



Minutes for the Hertfordshire County AGM held on January 29th 14:00
Venue: Nuthampstead Shooting Ground

1. Present.

Mark Angwin
Martin Barker
Paul Blackman
Andrew Board
Gary Bridger
Mike Cotton
Wai Fu
Alan Haynes
Derek Jackson
Johnny Johnson
Paul Lovick
Alison Nicol
Glenn Paeckmeyer
Ron Smith

2. Apologies for Absence.

Mr Cripps
Bruce Sheriffs
Peter Silver
Bob Towel
Brett Winfield

3. Minutes of Previous AGM held Monday 24th January 2011

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting by all parties. Ron Smith proposed that they be accepted, seconded by Paul Lovick. The minutes were accepted for archive.

4. Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising from the last minutes.

5. Chairman's Report.

GP thanked everyone for attending the meeting and highlighted the fact that there had been a near collapse of support by the membership at county championships. The only championships held which were fully supported being English Sporting and FITASC Sporting, which fielded full teams for the inter-county championships.

Apathy and economic survival are currently the ruling factors which effect the membership, a situation which will not improve for the near future.

GP addressed the meeting on the mixed attendances at all Intercounty championships along with the fact that there is no new blood coming into the sport at the moment, a situation which the committee must redress if the county is to continue.

6. Secretary's Report.

PB addressed the meeting:

Schools Programme – After considerable effort following last years request to push clay target shooting through the school curriculum via the POE Award scheme, the reception from H/O was silent. As far as he is aware, there is no plan or initiative to put it on the agenda for the board.

Sponsorships – There has been no interest whatever in sponsoring any events last year or this year from the sources usually keen to get involved. BWM, Fiocchi, Eley etc.

Fundraising Events – there were none planned for last year due to business pressures on PB.

Elections of Officers – If there is no interest from the membership to take up the roles of the executive then the committee will be forced to wind up the affairs of the county in due course and prepare the documents required to suspend all competitions, and place all trophies into secure storage until a committee can be reformed.

Committee Changes - There are a few changes to be aware of for those who are considering throwing their hat in the ring for the exec roles. The Main Board have ratified a new roles and responsibilities paper which will in due course be added to the county Articles of Association and therefore become part of the way the county committee's management style and success is measured. There are also two new roles which must form part of the committee, a Development Manager and a Public Relations Officer.

Photographs – to encourage Shooters to compete at county level, last year I asked for photos of the teams taking part or at the very least individuals, but very few were sent to me for inclusion on Pull! magazine, apart from the snap of Nigel and Karen Caves – the ABT Champions.

County Club League -There will be a county club league starting this year run by the CPSA in an effort to increase the membership, I can only speculate that the clubs must be affiliated to the CPSA to take part, don't know how the competitions will be formatted, ask head office, or read pull.

Web Site – Has been fully updated and re-designed, so that the incoming exec can easily update the pages. Paul stated that he was happy to maintain the web site providing material was emailed to him in a timely manner.

7. Treasurer's Report.

PB addressed the meeting:

Levies are down on last year – due in the main to less shooters on the line – to be expected - except ESP who raised a tidy sum for the county

Cost of badges – For this year will be minimal due to the change in badge design last year

Total in the bank £2,561.91 – last two statements still to be reconciled and late levies to be added but should make little difference to total.

8. Election of Officers

GP resigned from the post of Chairman and duly became re-elected – Proposed by AN, seconded by AH.

PB resigned from the posts of Secretary / Treasurer and is standing down permanently. As there was no-one at the meeting prepared to step into the role there will be a period of advertisement with a cut off date of 15th April, with a view to finding and appointing a County Secretary. If one cannot be found then the county will be wound up and placed in suspension until a full executive can be appointed. It was agreed by all that the space available in PULL! Magazine for March 2012 will be used for recruitment purposes.

Volunteers for other posts were Derek Jackson who offered to be Treasurer, proposed by GP and seconded by PB. Mark Anguin also agreed to become part of the committee, role to be defined once a Secretary is found.

9. Selection of Team Captains

Team Captains were asked if they would continue their good work and the following agreed:

Alan Haynes – ABT

Paul Lovick – ES_p

Mike Cotton – FITASC Sporting

Alison Nicol – OS_k

Wai Fu - ES_k

Which leaves DTL, DT, Helice and OT without managers, academic if we cannot find a Secretary.

10. Any Other Business.

Trophies Surrendered –

Wai Fu – ES_k County Champions Cup

Alan Haynes – UT County Champions Cup and DTL Vets Shield

Brett Winfield – ABT County Champions Cup (to be picked up)

Alison Nicol – OS_k County Champions Cup

Martin Barker – Helice County Champions Cup and Helice Junior Champions Cup

Paul Lovick – FITASC Sporting County Champions Cup, FITASC Ladies Champion Plate, ES_p Ladies County Champion Sporting Shield, OT County Champions Cup, ES_p Vets Shield

Levies for ES_k were presented by Wai Fu to the sum of £14.00

The levies for FITASC Sporting have yet to be retrieved, PL has offered to pursue the matter with Weston Wood and Southdown.

Levies for OT were negligible – below £4.00 and written off.

11. Date of Next Meeting

16th April – Venue to be defined

12. Meeting closed at 15:30

