LOTHIAN SMALLBORE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Myreside Pavilion at 7.30 on 21st May 1992

Present.

The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and 29 members.

Mr C I H Thomson was in the chair.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Ian Stevenson of Lauder & Oxton RC who would speak to the meeting about the 'Scottish' meeting to be held at Lauder in June, at the end of the meeting.

He continued by expanding on the 'state of the union' letter which the Secretary, WF Hamilton, had written originally to the Committee only, but which the Committee had decided to make public at this meeting. He explained that its contents were directed not at the members present, but to the others not present who appeared to have no interest in the running and of the affairs of the Association. He also explained the importance to the Association of new members making themselves available to replace those who retired from Committee posts. He asked all present to take the Secretary's letter back to their clubs and discuss it among themselves. The aim is to project and preserve shooting in the Lothians - without new blood, organised shooting in this area would just die.

He also requested members to attend the Dance/Prizegiving function, and reminded them that the Scottish meeting organiser still required people to help and compete.

Apologies.

W F Hamilton.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous AGM were read by the Chairman, and were duly approved.

Matters arising.

Closure of Scottish Depot: The Chairman reported that several letters had been written to the NSRA but only vague replies had been received. C Ogle said that the NSRA had no funds, and there was little prospect for a Scottish Depot for the time being.

4. Financial Statement

The Chairman explained that as we have no Treasurer, there are no accounts. However, he assured the meeting that all monies received had been paid into the bank and all creditors had been paid. All competitions had made a profit. He and the Secretary had put much work into preparing an accounting that would be available to the clubs in about two weeks.

5. Captain's Report.

The County Captain, C W C Ogle, read his report and congratulated all the winners.

He reported that there had been problems with team selections regarding individual membership of the NSRA, whose rules now say that team members must be at least Associate Members of the NSRA. He suggested that we might not be able to pick 40 such members to enable both full and Reserve Teams to be entered next season. He encouraged people to become Associate or Annual members, pointing out that the discount on entry fees for both National Meetings paid for his subscription. There could also be savings available for equipment insurance.

6. Election of Office Bearers.

The following were duly elected:

Officials:

C.I.H.Thomson Chairman Vice-Chairman J R Buchanan W F Hamilton Secretary Treasurer I Bryson (by acclaim) C W C Ogle County Captain J R Buchanan Postal League Secretary J W Hermiston S-S League Secretary Air Weapons Secretary Miss S Stewart N B Brown 50 yds League Secretary Individual League Sec. D King D Duff Competitions Secretary NSRA Representative CWCOgle D A M McIntosh County Teams organiser Awards Convenor D Duff Minutes Secretary C Drysdale

Elected Members:

S A Guild Watsonians
J Scott Snr Pathhead
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Any Other Business.

Fund Raising. Mr Hermiston spoke on the need for support, especially to cover the costs of the fees for the sound test. The Committee had authorised a raffle, and tickets were being printed. The draw would take place at the dance to be held at the Lauderdale Hotel in Lauder during the 'Scottish'. Donations for Prizes for this raffle were requested.

The 'Scottish' meeting. Mr Guild, the Local Organiser, distributed a list of dates, events and help required, and went through this with the assistance of Ian Stevenson.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair, proposed by S A Guild and seconded by acclaim.

Chairman Unit. Houngle Secretary