MINUTES OF THE STRATFORD AIR GUN LEAGUE MEETING

HELD AT BINTON CLUB ON TUESDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2012

Committee Present: Rob Johnson, Roy Clarke, Alison McMillan, Andy Smith, Will Cemis

Others: Jeff Smith, Paul Clingan, Richard Mills, Jackie Mills, Irene Parsons, Gordon Spencer

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Apologies: Steve Ray

Match Secretaries:

- 1. Inter-league match; Redditch. Redditch won 229 v 221.
- 2. Inter-league match; Evesham. Evesham won 252 v 258. Paul Clingan scored the only possible of the night.
- 3. Whitbread Cup: Andy Smith won with Paul Clingan runner-up. 34.4 v 34.2. Paul got a possible in the semi-final.
- 4. Snap-shooting will take place at Avon Shooting Club on 20 November.

Treasurer:

- 1. The chairman read the financial statement.
- 2. The figure in the cashbook is £2385.72
- 3. A number of shooters and teams have still not paid their league fees,

Any other business:

- 1. Will Cemis brought to every-ones attention the fact that Rachael Brookes was a very good pool player and had recently represented England in an international tournament. Well done Rachael.
- 2. The Chairman brought up the issue of insurance and risk assessments. Following a number of conversations with Brian Woodall the situation is not straight forward and Rob is still awaiting confirmation in writing. SAGL is unique in that allegedly, it is the only league that shoots in pubs and clubs rather than specialist ranges. Risk assessments are to be done for each venue that is used for shooting. Apparently, if an incident occurs in a venue it is not the league that is liable it is the individual club that will be liable. Rob hopes to have the definitive answer by the next meeting.
- 3. The President raised the point that the gentleman who looked after insurance at the NRSA was a bell target shooter. Unfortunately, he had retired and the gentleman now in charge was not.
- 4. The Chairman stated that screens may have to become mandatory and safety glasses optional. We would have to wait for confirmation.
- 5. Will Cemis thanked the Secretary for her patience on 9 October at the Whitbread Individual competition regarding his late arrival due to a prior commitment.
- 6. The Secretary raised the fact that a complaint had been received about but that it had been received too late after the event for it to be a formal complaint. The secretary raised the point that extra consideration must be given to left-handed shooters. In many cases targets were set up for right handed shooters and left-handed shooters often had to shoot facing the audience. It was also

- raised that it was not appropriate to heckle or disturb a shooter at the target under any circumstances.
- 7. Gordon Spencer raised the issue of young shooters marking. It is up to the captains to provide markers and ensure they are up to the job. A marker is provided from each team. If markers cannot agree on the score, the team captains should be asked to approach the target. If agreement is still not met the shot should be retaken.
- 8. The chairman raised the point that round nosed pellets should be used on these targets as they will do less damage to the target. Flathead pellets are designed for use on paper targets.
- 9. Paul Clingan apologised, he can no longer supply wood for targets as his source has dried up. To give an indication, the screen at Wilmcote cost £150.
- 10. The Secretary agreed to ask Richard Groom if he would be prepared to do risk assessments for all venues.

The chairman brought the meeting to a close at 9:30.

NEXT MEETING 4th December 2012