

STRATFORD UPON AVON & DISTRICT AIRGUN LEAGUE

Draft Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held on Tuesday 1st November 2022 at Binton Social Club 8pm

Meeting opened 8.09pm

Attendees, Richard G, Nick W, Steve H, Jo L, Andy Smith, Paul C, Graham E, Adam C, Chris A, Andy M. Steve R joined at 8.20pm

1. Apologies from Juana Everett, Will Cemis.
2. Minutes of Last Meeting on 4.10.22 were agreed & no matters arising.

3. **Treasurer's Report** (S Ray)

Apologies for arriving late this evening. Treasurers report as follows:

Cash book balance as of September Delegates meeting was £3,515.52.

A number of cheques have not been countersigned and hence not cashed in leaving a disparity between the cash book and bank balance. The following cheques are neither countersigned or presented:

Cheque 168 - Air ambulance donation £221.13

Cheque 169 - Fixture book printing £85.00

Cheque 172 - Vice Chair honorarium £10.00

Cheque 174 - Treasurer's honorarium £10.00

These cheques will be replaced and if possible recalled, voided and kept in the treasurer's briefcase.

The above cheques have been replaced and new cheques written as follows:

Cheque 176 - League rifle £480.00

Cheque 177 - Air ambulance donation £221.13

Cheque 178 - Fixture book printing £85.00

Cheque 179 - Domain renewal £16.78

Cheque 180 - Website hosting £59.99

Cheque 181 - Treasurer's honorarium £10.00

Cheque 182 - Vice Chair honorarium £10.00

Cheque 183 - League pellets £24.22

The cash book balance stands at £2,937.32

Treasurers report ends.

Post meeting note: Forms for online banking were filled in after the main meeting to initiate the transition of the account to online banking with the new counter signatories – the chair, the vice chair, the new treasurer and the secretary.

4. **Chairman's/Match Secretary's Report**

a) Whitbread had 18 entrants, some good shooting throughout, some surprise knockouts.

Sammy 25.1 Mini poss. Andy Smith was the winner. Used all 3 targets at Snitterfield, thanks extended to those who helped. Comment about the target on the bowling alley, lighting was not so good at the table, maybe lighting overall should be balanced by switching off strip lighting in main room. RG raised the minor issue of access to lavatories and shooting needed interrupting.

b) Upcoming Matches: Snap Shoot on 15.11; Avon Challenge on 21.11 (Will Cemis will approach possible team); Ladies and Youth 24.11. Discussion about Blind Pairs scheduled for 15.12 - it was agreed that the missed League 2 game should be played on that date, and Blind Pairs to be rescheduled. **Action: AS to confirm Binton for Snap Shoot & put reminder on SAGL website about 15.12 matches.**

c) Just a reminder that we are playing League 1 this Thursday.

5. **Safety & Safeguarding** (RG) - all modified Venue risk assessments have now gone to AS for publishing, apart from Avenue, which he's been told hasn't changed. **Action: RG to pay a visit to inspect.** A etiquette reminder to all teams and clubhouses - please avoid distracting the active shooter when storing and collecting equipment, so could all venues ensure there is a safe location to place gun cases **behind** the shooting line.

6. **LDC Review** Online shoot next steps - date to be agreed. Action: RG and AS to contact. Other interleague matches - waiting for opponents to contact us.

7. AOB.

a) WSR&P Lead ban petition/survey form link had been circulated to all members. Clive Hollings of WSR&P was grateful to all who had responded to the lengthy survey. This proposal clearly is aimed at outdoor shooting and environmental lead contamination, and should not apply to indoor shooting where all lead is collected. However, at the meeting JL suggested we should have a Lead Disposal Policy. **Action: to be discussed further at next meeting.**

b) Sunday Practice Night visitors. Paul & Graham had confirmed that Paul Caine had come to practice evening. Paul & Graham were thanked for hosting him. He has been signed up with Snitterfield.

c) Match start times. JE had requested that now there are four teams needing an early finish the meeting may like to consider a start time of 8pm across the board for continuity with all matches to start at the same time regardless of where they are being held. General consensus is that it's working well in clubs starting at the earlier time as were were always 2 members from each team present. It was agreed that wherever possible, all teams should try to start matches at 8pm. However, to enable this to work well, all host clubs should be **prepared & set up by 8pm** so that practice shots could be made and matches started as soon as possible. Following on from this, SH suggested list of matches or SAGL handbook & website link to be given to every clubhouse via the League so that those managing/behind the bar at clubs were aware of matches coming up at their venue. **Action: Host clubs to be set up and ready for 8pm. Host club captain to give SAGL handbook to each Clubhouse manager.**

d) Stratford Town Trust grant. NW reported that he had an auditing call from Town Trust, explaining how the grant had been spent. PC provided Treasurer with the receipt as proof of purchase. No further action required.

e) Stratford Herald match reports. Juana had been approached by Craig Gibbons (cgibbons@stratford-herald.com) to resume match reports. Request went out that there might be someone who can write a brief report. Until anyone comes forward, Captains were requested to add a few lines following each match (first names to be included, above average comments etc), written on the scorecard which is electronically submitted to Andy S. **Action: As a temporary measure, JL to forward the three images shared on SAGL facebook page to Craig, who would put something together.**

f) RG spoken to Stratford 50+ group, who look like they will be interested 2024, no earlier.

g) PC aware that Steve Hooper needs gun muzzle test done on his Walther. **AS to remind him.**

h) SR proposed that he should step down from being a cheque signatory prior to our next AGM when the Treasurer role transfers to Steve Hodges. This was agreed by delegates. Prior to new online banking being set up, Steve requested that **all recipients of cheques please cash them asap**. Once online banking has been set up, SR can authorise payments and SH can facilitate the transaction.

Next meeting Tuesday 6th December 8pm at Binton.

Meeting closed at 8.57pm

Jo Langford, Secretary