



## South West Region of the CPSA

Regional Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 24 March 2021 via Zoom at 1930hrs

Hosted by Nicola Heron (CPSA)

## Minutes of the Meeting

### Meeting Attendees: 26 Regional Committee In Attendance:

Tom Green (Chair); Mark Taylor (Vice Chair); Jane Rowland (Secretary/Treasurer); Roger & Ann Cox (Avon); Martin Burge and Richard Chapple (Devon); Richard Faulds & Lauren Goodman (Hampshire); Don Brunt & Shaun Stacey (Somerset); Jamie Campbell & Josh Brown (Wiltshire)

Iain Parker and John Martin – CPSA HQ

### Apologies:

Received from Adam Rowe (Cornwall) and Andrew Harris (Devon)

### Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Read and agreed as being a true account of the previous RAGM. Proposed by Mark Taylor and Seconded by Richard Faulds – Unanimously Agreed.

**Matters Arising:** None

### Chairman's Report by Tom Green

It is with regret to inform you that a very well-known shooter from our Region, Ken Shynn, has sadly passed away. Ken was a great ambassador for our sport and shot for England many times and was always a frequent face on many of the local trap grounds. He will be sadly missed.

Regarding the current situation regarding the pandemic that we are all facing, I would just like to say that all the ground owners dealt with the restrictions really professionally and successfully and on behalf of the region would like to thank them for all their efforts.

We were pleasantly surprised to see so many Regional events well supported.

### Secretarial and Financial by Jane Rowland

Despite all the Covid restrictions we faced last year and, at one stage thought we may not have been able to hold any Regional Championships, it was fantastic that not only did we manage to hold all the regional shoots, we actually increased our numbers by 9.13%. This is mainly due to increased attendance figures by splitting out some normally combined shoots, for example, the Fitasc which saw 59 entries for the SW Championship and 116 entries for the Inter County event compared to last years combined attendance of 81.

We always strive to look for ways to 'reward' our regional winners and over many years have tried all sorts of ways. Last year we decided to reintroduce the inter county medals for the qualifying winners along with a monetary prize. This seemed to be met with the regions approval and it is something that we will continue with in 2021 together with the perpetual trophies.

We have already purchased the medals for this next season and have extended to all the winning team members and not just the qualifying scores.

The Region have also introduced two further perpetual trophies for the overall winning counties, one for the County who win the most SW Championships and the other for the County winning the most Inter County events. Last year the winners were Devon for the SW and Cornwall for the IC.

Via Zoom and agreed on by Nicola Heron, the financial audited accounts were visibly shared to the floor and discussed along with the individual transactions. Our closing balance as at 31 December 2020 was £6905.24.

### **Elections (via Polls run by Nicola Heron, CPSA HQ)**

Nomination Polls were run by Nicola to determine the officers for the Region. All votes were 100% unanimous and accepted:

Tom Green – Regional Chair

Mark Taylor – Vice Chair

Jane Rowland – Regional Secretary

Jane Rowland – Regional Treasurer

### **County Representatives:**

**Avon** – Roger and Ann Cox

**Cornwall** – Adam Rowe (2<sup>nd</sup> Representative to be confirmed)

**Devon** – Martyn Burge and Andrew Harris

**Hampshire** – Richard Faulds and Lauren Goodman

**Dorset** – Tom Green and Mark Taylor

**Somerset** – Shaun Stacey and Don Brunt

**Wiltshire** – Jamie Campbell and Josh Brown

### **John Newton Memorial Nominations:**

The Secretary has received nominations for the following juniors in our Region and it was decided that the new serving Regional Committee will take a vote for the winner at the first committee meeting. JR will send out the nominations to each Regional Representative to ask for a profile for each nominee in time for the first meeting.

### **Any Other Business:**

**Kath Bright, IOW:** Kath asked how the IOW can get included in the SW Region again. Many IOW shooters feel they need to be able to compete for their own County but lack registered grounds on the Island. JR advised the best way forward would be to form a County Committee and then approach grounds in the region to host their County Championships for them. This is something Kath will now look in to. Regarding Regional Representation for the IOW, this stopped many years ago due to the travelling and cost aspect. Now we are moving more towards keeping Zoom meetings as a permanent fixture; certainly for the foreseeable; there would be no reason why the IOW could not nominate Regional Representatives from their newly formed County Committee and join back onto the SWRC.

**Richard Faulds, Hampshire:** Richard asked for the current Regional Team formats to be looked at. Brian Coupe agreed with this and a discussion took place with many for and against debates. As this is something the SWRC decide upon, it was agreed that this topic would be put on the Agenda for the first Regional Committee meeting, where in the meantime, JR will send out the current team formats to all the Regional Representatives asking them to go back to their own Committees to discuss and come back to the Region with detailed reasons for either keeping the format as it stands or to make changes for the SWRC to take a vote on.

**Iain Parker and John Martin – CPSA HQ:** Iain and John thanked all the Regional Committee and the County Committees for all they do for the sport and how they deal with things behind the scenes. Iain did a brief recap of the last 12 months and John said he thought everyone had coped really well with all the new formats and changes we have had to face.

**Meeting Closure:** The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 2100hrs.

*Minutes compiled as a true account of the SWRAGM*

*Jane Rowland*

*South West Regional Secretary*

