

2009 IBS Annual Meeting Minutes

40th IBS Annual Membership Meeting
January 23 & 24, 2009

The International Benchrest Shooters 40th Annual Membership Meeting was held in the Harrisburg Holiday Inn and Conference Center in New Cumberland, PA on January 23-24, 2009. There was a social time held on Friday night and committees had the opportunity to meet and discuss information.

IBS President Jim Borden called the annual meeting of members to order at 9:00 a.m. on January 24, 2009. A moment of silence was observed for deceased Benchrest shooters. Jim Borden called the roll of the 43 Clubs that had held registered matches in 2008 and the officers of the Executive Board (6) to establish a quorum. Clubs that were present or submitted a proxy were: Dunhams Bay (NY), Camillus (NY), Mainville (PA), Boone Valley (IA), Union County (PA), South Creek (PA), Fairfax (VA), Lakeland (FL), Canastota (NY), Pinetucky (GA), Piedmont (NC), Palmetto (SC), Gallatin (TN), Thurmont (MD), Iosco (MI), Damariscotta (ME), Bowmanstown (PA), St. Johnsbury (VT), Sulphyr Springs (PA), Orrington (ME), Capital City (ME), Elberton (GA), Chippewa (OH), IWLA York (PA), Hawks Ridge (NC), Iowa 1000 yd (IA), Oak Ridge (TN), Missouri Benchrest (MO), Great Farm (ME), Harry Jones Club (WV), Mt. Airy (MD), and VA 1000 yard (VA). Executive board members present were: Jim Borden, Bill Gebhardt, Dick Grosbier, Bob White, Wayne Shaw, and Harley Baker. Thirty-eight of the 49 were represented so a quorum was established.

Joan Borden gave the Recording Secretary report. Membership as of January 21, 2009 is 1695. Joan reported that \$29,865.67 was turned over to the Treasurer. **Edna White made a motion to accept the Recording Secretary report and Gerry Malerba seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Bill Gebhardt gave the IBS Treasurer report. Bill reported there is \$17,817.23 in the general account and \$6909.63 in the PR account. **A motion was made by Mike Mastrogiavanni to accept the Treasurers report and seconded by Dave Halblom. Motion passed.**

The IBS Recording Secretary and Treasurer's books were audited by a CPA and Jeff Stover and Gary Amatrudo also audited the books and found that everything was in order and that good records were being kept.

Jim Borden announced that Jim Goody resigned as Executive Board Secretary due to work obligations; the IBS Executive board had appointed Harley Baker replaced him per the By Laws.

Records Committee:

The Chairman of the Records Committee- Kent Harshman gave the report. Kent thanked his committee, which consists of Bob Hart and Dave Tooley.

600 yard broken in 2008:

Paul Wagner	9/13/08	LG	Group	0.711"
Paul Wagner	9/13/08	LG	Group Agg	1.6376"

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Samuel Hall	7/12/08	LG	Score Agg	196 (1.8406")
John Lewis	4/26/08	HG	Group	0.404"
Richard Schatz	7/25/08	HG	Score	50 (.634")
Samuel Hall	7/12/08	HG	Score Agg	196 (1.7882")
Samuel Hall	7/12/08	LG/HG	Score	392 (1.8144")
Samuel Hall	7/12/08	LH/HG	Group	1.8144"

1000-yard records

Bill Ice	2008	6 match Group Agg	4.6832"
Stephen Fischer	2008	6 match Group HG	6.0568"
Lee Fischer	2008	10 match Group HG	7.3258"

Score Records

B. Llewellyn	8/10/08	LV 100 yd	250-25x-18wo
P. Hills	9/7/08	VH 100/200	500-16x
M. Ludinsky	9/28/08	HV 100/200	500-39x
F. McKee	6/15/08	Hunter	496-10x

Group Records

B. Goad	8/13/08	LV 100 yd	0.1599
R. Boop	8/13/08	SP 100 yd	0.1592
B. Goad	8/15/08	LV 100-200 yd	0.1789

Kent said there was a copy of the Record submission sheet on the Internet and that it was the shooter's responsibility to make sure records procedures were followed. Kent thanked Jim Borden for all of his years of service as IBS President.

Jim explained that the Records committee is selected by the President and that the Records committee is qualified in order to serve on the committee. Jim said he would continue to do the qualifications of the committee. Jim explained IBS has a statistically sound system in place for Records. Records Committee for 2009 consist of Kent Harshman (Chairman), Dave Tooley and Bob Hart.

Awards Committee:

Wayne Shaw said he had no report.

Group Committee Report:

Jeff Stover gave the report using a PowerPoint slide presentation. There were 11 group matches held in 2008 and a minimum of 11 group matches scheduled for 2009. Jeff said Painted Post, NY would be holding a registered match in 2009 and also wanted to welcome Denton, Texas as a new club. Jeff had statistics on previous group matches and their attendance and recent matches and attendance. Examples cited were: 1977 NJ States (70); 1977 South Creek (74); 1978 Council Cup (131); 1979 Mainville (143); 1982 Kelblys (122); 2005 Canastota (36); 2008 Union County (40); 2008 Camillus (37); 2008 Kelblys (140) and 2008 South Creek (47). The suggested marketing plan included: a formal mentor program, IBS schools, informal benchrest clinics, an improved IBS website, and posting benchrest flyers at local ranges and shops with

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information on benchrest and IBS. Going forward, Jeff stated there need to promote a “shooter friendly” atmosphere, have consistent rules and interpretations, review “controversial” rules to establish consensus, update the IBS Rulebook and explore available IT technologies to expand IBS's reach. Other initiatives included working with the NRA's National Firearms Museum to somehow feature benchrest rifles. Tim O'Mara was called on for a report on his meeting with the Museum's Director.

Jeff presented outgoing President Jim Borden with a plaque recognizing his 28 years of service on the IBS Executive Board and 12 years as President.

Nominations for 2009 Group Committee were as follows: Sid Goodling, Gary Amatrudo, Mark Trutt, Kent Harshman, Andy Shifflett, Curtis Nelson and Harley Baker. **Motion to close nominations was made by Dave Halblom and seconded by Jeff Stover.** Dave Short and Edna White counted the secret ballots.

2009 Group Committee consists of Gary Amatrudo, Sid Goodling, Mark Trutt, Kent Harshman, Andy Shifflett, and Harley Baker.

Score Committee Report:

Gary Long reported that score shooting had another successful season. Thirty clubs hosted 115 registered score shoots. The SSOY and Rookie of the year programs were well contested with 421 shooters earning points in the SSOY program. The rookie program had 24 registered shooters. There were 3868 aggregates shot, and represents 7% decrease from last year. The statistics showed increases in two areas: number of 6x aggregates shot increased by 110 aggregates from previous year; and total number of shooters that earned points in SSOY program increased by 61. There were nine 250-25X aggregates shot. Chippewa Rifle Club hosted the 100/200 yard Nationals, while the 200/300 yard Nationals were hosted by Thurmont club.

Awards:

Varmint for Score: 4th place- Randy Jarvis, 3rd- Jackie Stogsdill, 2nd- Ron Collins, and 1st- Hal Drake

6 power: 5th- Gary Long, 4th Bill Sargent, 3rd Frank McKee, 2nd Orland Bunker, and 1st Peter Wass.

Rookies: 3rd- Julia VanGorder, 2nd Joe Pellegrini, and 1st- Mark Ludinsky.

Nominations for Score Committee were: Randy Perkowski, Orland Bunker, Bill Sargent, Ken Livengood, Vince Pastorella, Gary Long, Danny Hensley, and Wayne France. **Motion made by Dave Halblom and a second by Greg Palman to close the nominations.**

There was a secret ballot for Score Committee. The following persons were elected to the 2009 Score Committee: Randy Perkowski, Orland Bunker, Bill Sargent, Ken Livengood, Vince Pastorella, and Wayne France.

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Long Range Committee Report:

Dave Tooley presented the report.

1000 Yard Program:

In 2008, 7 clubs held 69 matches. There were 1935 light and 1569 heavy gun shooters for a total of 3504 shooters for 2008. Shoots averaged 51 total shooters per match- down from 61 shooters per match in 2007. Total number of shooters has decreased by 3%. The 1000 yard Nationals was held at Ohio Club. There were 99 light and 87 heavy guns - total of 186 shooters. Three shooters reached the bronze/jacket level, three reached silver level, one reached the new 130-point level and one reached the Platinum level. The new gold level awards will be given out at Nationals. Starting in 2009 all these awards given out at the National Championships in Iowa with a cut off date of June 30. Danny Brooks is the 1000 yard SOY, Tod Soeby is the Rookie, Christina Thielen is the Female and Stephen Fischer is the Junior SOY.

600 Yard Program:

Seven Clubs held 33 matches in 2008. There were 639 Light Gun shooters, 515 Heavy Gun shooters for a total of 1154 shooters. Total number of 600 yard shooters decreased about 5% and average shooters per match decreased about 8%. The 600 yard National Championships were held at Oak Ridge Club, there were 35 Light Gun shooters and 33 Heavy Gun shooters. A large number of 600 yard IBS records broken and because of that the statistics are not complete.

Summary of Long-Range Program:

Overall the Long-Range program is in good shape. There were a total of 4658 Light and Heavy Gun shooters. In 2008, there were 14 Clubs spread out from Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska to the East Coast. For 2009, there are 11 Clubs scheduling 84 matches. The 600 yard Championships will be held at the Piedmont 600 yard club and the 1000 yard Nationals will be held at the Iowa 1000 yard club. The 1000 yard Nationals will be held over 3 days and include a four target aggregate for both Light and Heavy Guns. It was stated that the shooters should remember that all people working for the IBS and at the individual clubs are volunteers and are giving of there personal time so others can shoot competitive matches in a structured format. The new 600/1000 yard Committee is: Lee Fischer (chair), Scott Fletcher, Jeff Walker, Stanley Taylor, Brian Fox, Dave Tooley and Larry Isenhour.

Temporary Rules:

All Temporary rules that were sent out to IBS members with their ballots passed.

2009 Agenda Items:

TP#1: TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES

G. Appointment of Tournament Officials

Add an item 5):

5. In all Registered Tournaments, Committee members (Group, Score, Long-Range) or Executive Board members cannot serve as a referee.

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Score Committee Recommendation:

The Score Committee feels this agenda item requires some serious discussion. It has been our observation that very few shooters know or understand the Rule Book. Referees can only make good decisions if they have adequate training and or are able to consult with someone who understands the Rule Book.

IBS Executive Board Recommendation:

The Executive Board recommends that this agenda item be passed as written. The continued practice of using Committee and Executive Board members as referees creates conflict of roles particularly in the effective handling of protests. Continued prevalent use of committee members as referees will not encourage development and training of members as referees.

Motion to approve made by Dave Halblom, second by Gary Amatrudo. Motion passed.

SC#1:

Change:

F. Scoring

2) Scoring plug is to be placed in target by Scorer and not removed until a decision is made. If Scorer cannot arrive at a decision then it is to be made by the Referees before the plug is removed. At this time the letters "PR" are to be placed by the score. If the plug is used and the Referees are not needed, the letter "P" is used.

To read:

F. Scoring

2) When shot placement cannot be determined by visual inspection, an IBS approved reticule will be the only device utilized using the outside diameter of the scribed mark per the caliber used to determine score based on best edge. The target shall be placed on a flat surface in a well-illuminated area. The Scorer shall determine if the referees are needed to decide the shot placement. If the referees are utilized, the letters "RR" will be placed on the target square in question. If the Scorer can determine the proper score alone, the letter "R" will be placed on the target square which was scored.

Motion with amended agenda item made by David Apple and second by Adrian Van Gorder. Agenda item passed as amended.

SC#2:

Change:

F. Scoring

7) Records

- a. All potential aggregate and grand aggregate record targets...
- b. Any official record measurement will not affect...
- c. It is the responsibility of the competitor to obtain...

To read:

F. Scoring

7) Official Record Scoring Procedure

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a. At the end of an aggregate or grand aggregate where a potential record has been set, the prospective record aggregate targets are to be turned over to the Host Club Director.

b. Prior to being turned over to the Host Club Director, the competitor is responsible to get the targets identified and signed by all match Referees and the Range Officer. The competitor shall be responsible for submitting all possible record targets, including record aggregates, to the Host Club Director on or before the last day of the Tournament from which the targets were fired. The competitor is to fill out a records submission form, or a reasonable facsimile, listing his/her name, address, date potential record was shot, what class, and aggregate was being contested, the caliber he/she was shooting and the club name where the potential record was shot. The Host Club Director will retain one copy of the letter for file and will forward the letter, identified targets and backers (if applicable) to the Chairperson of the Score Committee.

c. The Score Chairperson shall arrange a meeting with at least three of the Score Committee members to officially score the targets. The committee members will use whatever tools or procedures they need to establish where the bullets passed through the target paper to appropriately score the targets. After Official Scoring is completed on possible record targets, the results and targets are to be forwarded to the competitor.

d. Range scoring shall apply to aggregates and grand aggregates. The scores will be accepted as official scores of that match and must be honored in the placement of competitors.

Motion made by Jeff Stover and seconded by David Halblom to combine agenda items SC#2 and G#1 and both be replaced with the following amended wording:

III Tournament Procedures

M. Conduct of Tournament

5. Duties of Tournament officials

Add section e) Host Club Director

Prospective record targets together with backers and sighter targets having been properly identified and signed by all match referees and the Range Officer shall be turned over to the Host Club Match Director with duplicate copies of the Record Submission Form on or before the last day of the Tournament in which they were shot. The Host Club Match Director shall verify that the information on the Record Submission Form matches that information submitted by the competitor on the competitor's registration card. The Director will retain one copy of the Record Submission Form for file and will forward the identified targets and backers with one copy of the Record Submission to the Chairperson of the Official Measurement Committee.

This section shall govern all disciplines of registered competition.

Range measurements stand as the official scores of that match and must be honored in the placement of competitors.

Agenda item passed as amended.

SC#3:

Change:

E. Rules for Procedure

5. Score will (sp corrected Borden 7/30/08) be protested and 30 minutes allowed for protests to be brought to the attention of the referees.

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To read:

E. Rules for Procedure

5. Aggregate scores will be posted at the end of the last match of each tournament, and 30 minutes will be allowed for protests of all targets in that aggregate. An announcement shall be made informing all competitors when the scores are posted. If a competitor has a scoring protest, a fee of \$10 will be paid to the Match Director, and the protest will be reviewed by the referees assigned for that aggregate. If the results agree with the protestor, the \$10 will be refunded. If not, the \$10 will be turned over to the IBS, and the score ruling stands. All targets will remain available for inspection until the end of the protest period.

Motion was made by David Halblom and second by Bill Sargent to amend this to:

E. Rules for procedure

5. Aggregate scores will be posted at the end of the last match of each tournament, and 30 minutes will be allowed for the latest protest(s) of any and/or all targets in that aggregate. An announcement shall be made informing all competitors when the scores are posted. If a competitor has a scoring protest, a fee of \$10 will be paid to the Match Director, and the protest will be reviewed by the referees assigned for that aggregate. If the results agree with the protestor, the \$10 will be refunded. If not, the \$10 will be turned over to the IBS, and the score ruling stands. All targets will remain available for inspection until the end of the protest period.

Agenda item passed as amended.

SC#4:

Change:

E. Rules For Procedure

- 7) Firing more than one rifle is permitted. Range Master or Referee may permit the firing of a different rifle for record with the payment of an additional fee and a new registration card made out to cover.

To read:

E. Rules For Procedure

- 7) Firing more than one rifle is permitted. Range Master or Referee may permit the firing of a different rifle for record with the payment of an additional fee and a new registration card made out to cover. However, if multiple guns are of the same class, ie two HVS or two LVS guns, the competitor would be required to designate one rifle to be used for record purposes. No placing would occur with and no points would be awarded to the other gun.

Motion by Wayne France to use Executive board Recommendation and second by Larry Feusse. After discussion second and motion were withdrawn. David Apple

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made a motion that was seconded by Adrian Van Gorder to accept the following wording:

E. Rules for procedure:

7. Firing more than one rifle of different classes is permitted. Only 1 rifle of each class may be fired and consider that LVS and HVS are separate since there are two records. This would eliminate the practice of individuals firing multiple HV or multiple LV or multiple VH or multiple HTR rifles.

Vote of membership taken and proxies included.

Vote to accept: 36. Vote to not accept: 13

Agenda item passed as amended.

LR#1:

Current rule:

Currently there is a Long Range Committee which was established to oversee the 1000 yard and 600 yard competition rules.

Change to:

Establish a 600 yard IBS Rules Committee.

Justification: There is significant difference BETWEEN the two shooting disciplines to warrant a group of 600 yard competitors to work on and establish the rules which would govern their sport. There is very little cross over between those shooters which shoot IN BOTH classes of competition.

Dave Tooley moved to reject LR#1; second by Jeff Walker and motion passed to reject LR#1.

LR#2:

Current 600 Yard SOY rules are established annually by the Long Range Committee and the current rule for qualifying shoots is as follows:

IBS 600 yard Shooter of the Year (SOY) honors will be based solely on the points accumulated at five sanctioned IBS 600 yard matches per IBS 600 yard Club per year. These matches are to be determined by the respective Club and submitted to the IBS with their match contract.

Change to:

IBS 600 yard Shooter of the Year (SOY) will be based on the Shooter's best five matches from each of the IBS 600 Yard Clubs the participant has competed in. All IBS registered matches would be considered SOY matches.

Justification: 1. Increase attendance at all IBS 600 yard Registered matches. 2. Provide an opportunity for shooters who have a conflict doing only those identified SOY matches. 3. Provide an opportunity for more shooting by all participants on annual bases and 4. Increase revenue to the IBS organization.

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Jeff Walker moved to reject LR#2; Second by Rob Ritchie; Motion to reject LR#2 passed.

LR#3:

Current rule:

Current 600 Yard SOY rules are established annually by the Long Range Committee and the current rule for qualifying shoots is as follows :

Points for the National Championship would double in value.

Change to:

National Championship points will be based on the existing SCALE for all matches.

Justification: The existing scale for match points is based on number of participants attending any given match and the Nationals should not be treated any differently. The way it stands now, you only have to attend the Nationals with double points and place pretty good with either or both guns to be Shooter of the Year. One week-end of shooting should not determine the Shooter of the Year.

Motion by Rob Ritchie with second by Carl Young to reject LR#3. Motion to reject LR#3 passed.

LR#4

IBS 1000 YARD PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM - 2008

Current Rule:

Long Range Competition

J) 1000 Yard Competition, 5) IBS awards and recognition a. (b) – If a shooter elects to become an IBS member it must be done before the match registration time closes in order to receive shooter of the year points and be able to advance to the shoot-offs for the match. If a shooter elects to not become an IBS member they can still shoot. The club should make an honest attempt to explain the process about not being able to advance to the shoot-offs and not earning points to avoid any issue later on.

Proposed Rule

Long Range Competition

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Justification:

The way the current rule is written a shooter must be a member of the IBS or join the IBS before a match (National Championships) begins to receive honors for winning. In order to promote and increase attendance at the IBS 1000 yard National Championships it is felt shooters that currently belong to Williamsport should be able to compete in the IBS National Championships with out having to join the IBS. This would allow a shooter who wants to attend the National Championships to do so with out the added expense of having to join two organizations for only one event. This rule change will help increase attendance there by helping the sponsoring Club and the IBS financially. Williamsport is an organization that has it's own respective affiliated Clubs and is not just a single club or range. This rule would only apply to the National Championships and not to regular matches. This also goes to the heart of one of the Objectives of International Benchrest Shooters, " C) To assist and encourage any individual or organization in the promotion of Benchrest Shooting". The goodwill generated by this rule change will be tremendous and help in the promotion of the IBS and Long Range Competitive shooting.

Long Range Committee Recommendation:

The Long Range Committee recommends that this agenda item pass as written.

IBS Executive Board Recommendation:

None.

Scott Fletcher moved to accept LR#4 as written; Herman Harke second. Motion to accept LR#4 passed.

G#1:

Change the first two sentences of Section V.E.4.f.

From:

"Prospective record groups and aggregate targets together with backers (except provisions of Section V.A.6) and sighter targets having been properly identified and signed by all match Referees and the Range Officer shall be turned over to the Host Club Director with duplicate letters stating all information furnished on the Competitor's registration card. The Director will retain one copy of the letter for file and will forward identified targets and backers with one copy of letter to Chairperson of Official Measurement Committee."

To read:

"Prospective record groups and aggregate targets together with backers (except provisions of Section V.A.6) and sighter targets having been properly identified and signed by all match Referees and the Range Officer shall be turned over to the Host Club Director with duplicate copies of the Record Submission Form on or before the last day of the tournament in which they were shot. The Host Club Director shall verify that the information on the Record Submission Form matches that information submitted by the competitor on the competitor's registration card. The Director will retain one copy of the Record Submission Form for file and will forward the identified targets and backers with one copy of the Record Submission Form to the Chairperson of Official Measurement Committee."

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Group Committee Recommendation:

The group committee recommends that this agenda item be passed as written.

IBS Executive Board Recommendation:

The Executive Board recommends that this agenda item be combined with the SC#2 and add wording that effects 600 and 1000 yard record targets and place the one consolidated rule into the general tournament procedures section of the rulebook so that the record target handling procedure is handled for all disciplines on equal footing and in one place. It is also recommended that wording be added to make it clear that the targets are to be turned into Host Club Director on the day the potential record is set.

This was combined with SC#2 and amended. See earlier note regarding SC#2.

BL#1:

Current By Laws

1000-YARD COMMITTEE

Section 1.

The 1000 Yard Committee shall consist of minimum of three (3) and a maximum of six (6) Individual Members nominated and elected by a majority Vote of the 1000 Yard competitors at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2.

The members of the 1000 Yard Committee from among their number shall designate the Chairperson of the 1000 Yard Committee.

Section 3.

The members of the 1000 Yard Committee shall serve a term of one (1) year or until the next Annual Meeting, whichever is greater.

Section 4.

The 1000 Yard Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations regarding 1000 Yard competition to the Board of Directors.

Recommended Change to agree with what has already been changed:

Long Range COMMITTEE

Section 1.

The Long Range Committee shall consist of minimum of three (3) and a maximum of six (6) Individual Members nominated and elected by a majority Vote of the Long Range competitors at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2.

The members of the Long Range Committee from among their number shall designate the Chairperson of the Long Range Committee.

Section 3.

The members of the long Range Committee shall serve a term of one (1) year or until the next Annual Meeting, whichever is greater.

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Section 4.

The Long Range Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations regarding 600 and 1000 Yard competition to the Board of Directors.

Long Range Committee recommendation:

The Long Range Committee recommends that the wording of this item be changed to have a 7 person committee with up to 3 persons that shoot the 600 yard and 3 persons that shoot the 1000 yard discipline and one chairman.

Agenda Item amended to read:

Section 1.

The Long Range Committee shall consist of minimum of three (3) and a maximum of six (7) Individual Members nominated and elected by a majority Vote of the Long Range competitors at the Annual Meeting. The committee is to be made up of up to 3 persons from 600 yard shooting and up to three persons from 1000 yard competition and 1 chairperson from either 600 or 1000 yard shooting.

Section 2.

The members of the Long Range Committee from among their number shall designate the Chairperson of the Long Range Committee.

Section 3.

The members of the long Range Committee shall serve a term of one (1) year or until the next Annual Meeting, whichever is greater.

Section 4.

The Long Range Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations regarding 600 and 1000 yard competition to the Board of Directors.

BL#2:

Current By-Law

ARTICLE XVI

RIMFIRE COMMITTEE

Section 1.

The Rimfire Committee shall consist of minimum of three (3) and a maximum of six (6) Individual Members nominated and elected by a majority Vote of the Varmint Rifle competitors at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2.

The members of the Rimfire Committee from among their number shall designate the Chairperson of the Rimfire Committee.

Section 3.

The members of the Rimfire Committee shall serve a term of one (1) year or until the next Annual Meeting, whichever is greater.

Section 4.

The Rimfire Committee shall be responsible for making recommendations regarding Rimfire competition to the Board of Directors.

Recommended Change to agree with what has already been changed:

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Eliminate ARTICLE XVI-RIMFIRE COMMITTEE from By-laws.

**Motion made by David Halblom with second by Adrian Van Gorder to accept BL#2.
Motion passed so By-Law concerning Rimfire is eliminated from By-Laws.**

BL#3:

Current By-Law

ARTICLE XX FINANCES

Section 1.

The Board of Directors shall establish a schedule of fees that shall be sufficient to pay the Corporation's expenses and to maintain the value of the Corporation's assets.

Section 2.

The fiscal year shall be from February 1st to January 31st.

Section 3.

Annually between the end of the fiscal year and the Annual Meeting, the books and the accounts shall be audited by a special auditing of two (2) appointed by the President with the advice and the consent of the Directors. The Board of Directors, by a majority vote may cause an independent audit to be made by an outside auditing firm at any time when in their judgment it is deemed advisable.

Section 4.

The net savings or surplus remaining after all operating costs and other expenses have been paid shall remain in the Corporation's treasury for the purpose of new equipment or for contingencies, as shall be determined by the Board of Directors The net savings in any event shall not be distributed to the Members for their individual use.

Recommended Change:

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Motion from Mike Mastrogiavani with second by Gerry Malerba to accept BL#3 as written. Motion passed.

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Motion by David Halblom to adjourn with Second by Bob White. Motion passed and 2009 IBS Annual membership meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Borden
IBS Recording Secretary