



NORTH REGION CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON 15th August 2024

PRESENT: J LEIGHTLEY E HOLDEN T BROWN
 C DOBLE L YOUNG
 J TITTERINGTON I EDWARDS

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Vice Chairwomen opened the meeting at 7:39pm and thanked everyone for attending.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from T Deakin, R Blacker, C Kitchen, J Farrell, S Rushton & D Walker

2. & 3. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (14/12/23) & (15/02/24)

The Committee read through the minutes from 16th May 2024 and it was agreed there were no matters arising. The minutes were proposed by J Titterington and seconded by I Edwards as a true record.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

- There was £24150.82 in the bank.
- Room hire charges
- Championship Levies rolling in
- Some Regional team payments have been cashed
- Trophy cost for AGM
- Booked the AGM Room

5. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

- Discussed that Shoots and shoot sponsors were all looking good.
- High praise for the DTL Worlds held at Bywell – from local shooters and overseas shooters
- Board meeting minutes to go on website
- Attendance at the National Shooting Show
- Membership is down with predictions potentially as high as 10% - Causes thought to be the cost of shooting and licence renewals.

- Talks of tightening up the licencing process – due to the Plymouth inquiry
- The semi automatic rule change – no push backs
- Sponsor ships are continuing and are looking good
- Lead Ban inquiry is quiet currently
- Preparations for the Worlds Sporting at EJ Churchills
- Pushing for future dates – 2025 calendar

6. YOUNG SHOOTER INITIATIVE

- 4 Applicants so far
- Link to word document to be posted on Social media – Updated as a google document
- J Titterington made a suggestion to print some forms off and distribute at shoots

7. NR FIXTURE LIST AND CALENDAR & THIMBLEBY UPDATE

- NR calendar was updated with some fixtures.
- J Leightley made contact made with the Beverly & East Yorkshire Shooting Ground – mentioned potentially hosting a few remaining events on the calendar
- Creation of the 2025 Calendar

8. NR WEBSITE

- Logins all working
- J Leightley to speak to T Deakin to access information
- Help from Pete at HQ
- No content management system in sight – managing with the current system

9. DATES FOR AGM

- CPSA HQ informed that the NR AGM will be held on 28th November 2024 – Ian Parker will be able to attend this date along with John Martin
- Location is The Bridge Hotel and Spa
- T Brown to email HQ and get them to put it on the main CPSA website
- Add Date to NR website

10. NR WEBSITE CONTACT FORM - COMPLAINT ABOUT DURHAM SPORTRAP CHAMPIONSHIP

- A contact form was submitted to the website with regards to a complaint from Paul Foster about a fellow shooter (Lee Jackson) for not wearing eye protection whilst shooting on a rainy day. When another competitor challenged this and brought it to the referees attention nothing was done.
- Lee Jackson then went on to win the Durham title.
- Paul Foster suggested that Lee Jackson should spoken to as well as Oak Lodge shooting ground about the importance of wearing the mandatory shooting PPE.
- After a discussion It was agreed that there wasn't enough evidence to warrant stripping Mr Jackson of his title unless more evidence was brought forward but it was unanimous that CPSA HQ should be contacted and an email should be sent out to the ground to remind them and all their staff that Shooting Glasses are mandatory and there should be zero tolerance.
- J Leightley raised this as an action point for him to sort.

11. Sporting Team Query

- T Brown asked “If there is not enough juniors to make a junior sporting team can members be selected without them shooting all the selection shoots”
- After a discussion It was agreed that this would be okay to do but if it was possible it would be fair to prioritise the shooters that have shot some of the selection shoots if not all.

12. J Titterington – Proposal for County trophies

- J Titterington proposed that we invest in trophies for the county champions across the disciplines.
- I Edwards pointed out that, although he agrees, that there must be caveats to this. He also pointed out it would very quite difficult to manage, T Brown agreed.
- J Titterington stated that there would be 68 trophies to buy (minus Merseyside) costing roughly around £100 total and to get a mailable plastic box to make getting the trophy to the grounds or shooters easier.
- The shields would last for approximately 56 years (28 on the front and 28 on the back)
- It was noted that there are already some county trophies already in use
- T Brown states that this would need some serious consideration as to how it would all be managed and pointed out that we struggle to get shooters to return some trophies that are already being used in the North Region.
- J Leightley pointed out that this would wipe out around 25% of our total bank balance costing around £6500 and would be a risky move with the young shooter initiative going live which will cost a decent amount of money also.
- It was suggested that we could potentially trial it for the major disciplines for the time being.
- J Titterington also suggested that we could try and get businesses and external people to sponsor the trophies. For example like the Imperial Chemical Industries trophy from 1952
- It was agreed that this would be a good idea but would need looking into
- J Leightley suggests that we leave the matter for now and discuss it at the next meeting. J Leightley said that he would create a spreadsheet with the costings on and other options for purchasing the trophies and present it at the next meeting.
- It was agreed that badges would still be provided.
- It was discussed about the cost of posting the trophies to where they need to go. This would be paid for by the shooter as it is their responsibility to get the trophy back to the ground or next champion. It was also suggested that the trophy acceptance form that was made by T Brown could have an added condition that if a shooter wasn't prepared to get the trophy back to the ground or the next champion (whether that's in person or by post) that they wouldn't be able to take the trophy home.
- Action Point – county reps to try and speak to try and track down if any other county trophies exist.

11. DATES OF 2024 MEETINGS

Dates for future meetings

- AGM 28th November- Hybrid
- 12th Dec 2024 – Virtual

12. PULL MAGAZINE DEADLINES 2024

ISSUE MONTH	DEADLINE DATE
Jan/Feb 2024	25 Nov 2024
March 2025	3 Feb 2025
April 2025	3 March 2025
May 2025	7 April 2025
June 2025	6 May 2025
July 2025	9 June 2025
August 2025	7 July 2025
September 2025	5 August 2025
October 2025	8 September 2025
Nov/Dec 2025	6 October 2025

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- J Leightley suggested the next meeting, 24th October, to be Virtual – unanimous decision
- Trophies for the next AGM – a suggestion to change or have the option to have either a drinking glass or a trophy.
- J Leightley to add E Holden as a signatory at the bank to mitigate any potential risks that may occur.
- Chairman's Trophy suggestion was Lucy Hall

There being nothing more to discuss the Vice Chairwoman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8:45pm.

T BROWN
15/08/24