

Lincolnshire Bell Target league meeting

30-06-2023

Attendees:

- G. Griffin
- M. Benson
- G. Prestwood
- P. Watts
- S. Snell
- A. Dickinson
- L. Gibbs
- J. Brown
- W.Radley
- D.Carter

Election of Officers of the Committee:

The interim Chairman (GG) welcomed those attending and all agreed that the first call of business was to elect the Officers of the Committee. A show of hands decided who was elected.

- Chairman . . . Gary Griffin . . . Unanimous
- Vice Chair + Affiliation/liaison NSRA . . . D. Carter . . . Unanimous
- Secretary/Treasurer . . . L.Gibbs . . . Unanimous
- Development Officer . . . W. Radley . . . Unanimous
- Webmaster . . . G. Prestwood . . . Unanimous

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the informal meeting by the interim officers were taken as a true record.

Matters arising:

GP wanted to speak to SS regarding who wanted the position of webmaster. It was agreed that GP should take on the role.

Correspondence:

DC had formulated a draft constitution for all to look at and come back with comments/amendments before accepting it as the Lincolnshire Bell Target League Constitution.

Actions:

Set up a top level bank account . . . This is progressing well (LG)

Group email . . . Done (LG). All who need access let LG know please. GP stated that a 'whatsapp' group may be beneficial for the Committee, action (GP).

Website: GP gave some cost figures for a website that he has used with success and all agreed that this should be taken up. Action (GP).

Mute Facebook chat: JB stated that there seemed no easy way to delete this chat group, but everyone had left it anyway so it was now defunct.

RCO Courses: DC informed the meeting that there was an RCO course available for 10 people but that two places had already gone. It was agreed by all that should venues want to take up these places and indeed any future places, that the teams at those venues pay the course fees from their own individual funds. The available course starts on the 16th September and costs £25/person, renewable every 5 years.

A.O.B.

1) It was agreed that there would be 4 'area representatives' and that all should look at a Lincolnshire area map and suggest where the areas for these representatives start and finish. GG suggested that main roads should mark out these areas as they don't change very often. Area reps. will be responsible for 'have a goes' (probationary periods) in their areas. All agreed that the Area reps. are JB, LG, GG, and PW.

2) It was agreed that there will be a three session probationary period ('have a goes') at new venues and then if that venue wanted to carry on they would then affiliate and pay the dues then.

3) It was decided that there should be a vote to decide whether the area reps. should retain the funds generated from the three 'have a go' sessions (probation in their areas) to cover costs of travel etc. The vote was taken by a show of hands and agreed unanimously that the area reps. should retain those funds to cover costs.

4) A standardised check sheets pack for new venues was discussed, to include things like risk assessment forms/range layout, accident forms, range commands, certificate of insurance, notification of change of location within a venue, idiots guide to Bell Target etc. etc.. Action (DC).

5) WR asked if we would be doing the next Northern Shooting Show stand. A discussion took place and it was noted that if we were a 'show stand' (which means we get the stand for free) then that was possible, but if we had to pay the going rate it would be financially unviable because we are there to promote shooting sports rather than to make money.

6) DC let the meeting know that the Lincolnshire Sports Partnership have a free online course to do with the effects of 'Long Covid' if anyone is interested.

7) A discussion took place regarding the metal frames used to hold the backstop material and whether any local firms could manufacture these at a reasonable cost. Action (JB).

8) PW mentioned repairs to things like rifles and how that should be done and it was agreed that we should seek opinions from people like the Skegness gun shop to assess a cost effective route for this.

The meeting was then brought to a close.

Date of next meeting: To be announced.

