

TARGET RIFLE AUSTRALIA LIMITED

SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS MEETING

24th – 25th September 2016

Sydney International Shooting Centre

Meeting Opened: 2:40 PM on 24/09/2016

Attendance:

Mr Rod Sampson (RS)
Mr Nick Sullivan (NS)
Mr Anton Wurfel (AW)
Mr Glenn Braybon (GB)
Mr Richard Toye Executive Officer (EO)

Apologies: Mr Sam Houston (SH)

Notice of Resignation as Board Member:

Just prior to the meeting Sam Houston tendered a letter of resignation to the Board. Sam indicated his new position at Huawei which coincided with his election to TRA Board - almost to the day, does not allow him to perform his role as a board member to the level he felt was necessary. Sam wished TRA Ltd and the Board well for the future.

Directors accepted Sam's resignation from the board and will review and consider the process to fill the vacancy. Directors thanked Sam for his contribution and wished him well for the future.

Matters arising and Action List from 16th - 17th July 2016

Update of TRA Supplementary Rules is ongoing. RS suggested postponing the publication and distribution of updates until after new ISSF rules are issued and suggested that there be a face to face meeting of the Technical Committee to finalise all rule updates early in 2017.

Evaluation of Ammunition Testing Rigs is ongoing

Correspondence

From TRSA Inc. – TRA AGM

Correspondence was received from TRSA Inc. concerning the TRA Annual General Meeting for 2017 and beyond, requesting that TRA Ltd. Consider holding the AGM at a different time from the National Championships.

Directors resolved that the 2017 TRA Ltd. Annual General Meeting will be held during the National Championships as previously indicated (Saturday 15th April 2017 following the conclusion of the day's competition). A Members Forum may be held following the AGM, if time permits.

It was noted that in 2018, the Annual General Meeting and Members Forum must be held at a different time to the National Championships in order to meet ASIC requirements. Directors felt that this was an excellent opportunity to assess the viability of scheduling the AGM and Member's Forum at a different time to the Nationals for the future.

From TRSA Inc. – TRA Fees and Juniors

Correspondence received from TRSA Inc. concerning recent changes to capitation fees. Three requests were made:

1. Reconsider the age groups and leave them as sub-juniors up to age 18 and juniors from 18-20.
2. Not to stipulate that the fees must be calculated at the end of the shooting year, but at the start.
3. Alter the fees list so that captions are correct – (Concession rather than Senior)

Directors discussed the requests and reaffirmed the decision to change the age eligibility definitions as the new eligibility definitions fit more closely with the age eligibility rules of the I.S.S.F. as well as Shooting Australia and TRA Ltd. competition age divisions.

Similarly, the decision to stipulate that fees be calculated at the end of the shooting year is in accordance with ISSF rule 3.3.6 which states: "Juniors are athletes who will be under the age of 21 on December 31st in the year of the Competitions / Championship." While some member bodies have different financial years, TRA Ltd.'s financial year runs from 1st January to 31st December and Capitation fees have been calculated using the following methodology:

"Membership numbers are those at the end of the member's financial year immediately prior to 1 June 2016 (i.e. if the Members year end is 31 May 2016, those are the membership numbers to be used.) Fees are due on 1st June and payable by 31st July."

For example – If a State accepts a registration at the start of that State's registration year from a junior who is a junior according to the accepted conditions (i.e. per ISSF based on a calendar year) then when the State sends in the capitation report the numbers declared in the report reflect the way the fees were collected (i.e. as a junior or senior etc.) If the State's financial year is not a calendar year this is the only way the calculation can be done.

Directors agreed with the request to alter the fees list to ensure that captions are correct and avoid any confusion with the term "Senior" to be replaced with "Concession" in all documentation relating to capitation fees.

Competition Committee

2017 National Championships

The 2017 program is almost complete and has been developed in conjunction with the updated TRA National Championships Manual.

The 2017 National Championships will be conducted from 12th-17th April, 2017.

Proposed fee structures are \$35 per event with the exception of the Jim Smith 50m Prone Match, Bench Rest Class 3 (\$ 45 each) and Supported Air Rifle, 50m Bench Rest Class 1 (\$25 each)

The TRA Ltd. AGM will be held at the conclusion of competition on Saturday 15th April 2017.

Grades are included in non-ISSF events only and non-ISSF events will be scored in integer format.

50m Bench Rest Class 1 will be included as a demonstration event for 2017.

Technical Delegate

The Technical Committee Chairman suggested that Dean Romanoff be appointed as Technical Delegate for the 2017 National Championships. Directors agreed with this suggestion and GB was directed to approach Dean to determine if he was willing to take on role.

2018 National Championships

QTS has accepted TRA Ltd.'s request to conduct the 2018 Nationals from 7th – 15th July 2018.

The rationale for the rescheduling of the 2018 National Championships to July is primarily due to the scheduling of the ISSF Junior World Cup event in Sydney from 20th-29th March 2018 followed immediately by the Commonwealth Games from the 4th – 15th April. With NSW SARAI unable to host the National Championships during the traditional Easter period, the TRA Board requested QTS consider hosting the event at another time during the year.

It was agreed that, to try and maximise participation, and volunteer assistance, conducting the TRA Nationals from 7th – 15th July 2018 where the differing school holiday periods cross over was the most appropriate time.

In addition to this the scheduling of the 2018 National Championships in early July would also avoid any likely clash with the QRA Queens competitions held in June and August as well as other International events.

2020 National Championships

EO was directed to contact NSW SARAI with an invitation to host the 2020 TRA Ltd. National Championships in lieu of hosting the 2018 Nationals.

TRA Ltd. National Championship Manual:

The manual in accord with tradition and rules has been extensively reviewed again this year with the aim to ensure that there is a standard set and maintained every year.

The current version is the result of much discussion including a formal meeting of the Committee responsible and subsequent reviews since.

Amendments have been made to the manual the areas of program, events, gradings, results presentations, award list and other accompanying documents including updates to the trophy manual.

The updated manual will be distributed to Member Bodies as soon as practically possible after a number of minor errors and omissions have been rectified.

Technical Committee:

TSARA Request for Officials Courses for 2017 Masters Games

TSARA has requested assistance to conduct an officials course prior to hosting the Australian Masters Games from 21st - 28th October 2017, indicating that there may be up to 7 participants for the course.

Directors considered it was better to wait until early 2017 to conduct the course as there will be a number of ISSF rule changes that will need to be included in the course structure. The Technical Committee will continue to liaise with TSARA on this matter.

Adoption of Prone Metallic Silhouette as a Recognised Discipline of TRA Ltd

AW moved that TRA Ltd. formally adopt Prone Metallic Silhouette as another shooting discipline recognised by TRA Ltd. Seconded GB Carried 4-0

Draft Prone Metallic Silhouette rules have been sourced from QTS. Some minor changes are needed prior to publishing and distribution to member bodies. The rules will be distributed to Member Bodies as soon as practically possible after final approval.

Coaching Committee

National Training Squad

A revised version of the FTEM Athlete Framework has been released.

Following teleconference meetings, it has been agreed to hold the first National Training Squad Camp immediately following the International Grand Prix in Sydney (4th-6th November).

Participant numbers for the camp will be reduced, targeting approximately 12 specific athletes. National Rifle Coaches Petr Kurka and Carrie Quigley will attend the camp in addition to TRA coaches. The Coaching Committee will continue to liaise with all stakeholders.

Request for Funding – TRV coaching camps / days

A request was received from TRV seeking funding assistance for a number of coaching weekends / days held during 2014, 2015 and 2016. Directors resolved to provide some funding assistance to TRV for the coaching activities conducted.

Directors also resolved that any future funding requests for coaching activities conducted by member bodies will only be considered if a fully costed written proposal is forwarded to the Executive Officer at least 3 months prior to the proposed activity.

Bench Rest Committee

The Bench Rest Committee met on 1st of August. The meeting covered a number of preliminary discussion points relating to clarifying and updating, including:

- Rifle Classes
- Rules for each Class
- Bench Rest Stands
- Targets
- Wind Flags
- Competition Rules
- Supported Air Rifle (Auflage) and
- Air Rifle Bench Rest

The next meeting has been scheduled for November in Adelaide on date to be finalised.

Shooting Australia Matters

Shooting Australia AGM and Members Forum – November

Correspondence has been received from Shooting Australia giving preliminary notice of the AGM and Member's Forum in November. It was noted that an email to Shooting Australia on the 23rd September 2016 requesting details of which Shooting Australia directors are retiring or up for re-election at the AGM had not yet received a response.

Directors resolved to wait until further information has been received to ascertain if any issues or matter need to be raised at the Shooting Australia AGM and / or Member's Forum. The President and the Executive Officer will attend the meeting and forum as representatives of TRA Ltd.

TRA Ltd. Website

TRA Ltd. has engaged Cornerstone Web Systems to develop a new website for TRA Ltd. based on the current ISSF website and to integrate the database developed by Neil Davis into the design with increased security measures.

SSAA Shot Show – Perth October.

Directors resolved that TRA would fund the cost of a TRA Ltd. pull up banner for WASRA to use as part of a display stand during the SSAA Shot Show in Perth in October. WASRA has also been provided with 500 TRA Ltd. introductory brochures and a number of other promotional materials for the exhibition.

Next Meeting: January 2017 at Sydney International Shooting Centre

Meeting Closed: 12:15pm Sunday 25th September 2016