



BRITISH COLUMBIA TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION

2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

JULY 30th, 2022 – LANGLEY ROD & GUN CLUB

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL – OFFICERS & DELEGATES
3. DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
4. ADOPT MINUTES – 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
6. TREASURER'S REPORT
7. OLD BUSINESS
 - BCTA VENUE REQUIREMENT AND CONTRACT
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - PITA RULE CHANGES
 - ATA/PITA DISCUSSION
 - NEXT YEAR'S BCTA PROVINCIAL DATE & VENUE
9. GOOD & BETTERMENT OF THE SPORT
 - LMD/FV WINTER LEAGUE
10. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
11. ALL OTHER BUSINESS
12. ADJOURN



2021 BCTA AGM Meeting Minutes

Sunday, August 15th, 2021

Vancouver Gun Club (VGC)

Richmond, BC

08:35am meeting called to order by Mike Ramsay.

Mike Ramsay thanks all the Provincial Sponsors on behalf of the BCTA:

- Jerry Broten
- Bob White
- Bill Roseboom
- Brian Fooks
- Al Fadden
- Kerry Muster
- Trish Arato
- Lisa Salt

All sponsors were given a BCTA water bottle as a token of appreciation from the BCTA.

Roll call of Officers

Mike Ramsay – President

Dom Stevens – Vice-President

Marshall Wirawan – Secretary/Treasurer

Roll Call of Members

Bulkley Valley – Ron Miller

Campbell River – Nil

Central Okanagan – Pat Bare

Courtenay – Dave Wade

Cowichan – Bernie Reynolds

Kamloops – Brian Bowman

Langley – Dale Kapeluck

Mission – Bill Roseboom

N Peace – Dave Bonar

Nanaimo – Peter Ahrens

N Okanagan – Gord Fowler

Parksville – Nil

Pitt Meadows – Jaime White

Powell River – Nil

Prince George – Don Ellis

Ridgedale – Al Fadden

S Okanagan – Nil

Rangers – Mike Stark

Vancouver – Jason Trefanenko

Victoria – Jack Vandament

Quorum established.

Distinguished Guests

Brian Bowman – Past President

Dave Wade – Past President

Gord Fowler – Past President

Harry Sullivan – Past President

Minutes From Last Meeting

Minutes from last year's BCTA AGM is available online posted on the BCTA website. Mike Ramsay asked the floor if everyone in attendance would like him to read the minutes or to just accept them as read. Ron Miller would like the minutes to be read. Mike Ramsay proceeded with reading the meeting minutes from last year's AGM. There were no questions from the floor regarding last year's AGM minutes. Ron Miller motioned to accept the minutes as read with no amendments. Seconded by Jason Trefanenko. All in favour, nil opposed, carried.

President's Report

by Mike Ramsay

- Covid has negatively affected our sport for the last two years. There were lots of shoot cancellations and shoot date changes. Clubs were also affected financially from the travel restrictions and rules surrounding social gathering.
- I was asked on a number of occasions to fight with the health authority to get our shoots back on. I explained to the BC shooters that at the time, only competitions were not allowed due to Covid. Fighting the health authority to reverse their ruling may jeopardize the clubs who are still open for practice as the health authority may review the Covid policy surrounding these ranges and decide to shut them down. It was decided that we would just wait for the restrictions to be lifted and for outdoor gatherings to be allowed again.
- One of the biggest item arising after the last AGM is the move of the Provincial shoot date to August. It was brought to my attention that there were many shooters in BC who were not pleased with this decision as there were only a few people at the AGM and the decision was made by the select few who attended, yet the decision impacted the entire BC trapshooting community. Those who did not agree with the decision stated that this was not right and a motion should not have been passed with only a few number of shooters attending the meeting.
- The BCTA then decided to conduct an online meeting to discuss the date change. We contacted PITA and requested the email addresses of active BC PITA shooters. Marshall received 850+ email addresses and proceeded to send an email to all of them about an online meeting. There

were 28 people who joined the online meeting. The discussion was good and the pros/cons of having the Provincials in May/August were discussed, such as shooters in outside the Lower Mainland, especially further up north were asked to shoot the Provincials in May without having shot any registered targets due to weather conditions. There also comments that people who shot over the winter went down in Class and do not shoot their true Class at the May Provincials. There were also relationships drawn between professional sports and the Provincials, whereby you do not have the Playoffs in the beginning of the season. This year, we have the Provincials in August and we have clubs who attracted new shooters and prepared them for the Provincial. There are 7 new shooters who are competing for Rookie at this shoot and we have not seen this high number for years. Another point is the Grand Pacific. Every year, we are supposed to send a BC Rookie to the Grand to compete with other Rookies. By having the Provincials in August, our Rookie will have a chance to practice and compete for almost a year before shooting for the Rookie Champion at the Grand.

- As the BCTA President, I apologize for this decision. There is not much I can do when a motion is put forward at the AGM, was voted on, and passed. To rectify this, I decided to conduct an online polling to find out what the BC shooters think about the date change. Marshall created an online form on the BCTA website which allowed BC shooters to voice their preference in regards to the date change. Another email was then sent to the BC shooters notifying them of the poll and how to complete it. 150+ people submitted their responses online. Some of those responses were excluded as they were not from BC. 148 responses were received from active BC PITA shooters as confirmed by their PITA numbers. The majority, just a hair under 70%, stated that they would like the BC Provincials to be held in August. I believe the BCTA has done its due diligence in having that date moved and that date should be given a chance to be tried out for a couple of years. After a couple of years of trying the August date, we can look back and see if the August date works and re-evaluate the date change. I know this decision is tough to accept for some. I have heard multiple personal opinions from BC shooters. The toughest thing for me is to make a decision that would make everyone happy but that is not going to happen. I am asking the floor as part of my speech today to please consider what I have said and to try August date for a few years. And in a few years, if I am still the President, I promise that we will re-address this and get everyone's opinion whether the August date is working or not. We have had a pretty good Provincials in Vancouver so far. Our numbers are up a little bit. Covid is keeping some people away. Others have personal obligations that prevent them from attending.
- For those of you who have contacted me directly when you had issues regarding the BCTA or the Provincials, I would like to thank you for taking the time to have a conversation with me. I appreciate everyone's demeanor in doing that. I want to make something very clear. I am a director of the BCTA. I am not a director of the Vancouver Gun Club. Yes, I help cashier and run shoots at the Vancouver Gun Club. Yes, Vancouver Gun Club is my home club. But as the President of the BCTA, my sole responsibility is to look after BCTA and making decision in the best interest of the BCTA. There have been conversations along the way that the Vancouver Gun Club is running the BCTA but that is not the case. 2 members of your Executive do shoot In Vancouver and belong to this club but the BCTA is run by us as shooters and not the Vancouver Gun Club.

Treasurer's Report

by Marshall Wirawan

- As you may have already known, all the financial reports are posted on the BCTA website.

- In the meeting Agenda today, I have included the Profit and Loss (P&L) report for this fiscal year with comparison to last fiscal year's numbers.
- We are still in the red this year because of Covid. We had a lot of shoot cancellations this year which affected the amount of BCTA fees we take, which is the main source of income for the BCTA. Almost all shoots prior to June 1 were cancelled due to Covid restrictions. However, the Covid restrictions were lifted in June and revenue started to flow in as the clubs throughout BC proceeded to host their scheduled PITA shoots.
- The P&L for this year is projected to be better than last year but we will still be in the red. Last year, the BCTA took a loss of \$5,000 and I'm still projecting another loss this year of \$2,000-\$3,000.
- I have also included a cost projection for this year's Provincial. The trophies, the pre-squadding fee, and the pins have all been paid for. I have also included a balance report which shows how much money we have in the bank account which is around \$9000. By the way, the balance reports for Fiscal Year 2021 are also available to be viewed online on the BCTA website. The only outstanding expenses for the Provincials are the cashier fee and the added money. So based on my current projection, the current Provincials will further reduce our bank account balance by \$2000. We can survive another loss this year but we won't be able to survive another loss next year. We will need to alter some things at next year's Provincials such as reducing the trophy package and the added money. The current trophy package and added money have not changed since I took over as secretary/treasurer. They made sense for when we had 100+ shooters attend the Provincials, however, they are too expensive for today's numbers. For example, we have 5 Out of Province buckles for the Singles Championships alone and yet, we have zero out of province shooter at this shoot. Luckily, these buckles have no date/year on them so we can re-use them next year. We have also been fortunate enough that some shooters have started donating back their trophy buckles so that they can be re-used for next year. But \$8000 trophy package is still too much for 60-70 shooters. There is also a \$5500 added money cost on top of that.
- The last point that I want to make is...as the secretary/treasurer of the BCTA, I have been open and transparent in how I conduct things within the BCTA. All of the financial reports are posted online and accessible for everyone to see. All of our meeting minutes, agenda, bylaws, etc are also available online. If you have any questions regarding the financials or about the BCTA, please send me an email to shootbcta@gmail.com and either myself, Dom or Mike will respond to your inquiry. Please do not make assumptions and spread rumours. If you have a question or need something clarified, bring it to our attention and let us address it for you. Assumptions and rumours are very damaging and disruptive to the organization and to our sport. We welcome constructive criticism and we are open to having a healthy discussion about any concern you may have.

Mike Ramsay asks the floor if there are any questions about the Treasurer's report.

Ron Miller: I understand that you have a bid of \$2500 for the cashiering and that was turned down. And yet it shows here a cashier allowance of \$2400. Who is getting this \$2400?

Mike Ramsay: Me and Marshall.

Marshall Wirawan: Yes, for cashiering this Provincial shoot.

Ron Miller: And the prior people were discarded for what reason?

Mike Ramsay: Because Marshall and I were bidding to cashier this Provincial shoot, we asked Dom Stevens if he could accept the bids, review them, and decide the winning bid. We never saw the other cashier's bid and we were not involved in the decision. We submitted our bid to Dom and the other cashier submitted their bid to Dom in a sealed envelope through Jason Trefanenko. And Dom made the decision on the winning bid which was ours.

Marshall Wirawan: We were not involved in that decision making process.

Ron Miller: But now you are involved in taking the \$2400?

Mike Ramsay: Correct.

Peggy Bare: They are earning that money.

Ron Miller: I never said they weren't.

Mike Ramsay asks if there are any other questions from the floor about the Treasurer's report. There were none. Mike Ramsay asks for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Jason Trefanenko motioned that the Treasurer's report be accepted, seconded by Bill Roseboom, all in favour, none opposed. Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By Mike Ramsay

Jerry Broten nominated Mike Ramsay for the position of President, nomination accepted by Mike Ramsay. No other nomination from the floor. Mike Ramsay was elected as President by acclamation.

Marshall Wirawan nominated Dom Stevens for the position of Vice-President, nomination accepted by Dom. No other nomination from the floor for Vice-President. Dom Stevens was elected as Vice-President by acclamation.

Jason Trefanenko nominated Marshall Wirawan for the position of Secretary-Treasurer, nomination accepted by Marshall. No other nominations from the floor for Secretary/Treasurer. Marshall Wirawan was elected as Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

Jerry Broten nominated Bob White for the position of BC handicapper, nomination accepted by Bob. No other nominations from the floor for the BC handicapper. Bob White was elected as the BC Handicapper by acclamation.

OLD BUSINESS

Nil

NEW BUSINESS

Provincial Date Change

Gord Fowler: I can probably speak on the credibility of this because I was sitting on that chair when the Provincial date was changed 8 years ago. One of the things that I learned from that process was I made a mistake in not consulting the clubs well in advance and having discussion before it was brought to the AGM and presented. Because within the shooters and within the clubs in BC, there is a lot of diversity and there is a lot of reasons that you don't really see or understand by not having those discussions well in advance before you make a proposal of a date change. To some, it may not seem significant but for

many shooters from many clubs, it is significant. This is what I found out 8 years ago when we made that change. To some, your arguments are good, Mike, when it comes to we get better scores, we can get more people shooting, we can do this, we can do that. In my opinion, based on what I saw 8 years ago, it damaged the sport and it damaged BC shooting, just like it has with this move today. So, we see many clubs that are not happy with the decision. I think all the clubs need to hear well in advance, before a proposal like this is put forward, as to the pluses minuses and everybody should see each other sides before we make that decision. In my opinion, you guys made the same mistake that I made 8 years ago by not having a discussion well in advance before that came to the floor. We can look at the positive things and the negative things and there is always going to be. But Provincials have gone on for 69 years and 67 of those years have been on the May long weekend. And there is a reason for it being in the May long weekend. And the suggestions are always good, the July long weekend would be better, the Labour day long weekend would be better. There is a lot of things we can look at. But the bottom line is, it has been 67 years with the May long weekend that the Provincials was held. And for me, it was significant in the feedback that I have received after the date change. Because this became a disaster when we moved the date to June. So I think the whole process back in September of last year was wrong. There wasn't enough representation to really make the decision. I know you did your best with the email ballot but the email ballot didn't say anything. It is a test but it doesn't really stand when it comes to official BCTA constitution. We need to have the members. In the past we would have delegates from each zone that would have a say but we have eliminated that. What we have to have is boots on the ground, whether physically in this meeting or a zoom meeting, where you can have all the clubs present in the meeting and they can say their piece about a significant thing like a date change. That is why I say, some people may not think that it is significant but it is. So for me, in our club, we look at it and we were against the date change and we believe that the process that we have gone through to get where we are today didn't work. It didn't give a true representation of what the membership wants, and that is what the clubs in BC want. So my proposal is, I want to make a motion that we revert back the 2022 Provincial to May long weekend. And if you want to proceed from there and look at other changes, let's take some time and have all the clubs involved in making a proper decision. You are right, Mike, it is not going to be perfect for everybody. This date is great for the farmers right now, but it is bad for the fishermen. It is great in May for the fishermen but bad for the farmers. So all those things are always going to arise. But for 67 years, it has been held in May. My motion to the floor is we need to go back to May long weekend and if we want to proceed after that date, with some time, and have discussions with all the clubs. Whether I agree or disagree today, maybe somebody is going to convince me that it is a good idea to move it to a different date. At this point, I don't see it as the right thing to do. I see it as the wrong thing to do until it is done correctly from the administration side. Those are the things that I learned from my mistake when I was sitting on that chair. There is a lot of people impacted and a lot of clubs impacted to move the provincials to August the 8th. So I would like to make a motion to move the 2022 Provincial back to the May long weekend to have further discussion after that point. And we need to have the clubs involved in making that decision. So lets have a discussion on that, if we could, among those who are representing their clubs.

Mike Ramsay: Thank you, Gord, for your comments. I really appreciate that you have put a motion on the floor and we will address it. What I am trying to demonstrate to you is that the mistake that the BCTA made in September, which you have acknowledged, it came off the floor. I can't stop a motion from coming off the floor. It got seconded, and it got voted on. There weren't enough people at that meeting of significant nature from each club. We recognized that it happened but the motion passed for the Provincials to be in August. The BCTA tried to correct the motion and to correct what everybody was

asking for. Because there were some very vocal individuals that got ahold of me and told me it wasn't right. We knew it wasn't right. You are asking to do the same thing again today. You are asking a limited number of BC shooters to make the same mistake we made in September, again. The BCTA tried to correct it and had 148 members respond. Now, that is more people than what we had at a meeting. We took those members and we assigned them to their individual home club. So we are not talking just popular vote here. Just under 70% popular vote wanted August. When we put the members to their actual club, it still turns out that the August long weekend won. The August long weekend was still preferred amongst the voting member clubs. So what you are asking to do today, and the only reason I am bringing it up, is we're going to make the same mistake again. We had an online meeting, people have told me their frustrations that this is going to come back up at this meeting. A bunch of shooters believe that this got addressed at the online meeting and the voting that came about. And now, we are going to turn around, and with your motion, we are going to get into the same kafuffle that I just got into in September.

Gord Fowler: The online meeting was not official. That was a straw ballot. That is all it was. That wasn't official. You can't go by that. Where does it say in the constitution that you can just email PITA or BCTA members and you can form a quorum together and say this how it is going to be.

Jason Trefanenko: I would like to speak to the motion. We did have delegates at the last meeting. There were members that should have been at the meeting but weren't there during the discussion and the vote was made. I agree with the idea of having a further discussion. But I am very fearful of having the same problem as the first one. So we are going to correct an error with another error.

Gord Fowler: Lets go back and correct the first error and move forward. The first error had to be corrected.

Jason Trefanenko: I would love to see an amendment to your motion. Lets leave the date for next year and have a meaning conversation. And have a delegate from every club on that discussion. The reason why I seconded the motion that was made by your club last year and everybody voted in favour of it, is it creates an opportunity to get more shooters. To get more people involved. To get better scores. We saw some of the best scores last year in Vernon.

Gord Fowler: Well, we take a look at the financials right now. BCTA is hurting. You don't get more shooters just by changing the date.

Mike Ramsay: That's Covid, Gord. Look at how many dates last year were bombed out. Look at the limited number of shooters that went to Vernon because of Covid. That is why the BCTA is suffering.

Gord Fowler: How do you recover from the financial loss? How do you recover when we know for a fact that 3-4 squads are missing from this shoot because they are protesting the date?

Marshall Wirawan: Are you saying that if we move the Provincials back to May, it is guaranteed that we will have more shooters attend?

Gord Fowler: No guarantees. Of course.

Mike Ramsay: Aren't we going to have the same people that voted for August, protest again? So now it is cyclical. Sorry, Ron, you had a point to make?

Ron Miller: I have two points. Just pull what you just took for clubs to represent your date. Where do we stand on that?

Mike Ramsay: I was doing a roll call for clubs to see who would speak on their behalf so that if a motion comes on the floor and gets seconded, we can go to a vote.

Ron Miller: How many of the clubs do you have representation here at the meeting?

Mike Ramsay: Do those representatives know what their club members want? Each of those members that are sitting here.

Ron Miller: That is not the point.

Mike Ramsay: It is the point.

Ron Miller: As the vote is done by club representatives, that is all moot. They are trusted by their members and you have no authority to question that. The fact of the matter is, I would like to know what the poll is, as to the representation club, at this meeting. And then I would like to know what the representation was by club at the other meeting, which you just said 5 minutes ago, you had a majority club vote on the internet to move this shoot to August. What was the club vote breakdown?

Mike Ramsay: So what we did is we took the members as they voted and the clubs they belong to. Let's take Nanaimo for example. It was 9 for August and 7 for May. So their vote was for August. So the popular vote at each club forms the vote for that club.

Ron Miller: Did you have a quorum for that vote?

Mike Ramsay: It wasn't a formal vote, Ron. We did the vote online and stuff like that to see if what we did in September should stay where it is or whether we should re-open it back up and move it back to May if the will of the shooters wasn't there. It wasn't an official motion that we are going to carry. The whole point is to try and correct the wrongdoing in September.

Ron Miller: Oh I understand why. I give you credit for making the effort. I want to know what the results by representative clubs at that online meeting. Did you have a majority of the clubs to move it to here?

Marshall Wirawan: The results were sent to everyone.

Mike Ramsay: To August, yes.

Marshall Wirawan: Some clubs only had 1 member vote.

Ron Miller: All clubs only had one vote.

Marshall Wirawan: No, I mean one person responded. One member of that club.

Ron Miller: So from the lack of quorum at that meeting, this decision was made final?

Jason Trefanenko: No, last year's AGM made it final.

Mike Ramsay: The AGM decided to move it to August. That's what I am saying.

Marshall Wirawan: The polling was not a meeting, Ron. It is not binding. It was just a poll.

Mike Ramsay: All it did was to justify the date move. I think the results were 11 to 10, or something like that when broken down to actual delegates by club. It was off by one in favour of August when you broke it down that each club had one single vote.

Ron Miller: Ok, but that is called constitution.

Marshall Wirawan: The motion that was passed at the AGM last September, that is binding. It was your club, North Okanagan, who introduced the motion.

Mike Ramsay: Because that was done with quorum established, and the unanimous vote off the floor. It was moved to August officially. The reason for the online meeting and everything else was to say: was this the wrong move on behalf of the BCTA? And the answer was no, it wasn't.

Jason Trefanenko: And wasn't it to guide further discussion? Exactly what Gord is asking?

Mike Ramsay: Correct.

Jason Trefanenko: That poll was to guide the discussion, what we should do in the future. But it wasn't binding. Last year's AGM is.

Ron Miller: How does the poll stand for delegates right at this meeting?

Mike Ramsay: We have a quorum established. We have a bunch of delegates whereby I am going to ask if any one of them would like to second Gord's motion. If one of the delegates would want to second Gord's motion, then we gonna put it to a vote and I am going to ask each individual delegate what their vote is. And if the result is we revert back to May long weekend, it is going to ride. But what I am trying to say to you is, we did this in September, we made a mistake, we tried to correct it. We believe that we did our due diligence in having the BC shooters have a say, and now we are going to go back and throw it back on their face again.

Ron Miller: I'll second Gord's motion.

Jack Vandament: Marshall, I have a question for you. If it reverts back to May, you are losing 3 months of target fees and everything, before you have to hold another Provincial. With the finances of the BCTA right now, how are the 3 months loss of target fees affect the trophy package, added money, everything?

Marshall Wirawan: If the Provincial is to be held in May next year, then I would have to order the trophies in December. We will not have enough money to cover the \$8,000 trophy package.

Jack Vandament: That is what I thought. We will be broke.

Mike Ramsay: Covid still messed up this day. It is not on the BC day long weekend. It was fluid. We also had a couple of people, BC shooters who were inducted into the PITA hall of fame, Dave Wade and Leo Pike. We didn't know if border was going to be open. We didn't want to mess that up for them or any Canadians that would want to go down to the Grand to congratulate Dave and in memory of Leo, and celebrate with them at the Grand. And that's the only reason why it moved off the BC day long weekend. And PITA is going to move the Grand off that last week in July but that is for future discussion. Right now, if we go to May, we are in trouble. What I am trying to say to everybody is, let's try this out for a couple of years. We are having a great Provincial. We had lots of rookies out. We have shooters competing at their best. Lets readdress it after we have given it a chance. That's my honest opinion of it.

Harry Sullivan: I would suggest that we can't be addressing this every year at this bloody meeting. We have gone through this before. Give the date a chance for a couple of years. People will fall in line or out of line. You can't pull one way this time and then go, I don't like it so I am going to pull the other way at the next meeting. Try it for a couple of years and then re-address it.

Mike Ramsay: Any other comments regarding this matter? Okay, do I have a seconder for Gord's motion?

Gord Fowler: We already have it. Ron Miller.

Mike Ramsay: Okay. Marshall as the secretary will call the delegates for their vote.

The name of each club was called by Marshall Wirawan and their vote for either "May" or "August" was recorded. The following is the list of the clubs, delegates, and their votes:

MAY LONG WEEKEND	AUGUST BC DAY LONG WEEKEND
North Okanagan – Gord Fowler	Langley Rod and Gun – Dale Kapeluck
North Peace Rod and Gun – Dave Bonar	Nanaimo – Peter Ahrens
Cowichan Valley – Bernie Reynolds	Ridgedale Rod and Gun – Al Fadden
Bulkley Valley – Ron Miller*	Prince George – Don Ellis
Rangers – Mike Stark	Victoria Fish and Game – Jack Vandament
Courtenay – Dave Wade	Vancouver Gun Club – Jason Trefanenko
Pitt Meadows – Jamie White	Mission Rod and Gun – Bill Roseboom
Kamloops – Brian Bowman	BCTA Vice President – Dom Stevens
Central Okanagan – Pat Bare	BCTA Secretary/Treasurer – Marshall Wirawan

*Don Hancock arrived late to the meeting. When Bulkley Valley's name was called, both Don Hancock and Ron Miller answered. Don voted for August and Ron voted for May. According to Gord Fowler, Greg Zavaduk appointed Ron to speak for Bulkley Valley. Ron's vote was accepted.

Mike Ramsay: The vote is 9 to 9.

Gord Fowler: Jack Vandament does not have a vote. Art Moore said he does not speak on behalf of their club.

Jack Vandament: Why?

Gord Fowler: Ask Art. He told me that last night. Jack Vandament does not speak on behalf of Mallahat.

Jack Vandament: Art Moore does not know what he is speaking about. Art Moore does not belong to Fish and Game. Art Moore belongs to Courtenay.

Mike Ramsay: Then how can Ron speak on behalf of Bulkley Valley, he is not a member there and Don Hancock is here.

Ron Miller: I was appointed.

Gord Fowler: He was appointed by Greg Zavaduk. So here you have it. Even without the members from all the interior or the north, you still have a tie or a very close vote. That is why this needs more discussion.

Mike Ramsay: You are telling me that Jack can't speak for them. I have no way of confirming that right now. Just like I can't confirm if Ron is speaking for Bulkley Valley. Or everyone else for that matters, that they have the will of their club.

Gord Fowler: Confirm it.

Harry Sullivan: Eliminate both of them and you are down to 8-8.

Don Ellis: I understand that Greg Zavaduk appointed Ron to represent Bulkley Valley but I would like to know what their members voted in the polls.

Marshall Wirawan: There was no protest during the roll call. Nobody objected to these delegates during the roll call. So you can't do it now. Am I doing this wrong?

Al Fadden: No, you're right, Marshall.

Jason Trefanenko: I agree. It should have been spoken to during the roll call.

Ron Miller: So it is a tie.

Mike Ramsay: No, it is not. As the President, I break the tie vote.

Ron Miller: You already have one vote, you can't get another one.

Mike Ramsay: I haven't voted, Ron. I don't vote as the President unless it is a tie. It is in the constitution.

Ron Miller: How did you and the secretary get a vote apiece?

Mike Ramsay: The Vice President and the Secretary get a vote. I do not unless it is a tie. That is what the BCTA constitution outlines.

Ron Miller: That is in the constitution?

Mike Ramsay: That is in the constitution. It is clearly written there that the Vice President and the Secretary have a vote, and I only have a vote if it is a tie.

Ron Miller: To break the tie?

Mike Ramsay: Yes, to break the tie.

Harry Sullivan: Perhaps another way is to hold the meeting with the shooters around and ask them?

Al Fadden: No, you can't do it that way.

Mike Ramsay: No. We are not doing a popular vote. This is a delegates decision. As it stands right now, the vote is 9-9 based on the delegates that were picked and chosen at the beginning of this meeting. As the President of the BCTA, I am going to vote in favour of August and that is where the Provincial is going to be for next year. We can re-address it then and hopefully we will get more delegates and more representation from the clubs in August next year and have a very good conversation about it.

Provincial Venue Criteria

By Mike Ramsay

- The BCTA would like to know what the shooters want as a criteria when selecting a host club for the Provincials.
- Mike Ramsay asks the floor what the membership and those in attendance would like to have when shooting a Provincial.
- There was a concern about running the Provincials over 4 traps. At this year's shoot, we ran the Provincials over 4 traps to see what the timing is like. On Friday, the day ran long with 3 events.

However, we only had 2 events yesterday (Saturday) and were done by 4pm. So if we stick to 2 events per day, we can open the Provincials to clubs with 4 traps + 1 practice trap.

- If the Provincials go to a 4 trap club, Jerry Broten and the Vancouver Gun Club have volunteered to bring extra trap machines as spares as a contingency in case of breakdown.
- The BCTA will take the inputs from the floor to draft up a contract between the BCTA and the Provincial host club. Items such as showers, food concession, wifi, staff/workers, and RV parking were voiced.
- It was decided that the minimum number of traps for the Provincials is 6 traps.
- The BCTA will then present the proposed contract to the member delegates to take back to their club members to ensure everyone is happy with the provisions in that contract before it is finalized.

Next Year's Provincial Venue

Mike Ramsay: The next item is the venue for next year's Provincial.

Ron Miller: I would like to speak to that. Up to this point, there have only been 2 clubs that have spent the money, tens of thousands of dollars I might add, to enable them to run the Provincials. Vancouver is one and Vernon is the other. Last year because of Covid, we gave up our biggest money raising shoot so that the BCTA can host the Provincial Championships. Vancouver's Provincial Championships at our club.

Mike Ramsay: Hang on. It wasn't Vancouver. Last year's was Vernon.

Ron Miller: Sorry. So the question arises. You have this year. Are we going to get next year?

Mike Ramsay: That is what we are discussing right now. If we set the criteria at 6 trap for a host club, other than Vernon and Vancouver are there any other clubs that has 6 traps? Langley is one. How about Victoria? Victoria only has 5. So only Vancouver, Vernon and Langley can host the Provincials.

Ron Miller: What about parking?

Mike Ramsay: They have lots of parking at Langley.

Ron Miller: So Langley, Vernon and Vancouver?

Mike Ramsay: Correct. Those are the 3 clubs.

Ron Miller: Okay.

Mike Ramsay: Now, we are supposed to declare where it is going within 180 days of the Provincial itself. So by February, I need to make this decision. Right now, the status quo is that it will go to Vernon next year and there is no issue from the BCTA to send it there next year.

Jason Trefanenko: Question. Realistically, should we get the contract figured out and everything else done before we do that? Or are we making a decision about Vernon today and have discussion about the contract next time?

Ron Miller: That is my concern.

Mike Ramsay: This is an immediate item for the BCTA to address. That contract will be drawn up in the coming weeks here. Probably, I will get it out to the clubs around September or October and the

decision will be made before the end of the year. I have to give enough time for the clubs to talk to their members as well.

Ron Miller: I believe that process to be severed to reality.

Mike Ramsay: More likely, Ron, I would like to say that it is just going to Vernon next year.

Ron Miller: I think it should. So we can plan for it.

Mike Ramsay: But I think we can put this off for at least a couple of months.

Ron Miller: I disagree.

Mike Ramsay: Okay, let me put it this way to you. Make a motion, Ron.

Ron Miller: I would like to make a motion to have the next year's Provincial championships be held in Vernon.

Mike Ramsay: Do I have a seconder?

Mike Stark: Second.

Mike Ramsay: All the delegates and delegates only please. Would please raise your hand if you would like the Provincials to go to Vernon next year.

(all delegates raised their hand)

Mike Ramsay: Beautiful. It is in Vernon next year.

Ron Miller: Thank you very much.

Mike Ramsay: We will still work on the contract. And the contract will come up to Vernon for all the clubs to review. We would like you guys to put a really honest effort into it because we want to use this contract for years to come. And if it needs modification as the years go by, then we will make those modifications in consultation with the BC shooters. Okay? So Vernon next year in August, BC day long weekend.

Jamie White: Mike, when you send that email out, can you include all the other clubs that could host the BC Provincials as well?

Mike Ramsay: That is the plan. But next year, it is going to Vernon as the motion has passed. When we are at Vernon next year, we are going to talk about whether it is going to Langley, Vancouver, or somewhere else the year after.

Ron Miller: Mike, there is still an issue about selecting the date.

Mike Ramsay: That has already been decided, Ron. I am not going back to it right now. We have a shoot starting in 20 minutes. Not to be blunt about it, but that is in the past.

Ron Miller: We have a tie as to whether it is August or May.

Mike Ramsay: No, it is broken. I broke the tie. It is in August.

Ron Miller: So it is in August next year?

Mike Ramsay: Yes. Any other questions from the floor?

(None)

Good and Betterment of the Sport

Mike Ramsay: Does anyone have anything for the good betterment of the sport?

(None)

Mike Ramsay: Can I have someone put a motion to adjourn the meeting please?

Bob White motioned that the meeting is adjourned. Seconded by Jason Trefanenko. All in favour.

Meeting adjourned at 09:41am.

Next meeting: Bi-Annual Meeting – January/February 2022, online/phone conference.