so DA was given the task of approaching her first, to see if she would act as guest speaker. DC asked if he could get confirmation back from the Riverside first, before we asked Susie Sheldon. Once the confirmation has been received, let DA know, and he will ask Susie.

Update:

Susie has accepted our invitation and will be our guest speaker.

Minutes:

DC announced that DA had emailed him regarding the guest speaker for the AGM, and that Susie Sheldon, the Chairperson of the IWSRC, had accepted our invitation. DC said that he would now contact Susie, and let her know all of the details for the AGM.

Status: Completed

2.3. Lightweight Sporting Rifle Secretary Vacancy

Dom Cowen

Tony Riggs will be stepping down from this role in December 2014. This gives us a couple of months to find a replacement for him. Can all club reps please ask their Sporting Rifle sections for a volunteer to take this on? If no-one is forthcoming, then the job will not get done.

From meeting of 10/7/2014

Dom Cowen told everyone that Tony Riggs would now stay on until December, but that he would be standing down then. He then asked if all club reps could physically ask members in their clubs to see if any one would be interested in taking this role over, as if no one volunteers for it, then there would be no one to run it.

Update:

The season is now over, and Tony has finished in his role as Sporting Rifle Secretary. DC has thanked Tony Riggs for all of his hard work, and for running the league. We are still waiting for someone to take this role over.

Minutes

DC announced that Tony Riggs had now finished the season as Sporting Rifle Secretary. DC also said that he had thanked Tony for running the league, on behalf of the Association for the last couple of years. DC asked if anyone had expressed an interest in taking it over from any of the clubs, but the general response from the clubs was that no one wanted to do it. Mike England said that he would ask at West Wight's AGM on the 14th April 2015, if anyone was interested in taking it on.

DC said that hopefully, as the Sporting Rifle league is one of the biggest ones, that someone will come forward at the IWTSA AGM to volunteer running the league. Nobody wants the league to stop, but if no one runs it, then it may not go ahead.



Status: Parked

3. New Business

3.1. AGM Business

Dom Cowen

Any AGM Business.

Raffle?

A Summary of any notable shooters and their achievements in the past year.

Raffle

DC Suggested that we could do a raffle this time at the AGM, as one was not done last year. DC said that he would be willing to donate a couple of prizes, and he asked if the other committee members could also donate something too. Everyone agreed that they would bring something in to donate. BM said that he would try and get hold of some ticket books too.

Ammo Raffle

BM said that he was planning on getting the ammunition raffle off to a start at Shanklin's AGM, and that he was originally planning on getting this started earlier in the year, but was unable to do this due to personal circumstances. DC suggested that we could also do some at our AGM too. It was noted that any ammunition won in the raffle would be given to the club that the member belongs to for safekeeping. The onus will then be on the club to check the winners FAC certificate before transferring the ammo to them, or looking after it for them in the case that they do not hold an FAC.

Trophies

AB said that the trophies were on track to get engraved, and that we were doing it through the Trophy Man. AB had not approached Andy Toms with regards to getting the medals Laser Engraved, as she didn't have his contact details. She did say that we could look at doing this for next year. AE, asked if anyone wanted to see what the laser engraved medals looked like, and then went and got some from his car, in order to show the committee.

Status: Completed

4. Committee Business

4.1. Any Other Business

Dom Cowen

Any other business from the committee

NSRA Affiliation

DC said that the affiliation forms, and payment has been sent off by Denise, and we are now waiting for them to get back to us.

Island Games Update by AE

There are 18 shooting competitors, and all except one has paid for, and submitted all required documentation, ready for the games.

Air League update by AE

Lots of air league entries have been received, with the exception of Newport. DA said that they would do these shortly.

Scoring update by AE.

AE said that the two mentoring/scoring courses that he set up and published the dates for, was not attended by anyone. But that if anyone wanted to do one in the future, then he would gladly do one.

Sporting Rifle Targets

DA said that the Standing Rifle League targets were changing next year from the 4/89 to the PL14.

Prone

IS said that he has done the draw for the summer cups, as it was agreed that last years summer shoot cups would be done on a draw basis using the winter rounds scores, but not many people had paid the entrance fees to be entered. DC said to contact the prone shooters again and ask them if they wanted to be included ASAP, as we would need names for the trophies. DC and DA both paid the entrance fees to IS for this. IS also said that due to the wide range of average's in the teams, it is becoming difficult to score and put equal teams against each other. It is also not that fair on some of the teams, as Shanklin A team wins the majority of things. He asked for any ideas on what we could do. AB suggested more divisions, but



IS said that there are not enough people to do that. DC suggested that we could run a Handicap score alongside the scratch score, similar to the way that the air league is run, and then at least, some of the other teams and individuals may stand a better chance at winning some things. IS said that he would go away and see what he could do with a handicap system.

IS said that he was waiting for names now from Newport for the Summer league entries. He also suggested that every last Tuesday in the month would be a cup shoot at Downend, subject to our NSRA Insurance coming through ok. DC asked IS to put the dates down on paper for these shoots and send them to him. Prone members can then be given plenty of advance warning, for these shoots which should hopefully lead to a good attendance.

AGM Invite

AB offered to create a poster with the AGM details on and distribute to all clubs. DC agreed and thanked her.

Committee Roles

DC asked if all committee members were willing to stand again for election at the AGM.

Anne Bessant said that due to personal circumstances, she would no longer be able to carry on with her role of Trophy Co-ordinator. DC asked if she knew of anyone wanting to take on the role. AB said that she did not.

David Atkin said that nobody has used him as Press Officer, as most people have put stories into the paper of their own accord. DC offered to remove the role of Press Officer from the committee, but no firm decision was agreed upon.

Barry Hall

It was asked by AE if we could mention something about Barry Hall at the AGM, who sadly passed away last year, as nothing had been done yet. DC asked both AE and IS if they could supply some facts and information about him. They both said that they would try.

Shooting Achievements

DC asked all club reps to send him any note able achievements made by any of the cubs shooters, as he wanted to mention some of these in his speech at the AGM.

New Committee Meeting Location

DC asked the rest of the members present whether they liked the new location at the Castle Inn. Everyone responded that they did, and that they thought it was nice. It was agreed that we would continue to use it for our meetings.

Status: Completed

4.2. Schedule Next Meeting

Dom Cowen

Schedule the next Committee Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on July 20th, as June would be a bit hectic due to the Island Games.

Status: Completed

Total time scheduled: 59 min

Recording Secretary:

Chairperson:

Date:
