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**South West Region of the CPSA**

**Regional Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 5 March 2025 at 2000hrs**

**Brook Bank Shooting Ground and via Zoom (Hosted by CPSA HQ)**

**Minutes of the Meeting**

**CPSA HQ in Attendance;** Iain Parker & John Martin

**Apologies:** Paul Rendell (Devon); Malcolm Brown; Steve Tomlinson; Ian Stevenson

**Chairman’s Address by Richard Chapple**

Opening Address: Richard opened the meeting at 2000hrs. He welcomed everyone attending in person and via Zoom and thanked them for their continued support of the Region. Richard also thanked Iain and John for representing CPSA HQ.

Regional Championships: 2024 has been a good year for South West shoots and huge thanks to the shooting grounds who held our Regional Events. There is a lot of work that goes into hosting these Championships and it does not go unrecognised.

Congratulations to all the South West shooters who gained County, Inter County, GB and International titles and places and for all our members achievements over the past year.

Special thanks go to Jane Rowland, who, as Regional Secretary/Treasurer does a great deal of work behind the scenes and to all the Regional Committee members for giving up their time to sit on the SWRC.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Read and agreed as being a true account of the previous RAGM. Proposed by Julian Fairburn; Seconded by Chris Dare; Unanimously Agreed.

**Matters Arising:** None

**Regional Annual Report by Jane Rowland**

**Regional Championships** – There was good attendance for each event held and positive feedback from our members. Grounds recently added to our shoot rota held Championship events to which all were very successful and professionally run with some great feedback received from those attending. The newly added Super Sporting SW Championship and Inter County Event was a successful addition to our calendar.

**Overall Winning Counties** – Devon won the overall Winning County trophy this year for the most South West Championship titles. Somerset were the winners of the most Inter County Events. Congratulations for all those who took part and made their Counties proud.

**Finances:**

We have ended this year with a balance of £7109 which will be used to pay out the prize monies and championship purchases for this coming year.

**County Committee Support**: Despite the HQ Surplus Grant being discontinued the Committee decided to continue with the donations to the County Committees to assist towards their running expenses.

**Ground Support:** This year we continued to remove the fees charged Grounds for hosting County and Regional Championships in support of our local grounds.

**Sponsorship**: We also gained sponsorship from Sportarm/Pro Ferrum who will donate a percentage of sales of their gun oil to the Regional Committee. We have so far received £190 in sponsorship to which we are very grateful.

The Financial Accounts for the year were unanimously agreed.

**Election of Officers**

Nomination Polls were run across the Region prior to the RAGM without any new nominations. Proposals and an election took place at the RAGM and the results were as follows; all with unanimous votes. All positions accepted by the Officers.

Wesley Hann Regional Chair Richard Chapple Vice Chair

Jane Rowland Regional Secretary Jane Rowland Regional Treasurer

**County Representatives:**

**Cornwall** Steve Tomlinson & Ian Lobb **Devon** Richard Chapple and Paul Rendell **Dorset** Richard Pike & Chris Dare **Hampshire** Richard Faulds and Jennie Cartwright

**Somerset**  Ian Stones & Julian Fairburn **Wiltshire** Jamie Campbell and Josh Brown

**John Newton Memorial Award with Presentation:** The Regional Committee elected Oliver Austin as a worthy winner of this historic award for 2024 for his continued improvement and achievements in our sport. Ian Stones presented Oliver with a keepsake award. Unfortunately the original JN Trophy is still missing despite many efforts trying to track it down. The SWRC will keep trying to locate it over the next 6 months but if to no avail, a new trophy will be purchased for the 2025 winner.

**CPSA HQ News by Iain Parker**

An informative speech was given by Iain covering many issues including membership, lead shot, sponsorship, HQ staff updates and championships.

**Any Other Business:**

**Ian Stones** asked Richard Faulds if Hampshire were trying to form their own central region. Richard responded that this was not the case and that there were only informal talks with neighbouring counties on all sides to hold some independent events between themselves and would have zero impact on our Region.

**Meeting Closure:** The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and their input and closed the meeting at 2130hrs.

***Minutes compiled as a true account of the SWRAGM***

***Jane Rowland***

***South West Regional Secretary***

