



MEETING MINUTES - Michigan Sporting Clays Association

Meeting

Date Saturday, February 8, 2020
Started 1:30 PM
Ended 3:00 PM
Location Bald Mountain Shooting Range, 2500 Kern Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360
Purpose Regular scheduled meeting

Chaired by Russell Brzezinski
Recorder Drew Lieske

Attendance

Present: Russell Brzezinski, Neal Fusner, Ryan Gates, Jim Kralik, Kathleen Lanava, Drew Lieske, Charles Schneider
Regrets: Steve Trudeau
Absent: Dr. Ron DeVuyst, Noah Roth

Meeting documents

None

Minutes

1. Committee business

1.1. Review Agenda

Status: Completed

1.2. Treasurer's Report

Balance in the MSCA bank account at Dort Federal Credit Union is \$20,022.57. Target count and fees as well as account balance are at historical levels. Very positive. Targets thrown up 22%, and target fees paid is up 76% in 2019 compared to 2018. Seasonality report showed as expected that we are engaged in a highly cyclical business. Revenues per quarter:

Q1 - 12%

Q2 - 44%

Q3 - 28%

Q4 - 16%

Status: Completed

1.3. Secretary's Report

James Kralik reported that the MSCA Facebook page has been a success. Overall views have continued to increase slightly. To date, we have 132 followers and 127 page likes. Posts with the most engagement over the last 6 months was shoot notice for Bald Mountain January 18, 2020.

Status: Completed



2. OLD BUSINESS

2.1. iClays / WinScoreOnline Incentive for Clubs

From previous meeting: Drew proposed the idea of offsetting iClays or WinScoreOnline fees to some extent to encourage new and smaller clubs to utilize online registration and scoring. Several clubs including Multi-Lakes and 4 Square Sportsman's have had good luck using iClays to draw a noteworthy attendance. iClays fee is 1 cent per target whereas WinScoreOnline is more expensive.

Russ suggested perhaps a \$50 reduction in fees per shoot for new clubs to try it.

New discussion: The Board is still undecided on how to incentivize clubs to utilize online registration and scoring, and whether those clubs that don't use it actually would if given an incentive. The following clubs throw registered shoots but do not utilize iClays or WinScore: Action Shooting Sports, Alpena Clay Busters, Lewiston, Pine Ridge, and Seaway Gun Club. Kathleen suggested we contact these clubs to gauge interest.

Status: Deferred until 12/3/2019

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1. Officer Elections

- Russ Brzezinski was re-elected as president.
- Kathleen was elected as vice-president.
- Neal was re-elected as treasurer.
- Drew expressed his intent to step down as secretary due to other work and personal commitments, he will act as interim secretary until July 2020 when a new secretary will be elected. He will work with Russ and Kathleen to transition duties.

Noah Roth decided not to accept his position on the MSCA Board. He was the only nominee to replace Steven Schindler whose term had expired. The Board will solicit nominations for a new Board member ASAP.

Status: Completed

3.2. NSCA Rule Changes - Thoughts

Steve Trudeau, Michigan NSCA delegate, requested that the Board deliberate the two new NSCA rule changes proposed prior to him casting his vote. The rule changes proposed are:

Rule Change #1: Sub-Gauge Classification

In an effort to slow the movement upward to Master Class based on Sub-Gauge punches, as well as to promote participation in shooting the sub-gauges and to increase the number of sub-gauge events held, the following rule is proposed: Creation of a separate Sub-Gauge Class System - Starting January 1, 2021, any sub-gauge event (defined as any event using a shotgun that is not 12-gauge and is smaller in diameter than 12-gauge) would have a separate class system. (This would be one class for all the sub-gauges smaller than 12-gauge, not a class for each gauge).

To begin the new Sub-Gauge classes, ALL shooters would start one (1) class lower than their current 12-gauge class as of December 31, 2020, prior to the 2020 end-of-year review. Shooters cannot refuse the down-class; thus, there will be NO Master Class shooters in the Sub-Gauge classification to start the first year (2021).

The punch system would be the same as with the current 12-gauge system. In mid-January 2021, all shooters in the 12-gauge classes will go through a normal end-of-year review based on the 2020 shoot year. If the shooter gets down-classed in their 12-gauge class during the end-of-year review, they may refuse the down-class for the 12-gauge class ONLY. Nothing is changing for the 12-gauge classification process.



Rule Change #2: Legacy Concurrent

Proposed: A new concurrent category named Legacy Concurrent would be created for shooters 80+ years of age.

After some lengthy debate and vote to support/not support, we can share the following with you; (7 Board Members in attendance, including all (4) officers):

Rule Change #1: Sub-Gauge Classification

MSCA Board Vote: NO (Unanimous)

Rule Change #2: Legacy Concurrent

MSCA Board Vote: NO (5) YES (2)

Status: Completed

3.3. 2021 MSCA Monetary Commitments

Establish and determine monetary commitments for the 2021 Michigan State Sporting Clays Championship and the 2021 Great Lakes Sporting Clays Championship, which will be open for bids until April 1, 2020.

The MSCA Board unanimously voted to maintain current funding allotments for the 2021 Michigan State Championship and 2021 Great Lakes Championship.

- Michigan State Championship - \$4,500 general fund sponsorship + \$2,500 for trophies
- Great Lakes Championship - \$1,200 for trophies

Status: Completed

4. MISC

4.1. Date Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2020 at Bald Mountain Shooting Range in Lake Orion at 1:30pm.

Status: Completed
