



## **2023 BCTA Bi-Annual Meeting Minutes**

**Saturday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

**North Okanagan Trap & Skeet Club (NOTSC)**

**Vernon, BC**

Meeting called to order by Dom Stevens.

Item #7 struck from the agenda because it is not ready.

Motion to adopt agenda by Bob White, seconded by Sam Roud. Carried.

### **Roll call of Officers**

Dom Stevens – President

Absent – Harrison Yurkiw – Vice President

Absent – Marshall Wirawan – Secretary/Treasurer

### **Distinguished Guests**

Rajan Kumar – Past President – Was present but have left.

Gord Fowler – Past President

Art Moore – Past President

Bob White – BC Handicapper

Lisa Salt – BC Hall of Fame Rep

### **Roll Call of Members**

Bulkley Valley – Nil

Campbell River – Gary

Central Okanagan – Pat Bare

Courtenay – Art Moore

Cowichan – Present

Kamloops – Nil

Langley – Sam Roud

Mission – Bill Roseboom

N Peace – Dave Bonar

Nanaimo – Present

N Okanagan – Gord Fowler

Parksville – Nil

Pitt Meadows – Present

Powell River – Nil

Prince George – Don Ellis  
Ridgedale – Brian Fooks  
S Okanagan – Blair  
Rangers – Present  
Vancouver – Bob White  
Victoria – Present

Quorum established.

### **Minutes From Last Meeting**

Minutes from last 2023 BCTA AGM is not ready. The minutes from the 2022 AGM is attached.

Motion to adopt 2022 AGM minutes passed unanimously.

### **Business Arising**

by Dom Stevens

- New PITA handicapping rule adopted at the PITA AGM.
- Grand Pacific venue bidding went out by email to any club with 10 trap fields or more.

### **President's Report**

by Dom Stevens

- Attendance at 2023 Grand Pacific is down compared to previous years.
- Canadian attendance at the Grand was up slightly, we had 12 Canadian shooters at 2023 Grand.
- BC Provincial attendance was up, but partly due to the BC Provincial being held in conjunction with the ATA Western Zone shoot. This brought up shooters from the US to attend the BCTA Provincial.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Marshall was absent but had sent the Treasurer's Report to Dom Stevens to be read.

- Number of shoots throughout BC have been declining and this is reflected in the amount of BCTA Target Fees takes. In 2022, the BCTA took in \$12,000 in target fees as of Sept 1st. This year though, we only took in \$6,384 in BCTA target fees, which is half of last year's amount.
- As of Sept 1st last year, the BCTA made a profit of \$8,803.47. This year, the BCTA is showing a loss of \$721.59 as of Sept 1st, 2023.
- Although the income from 2023 BCTA Provincial has gone up by \$12K compared to last year, the expense has gone up by \$15k. The BCTA did increase the Provincial event fees by \$7.00 (\$36 in 2022 to \$43 in 2023) and the previous Executive team was able to secure \$12,188.90 in sponsorships.
- The biggest increases in Provincial expenses were targets and trophies. For the 2022 Provincial, BCTA paid \$13,014.00 and for the 2023 Provincial, the BCTA paid \$22,453.89, a 72% increase. Trophies went up from \$4,657.98 in 2022 to \$11,303.22 which was a 142% increase.
- In terms of Provincial participation, there was an increase in 2023 to 53,700 targets thrown compared to 48,200 in 2022. Holding the BCTA Provincial in conjunction with the ATA Western Zone Shoot helped bring ATA shooters from WA State and OR to participate in our Provincial.

- I expect the BCTA to remain financially healthy and the BCTA bank account to remain in the \$20,000 range. With some careful planning, I am optimistic that we can bring next year's Provincial event fees back down to the \$37 range.
- I want to convey a special thank you to Harrison Yurkiw who took over the Secretary/Treasurer at the end of May 2023 and had to scramble to put everything in place for the 2023 Provincial. Without his diligence in creating the shoot program and securing the sponsorships, the BCTA would have suffered a much bigger financial loss and be left in a precarious financial position.

Motion to accept treasurer's report passed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Nil.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2024 BCTA Provincial**

- BCTA has received a proposal from NOTSC.
- No other clubs expressed interest in hosting the 2024 BCTA Provincial.
- NOTSC Proposal are as follows:
  - The 2024 BCTA Provincial will be held during the May long weekend.
  - The 2024 BCTA Provincial be named "The Art Salt Memorial Provincial Championships".
  - Payment will be based on the target fee model.
- Bob White motioned to accept the NOTSC proposal. Seconded by Art Moore. Carried unanimously.
- The 2024 BCTA Provincial will be held at NOTSC during the May long weekend.

#### **Provincial Committee**

- Dom would like to create a committee to determine the future path of the BCTA Provincial.
- Ideally, the committee will be formed by one delegate from each zone.
- The committee will work with all member clubs and make a recommendation regarding the dates and venue of the next BCTA Provincial.
- The recommendation will then be socialized at the next AGM and voted on at the next Bi-Annual.
- An email will be sent to all member clubs to solicit interest in joining this committee.

#### **Zone Reps**

- It was brought up at the last AGM whether we want to bring back the Zone Reps.
- Dom would like to committee to study whether we should bring back the Zone Reps.
- BC is divided into 4 zones: Northern, Interior, Mainland, and Island.
- There used to be a representative from each zone that forms the BCTA board but that was removed from the Bylaws in 2019 because the spots were not filled.
- 2012 was the last meeting where the BCTA had 4 Zone Reps.

#### **Future BCTA Provincials**

- Gord expressed concern that future Provincials may conflict with the NOTSC's Art Salt Memorial if it held elsewhere.

- Dom responded that the Provincial may be held in the May long weekend when it is at NOTSC or later in the summer when it is held elsewhere.
- The Provincial has to be held before the Grand in the same target year. So it has to be held before mid July.
- Dom proposed that the committee should study where and when the 2025 Provincial should take place.

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### **Junior Shooters**

- There has been an increase in junior shooters in the lower mainland but some of them do not have their POLs (firearm licence) or are waiting for them.
- They are interested in participating in the Provincials but they need to be supervised as per the Canadian firearm laws.
- Can these junior shooters be allowed to shoot in the next Provincial under the supervision of a volunteer shooter? The volunteer shooters who provide supervision will not be related to the junior shooters to ensure no coaching is provided. Their presence is only there to ensure safe handling of firearms as per the law.
- According to Pat Bare, the supervisor has to be within arm's reach of the non-licensed shooter.

Al Fadden motioned that the meeting is adjourned. Seconded by Bob White. All in favour.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: 2024 BCTA AGM at the 2024 BCTA Provincial.