



December 1st, 2013 MFAA Meeting, held at the Lunenburg Sportsmans Club

**Call to order:** 1:18pm

**Roll Call:** President/NFAA Director: Paul Lewkowicz, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Claude Keith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Greg Gioiosi, Classification Secretary/Treasurer: Ruby Shannon, Recording Secretary: Carmen Sarver, Board Members: George Williams & Jeff Grieman

**Clubs Present:** Granby, Luneneburg, Nenameseck, Pequoig, Riverside

**Recording Secretary Report:** Accepted as written

**Treasurer Report:** Accepted as filed

**Correspondence:** none.

**Committees:**

1. **Auditing:** No report
2. **By-Law:** No report.
3. **Classification:** 191MFAA HH, plus 46 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 1 NAA for a total of 238 members
4. **Newsletter:** requested permission to purchase new tapes for meetings: Granted
5. **20 Pins:** no report
6. **Bow Hunter:** No Report
7. **Tournament and Awards:** All end of season awards have been given out and went smoothly. Looking forward to the March State Tournament.

**NFAA Directors Report:** Getting ready for the directors meeting in February. Paul is to set up the Vegas Shoot and will be there the whole time and looking for volunteers. The Vegas Shoot will be Web Broadcast. Some discussion on the USA/NFAA merger. They are finding more ways to combine programs like Coaching, Back office record keeping. USA Archery has a good Data Base and NFAA looking to see if they can use something similar.

**Old Business:** The nominations for MFAA President, NFAA Director and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is closed. Paul Lewkowicz only nominations for MFAA President and NFAA director and Claud Keith was the only nomination for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. A single ballot will be cast in the Annual Meeting in February by the Treasurer

**New Business:** There is some confusion on the Schedule for the NFAA Agenda Items to be voted on at the next Directors Meeting. Paul wanted to go over some key items in the Agenda, but the full list of items is listed on the MFAA Website.

Proposed changes to the Outdoor Nationals. The Animal round to be changed to the last day, to give travelers time to get to their next destinations. Arizona has suggested that the shoot be only 3 of the 5 days and that shooters would choose which days they would shoot, instead of taking the best of the 2 days for Field and Hunter Rounds. No Mulligans. MFAA consensus was: we like the Mulligans.

Due to issues with which target to shoot when standing at which stakes etc. It was proposed that the Archers decide instead of the rigid predetermined rules as it is now. MFAA consensus was: to leave as is.

California proposed Longbows limit the tip reinforcement.

Proposal to allow Take Down Long Bows into the Long Bow division.

Colorado says Tournament does not allow practice time after equipment break down and should be allowed (though all but the 900 round do allow practice after equipment failure).

To discuss policies in back of By Laws. One which arose from the Indoor IFAA was that 2 sets of score cards had to be used due to different rules. IFAA says you have to break the line to get the next highest score, but NFAA say only need touch the line to get the next highest score. Though it was decided that when hosting an NFAA the would not host IFAA Rules.

One policy says intent is less important than actual word. Florida says intent should be used. The issue would be that there is no real fear & repeatable way to do that. Looking to vote down and keep it the written word is more important.

Florida proposed change to make X ring count as an extra point for everyone instead of just the Pro's. The consensus from MFAA is to leave as is for now , we can count X's but not as an extra point for every one.

Seeking to compress Divisions: Remove Free Style Limited, FS Limited Recurve. Combine Barebow & competitive Bow Hunter. Combine FS Limited/FS Limited Bow Hunter. Revert to prior age limits for Senior/Master Senior. Contingent combination within groups based on pre-registration. If less than 7 archers in a division will look to combine. The consensus for this from MFAA was to leave it as is.

Looking to establish Outdoor National Target Championship like USA Archery for the NFAA to get NFAA shooters to possibly look at USA Styles.

Urged to look at: update instructor certification program. Look at constitution for rules pg 87-89. Trying to Unify instructors for USAA/NFAA. The issue is that there is not enough places for training in the North East.

Again: The full list of Agenda Items are posted on the MFAA Website. Please let Paul Lewkowicz know if you need to discuss any of these items.

**Good of the Association:** none

**Next Meeting Date:** Offer from Lunenburg Sportsmans Club to host the meeting on 2/23/2014 at 1PM after the shoot.

**Respectfully submitted:** *Carmen Sarver*