



Dec. 2nd, 2012 MFAA Meeting, held at the Lunenburg Sportsmans Club

Call to order: 1:28pm

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

Clubs Present: Granby, Luneneburg, Nenameseck, Riverside.

Secretary Report: Accepted as posted/read

Treasurer Report: Accepted as written

Correspondence: None

Committees:

1. **Auditing:** No report
2. **By-Law:** The deadline for changes has passed, but changes can still be brought up with the 15 signature rule.
3. **Classification:** 162 MFAA HH, 35 2nd, 3rd +4 NAA for a total of 201
4. **Newsletter:** any additional information representatives want to add please forward within a week.
5. **20 Pins:** no report
6. **Bow Hunter:** No Report
7. **Tournament:** Concerning awards: There were issues again this year with clothing order: some had to be replaced because there were not as ordered and 4 were on back order. The clothing vs gift cards is to be brought up again next season for review.
8. **NFAA Directors Report:** Clubs should post that the MFAA has a website where they can view minutes, schedules or sign up to help and include the NFAA website on posted notices to keep all interested shooter updated. We need more involvement.
Some dates to note: -the Dakota Classic will be April 19-21 of 2013, there is now a 70 Meter round indoors in Yankton S.D with 40 Lanes. Registration will be open by January – May 17-19 2013 the World Tournament – June 22, 23rd 2013 New England Sectionals at Lunenburg

MA- July 24-28 the outdoor nationals in Darington WA. – indoor nationals bids for the next 3 years was won by Louisville.

Clubs that are due for inspections are Nenameseck, Pequig, Woburn. Woburn must have theirs done prior to the Sectionals.

The annual NFAA Meeting format has changed, no longer 2+1/2 days. Now down to 1+1/2 to 2 days. The agenda is available for review in the Document section of the NFAA website.

Some items to note was possible Senior age to be changed to match international rules.

Pro's want to do things a little different and have more control in the Pro division since for some, that is their livelihood. It was asked if there was talk about merging USA Archery with the NFAA, In reply, *The President is authorized, in consultation with the Council, to appoint representatives to participate with representatives of USA Archery and the Easton Foundation on an exploratory committee to propose an integrated umbrella organization for the marketing, management, and development of archery in the United States. (This is a correction, please see attached email from Paul Lewkowicz.)* Already the equipment has been merged to be stored at the same location. Integrating the 2 legally and operationally would save on overhead and management fees and avoid duplication. USA Archery and the NFAA are very receptive to uniform branding, it would help recognition and make marketing easier. It was asked if Easton was pushing for this. Paul answered: No, they are not allowed nor do they have an agenda. But, they are a company and have told us if we were all in one place it would simplify things and lower expenses for them too.

Old Business: Nominations are now closed. The current nominations are 2nd Vice President: Greg Gioiosi, Classification Secretary/Treasurer: Ruby Shannon, Recording Secretary: Carmen Sarver. The election is to take place in February of 2013.

The waivers were brought up again. Please remember that all shooters need to sign a waiver or they do not shoot. A copy of the waiver was given to Pat Tuttle to post on the MFAA website for easy access by all clubs.

New Business: Ruby Shannon has asked that the 1pm line for 10 yard shooters be reviewed. The past few shoots there have not been enough of them to validate the time slot. Riverside also asked that they be removed from the 1pm line. Should there be an influx this will be revisited.

Good of the Association: none

Next Meeting Date: Offer from Lunenburg Sportsmans Club for February 17th after the shoot, approx. 1pm.

PS: below please see email from Paul Lewkowicz on correction in minutes

All:

There is an error in the Meeting Minutes for December 2nd: Regarding a potential merger of USA Archery and the NFAA, the only Agenda Item (item C-1) reads as follows:

The President is authorized, in consultation with the Council, to appoint representatives to participate with representatives of USA Archery and the Easton Foundation on an exploratory committee to propose an integrated umbrella organization for the marketing, management, and development of archery in the United States.

So we are only voting on ***exploring*** a possible merger, ***not*** "to form a committee to merge the 2," as stated in the Minutes. Put differently, the Directors are being asked to approve the formation of a joint study committee, not to merge the two organizations. This is an important distinction: if approved, Agenda Item C-1 will only result in a study of the possibility of a merger, not an actual merger.

I respectfully request that the Official Minutes be changed to reflect this fact, and to include this email.

Brgds, paul

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Respectfully submitted: *Carmen Sarver*