



October 4th, 2015 MFAA Meeting held Lunenburg Sportsmens Club

Call to order: 9:00AM

Roll Call: Presiden/NFAA Director:Paul Lewkowicz,1st Vice President: Pat Tuttle, 2nd Vice President: Greg Gioiosi, Classification Secretary/Treasurer: Ruby Shannon, Recording Secretary: Carmen Sarver, Board members: Jeff Grieman, John Landy

Clubs Present: Granby, Luneneburg, Nenameseck, Pequog, Riverside, South Hadley, Westfield

Recording Secretary Report: Apologies give for delay in prior minutes. Minutes accepted as written.

Treasurer Report: Was Accepted as Written.

Correspondence: Rec. letter from Woburn Sportsmans. They were unable to attend, but if at all possible, did request dates they would like to have shoots on. Email was sent regarding letter, explaining request would be brought up to the board and also asked where the \$5 fee was. Woburn still owes for last years fee as well. Paul Lewkowicz said the charter is up to day, but inspection has been due since Jan. of 2015 and 1 meeting attended. So questions out to board is do we let them choose dates as their turn comes up. Suggestion made to allow as their turn comes up in rotation. But objection due to fee not paid. Agreement that they do owe it for this year and last year. Many agreed we like the venue, great place to shoot, but something needs to be done to get them to follow the regulations set as every other club does. Jim and Liz Welch seem very interested in keeping the MFAA shoots at Woburn and have been inquiring what was necessary to get in for the pick shoot dates. Motion was made with the provizo that they get up to date with the shoot fees and inspection we allow them to pick dates given if available when the rotation comes to their turn. Paul has agreed to send them an email Jim & Liz regarding dues and course inspection stipulation for shoot dates picked. Motion 2nd and accepted.

Committees:

1. **Auditing:** No report
2. **By-Law:** No Changes.
3. **Classification:** 169 HH +34 2nd, 3rd etc= 203 members total (participation is really low considering we have this many members, 20 or so outside and maybe 40 or so indoors, some of this is due to lack of new members. Current members have been in the MFAA a

long time and just cannot shoot as much as they use to. This seems to be an issue, not sure what we need to do to get these #'s up or participation up. Question raised " would it help if we had less shoots, then maybe more people would show?". Answer by Paul: not sure what the answer is. On National level #'s are up, mainly indoors, where the younger crowd is growing. Not so much outdoors. Some of the issue is that family dynamics have changed and both parents needing to work. Paul asks everyone to continue to look into different ways in trying to get more people involved with Archery.

4. **Newsletter:** No Report
5. **20 Pins:** no report
6. **Bow Hunter:** No Report
7. **Tournament and Awards:** Next Tournament is in March. End of Year award: question raised regarding if over 250 points being able to get 2 awards. Are we going to continue to do that? It was suggested to change that last year to avoid confusion on the form. Website has changed and will be much easier this year, thanks to Pat Tuttle. Gift Cards were brought up to get value of cards and fees for the cards. After discussion: Agreement was made that cards will be for Lancaster Archery so that there is no fee for the card and the money stays in the sport. And the points vs value will be: 70-99 points for \$25 gift card, 100-199 for \$25 gift card, 200+ points for \$45 gift card. Under 70 points would still get the hats or towels. This will match points to same value of clothing. Motion was made to accept points vs card value., 2nd and passed. Points and form will be posted by end of week, people will have a cut off date of November 3rd to get the forms in, so items could be ordered. Email will be sent to everyone by Ruby to let everyone know and it will be posted in the newsletter.

NFAA Directors Report: Had a sectional meeting, very routine. We did talk about the upcoming indoor New Englands at Tangy's on November 13th-15th, have the sign up for that and will be posted on NESFA and MFAA website. As last year, the styles are compound sighted, compound unsighted, recurve sighted or unsighted. Pro \$100, flight shooter for \$50 or collegiant/young adult/children for \$25. The young class will get medals, where Pro's and flights will get money. Friday night line, 2 Saturday and 2 Sunday lines. 70% pay back for Pro's, 40% for flights. Hoping this will not conflict with other shoots and get it to be a bigger event this year than last year. Scoring inside out X will be used for tie breakers. That is where the arrow is completely inside the x ring and is not touching the line. Review: National shoot dates. Vegs is Jan. 29-31, (50th Anniversary shoot). Indoor National: Louisville March 19-20. 1st Dakota classic: June 10th and 12th indoor long distance round, Not June 3rd as listed on calendar and that will be changed. North American Field Championship is changing from Florida in December to a location in California on June 17th-19. NE Sectional June 25-26th 2016. National Outdoor in Darington WA July 25-29th 2016 and is a mandatory 5 day shoot per decision of NFAA Council. Fall NE Outdoor Sept, 3rd & 4th and Fun Shoot Sept. 11th 2016. National Target Championship Sept 24-25th in Yankton SD 900& 600 Round in field outdoors. Date for USA Archery indoor National In Fiskdale MA on Feb. 19-21st.

Old Business: Nominations still open for 2nd Vice President/ Classification Secretary/Treasurer and Recording Secretary. So far we have: 2nd Vice (Greg Gioiosi), Classification Secretary /Treasurer (Ruby Shannon), Recording Secretary (Carmen Sarver). Vote to be cast in February at the Annual Meeting.

November 15th Shoot 2015, NESFA had not set date yet, Granby had picked that date last year. So Granby should have the choice if they want to keep that date.

New Business: State Championship went to Granby as well and they were wondering if Lunenburg could swap this year for next year due to heat issue at their club. The body agreed it would be ok to swap this years shoot to Lunenburg and then next year when Lunenburg would have it, they would give it to Granby. State Championships were put in for March 19-20th 2016 for indoors at Lunenburg. The State outdoor will be on August 14th 2016 at Lunenburg to be added to Calendar. Picking of dates proceeded, please see calendar listed on website.

Good of the Association: none

Next Meeting Date: Sunday December 6th around 1pm after the shoot.

Adjourned: at 10:45AM

Respectfully submitted: *Carmen Sarver*