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BSSA Custodian meeting
14.00 Hours
9th November 2008.
A614 GC.

AGENDA.

1. Chairman's comment
2. Present.
3. Confirmation of the minutes of 27th July 2008.
4. Matters arising from the minutes of 27th July 2008.
5. Directors Reports
6. Treasurers Report
 - (a) BSSA year end (31.10.2008) financial report
 - (b) BSSA Championship added monies.
7. Secretary Business
 - (a) Weekly shoot results up on the BSSA web site.
 - (b) Sanctioning UK NSSA weekly shoot dates.
 - (c) BSSA Championship dates.
 - (d) BSSA Championship venues.
 - (e) BSSA Championship format – 12, 28, 20 & .410? Doubles preceding the HOA?
 - (f) BSSA Championship bookings.
 - (g) Squad Rotation timings for BSSA Championships.
 - (h) BSSA Championship reports in Excel.
8. Championship Medals 2009
9. BSSA Trophies
10. 2009 Sponsors
11. A.O.B.
12. Next BSSA Meeting.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 14.45.

1. **Chairman's Comment**

The Chairman welcomed those present.

2. **Recorded as Present**

Derek Wilson	(DP)	Chairman
Dave Morgan	(DM)	Treasurer
Peter J Usher	(PJU)	Secretary

Ron Foster	(RF)	NSSA Director
Charlie Lucas	Sent apology for not attending due to illness.	

3. **Confirmation of the minutes for the meeting of 27th July 2008.**

The minutes were unanimously adopted as an accurate representation of that meeting.

4. **Matters arising from the minutes of the 27th July 2008.**

Any matters from these minutes will be dealt with within this meeting agenda.

5. **Directors report.**

- a. RF reported that the Zone 8 committee is considering moving the Zone 8 shoot to the end of August. Also, that South Africa is interested in partaking in the Zone 8 event.
- b. The BSSA Custodians are deferring the participation decision of the European inclusion with Zone 8 until the full details are available from the Zone 8 committee. DPW asked that this item be placed on the next BSSA meeting agenda. **Still Pending – RF & PJU**

6. **Treasurers Report.**

- a. DM advised that the yearend accounts (31st October 2008) are not complete due to outstanding shoot levies from Dartford and un-cashed BSSA added prize cheques both amounting to £299.40.
- b. DM reported the BSSA bank balance as £3624.00.
- c. A long debate ensued regarding un-cashed BSSA prize cheques. PJU proposed that a six month period would be the Treasurers remit before considering the un-claimed prize as a BSSA donation, and showed on the accounts accordingly. 2nd DM. Decision unanimously agreed.
- d. The Chairman directed the Secretary to make the appropriate announcement on the BSSA web site giving any outstanding cheque holders the option to call DM. **Action PJU**
- e. DM advised that he would like to start announcing the added monies for the 2009 BSSA championships. Given the current BSSA bank balance of £3642, and given that from 1st Nov to the Ironman last year yielded £800 in BSSA levies, DM proposed that we allocate and announce added monies for the 2009 Ironman at £800 with a review and increased as entries come in. Agreed Unanimously. The Chairman directed the Secretary to make the appropriate announcement on the BSSA web site. **Action PJU**
- f. The Chairman asked DM for a proposal presented to the next meeting of projected added monies for all the BSSA Championships along the lines and principles used at the European in 2008. **Action DM**
- g. DM advised that when the yearend accounts are complete, he will ask the secretary to upload them on the BSSA web site. DM also asked that the yearend accounts stay on the BSSA web site with a new page for 2008/2009. Unanimously agreed. **Action DM & PJU**

7. **Secretary Report.**

Weekly shoot reports on the BSSA web site.

- a. PJU asked the Custodians views on this matter. After discussion it was clear that the committee view is that this is important not only for the history of NSSA shooting in the UK, but this information also assists DM in evaluating what is owed to BSSA by way of the BSSA shoot levy.
- b. When asked how RF administers his shoots, RF replied that Valero software is used at A614 and spread sheet at Kibworth and Orston. RF was asked if he would assist by sending in a report to the Secretary in excel. RF reported that he would look into the time concerned in achieving an excel report and that he would contact Mike Valero.
- c. PJU advised that in view of the RF evaluation, he would wait until the next BSSA meeting before making a firm proposal. **Action RF**

Sanctioning of UK NSSA shoot dates.

- a. PJU advised that this was again an issue to assist the Treasurer with the collation of BSSA levies. PJU also advised that NSSA byelaws depict that these dates are sanctioned by the state (Secretary) prior to going to NSSA for registration, and that historically this has been the procedure over the last fifteen years. DPW advised that when the dates arrived from RF for A614, Kibworth and Orston, it was an oversight on his part that the dates were sent direct to Amber at NSSA HQ and not the BSSA Secretary.

BSSA 2009 Championship Dates

- a. PJU proposed that the committee use the historically date schedule for the BSSA championships. Agreed unanimously. **Action PJU**
 - Iron Man – End of March beginning of April.
 - UK Open – End of May
 - BSSA – June or July
 - European Open – End of August

BSSA 2009 championship venues

- a. PJU distributed a simple spread sheet showing the shoots and the venues that hosted BSSA championships in 2008.
- b. DM advised that Northampton are not likely to host registered NSSA in 2009 due to a very low participation at the registered shoots. Northampton would host a BSSA championship if asked.
- c. PJU advised that in consultation with Morton Clay Targets, Morton is keen to host a BSSA championship in 2009. Concern was expressed about the grounds experience in hosting a large BSSA event. PJU stated that as with Dartford, the committee should assist with the shoot administration if needed.
- d. PJU proposed a straight forward rotation of the championships between the grounds eligible.
- e. DPW advised that A614 would struggle with the BSSA as the ground needs a bank holiday weekend to accommodate the ground owner's wish that Saturdays stay clear. PJU suggested that on any specific year that A614 is awarded the BSSA championship, that the BSSA and the Ironman exchange places in the BSSA shooting calendar. All agreed.
- f. On a rotational basis, PJU was asked to contact the following grounds. **Action PJU**
 - 2009 Iron Man – A614
 - 2009 UK Open – Morton Clay Targets
 - 2009 BSSA – Dartford
 - 2009 European – Lakenheath

BSSA 2009 Championship Format

- a. It was agreed that the championship format will be exactly as used in 2008.
 - Day 1 – 12g & 28g
 - Day 2 – 20g & .410
 - Doubles precede the gauges.
 - HOA is the champion.

BSSA 2009 Championship Bookings

- a. After discussion it was unanimously decided that BSSA championship booking will be dealt with on the BSSA web site and by phone to the BSSA Secretary. The booking sheets will then be sent or delivered to the grounds in time for the shoot. **Action PJU**
- b. Payment online for BSSA championship entry is still to be evaluated and decided.
Still Pending – BSSA

BSSA championship 4 man squad rotation times

- h. After evaluating the squad punctuality at the 2008 European, a long discussion ensued as to what rotation time should be used for the 2009 BSSA championships. It was generally felt that the 1 hour rotation is fine for the Iron Man, but for the gauges it makes things very tight.
- i. PJU presented to all present five variants of squading. The first two options being the NSSA 5 man 1 ½ hour squad system and the other being the current adopted BSSA 4 man 1 hour rotation. The last three options were variants of 4 man squading showing 3, 3 ½ & 4 flights at 1 hour & 15 minutes per flight.
- j. After discussion it was evident that the committee have two options, either the 5 man 3 flights 1 ½ hour rotation as used by NSSA or the 4 man 3 ½ flights 1 hour 15 minute rotation. PJU reminded the committee that at the AGM 4 man squads was the request. In view of the BSSA AGM views, 4 man 3 ½ flights 1 hour 15 minute rotation is unanimously adopted for 2009 gauge shoots.

Action PJU

BSSA Championship reports in Excel

- k. PJU reported that the work involved with re keying the whole European shoot scores onto excel so as to maintain the history on the BSSA web site was virtually the same administrative time that would be spent running the shoot. PJU stated, that if it is not possible for some grounds to supply the information in excel, it would be a better option for the BSSA to administer and run all the BSSA championship shoots.
- l. The Chairman asked RF to ask Mike Valero if an excel report showing the score of each round and the final score, is an option, with the same in the HOA & HAA showing the scores of each gauge and final score, all by class. **Action RF**

8. **BSSA Championship Medals**

- After discussion it was decided to obtain a medal sample as used by the Muzzle Loaders at Northampton.
- The chairman asked for a sample to be sought for the next meeting. Subject to agreement on the sample, a quotation can be obtained and an order placed. **Action DM**

9. **BSSA Trophies**

- Evaluation of the BSSA trophies still has to be completed.
Still Pending – PJU & DE

10. **2009 Sponsors.**

- All Custodians agreed that we should start seeking 2009 sponsors now. The Chairman asked PJU to put an appropriate note on the BSSA web site seeking potential BSSA sponsors.
Action PJU

11. **The next meeting is the scheduled for the 1st February 2009, Lakenheath CTC, 14.00.**

12. **There being no further BSSA business, DPW closed the meeting at 16.10.**

**PJ Usher
BSSA Secretary
15th November 2008.**