WSCA 2011 Fall Meeting Minutes / Monday, September 19th, 2011 / Wern Valley

- I. Meeting was called to order at 12:14pm by President Dick Stewart. Roll call was done by Secretary Paula Benbow. **Special Note: Welcome back Waunakee!
- Present: Coyland Creek/Mitch Coyour, Firebird/Tom Norris, Game Unlimited/Pete Melloy, J&H/Jim Johnson, Joe's Clays/Joe Schmatz, Little Creek/Bob Detaeje, Milford Hills/Lloyd Marks, MRC/Dan Kapfhamer, Triple J/Tom Irish, Waukesha/Pat Gerbensky, Waunakee/Bruce Ramos, Wausau/Red Steinke, WernValley/Steve Knoll, , West Bend/Andrew Hoisington, Whispering Emerald/Bruce Olson, Woods & Meadows/Scott Goetzka, President/Dick Stewart, 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 (Represented by Red Steinke), South Zone Representative/Joey Pausha, .
- **Present Guests:** Mike Kettner, Barry Emmer, Patti Schmatz, Jim Bauer, Steve Kratzer and Leigh Perry.
- <u>Not Present:</u> Vice-President/Dan Marks, Argyle Rod & Gun Club, Gehrig Clubs, Highland Sportsman Club, Ozaukee Co. Fish & Game, Rancho del Zorro and Winchester Gun Club.
- II. Minutes from last meeting were read by Secretary Paula Benbow. Minutes were accepted.
- III. Treasurers report read by Diane Redmann. Questions regarding raffle costs will be answered via e-mail to the membership.

IV. Committee Reports:

- State Shoot: Diane R. stated that the main event had 314 shooters, total entries were 344. Numbers were not as large as she had hoped. They learned a lot regarding registration, scoring, shoot offs, etc. and will do better at the Northcentral Regional Championship next year. She brought trophies that were not picked up so that clubs could take them back for shooters from their areas to pick up locally. There will be a list posted on the WSCA website to let shooters know that they need to pick up their trophies.
- <u>Youth Shoot:</u> Diane R. summarized: 50 shooters, only 3 clubs participated, went well. Firebird has the "WAYS" shoot next year.
- State Shoot Review: Dick S. reported that the committee supported J&H Game Farm 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. Shoot events ran smoothly. Food was good. Areas of improvement included: Need for better signage to and on the courses; need for improvement of posting scores more timely and better knowledge of what is posted; need for better shoot off management; and need to rope off bad parking area. Questions regarding money split in case of ties were answered...Money was divided in ties per the program, shoot off was for trophies. Motion to keep J&H in the state shoot rotation was made and seconded. Motion Passed.
- <u>Fitasc:</u> Mitch C. said the State Fitasc Shoot went well but had low turn out. There were 48 entries in the Fitasc event but 175 total entries over the weekend.
- <u>Web-Site/ Shooter Survey:</u> Mike F. reported that the he needed to update the website software and would do so early in October. He said the site has been going fairly smooth with very little negative issues. He is redesigning the site to add a top menu. He is to add association news page, HOF information, and other historical pages.
- <u>Hall of Fame:</u> Rich N. presented Honorary Hall of Fame Category Nomination Criteria and Member of the Year Criteria. Paula B. moved to accept, Jim J. 2nd, motion passed.
- **Promotions & Publicity:** Rich N. is chair, Mike F., Joe S. and Diane R. are members. Ideas presented were a benefit fundraiser for the WSCA, having a DU style banquet for award presentation in the future and having an advertising co-op between clubs.
- <u>Delegate Update:</u> Paula B. reported that WI is now part of the Northcentral Region vs. Zone 5. The region gained three states: MI, IN and KY. The Northcentral Regional Championship will be at J&H next year. It is expected that 80 more people should participate than in the past. SO...expect about 300 for the shoot.

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V. Amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws: Associate Member addition was presented. There was discussion about one line, Article VII., 1. c.: "A member club must have at least one registered shoot per year with a 100 registered target event." Various members thought this should be omitted. It was the only new portion presented. The rest of the additions had already been voted on and accepted at the previous fall meeting. Pat G. moved to pass the Associate Member additions, omitting Article VII, 1., c.. Rich N seconded the motion. Motion passed. The board will grandfather member clubs as of 9/19/11 who are not throwing registered targets as voting members of WSCA as long as they maintain continual membership to the WSCA.

VI. Unfinished Business

- 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. will forward the written criteria to Mike F. to put on the WSCA website.
- <u>Include concurrents on shoot reports:</u> Dick S. asked if there were difficulties or reasons why clubs were not including concurrent awards on their shoot reports. Some said they did not know they needed to. Everyone is to now include the concurrent awards on their shoot reports.
- WSCA give advertising money toward the Regional shoot at J&H next year: J&H asked if the WSCA would give \$1000 toward advertising for the Northcentral Regional Championship next year. It is estimated that the shoot will bring in \$2400 for the WSCA in state target fees. Paula B. motioned that the WSCA give J&H \$1000 for advertising, Joe S. 2nd, Motion Passed.
- Wern Valley to have 4 day versus 5 day shoot for state shoot in 2012: Discussion was about low turnout on Wednesdays and loss in revenue to clubs having the state shoot. May eliminate the pump and SxS events. It is the choice of the club having the shoot as long as they have all the standard events. Steve K. thinks Wern Valley will have 4 days.
- Raise the state fee by one cent per target: Pete M. presented this so that the WSCA could give back more to State shoot. Paula B. talked about all expenses raising so need to raise fees is needed. Dan K. moved we raise the state target fees one cent, Pete M. 2nd, Motion Passed.
- Have a permanent home for a WSCA Hall of Fame: Pat G. had to leave the meeting so Bruce R. represented Waukesha. People were favorable of having a permanent site. Concern was that a fair bid be done. No club present, other than Waukesha was interested in having the site. Further concern was to assure WSCA owned it and all rights and could move it in the future. Rich N. is preparing some criteria, and Pat G. is to present a proposal at the spring meeting. Tabled until spring.

VII. New Business

- <u>Election of Officers:</u> Rich Nemitz was nominated for President. Mike Flanagan was nominated also but declined. Rich N. was voted in as President. Mitch Coyour was the only nominee for Vice-President. Mitch C. was voted in as Vice- President. Paula Benbow was unopposed and elected Secretary. Diane Redmann was unopposed and elected Treasuruer.
- Review State Shoot Requirements: Rich N. suggested we have more criteria outlining what events are required, how many targets are required, etc. and add that to our current state shoot criteria. Paula B. volunteered to type up the criteria similar to the Regional Championship criteria that is posted on the NSCA website. This will be presented at the spring meeting for discussion and vote.
- Reaward State Fitasc shoot for 2012 & 2013: Woods & Meadows will have the 2012 State Fitasc shoot and Game Unlimited will have the 2013 State Fitasc shoot. Noted: J&H submitted their bid for the 2014 State Fitasc shoot.
- <u>Award State Youth shoot for 2013:</u> 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: 2012 Firebird Sporting Clays, 2013 Joe's Clays & Guns and 2014 J&H.
- Award 2012 North and South Zone shoots: Shoots were awarded according to rotation as follows: 2012 North Zone / J&H. 2012 South Zone Shoot / Firebird.

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- Award State shoot for 2013: Game Unlimited, Coyland Creek and Waukesha Gun Club submitted bids. Game Unlimited and Coyland Creek met all criteria and have never had a state shoot so they have precedent. Game Unlimited was a member longer so they were up for the 2014 State Shoot. Scott G. moved Game Unlimited be awarded the 2014 State Shoot, Jim J. 2nd. Vote was unanimous. Pete M. accepted.
- North and South Zone Representatives to keep position one more year: Due to adverse weather conditions, our Annual Meeting did not occur at the State shoot this year. It was presented by the board that the current representatives serve one more year until next year's Annual Meeting. Paula B. moved we accept the current North and South zone representatives for one more year. Mark T. 2nd. Motion Passed.
- We need to add our historical data from past state shoots, etc. to our website: Mike F. states he will have this done in November.
- Other:
- <u>Diane R. needs permission to use the WSCA raffle # for a raffle for the Regional Shoot.</u> Paula B. moved the WSCA allow J&H to use the raffle # for a raffle for the Regional Shoot in 2012. Mark T. 2nd. Motion Passed.
- <u>Rich N.</u> suggested we design hats, t-shirts, etc. to be put on website for purchase with proceeds to go to WSCA. Bruce O. said they have a business for doing such items. Rich N. and Bruce O. will discuss and present any possibilities at the spring meeting.

VIII. 2012 Shoot Schedule: Please see attached rough draft.

IX. Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Paula B. & seconded by Mike F., Dick S. adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.