

Annual General Meeting 2019 – Minutes of meeting

Saturday 16th November 2019

Meadow Farm, Dagnell End Road, Redditch, B98 9BJ

Breakfast from 8:30am - prompt start at 10am

1. Chairman's welcome and report.

I'd like to welcome you all to today's Annual General Meeting. This is my chance to say a massive thank you to all the BFTA Officers that are here today.

The jobs you fulfil within your roles is priceless and keeps the BFTA going every year. I

can't thank you all enough as Chairman and also as a member of the BFTA without you all we could not function. A special thanks goes to Mark Basset for all his help this year with the trophies etc. also I'm looking forward to working this coming season with Mark Lawrence who has been working behind the scenes all season on securing sponsorship for the 2020 season.

Firstly, I'd like to take the opportunity to congratulate the winners from this year's BFTA events:

- Dave Ramshead BFTA Champion
- WAFTA Inter regional Champions
- Grand Prix series winners
- MARK BASSETT AA class
- DAVE CROUCHER A class
- MARTIN CALPIN B class
- STEVE MARTIN C class
- STEVE PRIVETT Piston class
- TONY FOURACRES Open class
- JACK HARRIS Silhouettes league 1
- Air Arms A Team League 1 team winners
- Air Arms D Team League 2 team winners
- NEIL HAUGE BFTA Masters
- NATHAN REEVE Showdown Champion
- ANDRAS FEKETE MORRO Champion
- NEIL HAUGE BFTA European Champion.
- JOHN AMOS BFTA European spring gun Champion
- Richard Lawrence BFTA European Open class Champion
- MARK BLEVINS European top overseas shooter
- 50,S Club Ian Taylor , red Gallagher

Also this year the wftf championships were held in England I think it was a great success and was happy to be part of a team that did something amazing, a great big thank you to all who helped this to be a success, I would like to congratulate all the winners to many to mention. But a special mention to John Costello for winning the worlds outright also from the worlds

Winner John Costello

Winner piston class Steve Privett some excellent scores

Top junior Red Gallagher

Top veteran Steve franklin

Also the ladies did very well, Helen Carragher , Natalie Shead , Mel hills, Paula Schofield.

Team England came 2nd only 2 points behind the winners

Would just like to say I'm looking forward to the coming season and hope it is as good as the last one, a few problems highlighted them self's last season and I'm sure if we all work together we can sort them out.

T.Ryan

B.F.T.A Chairman

2. Persons and regions present

Roger Moy	President
Trevor Ryan	Chairman
David Robinson	Secretary
Mark Lawrence	Trade Liaison
Liz Moy	HVP
Andrew Slade	Treasurer
Simon Evans	Grading Officer

Regions Represented

James Osborne VR	MFTA
Ian Taylor VR	NEFTA
John Mayer VR	NWFTA
Rob Farnworth VR	CSFTA
Simon Evans VR	SWEFTA
John Johnston VR	WAFTA
Alan Chambers VR	STS
Andy Barnes VR Richard Greenwood	FFTA
Jason Cheeseman VR	SEFTA

3. Apologies for absence.

Sam Reece, Kev Sayers, Chris Jones

4. Minutes of GM from June 2019 to be read and accepted as a true record.

Proposed Andy Slade Second Andy Barnes

5. Matters arising from June 2019 GM

A, Treasurer advised that the money from BASC that should have been used in 2018 to be split between the showdown and the end of season prizes he will submit his recommendation to the secretary and this agree a budget allocated to Mark Lawrence to arrange prizes trophies for end of season (outlined in treasurer's report) Also any updates on the as discussed use of online banking setting up of new accounts etc.

B, Double header trial discussion was deferred to this AGM depending on uptake and allocation of calendar see section 12

C, Progress on previous grading officer changes to the rolling 16 and colour coding was discussed however the grading officer was not present at the July Meeting and further developments with the publishing of grading information have developed Grading officer to update

D, Re introduction of Scotland formally SARPA now known as STS who have now submitted documents to the secretary changes will now be made to the constitution and bye – laws to allow for this scenario in the future

From June AOB

E, Grading boundaries have moved c grade is very low quantity is putting people off needs a better balance refer to grading officer. (SEFTA)

F, £750 minimum for hosting a BFTA shoot rational clubs need encouraging to hosts shoots ROB F will send a more detailed proposal for AGM for voting Secretary recommends Treasurer input and also looking at the entry fee for GPS

G, where are the EFTA Mins? Rob advised as the EFTA was adopted as a sub committee that was formed 2 to 3 years ago so the world Championships is now run by the world championship committee and a simple set of accounts will be produced after the event is complete and if anyone has any further questions they can be raised and discussed in private at a meeting, Rob will discuss EFTA and the championships later in meeting

H, Ask Martin if any merchandise left to be used for a raffle etc DR / Trev will (asked Nothing left)

I, Secretary advised regarding data protection that he would contact the information commissioner's office as a recent information brought to the attention of the secretary concerning photos at BFTA events and as per chop squad at previous meeting it would be best advised for people to refrain from editing photos as banter. DR has contacted and will advised of findings in AOB.

6. Treasurer's report

BFTA Treasurer's Report (Nov 2018 – Oct 2019)

Welcome to my 10th set of BFTA annual accounts. Although I said I would not stand for re-election as Treasurer this year, Dave and Trev have talked me into staying on as Treasurer. I must be mad, as I have reluctantly agreed.

The changing face of banking also means the traditional methods of banking, via cheque and paying in slips is becoming increasingly rare amongst bank users. The introduction of a pre-pay system for booking at GPs, I warmly welcome, as I foresaw it would make Martin Calpin's (when he was Comp Sec) and my job far easier. We will need a change of the BFTA constitution to allow for the use of a Bank Card and electronic banking on the new Lloyd's Bank account I have set up with Trev, Dave and myself as signatories. I decided to move to Lloyds because they have a branch local to me and NatWest wanted all signatories on the current bank account to agree to move to electronic banking on the BFTA Nat West account! It is difficult to establish the up to date BFTA account balance without going into the bank branch and getting a statement.

I must also thank John Lewis for his continued assistance in auditing the BFTA accounts. I am happy to report that all is in order and John has signed off the set of accounts, I summarise below.

I have yet to hear back from John (formally) to state that the accounts are fine and there are no queries! ☺

The National Westminster Bank account holds **£32,419.00 as of 31st October 2019**. This is almost exactly the same as last year's balance.

The total monies paid into the NatWest account by Simon, Sam, electronic transfer and myself amounts to **£21,067.39**.

Total monies paid out amounts to **£21,085.27** those of you with quick arithmetic skills will work out this is a difference of **£17.88**.

So, the monies in very nearly equals monies out! More by luck, than good financial management. This includes the following items worthy of mention both income and expenditure related:

1. Two new Air Chronographs - £345.59
2. Additional BFTA Website coding work for electronic booking in - £919.00
3. Napier end of season prizes - £1,828.87
4. Design and printing of BFTA membership cards - £599.00
5. 2019 NSRA affiliation and additional Bluefin insurance £205.00 + £60.00.
6. Donation to Paul James (PJBRC) shoot - £250.00
7. The BASC sponsorship of £800 which was received very late in the day last year and not used as prize money for the Masters and Showdown in previous years was used in part to fund Masters and Showdown cash prizes this year, as previously agreed (£500).

Martin has provided excellent feedback and notification of monies taken in and transferred to BFTA bank account. I also have a page showing no-shows, which meant the BFTA saved potential losses of ~£1,800. That is a significant amount of money and has more than justified the costs associated with the setting up of the system.

I have this year paid all clubs directly to their bank account for their share of the entry fee, they have also benefitted in that the monies from no-shows is shared between BFTA and the hosting club.

This year the Euros entry fee was increased to £36.50 in line with the Countryman Fair's entry to the Game Fair price. This increased income has very much helped to balance the books.

I remain slightly concerned that now we are grading the Masters, Champs and Euro,s this means extra trophies that have had to be paid for. Also do we change the Euros prize monies to include Open Class and other graded PCP classes, apart from Piston class which has had minimal cash prizes for about 4 years?

I think the biggest issue the BFTA has to face is the hugely reduced numbers booking into events/GPs. This is not conjecture but fact. The average number attending GPs was ~105, with no GP requiring false start lanes from when we had over 150 entries per event as in previous years. I bring this up because I support RobF's (CSFTA) proposal to increase the minimum amount hosting club receives to £700. This extra money will have to be found somewhere it is not covered by entry numbers. Clubs must get a reasonable amount for all the work involved in setting up and running an event GP.

There has been little or no sponsorship of BFTA or events this year, with Companies preferring to sponsor the 2019 World's as it was held in England.

I am pleased to report, as agreed by the BFTA committee, we continued with a **£250.00** contribution towards the Paul James Memorial Shoot. This contribution meant that a greater sum of money was donated, on behalf of the memorial shoot, to the hospice which assisted Paul.

In summary, most of the money paid into the BFTA accounts has been generated by the Competitions and most of the money paid out is Competition related expenses, such as:

- Payments to clubs hosting BFTA events and GPs.
- Competition Trophies
- Trophies and Cash Prizes
- End of season draw prizes, (which increased this year due to concerns of some of the shooters, last year it was deliberately scaled back to help balance the books and avoid increasing the shoot fees paid by shooters, this was a conscientious decision made by Committee).

The shoot fee of £12.00 for the each GP, with £6.00 going to the club/region holding the event and £6.00 going to BFTA, (noting the BFTA provides both the trophies and 6 X £25 (£150) raffle prize draw monies at each GP round), is no longer keeping BFTA funds balanced but projected increased cost next year suggests that there will be a bleed from the reserves occurring. The amounts paid in and amounts paid out are roughly in balance and BFTA holdings of ~£32.5k no longer equates to approximately 2 years running costs (should be £21.0K X 2+ £42K), which I always judge to be about the right sum to keep the BFTA financially healthy.

I would like to see an electronic system for paying for and registering for BFTA cards and perhaps we can decide if we are going to no longer have printed BFTA cards, similar to the loss of car tax discs.

I believe we need to increase entry prices for GPs etc. From persons I have consulted, it seems the biggest reason for not travelling to GPs is travel costs and the large number of GPs if you want to make your season count overall.

In Summary

1. Constitution to be amended to remove requirement to have two signatures per BFTA cheque to ease change to BFTA on-line banking account.
2. Consider doing away with printed BFTA cards and adopting an electronic BFTA shooter/membership card system.
3. Regions to canvas membership for potential volunteers to be BFTA Treasurer for next year.
4. Consider do we need to increase GP/event entry fees, my view is that we should.

Andrew Slade

BFTA Treasurer – 16th November 2019

7. Fees and subscriptions for 2020 were Discussed and set as follows

- BFTA Card £5.00
- BFTA Championship = £10 (£9 BFTA - £1 Club) +£600 to club
- BFTA inter-regional = £75 per team
- BFTA Masters = £10 (£9 BFTA - £1 Club) +£600 to club
- GP = £15 (£7.50 club / £7.50 BFTA / BFTA pays 6x £25 bonus bunny)
With a view to add extra sponsor prizes to the raffle
- Europeans = £36.50

Previous 2018 AGM The President requested that the Treasurer and Competition Manager review the spending in 2019 to see the impact of changes (particularly pre-payment).

8. Officers' reports:

Secretary,

This last year for the BFTA has seen some positive changes and I Believe we have had a fantastic year as an association numbers were down although I believe this is a trend which will change in the future especially if we are all proactive in promoting the sport. I believe we need to end negative speech in posts on forums and emails, break down barriers which have prevented some people shooting and caused some hostility and really get behind pushing the word out there that the sport is fun and caters for all abilities and ages and no person should be denied entry to any shoot. In doing this the BFTA will be more financially stable and extra money we can use for better prizes and increase to hosting regions and clubs.

The attendances at shoots this year have been the lowest numbers but yet we managed to pay out for extra services we have never had to pay before ie large lump sum for online booking swipe fees and admin fees. As you will see in Andy's report despite this, we have maintained the bank balance yet still put out an impressive end of season prize table and support clubs and regions in offering funds to run shoots this has pretty much all been self-funded due to lack of sponsorship which seems to be getting harder to come by. However I believe we need more investment in prizes and funds for hosting clubs which is why I am going to recommend that the Entry fee for a gp round be raised to £14.00 funds to be divided £7.50 to the hosting club based on average of 100 shooters per round should give a minimum of £750 to the hosting club. But I would also like to see that club come away with more by ensuring they are really promoting their event through their region nationally to attract as many people as they can to their round and thus help pay them more ie if they want more they need to help themselves achieve it. This should also take away excuses and ensure each region is willing to host a round allowing them to do their bit in promoting the sport. The remaining £6.50 to the bfta giving the extra fifty pence per shooter to help cover the costs of printing of promotional leaflets Rob Farnworth has organized via Chris Large and has already been actioned. I like the idea of leaflets the website is great but how do people find out it exists? If possible, I think we should be aiming towards having our leaflets in most gun shops and ask them to give a leaflet with every air rifle they sell. Perhaps a photo copied version to reduce costs?

I want to offer my thanks to everyone who support and give time to the administer the BFTA in particular Andy Slade who has kindly deferred to stand down as treasurer and continue his role for now I honestly don't know where we would be without Andy I know he wouldn't admit it but I believe his finger is on the pulse with the funds he knows where we are at better than anyone and I trust his judgment without question when it comes to looking at new purchases etc. I would like to thank mark Lawrence for organising the end of season sponsorship via Napier and mark basset who arranged the amazing end of season trophies think that's the biggest table of glassware I have ever seen anywhere. I would like to thank Sam for dealing with the admin for tickets for the euros and all the other girls for what they do on the day at events Thank you. Thanks to Martin for running the website and online payment. Thanks to Simon for his role of grading officer and the hours of DIP you do.

My self and Trev have been on a bit of a learning curve this past year we have face some challenges which we have taken on and overcome which as made us better in our roles. We already have experience in the NEFTA region where our roles are reversed but all the same our ethos is that all work together all do our share turn no

one away really encourage people in. Everything else falls in place behind this easily we would like this to extend to the BFTA as mentioned before let's get the numbers back up and get everyone been positive and promoting the sport this is where the future if the BFTA lies in my honest opinion.

Pulling together and doing the hard graft at the sharp end pays off this was evident at the worlds and I'm sure Rob will be saying the same in his report the enormous task of putting out the courses and the plinking range in those grounds and then marshalling the whole event I cannot even begin to explain the magnitude of it. A team lead by Andy Calpin was hugely successful in pulling this off and making the event a huge success so to anyone as part of that team who stapled, screwed, cleared, painted, hammered, trimmed, cut, oiled, stringed, carried and then repeated that process for days a huge thank you. This was a huge stage to demonstrate what can be achieved by all working and pulling together.

Congratulations to all winners of all classes and grades special mentions for exceptional shooting to

Nathan Reeve showdown champ

Andreas F. Moro Plate winner

Neil Hague Masters and Euros winner

Mark Basset PCP BFTA GP Champion

Steve Privet Piston BFTA GP Champion and piston World Champion

John Costello PCP World Champion

Dave Ramshead BFTA Champions Winner

Also, congratulations to team WAFTA for winning the inter regionals

I look forward to the coming year working positively with everyone, building on, moving forward and growing the BFTA back to where it should be.

David Robinson
BFTA Secretary

Trade Liaison

Mark Lawrence gave an overview of the success in securing prizes for the end of GP series 2019 and his proposals for the 2020 season which is looking promising to have an individual sponsor for each GP round Mark will continue negotiation with companies and manufactures

~~Grading Manager Web Manager, NSRA Delegate~~

9. Election of Officers:

- President – Roger Moy
- Chairman – Trevor Ryan
- Secretary – David Robinson
- Treasurer – Andrew Slade
- Minute Secretary – VACANT
- Competition Manager – VACANT
- Grading/Registration Manager – Simon Evans
- Trade Liaison Officer – Mark Lawrence
- NSRA Delegate – Mick Woodhead
- Web Manager – Martin Calpin

Nominations

- Grading/Registration Manager: Philip Johansen / Simon Evans
- Development Officer: Rob Farnworth (Role needs definition)

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- All positions were voted on mass proposed by John Johnston and seconded by Andy Barnes no objections

- Philip Johansen stood down prior to meeting.

- Rob Farnworth shared his ideas of how he saw his role as development officer to help promote the BFTA via manufacturers

Welcome Rob Farnworth as development officer.. Proposed by Andy Barnes seconded by Ian Taylor Rob shared a visual of the informational leaflet that was developed in conjunction with Chris Large this will be distributed to interested parties at game fairs etc. Also the possibility of Claire from Air Arms putting them inside of the boxes of guns before they are shipped out to shops. Rob has lots of plans for this promotional material and will update us in due course.

9.1 Confirmation of Honorary Vice Presidents

Existing HVPs - Elizabeth Moy, Roger Moy, Tony Cook, Beryl Noon, Mike Noon and Phil Gee

All Same proposed Simon Evans seconded Ian Taylor

10. Correspondence

Chris large sent a letter with James Osborne advising that the hosting clubs for MFTA GP and showdown weekend had not yet been decided but can confirm that this will soon be sorted

11. Confirmation of 2020 event Dates

Event	Date	Venue	Region
BFTA Championship	04 th April	Emley Moor	NEFTA
BFTA Inter-Regional	05 th April	Emley Moor	NEFTA
GP1	19 th April	TBC	MFTA CONF
GP2	10 th May	ICENI	SEFTA
GP3	07 th June	B. GWENT	WAFTA
GP4	20 th June	Emley Moor	NEFTA
GP5	21 st June	REDFEARNES	NEFTA
GP6	05 th July	S Buccs	CSFTA TBC
GP7	19 th July	EAST DEVON	SWEFTA
GP8	2 nd August	RIVINGTON	NWFTA
BFTA Masters	05 th September	TBC	MFTA CONF
BFTA Showdown	06 th September	TBC	MFTA CONF
BFTA Europeans	19 th / 20 th September	TBC Weston Park	

Whilst the BFTA endeavours to ensure that its shoots occur according to the schedule published on the BFTA website, in the event of a shoot being cancelled, for whatever reason, the liability of the BFTA extends to a refund of entry fees only. The BFTA accepts no further responsibility and will not be liable for any consequential, indirect or direct loss or damage.

The BFTA strongly advises that competitors that book accommodation for BFTA events take out cancellation insurance.

NB Midland game fair situation to be monitored by the committee.

5 Rounds from 8 GP's to count for total championship

12. Proposed Changes for 2019

P1 through to P5 were formulated at the previous general meeting in June for voting on

P1, Adopt the WFTF rules only windicator attached to rifle or pulling of the target string no bottles of water soil grass vape's - **Carried**

P2, Introduction of waterproof score cards and specialist pens for use in wet conditions as a backup - **Carried**

P3, Blank Cards to be issued to regions for them to fill in themselves once a number is issued by the grading officer - **Status Quo**

P4, Follow to the world WFTF Timing at BFTA Events with the exception that the buddy marshal can start the clock for you this is excluding the showdown which due to the nature of the shoot will carry on as current. - **Carried**

P5, Remove shoot offs and count backs for all individual GPS and that Badges to be award to top 3 scores in each grade and sillies IE if 2 tied scores both get gold 3 people are tied for second place 3 silver and so on and if 5 people are tied on 3rd all 5 get a bronze badge. For showdown qualification count back still to be used. - **Carried**

Newly Sent

P6 Through to P17 were shortly discussed to decided weather they needed further consultation with the regions or there validity for a vote now it was decided only P6 and P8 Required voting on now

P6, SEFTA - 15mm/1m rule is that the height limit is unnecessarily restrictive. The apparent kill size wont be unduly affected if the limit was set at 2m and makes it easier to set a course as the 1m limit effectively means even a gentle slope or strapping it to a tree can make a target illegal. - **Carried**

P7, There should be 2 weekends clear in between any BFTA event, or recognised annual UK event (for example the NEFTA Classic + PJC). Criteria for BFTA recognition is that the event has 50 shooters shooting FT to a significant majority of BFTA rules and is an annual event.

Reason : The calendar is too compact (in several people's opinions) across the levels of the sport. It does not allow shooters any rest if they choose to shoot club, regional and/or national events and this forces them to decide between them thus creating division and tension, especially when clashes inevitably occur. We don't have full venue support for 9 GP's and thus it's possible to keep the same start and end date to the season and still create the space for all BFTA events and those in the regions.

P8, A GP should provide a minimum £750 to a club/region for hosting GP irrespective of entry numbers. - **Carried**

Reason : Costs for Portaloos, additional parking & rent etc are all rising to the point where it becomes more cost effective to not host GP's and run other events. This means clubs/regions either don't put themselves forward or actually pursue events which bring in more money. Secretary's request that the input from treasurer is vital before vote

P9, A BFTA weekend event (champs/inters or masters/showdown) should provide £1000 to the club/region hosting the weekend.

Reason : Same as P8 Secretary's request that the input from treasurer is vital before vote – **It was decided to review this for next year as we will see firstly the impact of P8**

P10, The 50p donation from the BFTA Card to regions be removed.

Reason : The EFTA does not need the money and Scotland's shooters seem to have English BFTA cards. – Treasurer 50p Donation has not happened for a number of years anyway

P11, BFTA cards should be purchasable via the BFTA website. There should be a pre-approved list of approved clubs and these clubs should be able to apply for numbers directly.

Reason : There is considerable public complaint by some who then use the delay to discredit the BFTA. This does not serve the sport well when it appears to affect new shooters primarily even when it's shown not to be the BFTA's fault.

*Web-admin & programming (Martin and Brian) need to be consulted if this is possible, however I feel we should use the capability if we can to make the entry to the sport as easy as possible.

- Scrapped due to developments in online banking via treasure clubs will soon be able to do a bank transfer as well as traditional cheque

P12, BFTA National competitions that use online booking should collect email and mobile phone numbers for emergency contact use (covered with a GDPR agreement). Those who book on behalf of groups would be the prime contact if they did not supply individual information.

Reason : In the event of emergency, for example; changes to a venue etc there is no way of ensuring contact with competitors.

*Web-admin & programming (Martin and Brian) need to be consulted however I feel from the experience of WFTC 2019 that this should be something we should do. – Voting not required Ask martin to make a mandatory fields for contact information

P13, All proposals should be finalised and circulated one calendar month before a GM or an AGM

Reason : Adequate time needs to be given so that regions can see proposals and react to them with an answer. – Voting not required Secretary will deal.

P14, Split all BFTA shoots into AA, A, B, C, Open, Piston. Prizes don't have to be the same through all the grades but all grades should be recognised. Take Back to regions vote next meeting to change the championships to graded

Reason : If competitions become solely about the top shooters then this is likely what they will attract. It has been agreed before but not applied (Masters 2019) - This was an oversight on the day no voting needed this is already implemented

P15, Piston should be scored out against top springer score of day not against the top PCP

Reason : At the moment despite having the best piston score of the day this score can be forcefully dropped because it might be a lower % than another day's result. In other words a springer shooter winning on the day might lose that result but keep the one where they came 3rd... behind the shooter that might then gain from this. This has happened more than once in recent years and it nearly affected the overall springer title. Withdrawn – take back to the regions Bring back to the table.

P16 Social media & website announcements for every shoot beforehand to be part of committee duties. To be delegated to a definite position. NB we do not have a competition secretary.

Reason : At the moment the BFTA relies on people outside of the committee to promote the sport. When this is not done the shoots are simply not promoted. Secretary's in put Who is doing it now? And is there anybody willing to under take this
So Committee to put feelers out for a volunteer to promote upcoming events.

P17, Manufacturer title by default in National Grand Prix Series shoots.
Top 4 shooters to count, irrespective of opting in or not.

Reason : This will allow manufactures to promote our sport using their publicity. Secretary's input Mark Lawrence has this Job in hand already looking at how to promote the sport next year using the trade – NO voting needed this is handled by trade liaison who has sponsorship in development

13. EFTA Report from WFTF 2019

Rob F shared some insight to the worlds and a brief overview of accounts from the event.

14. Any other business

NEFTA

Chronograph should be done prior to the event start once booking in hence going onto a BFTA course legally. To be discussed further after testing this at the Championships come back to it at June GM

MFTA

NO

SWEFTA

NO

NWFTA

NO

FFTA

NO

SEFTA

Rolling 16 should be available on the BFTA website
(it is but only start of season as that's all that's required) This was brought up due to a member of SEFTA region not having access to the Facebook page Simon has created. Simon for personal reasons has decided to block the individual on Facebook which resulted in the individual calling Simon a name. Simon does the 16 on Facebook purely by choice it is not mandatory as such The BFTA has no say on who Simon individually blocks from his Personal Facebook. The rolling 16 is published on

the BFTA site twice a year which is all that is currently required for the administration of grading.

STS

NO

CSFTA

Concern regarding length of courses and gaps between gates please bare in mind walking distances and also enough space for rifle storage

WAFTA

No

Chairman

Cards and badges need ordering for upcoming gp series 3 years worth to be ordered
Offset triggers should they have a guard offset as well?

Open class 2 people sharing a rifle in the last gp series this will not happen again
matter has already been put to bed with the individuals and needs no further discussion

Secretary

Accept Shaun shores email proposal for changes to the Showdown all accepted by all regions represented Attached is Shaun's proposed format

GDPR DR contacted the ICO and was advised the tick box for condition of entry we currently use is not correct and we need to provide an opt out option

"The BFTA consider it strictly ness to use photographs of individuals to promote the sport"

And to advise it is a public event this was suggested that we consult the ico again to see if this statement covers the requirements

15. Close and meeting dates for next year

13/06/2020 General meeting

14/11/2020 AGM

How the regions voted

Proposal	NEFTA	MFTA	WAFTA	CSFTA	SEFTA	SWEFTA	FFTA	STS	NWFTA	Result
P1	Y	N	Y	N	Y	A	Y	Y	N	C
P2	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	N	C
P3	N	Y	N	N	Y	A	A	A	Y	SQ
P4	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	C
P5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	C
P6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	C
P7										
P8	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	C
P9	DRAFT									
P10										
P11										
P12										
P13										
P14										
P15										
P16										
P17										

Shaun's Format for the showdown

Suggested change to the Showdown. 48 shooters qualify They are sorted into 12 groups of 4. Call the shooters in each group A, B, C and D Round 1 Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course G-1 G-2 G-3 G-4 G-5 G-6 G-7 G-8 G-9 G-10 G-11 G-12
☐ A v B ☐ C v D ☐ A v B ☐ C v D ☐ A v B ☐ C v D

Round 2 Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course G-5 G-6 G-7 G-8 G-9 G-10 G-11 G-12 G-1 G-2 G-3 G-4 ☐ A v C ☐ B v D ☐ A v C ☐ B v D ☐ A v C ☐ B v D

Round 3 Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course G-9 G-10 G-11 G-12 G-1 G-2 G-3 G-4 G-5 G-6 G-7 G-8 ☐ A v D ☐ B v C ☐ A v D ☐ B v C ☐ A v D ☐ B v C

Because there are only 48 shooters (3 x 16) then the 3 courses can be run simultaneously. Every competitor will shoot 3 courses against the 3 other competitors in their group. Competitors earn 2 points for a win and 1 for a draw (no shoot-offs at this stage). When 3 rounds are complete there is a lunch break and stats organise the knockout rounds. Showdown The 12 group winners plus the 4 best placed runners-up. Plate The 8 runners-up not in the Showdown plus the 8 best 3rd places. Shield The remaining 16 competitors.

The knockout stages If competitors lose then they are eliminated. Shoot-off if tied.
Last 16 Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course Showdown Plate Shield Quarter
Finals Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course Shield Showdown Plate Semi Finals
Red Course Yellow Course Blue Course Plate Shield Showdown Final Red Course
Yellow Course Blue Course Showdown Plate Shield

Timings Presently the Showdown has 9 rounds because it requires 4 rounds when some competitors are not shooting. Assuming a course of fire takes 50 minutes and the admin takes 10 minutes then the day will last approximately 9 hours. If it starts at 0900 then it will finish around 1745 including a 45 minute lunch break. New timings Preliminary rounds 0900 – 1200 Lunch and admin 45 minutes Last 16 1245-1345 Quarters 1345-1445 Semis 1445 – 1545 Final 1545 – 1645 Short breaks if necessary or because of shoot-offs etc.

Advantages More shooting for all. □ Presently 32 competitors are eliminated after 40 targets. □ The new system would guarantee all competitors 80 targets Introduce a new competition □ Including the Shield gives lower grade competitors a chance to be involved in and potentially win a competition of the unique style of the Showdown. Less numbers □ The format is more attractive (more shooting and more competition) and there will be an increased desire to qualify and less inclination to drop out. With only 48 places available competition will be keen. A test of skill and stamina □ To win any of the events will require 7x20 = 140 targets.

Qualification 5 from each of 9 GP = 45 3 places from the Masters.

How will the preliminary rounds work? 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw.
Example: A v B = 17 – 16, C v D = 12 – 15, A v C = 18 – 13, B v D = 16 – 16, A v D = 17 – 17, B v C = 18 – 13 Table Competitor Won Drawn Targets Pts A 2 1 52 5 D 1 2 48 4 B 1 1 50 3 C 0 0 38 0 Sort order: 1st = points, 2nd = targets If competitors are tied on points and targets then the outcome of their match decides. If this was a draw then shoot-off.

Knockout stage All competitors' points and targets are used to determine their seeding in the knockout stage Showdown S-1 v S-16 S-5 v S-12 S-3 v S-14 S-7 v S-10 S-2 v S-15 S-6 v S-11 S-4 v S-13 S-8 v S-9

Plate P-1 v P-16 P-5 v P-12 P-3 v P-14 P-7 v P-10 P-2 v P-15 P-6 v P-11 P-4 v P-13 P-8 v P-9

Shield SH-1 v SH-16 SH-5 v SH-12 SH-3 v SH-14 SH-7 v SH-10 SH-2 v SH-15 SH-6 v SH-11 SH-4 v SH-13 SH-8 v SH-9

Trophies I suggest we maintain: Showdown: 4 quarter-finalist, 2 semi-finalists, runner-up and champion Plate: 2 semi-finalists, runner-up and champion And add: Shield: runner-up and champion.

Admin If the BFTA committee agree to trialling the event then I will oversee the admin for the day.

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