

## Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held at the The Beacon Way Public House, Bloxwich On Saturday 29th January 2011

### Meeting open at 10am

### 1) Chairman's Report and welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and commented on the good turnout.

## 2) Persons Present and Regions Represented BFTA Officers Present

Name	Title
Jonathan Noon	Chairman
Roger Moy	AMTA Rep
Sam Reece	Minute Secretary
Phil Gee	Secretary
Karl Clarke	Grading Officer
Andrew Slade	Treasurer
Shaun Shore	Competition Manager
Beryl Noon	HVP/NEFTA
Mark Bassett	Trade Liaison

#### **Regions Represented**

CSFTA	Mick Woodhead	Rep/EFTA
CSFTA	Lyndeen Calvert	Rep
FFTA	Liz Moy	Rep
MFTA	Tony Cook	Rep
MFTA	Neale Marklew	Rep
MFTA	Debbie Clarke	Rep
SEFTA	Barry McDonald	Rep
WAFTA	Pat Isaacs	Rep
WAFTA	Simon Evans	Rep
FFTA	Jenny Taylor	Rep
NWFTA	Sam Barr	Rep
NWFTA	Carl Knapper	Rep

<sup>21</sup> members present and 7 regions represented.

#### 3. Apologies for Absence

Received from:-

Rob Farnworth – CSFTA/EFTA Kevin Sayers – MFTA Mike Noon – HVP Steve Hughes – Web Manager Cliff Burt - FFTA Derek Winslow - CSFTA Alan Forrest - HVP



4. Minutes of Last Meeting held on 20.11.2010 to be Read and Accepted

The Minutes from November 2010 were read and accepted as being a true record. Proposed by NEETA (RN) and seconded by SEETA (RM)

Proposed by NEFTA (BN) and seconded by SEFTA (BM).

It was confirmed that the fee for the Inter-Regional team competition is £75 per team and that the fee for entry to the Constructors and Associated Trades competition is £60 per team.

### 5. Action List from Last Meeting

AP1 – The minutes from the last meeting have been forwarded to Steve Hughes for inclusion on the BFTA website.

The website is currently being updated.

A discussion followed regarding the suitability of the GP booking system. Steve Hughes is to be contacted (PG) to confirm the actual process now being employed (AP1)

Simon Evans confirmed that he will create reports for the 8 GP's he intends to shoot, (Shaun Shore will cover GP7) and arrange to upload to the website.

It was reiterated that the default option for morning session should be removed which should reduce incorrect bookings.

AP2 - action completed.

AP3 - A form has been produced.

A discussion followed on the suitability of the wording.

It was agreed that Shaun Shore would forward the document to Beryl Noon and she would send it to Dave Froggatt (NSRA Child Protection Officer) for review (AP2)

AP4 – Tony Cook confirmed that there would be 11 extra 'cubes' for 2011, 9 of which can be used for the junior trophy.

AP5 – The wording of the agenda should be corrected.

HVP should be offered to long standing representatives, not just any outgoing officer.

The current HVP list includes:

**Alan Forrest** 

**Beryl Noon** 

Mike Noon

It was proposed that Roger Moy, Elizabeth Moy and Tony Cook should be added as

It was agreed that the list of HVPs should be updated at each AGM.

AP6 – A discussion regarding gifts for Roger, Liz and Tony was discussed and a proposal agreed.

6. Any matters arising from the last meeting. Deferred Election of Officers Development Officer – Lyndeen Calvert Proposed NEFTA (BN) Seconded MFTA (NM)



Insurance Officer – It was agreed to combine the role with the role of Grading Officer. Proposed NEFTA (BN)
Seconded NWFTA (SB)

Vice Chairman – Roger Moy Proposed FFTA (LM) Seconded NEFTA (BN)

Web Manager – Steve Hughes Proposed CSFTA (MW) Seconded WAFTA (PI)

Photographer – Simon Evans Proposed WAFTA (PI) Seconded MFTA (NM)

### **Budgets for Prizes**

Roger commented that the prize giving at the final GP went on too long and it was not made clear that a significant proportion of the money for the prizes came from the BFTA.

Mark Bassett confirmed that he has 5 confirmed sponsors so far who are prepared to sponsor a GP. This will result in 1 major prize being available for raffle at each GP. He hopes to get all 9 GPs sponsored.

It was proposed that at each GP a draw takes place during the afternoon briefing.

When each shooter signs on for the GP, he is given a raffle ticket. At this time, he writes his name on the other half of the raffle ticket to aid identification.

A draw is made during the afternoon briefing. The winning shooter must make themselves available for collection of the prize within 1 hour of the afternoon shoot finishing. It was agreed that the Sec/Comp/Sec/Chair/Vice Chair would agree the wording of the raffle (AP3)

They must also agree to take part in publicity activities as required.

Roger proposed that the money allocated for the purchase of prizes for 2011 be the same as 2010 i.e. £2500.

Proposed by FFTA (LM)

Seconded by WAFTA (PI)

#### 7. Change to Expenses – proposal from the treasurer.

The changes to the expense procedure, proposed by the previous treasurer were not seconded, so are not ratified.

The present treasurer confirmed that any expense claim will be paid at his discretion. Any debatable claim will be referred to the committee.

The treasurer will send the current expense claim form to all officers.



## 8. Correspondence

Roger Moy informed the meeting that he has been in discussion with Edwin Clompenhouwer, the Chair of the Netherlands FTA.

He has requested that they are given a copy of the BFTA Main Shoot Rules to use as their Main Shoot Rules.

RM gave him a copy of the BFTA Main Shoot Rules.

Liz Moy informed the meeting that the last of the BFTA metal pin badges have been passed to Sam Reece for sale at GPs.

A further batch of 250 badges will be purchased by Beryl Noon.

In addition, a cost for cloth badges will be requested (AP4)

Beryl has agreed to request a design for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary Showdown badge from the current badge supplier (AP5)

## 9. Officers' Report.

#### Treasurer.

The treasurer explained that difficulties have been encountered adding the new officers to the Nat West and Bank of Scotland bank accounts. This has now been largely resolved.

The main outgoing since the last meeting was £150 for the NSRA affiliation fee.

Current bank account credits are:

Nat West - £7259.63

BoS - £34657.13

#### Secretary.

The Secretary thanked the outgoing Secretary for his help in the transfer of responsibilities.

He also asked for increased response to correspondence, such as confirmation of attendance to meetings.

He explained that the current e-mail circulation list may include some recipients that are no longer involved in the running of the BFTA.

#### **Competition Manager.**

The Competition Manager expressed his thanks to the outgoing competition manager (Tony Cook)

He confirmed that despite significant help from the SARPA rep (Graham Ellis) SARPA will not be able to hold GP4.

SARPA intend to send a rep to further BFTA meetings

Graham Ellis requested copies of any meeting minutes.

It was confirmed that GP1 would now be held at Harriers due to problems with the availability of Purley Chase.

The Competiton Manager requested the authorisation of £371 to purchase equipment that would allow him to power a laptop and VDU at BFTA events. (AP6)

Authorisation was unanimously given.



### **Grading Officer**

The Grading Officer requested that although the print date for cards in 2011 will be the end of March 2011, each region worked on a cut off date of 15<sup>th</sup> March.

He confirmed that he had already started seeing requests for cards.

It was confirmed that requests must come from Club Secretaries or Regional Secretaries only, not individuals.

It was requested that the Grading Officer distribute his contact details to allow the postal application of cards – he confirmed that this had already been sent to Regional secretaries.

#### **Trade Liaison Officer**

The Trade Liaison Officer reported that he is working towards sponsors being attached to a specific round of the GP series and perhaps this will lead to naming of the rounds

He has 5 confirmed sponsors and is waiting for responses from others.

Justin Wood had proposed to sponsor the Silhouette competition with £100 and a trophy for the overall series winner.

It was confirmed that the liaison officer was in discussion with Nigel Allen to sponsor the Clubs Team Cup via the Airgun Shooter magazine.

### **Development Officer**

Nothing to report.

A copy of the pack of information sent to new clubs was requested by the Development Officer.

#### **NSRA Representative**

No meetings have been held, so nothing to report.

#### **AMTA Representative**

No meetings have been held, so nothing to report.

#### **Web Manager**

The web manager has indicated that he is prepared to continue in the role now that a lot of the manual work involved in the GP booking and grading lists has been automated.

#### 10. 2011 Competitions Dates, venues etc.

**GP1** – MFTA – now Harriers as Purley Chase are unable to obtain access to the land intended for the GP

GP2 - NWFTA - now confirmed as Tawd Vale

GP3 – CSFTA – Highclere/Newbury. CSFTA (AS/MW) to contact Ian Harford and confirm access to Highclere and arrangements regarding tickets.

Location and arrangements for GP to be confirmed by end Feb 2011.

GP4 – SARPA – as SARPA have confirmed they are unable to hold a GP in 2011, 3 venues were proposed as alternatives.

Wendover/Emley Moor/Castle



A vote decided to hold the GP at Wendover.

### **European Championships**

Tony Cook confirmed he would be able to offer a turnkey package for the European Championships for £6 per shooter. This covered expenses such as van hire, labour, target loan and so on.

SEFTA (BM) proposed that the BFTA allocate a budget of £1000 for Tony Cook to project manage the European championships, this is to cover expenses such as van hire, labour, target loan and so on.

Seconded by FFTA (LM).

Event	Date	Venue	Region
BFTA Championships	2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2011	Newbury	
BFTA Inter-regionals	3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2011	Newbury	
GP1	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	Harriers	MFTA
NEFTA Classic	30th April/1st May 2011	Emley Moor	
GP2	15 <sup>th</sup> May 2011	Tawd Vale	NWFTA
GP3	29th May 2011	Highclere/Newbury	CSFTA
GP4	12 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	Wendover	CSFTA(2)
GP5	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	Nelson	WAFTA
GP6	10 <sup>th</sup> July 2011	Iceni	SEFTA
GP7	24 <sup>th</sup> July 2011	Redfearn	NEFTA
GP8	7 <sup>th</sup> August 2011	East Devon	SWEFTA
GP9	21st August 2011	Sywell	FFTA
European	17th & 18th September	Weston Park	
Championship	2011		
BFTA Masters	1st October 2011	Newbury	
BFTA Showdown	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2011	Newbury	

#### 11. Finalise and accept any rule changes for the coming season.

#### **Targets**

- (i) There must be two 15mm hit zone targets set out to a maximum distance of 25 yards. Accepted by 7 regions, rejected by MFTA.
- (ii) There must be three lanes designated kneeling. (The combined distance of the two targets in each lane must not exceed 70 yards per lane). Accepted by 5 regions, rejected by MFTA/WAFTA.
- (iii) There must be two lanes designated standing. (The combined distance of the two targets in each lane must not exceed 60 yards per lane). Accepted by 4 regions, rejected by MFTA/WAFTA, NWFTA abstained.
- (iv) There must be eight 25mm hit zone targets set out to a maximum distance of 35 yards. Accepted by 4 regions, rejected by MFTA/WAFTA, NWFTA abstained.

### Rule 10ii – foot over shooting line

It was unanimously agreed to modify rule 10 ii of the Main Shoot Rules. It was agreed to modify the proposed wording of the rule from:



"All shots, from whatever shooting position, must be made with the rifle's muzzle wholly over the firing line and the rifle's trigger wholly behind the firing line."

#### To:

"All shots, from whatever shooting position, must be made with the rifle's muzzle wholly beyond the firing line and the rifle's trigger wholly behind the firing line."

### **Clubs Cup**

The clubs cup will be run by Simon Evans/Mark Bassett.

The proposals are:

- One team per club
- Unlimited team members
- Top 3 scores per GP to count
- Scoring: 20 points for 1st, 18 for 2nd, 16 for 3rd, 15 for 4th, 14 for 5th, 13 for 6th etc down to 1 point for 18th place.

## **12. Items received from Regions** Nothing to report.

#### 13. AOB

MFTA (SR) asked if a Chrono marshall should be provided at each GP by the region. Answer is yes.

FFTA (RM) reminded the meeting that the Crime and Security act comes into force on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2011.

It was reiterated that the rule changes regarding target size and distance are to be introduced for one season of GPs and will be reviewed at the EGM in June and the AGM in November to discuss any issues that arise.

FFTA (RM) proposed that the Chairman is approved to alter the BFTA documents and reissue with the agreed rule changes.

The Grading Officer confirmed that he is working on the designs for the banners and hand outs proposed for the 2011 European Championships.

SEFTA (BM) asked if it was acceptable to run Winter League rounds using the 15mm kill zone targets and still submit the results for grading.

It was confirmed that the rule changes were to the GP shoot rules only and that Winter League rounds should be shot in accordance with the BFTA main shoot rules which do not specify 15mm kill zone targets.

It was confirmed by the Chairman that the next meeting will be an EGM not a GM.

FFTA (RM) proposed that the main shoot rules are changed to include the 15mm kill zone targets so any shoot that uses the 15mm targets can be submitted for grading.



Seconded by NWFTA (SB).

This is a proposal for voting on at the EGM in June.

14.Date, time and place of next meetings.

- i. EGM Saturday 18th June 2011, 10am start, The Beacon Way, Bloxwich.
- ii. AGM Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2011, 10am start, The Beacon Way, Bloxwich.

Meeting closed at 5pm Phil Gee