

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE CPSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Held at CPSA, Bisley

On **Saturday 25th March 2023**

PRESENT:

Dr J Martin	(JM)	East Midlands Regional Director – Chairman
Mr M Machin	(MM)	W. Midlands Regional Director- Vice Chairman
Mr P Saich	(PS)	South East Regional Director
Mr J Leightley	(JL)	North Regional Director
Mr R Faulds	(RF)	Southwest Regional Director (Teams)
Mrs N Heron	(NH)	National Director
Mr C Smith	(CS)	National Director
Miss L Goodman	(LG)	National Director (Teams)
Mr D Rollason	(DR)	Independent Director
Mr I Parker	(IP)	Chief Executive
Ms C Alger	(CA)	Operations Manager
Mrs L Vallance		Minutes Secretary

APOLOGIES: MM - W. Midlands Regional Director- Vice Chairman

QUORUM: A quorum was declared present.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST RE AGENDA: None

RATIFY MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Proposed by DR. Seconded by NH. All were in favour.

MATTERS ARISING:

Isle of Wight-Hampshire AGM results RF, LG- NH reported an email had been sent out to members with a deadline in 2 weeks' time, so should have results by 5th April.

Independent Director Interviews JL- 4 of the 6 candidates have been interviewed with 2 interviews to take place in April. The 2 successful candidates should be ready to be interviewed by the board at the May meeting.

P and PP ground Eligibility CA, MM- CA has completed changing the wording.

Agenda Paper JM- JM sent agenda form out with the minutes.

Offshore Islands, ICTSC- NH reported back to Rebecca the board's decision the CPSA would support the Islands joining the ICTSC but would not support lowering the team numbers.

Dave Hendon (DH)- CA has spoken to DH and informed Essex committee of the board's decision for DH to remain in Essex. DH is happy.

PULL! Article Explaining Levies CA- CA has written the article and has sent to MM and Paul Fallon and is waiting for their response. IP asked for a date the article would go out? CA suggested it could go in the next PULL! edition.

CA to send the article out to the Directors to look over before printing.

ACTION LOG:

Name Change: JL had a query if the name had been changed as on a renewal email it had "Clay Target" in the email. CA said it came from the email claytarget@cpsa.co.uk which has been in place for a long time.

UPDATE BY CEO

IP talked through his update with the board.

Memberships Overview: Membership was holding steady at 22395 at time of writing.

County & Regional AGM's: PS has visited quite a few and reported there had been positive feedback. PS said he had been positive feedback for IP's presentation and information given.

Championships: All championship bookings are open and working well. DR asked if the BO sporting and Sportrap could be spread out as booking at the same time was difficult. IP said this could be done for next year.

FITASC: IP explained why this process had been amended. RF said as College Farm ran the selection over multiple days there could be a weather issue. IP said HQ were aware of this one but treating it as a high gun. CA said she was going to email to let them know they need 20 a day or it would not count. IP said HQ are to send out to inform of the minimum number of people who must be in a shoot to count and what happens when rankings are tied.

Sponsorship: IP reported sponsors working well for the Championships with some sponsors offering prizes for a raffle at the WESP.

Events: IP reported British Shooting Show was quieter than past years but did sign up new members. This was down to the CPSA's stance on lead, better insurance and £10 cheaper than other associations.

The CPSA awards has had positive feedback with many enjoying the evening as a night out and not just for award winners. IP is looking into the potential of doing something for all the nominees rather than just the trophy winners.

Legal & Legislation: IP reported that due to the shootings in Plymouth and Epsom there are potential changes in licencing. Licence fees could double or even triple. The CPSA are part of a small working group of associations which the BSSC have agreed, to focus on helping and guiding the police and Home Office on the legislation.

OPERATIONS MANAGER: CA

2024 CPSA AGM Date: Saturday 23rd March 2024.

Visitors Shotgun Permits: CA asked the board to inform anyone wanting visitor permits to put their applications in sooner rather than later as the police have advised of strict timings.

MARKETING: Richard Worthington (RW) had proposed a rewards card for members shooting registered shoots. IP has spoken to sponsors who are in favour as this will be a good way to promote products and will help grounds.

CPSA numbers EE1 & EE2: IP explained that these membership numbers had become available and is investigating the best way to raise money for the Dementia UK charity. Either to put the numbers up for sale or raffle them?

JM asked IP to keep the board informed of what is decided.

AOB

PS- Are the CPSA numbers available advertised, as PS has been asked by someone who is interesting in purchasing a personalised number. IP said that the list of numbers available change daily and there was not much interest in purchasing numbers.

IP- A ground have said that using a minimum of 3 traps per stand for Super sporting, they would not be able to run these shoots as they do not have enough traps or handheld buttons. CS asked if it would be better to have a certain number of traps to be used on the course rather than a minimum/maximum on a stand? RF suggested if a ground does not have the kit to run a 100 clay shoot over 10 stands it could be reduced to 70/80 clays over a smaller number of stands. If you reduce to 2 traps you're messing with English Sporting. IP said this was a good point, as this is an American discipline their rules are a minimum of 4 traps but we diverted slightly and went with 3. CS said at his ground on some stands it's difficult to present 3 targets but easy to present 2, and on other stands it's great to present 4. JM said the discipline could not be built around the lowest common denominator. RF said if you don't have the equipment, you could run a 50 clay Super Sporting with 15 traps. JM asked if all agreed not to change. All agreed.

CS- There are 3 DTL selection shoots this year, none are at Bywell, but the Bywell weekend is classed as a selection, so are there 4 selection shoots? IP said Bywell was a compulsory selection shoot for the Worlds next year. CS felt this was not very well advertised. CA said

she had been on the England web page and wanted to check with Susan as it doesn't state that it is compulsory for the Worlds.

**** Meeting Closed 12.30 pm ****

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Thursday 25th May 2023 at CPSA HQ,