



Pre-Annual MFAA Meeting

Call to Order: 1:30 PM

Roll Call: 1st Vice President/NFAA Director: Paul Lewkowicz, 2nd Vice President/Recording Secretary: Jeff Greiman, Classification Secretary/Treasurer: Ruby Shannon, Board Member: George Williams.

Clubs: Granby, Hoops, Lunenburg, Monument Beach, Nenameseck, Riverside.

Secretary's Report: Ruby Shannon made a motion to accept as written, George Williams seconded. Motion made and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Claud Keith made a motion to accept Treasurer's Report as written, George Williams seconded. Motion made and passed. Total balance as of 12/6/09 is \$5574.49.

Correspondence: Ruby received 10 packs of raffle tickets from the NFAA to be sold during 2010. There will be four 1st place prizes awarded which is any bow manufactured by Hoyt, Mathews, PSE, Reflex, or the equivalent cash value. Six 2nd place prizes which are a dozen arrows manufactured by Easton, Gold Tip, Beman, or equivalent cash value. Four 3rd place prizes of a lifetime NFAA membership or equivalent cash value. Tickets are \$5.00 each or six tickets for \$25.00. Please see your club/shop representative or Ruby Shannon if you'd like to purchase raffle tickets.

Committees:

1. **Auditing:** No report. Jeff Greiman reported that he wants to audit the books before the Annual MFAA Meeting.
2. **By-Law:** Submitting any changes: No changes.
3. **Classification:** 130 Head of Household members, 24 Spouse/2nd/3rd members, 8 MFAA/NAA members. Total of 162.
4. **Newsletter:** Any additions due the last week in December. Will go out by the first week in January.
5. **20 Pins:** No report.
6. **Bow Hunter:** No report.
7. **Tournament:** No report. Individual awards (jackets, shirts, hats, etc.) passed out or given to the club/shop representatives for distribution.

NFAA Director's Report: Paul Lewkowicz stated that he received the national meeting agenda items. No major changes proposed. Paul has kindly provided this additional information.

From the NFAA Director for the Great Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Paul Lewkowicz:

It's that time of year again, and while we are all grateful for the good times and friends we've had in archery this year, some business needs to be dealt with to keep the good time rolling. I am speaking, of course, about the Annual Meeting of the NFAA Board of Directors, at which I will be voting on your behalf on a number of topics. There is a much shorter list of proposed rule changes this year and many of them have to do with administrative and paperwork tweaks. A few, however, deserve some discussion and I would like to find out what you think. I apologize for not having this material at the last MFAA meeting, but I want to make sure everyone has a chance to make their point. Here then are summaries of what I see as the most significant changes likely to affect "regular" archers.

A full listing of all Agenda Items to be voted on at the NFAA Meeting is at <http://www.fieldarchery.com/depot/documents/857-20091019-2010%20Agenda%20Items.pdf>. Please review the entire item when making your comments.

NJ-1 - Changing State tournaments (only) to permit, but not require, the host to let Traditional and Bowhunter styles (also known as "classes") to shoot at a maximum of 50 yards in all rounds.

TX-3 - In order to speed up the game, eliminate all Walk-Up and Fan targets in all tournaments, shooting only the farthest position on the Walk-Up.

Pro-1/-4 - Score the X as 6 points in all tournaments, to make the game more competitive. As written, these measures (for Field & Hunter rounds, respectively) would apply to all divisions and shooting styles.

Pro-2/-3 (alternate to Pro-1/-4) - Keep regular scoring for all EXCEPT the Pro Divisions, who would score 6 for the X ring and 5 for the rest of the spot.

NV-1 - Drop the Crossbow style from all tournaments.

FL-1 - Add a Longbow style, for a two-year trial (June 1, 2010 through May 30, 2012).

CA-1 - Add a Bowhunter Freestyle style to the Young Adult, Youth, and Cub divisions. Alternatively (NM-1) add BH, BH Freestyle, and BH Freestyle Limited styles to Young Adult, Youth, and Cub divisions.

TX-2 - Allow certain styles to be combined with others at State and Sectional tournaments so that there is always enough shooters to make first, second, and third place awards. While this particular item is poorly written, the elimination or combination of styles and/or age divisions always comes up because we have many tournaments with only one or two archers in certain styles. If you have any suggestions on improving this situation, please weigh in. Remember, however, that the Bylaws (Art. IV.J) currently state that awards are given for first, second, and third place EXCEPT when second or third is also "last" place. In other words, it takes at least four competitors in a style for all three medals to be awarded. If there are only three shooters, then only 1st and 2d place are awarded. And if there are only two shooters, only the 1st place award goes out.

Please direct your comments to me by email at Luke84@charter.net. Please include "NFAA Agenda Comments" in the subject line, so I can spot them quickly. I need comments before the meeting starts on 2/14, but preferably before February 1 so I can contact you if I have any questions.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. Any more nominations? Already nominated: Paul Lewkowicz for President and NFAA Director. Claude Keith for 1st Vice President.
2. Pay treasurer, classification secretary, and recording secretary \$100.00 for services rendered this past year as per the MFAA constitution. George Williams made a motion to pay the officers, Claud Keith seconded. Motion made and passed.
3. Claud Keith reported that he recently joined the Weymouth Sportsman's Club. George Williams and he have been talking to them about joining the MFAA. WSC currently has an 8 lane indoor archery range and has the land for a 14 target outdoor range.

Good of the Association: Paul Lewkowicz asked if anyone had any ideas on increasing the membership in the MFAA. Ideas included compiling a list of sportsman's clubs, archery shops, and university/college archery clubs to contact. Possibly setting up a booth at the NAA Nationals in Andover. Possibly advertising on local cable channels.

Paul stated that he will be setting up a NFAA booth at the First Centennial New England Scout Show event in Worcester to be held on January 23 & 24 at the DCU Center.

Next meeting date: March 7th at the Lunenburg Sportsmen's Club. Meeting starts after the shoot (1:30PM).

Close Meeting: 2:15 PM

Respectfully submitted: Jeff Greiman
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