WSCA 2010 Fall Meeting Minutes / Monday, September 20th, 2010 / J&H

- I. Meeting was called to order at 12:29pm by President Dick Stewart. Roll call was done by Secretary Paula Benbow.
- Present: Coyland Creek/Mitch Coyour, F&R/Tom Norris, J&H/Jim Johnson, Little Creek/Bob Detaeje, Milford Hills/Dan Marks, MRC/Dan Kapfhamer, Rancho del Zorro/ Jim Sarkauskas, Triple J/Joe Schmatz, Waukesha/Pat Gerbensky, Wausau/Randy Riehle, WernValley/Steve Knoll, West Bend/Larry Kniess, Wispering Emerald/Bruce Olson, Woods & Meadows/Scott Goetzka, President/Dick Stewart, Vice-President/Dan Marks, Secretary/Paula Benbow, Treasurer/Diane Redmann, National Delegate/Paula Benbow, National Delegate/Mike Flanagan, National Delegate/Steve Knoll, National Delegate/Rich Nemitz, National Delegate/Mark Tedeschi, North Zone Representative/Mark Meachum.
- Present Guest: Jim Van Geffen, Mike Kettner, Teresa Olson and Terry Patrick.
- <u>Not Present:</u> Argyle Rod & Gun Club, Game Unlimited, Gehrig Clubs, Highland Sportsman Club, Ozaukee Co. Fish & Game, Winchester Gun Club and South Zone Representative Joey Pausha.
- II. Minutes from last meeting were read by Secretary Paula Benbow. Minutes were accepted.
- III. Treasurers report read by Diane Redmann.

IV. Committee Reports:

- Youth Shoot: Joe S. had Jim Van Geffen present. Jim V. summarized: 47 shooters, only 3 clubs participated, gun raffle income decreased due to above. He stated possible reasons for the decrease were that football practices had started already (pulling youth shooters from shooting), volunteers were hard to find, there were competing shoots on same day as the WAYS state shoot and economy. WAYS(Wisconsin Association for Youth Shooting). J&H will be hosting the shoot July 24, 2011.
- State Shoot Review: Dick S. reported that the committee supported Whispering Emerald Ridge Game Farm (WERGF) remaining on the rotation to have another state shoot. He summarized that the club had adequate parking, space for registration and scoring, spacing between stations on the course, space to have practice and championship 5-stand, and number of traps. There were few break downs and they were handled in a timely manner. There was adequate numbers of workers and room for carts on the course. Areas of improvement included: Need for better signage to and on the courses; poor quality, quantity and timing of the Saturday night dinner; the booklets had varying deliveries but were mailed in advance of the state shoot date and the need for a better audio system and arrangement for the shoot offs. There was much confusion and frustration by shooters and observers at the shoot off Saturday night due to poor audio of announcer and because the dinner was served and band playing at the same time. Shooter turn out was higher than last year but down overall.
- <u>Fitasc:</u> Joe S. presented three new additions to the State Fitasc Host Criteria presented by the Fitasc Committee and proposed that the State Fitasc Host Criteria with additions be voted upon for acceptance. See sectionVI.
- <u>Constitution & By-Law Committee:</u> Diane R. reported that the committee (Diane Redmann, Paula Benbow & Dick Stewart) would meet prior to the spring meeting and present the changes at the spring meeting for a vote.
- <u>Web-Site/ Shooter Survey:</u> Mike F. noted that the shooter survey was not done. He hoped to have it done for the Ironman shoot.
- <u>Hall of Fame:</u> Rich N. presented a packet with Women's Hall of Fame Category Nomination Criteria to be added to the Wisconsin Hall of Fame. Discussion: Many agreed we should have a women's category. Pat G. felt there should be less points given for wins due to limited numbers of shooters in the lady concurrent class. Rich N. asked for any additions or changes to be sent to him for inclusion in the vote on Nomination Criteria at the spring meeting.
- V. Amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws: All issues were tabled for next meeting.
- VI. Unfinished Business

- Clarify what definition of a Club is for purposes of WSCA membership. Do we want different levels of membership?: Paula B. proposed that the WSCA have Associate members. An Associate member would be defined as: 1. Any club that is not a member of the NSCA but wants to be a member of the WSCA.

 2. Any club that is not throwing registered targets. 3. Business/Business owner that wants to be a part of the WSCA. It was further stated that Associate member would have to be a member in good standing, abide by the constitution and By-Laws where applicable, would pay the same dues \$100, would be a non-voting member and that the WSCA Board would approve or deny any club or business that applied for associate membership. The question of NSCA approval was raised. Paula B. stated she had a verbal ok from the NSCA but would have written confirmation to present at the spring meeting. Discussion: Terry P. questioned if it would be more competition for full member clubs, Paula B. said it was more revenue for advertising, Rich N. thought it presented a good opportunity to grow the number of registered shooters in Wisconsin by exposing currently unregistered shooters to the WSCA. Randy R. moved we vote to have Associate Membership for the WSCA. Rich N. seconded. Vote was passed by show of hands (15 yea to 2 nay).
- Publish the state shoot criteria on the WSCA website: Mike F. reported this had been completed.
- Develop a definition & Criteria for the Honorary Hall of Fame (Boomer Award) and Member of the year and put on the WSCA website: Rich N. noted that the definition and criteria had previously been present and Mike F. reported that the information was on the website.
- Add Category that honors women to Hall of Fame: Tabled for further discussion and vote at the next meeting.
- Review annual club membership fees: Annual club membership fees was set at \$100. There is a voluntary contribution of \$25 toward fund raising raffle tickets.
- <u>Vote on State Fitasc Criteria:</u> Scott G. moved to accept the State Fitasc Criteria as presented by the committee, Joe S. seconded the motion. The vote passed by show of hands with only one opposed.

VII. New Business

- Black out weekends for protected shoots. State shoot, Zone shoots, youth shoot, State Fitasc, etc.: It was determined that the State shoot would be blacked out; that no other shoots could be held at a member club in Wisconsin during the state shoot dates. Other shoots would be blocked on a "respect basis" between members. Should there be a lack of respect in the future this subject will be reviewed.
- <u>Award State shoot for 2013:</u> Woods & Meadows was next in line and met the criteria. Scott G. accepted the shoot for Woods & Meadow. Vote was unanimous.
- <u>Award State Fitase shoot for 2012:</u> Tabled until spring meeting. Noted: 2011 State Fitase shoot had already been awarded to Coyland..
- Award State Youth shoot for 2011 & 2012: Following the WAYS criteria that the host club must have a team in the state youth shoot for 3 years in a row, the shoots were awarded as follows: 2011 J&H and 2012 F&R (Now Firebird Sporting Clays as of 01/01/2011).
- <u>Award North and South Zone shoots:</u> Shoots were awarded as follows: 2011 North Zone / Wausau Skeet & Trap, 2011 South Zone Shoot / Waukesha.
- Eliminate the Team shoot: Due to ever decreasing numbers at the team shoot it was voted to eliminate the team shoot.
- Other: Add Super Sporting Championship to our State Championship. Give the \$400 trophy money from the Team shoot toward trophies for the Super Sporting Championship: Champion, 1st in each class and 1st in each concurrent class. Voted on by show of hands. Approved.
- Other: Increase the State Championship fee \$10. Voted on by show of hands. Approved.
- Discussion: Coyland Creek questioned why their application for holding a state shoot had been declined. They did not meet the criteria that required that the club must have at least "4" registered events during each of the previous "4" years and at least "2" registered shoots with over 100 NSCA registered entries in the previous "4" years **OR** have thrown 35,000 registered targets in each of the 4 previous years.
- VII. Motion to adjourn made by Paula B. & seconded by Mike F. Dick S. adjourned the meeting at 3:29 pm.