

**B.C.T.A. BI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**  
**NORTH OKANAGAN TRAP & SKEET CLUB,**  
**VERNON B.C.**  
**5<sup>th</sup>. SEPTEMBER 2015.**

1. The President brought the meeting to order at 0730 and apologized for the non-circulation of the agenda owing to the fires around the secretary's home and consequent lack of power and restricted access to the computer and telephone.
2. He then asked if all had seen the agenda and whether there were any amendments. There being none, Dave Hesketh proposed to adopt it as written, seconded by Leo Pike - carried.
3. The following list of officers and delegates were in attendance:

• President:	Gord Fowler
• Sec/Treas:	Geoff Fern
• North Zone Rep:	Bob Blackburn
• Okanagan Zone:	Hugh McWhirter
• Bulkley Vall:	Bob Blackburn
• Courtenay:	Dave Wade
• Cowichan Vall:	Darryl Webber
• Kettle Wildlife:	Dave Hesketh
• Langley:	Kelly McQuarrie
• Mission:	Andrew Donatelli
• NOTSC:	Bruce Davies
• Pitt Meadows:	Ed Brown
• SVIR:	Leo Pike
• S.O.S.A.	Mike Casarin
• Vancouver:	Izov
• Victoria:	Art Moore

4. The following distinguished guests were acknowledged:

- Bruce Davies: Past President
- Leo Pike: BC Rep on Cent. Handicap Comm.
- Grant Dolson: Past PITA Delegate at Large.
- Don Reynolds: Past Member Cent. H/cap Comm.

5. Minutes of the AGM 2015, including the Special Meeting, were read out by the secretary, who asked if there were any amendments, omissions etc. There being none he proposed that they be accepted as read, seconded by Darryl Webber and carried.
  
6. Any business arising from the minutes was to be dealt with further down the agenda.
  
7. President's Report: The President thanked the attendees and spoke of significant events this year and noted the return of the attendee numbers at the Provincial Shoot this year at the old date of May long weekend. He noted some complaints about the White Flyer Biodegradable Targets and had spoken with Bill Daniels, the Western representative. Bill had done some research, which seemed to show that results of 2015 were similar to previous years in Vancouver and queried whether the complaints were "real" or imagined. The president called for further evaluation. The president then alluded to the letters of censure that had been sent to two individuals and copied to one BC Club and the PITA. He believed that that action should allow the BCTA members to return to the business of enjoying the shoots without political machinations spoiling the "harmony!" He cautioned, however, that it would be up to the individual clubs, delegates and Zone Representatives to police the matter and make sure the harmony was nurtured. He also announced that it would be necessary for the BCTA body at large to consider replacements for both the President and Secretary/Treasurer positions, as the incumbents would be stepping down at the next AGM in 2016.

8. Treasurer's Report: The treasurer presented a Budget for 2016 and apologized for the title of 2015! The document made a number of assumptions and then listed expected revenue and planned expenditure. He alluded to the President's desire to run an annual surplus of \$25K as a contingency and stated that we would be at or near \$20K at the end of 2015 on the way to that target. He forecast an increase in number of shoots, shooters and targets thrown for 2015 over 2014. This was due to a number of factors including the advent and growing popularity of the Multiplex and Doubles Marathons as well as the return of the shooter numbers for the Provincial Shoot. He closed with a caution, however, that, in 2005 the 51 shoots in BC threw 915,450 targets whereas the 93 shoots in 2014 threw 702,150. He noted that we are all getting older with 60% of most shoot attendees being "special category" and urged that we seek new shooters from the younger generation. There being no further discussion, he moved that his report be accepted, which was seconded by Pat Bare and carried.

9. Old Business:

- Censure Letters – see above.
- Insurance – The secretary was hoping that he could find some time this winter to investigate the possibility of Province-wide insurance for clubs and would report at the next AGM.
- Les Madsen would be reporting at some future date on a possible Youth Programme in BC. Bob Blackburn cautioned that Canada was a different place when it came to gun promotion and that we would expect some significant opposition.

10. New Business: The secretary repeated that there were to be changes to the executive at the next AGM. (see above.)

11. A.O.B: The secretary gave a brief recount of some of the subjects discussed at the PITA meetings at the Grand this year:

- Postage becoming prohibitive – everyone urged to use the website for programmes.
- The requirement for an on-site defibrillator at the Grand.
- The possibility of Wi-Fi at Evergreen with it being in the contract if necessary.
- Sue Brewer talked of her resignation and the likelihood of staying on as an assistant for a while.
- Jim Rankorn said there were 12 “good” applicants for Sue’s position..
- Billy Myers had expressed the desire to step down as Treasurer and that his replacement did not need to be a shooter but, of course should not be paid.

12. Zone Reports: Bob Blackburn had learned that Hazleton was about to start up again!

13. The Good and Betterment: The secretary pleaded for the Shoot applications for 2016 to be forwarded NOW!

He also reported that Joe Richter had refurbished a shotgun and given it to the secretary to find a suitable venue. The secretary had given it to the PITA Hall of Fame and Bud Graham was building a stand for it for installation next year.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 0847.

The next meeting would be the AGM at Vernon in May.

BCTA EXPENSES - 2015

	<u>S'PEND</u>	<u>TROPH.</u>	<u>ACCNT</u>	<u>PINS</u>	<u>HATS</u>	<u>PROV.</u>	<u>STAT.</u>	<u>PROG.</u>	<u>IGT. FEES.</u>	<u>PITA</u>	<u>MISC.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>2014</u>	4000-00	9967-50	2782-50	601-30	817-63	47334-88	382-48	1192-80	12885-00	959-00	250-00	81173-09
<u>2013</u>	4000-00	9676-00	2730-00	601-30	1053-23	41815-91		1363-05	18438-00	1542-00	1198-05	82417-54
<u>2015</u>	4000-00	6968-37	2887-50			43972-23	746-00	1204-00	18627-00	1531-00	550-00	80486-10

## BCTA REVENUE - 2015

	<u>DUES</u>	<u>VISL</u>	<u>M'PLEX</u>	<u>DBLS</u>	<u>ADS</u>	<u>SPONSORS</u>	<u>SHT. FEES</u>	<u>PROV.</u>	<u>PITA</u>
<u>2013</u>	275-00	876-50	342-00	1351-00	300-00	3500-00	9359-00	45543-00	1906-50
<u>2014</u>	200-00	541-00	462-00	792-00	750-00	4430-00	6558-00	35146-00	2017-50
<u>2015</u>	575-00	746-00	1268-00	1319-00	1050-00	7500-00	11063-00	47730-00	2007-50