

IBS Annual Membership Meeting

January 12, 2019

The 50th Annual Membership Meeting of the International Benchrest Shooters was held on January 12, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Harrisburg, Grantville, Pa. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Jeff Stover. A moment of silence was observed for friends that had passed in the previous year.

First Vice-President Jim Cline filled in for Recording Secretary Joan Borden, who was ill, to call the roll of Match directors to determine a quorum. Clubs present or proxy representations in attendance were: *Fairfax, Mid Carolina, GMSA, Black Creek, Orrington, Blue Grass, Buck Creek, Bell City, Capitol City, Ashe County, Sulphyr Springs, Florida Benchrest, Bowmanstown, Pine Tree, Bridgeville, IWLA York, Union County, Ga 1000 yard, MSSA, TN, Hawks Ridge, BRRC- St. Louis, Whitehorse, Vapor Trail, Va. 1000, Mainville, Camillus, Central Va, Manatee, Pinetucky, South Creek, and Piedmont.* Executive Board members present were: Jeff Stover, Bill Gebhardt, Frank Danisienka, Bob White, Jim Cline and Jim Bauer. A quorum was established.

Recording Secretary- Stover gave the Recording Secretary report. As of January 2019 the membership totals 968 plus 97 Life Members. The Recording Secretary's reports showed that \$55,096 was turned over to the Treasurer. Joan sends monthly reports and funds to Treasurer.

Treasurer Bill Gebhardt reported; he stated the finances are solid. Total cash assets are \$106,538 including the President's Fund and two CDs which total nearly \$20,000.

The IBS Secretarial books were audited by a CPA in Tunkhannock, PA. The Treasurer's books were audited by an accountant from Lock Haven, PA. Stover noted that the records of both the Treasurer and Recording Secretary will be audited by Bob Hager, CPA of Muncy, PA.

First VP and Match Chairman Jim Cline gave the match schedule report. The following Clubs will be holding the Nationals this year: 1000 yard- Hawks Ridge, NC; 600 yard- Gopher Rifle Club, MN; Score 100-200- Mid-Carolina Gun Club, SC; Score 200-300- Georgia Mountain Shooting Assoc., GA; and Group- Holton, MI.

Second Vice President Frank Danisienka provided a status report regarding the Score Hall of Fame. This effort had been nearly dormant for a number of years, but Frank has been working with Gary Long and others. Stover noted that Frank will retire at the end of his term at the conclusion of the 2020 Annual Meeting. Stover thanked him for his dedication to the position and announced the IBS is looking for his successor.

Long Range Committee report was given by David Mathews. Awards were presented to those in attendance and handed out to others to deliver, or will be mailed.

1000 yard Shooter of the Year is Mike Wilson. Donna Matthews was Top Female, Tom Dunn was Top Rookie and Amber Brewer was Top Junior.

1000 Yard SOY Standings 2018		
Mike Wilson (18)	31.925	2018 SOY
William Ice (18)	19.580	2nd
Tom Dunn (R) (18)	18.890	3rd 2018 RSOY
Tim Gonnerman	18.050	4th
Bob Denver (18)	17.515	5th
David Torgerson	16.073	6th
David Matthews (18)	15.390	7th
Jeff Green (18)	14.115	8th
Carroll Lance	13.915	9th
Donna Matthews F(18)	13.035	10th 2018 FSOY
Ray Lowman (18)	12.495	11th
Mike Gaizauskas	12.420	12th
JC Jarrell	12.200	13th
Gary Nicholson	11.540	14th
Amber Brewer F JR	11.510	15th 2018 JR SOY

600 Yard Shooter of the Year is Bart Sauter. Female Shooter of the Year was Donna Matthews. Matt Kookey was Rookie SOY and Andrew Powers reigned at Junior SOY.

600 Yard SOY Standings 2018		
Place	Shooter	Points
1	Bart Sauter	130.750
2	Steve Wilson	121
3	Carroll Lance	90.25
4	Scotty Powell	74.5
5	Steve Hoskin	70

6	Johnny Powers	67
7	Gaylon Bryeans	66.5
8	Mike McBride	61.75
9	Andy Ferguson	60.75
10	Seth Wooten	53
11	Kent Sickmeyer	52

2019 Long Range Committee: David Matthews (Chairman), Mike Wallace, Carroll Lance, Steve Wilson, Mike Wilson, Bart Sauter, Richard Schatz and Brian Lukkar.

Group Committee report was given by Kent Harshman. The 2019 Nationals will be held at Holton, PA.

Group Shooter of the Year is Bob White and Rookie Shooter of the Year is Devin Burdick.

Group SOY Standings 2018	
1	White Bob
2	Burdick Ron
3	Peinhardt Jeff
4	Brushingham Bob
5	Didas Ronald
6	Donalds Kevin Sr
7	Hamister Robert
8	Lachapelle Bruce
9	Sutton Jack
10	Baker Harley

Group Committee for 2019: Kent Harshman, Jack Sutton, Mark Trutt, Dale Boob, Russell Rains, Sid Goodling, Dale Boop and Brian Dolinsky.

Score Committee report was given by Jerry Powers. Jerry thanked the committee for serving this past year. The Score awards were distributed.

VFS Shooter of the Year is Dewey Hancock. Todd Rodkey was Rookie SOY

VFS Standings 2018			
Pts	Name	# Shoots	Pl
1516	Hancock, Dewey	10	1
1450	Bosley, John	10	2
1438	Cline, Jim	10	3
1319	Milford, Ronnie	10	4
1299	Clayton, Michael	10	5
1245	France, Wayne	10	6
1240	Sissel, Richard	10	7
1233	Gibby, Chris	10	8
1213	Payseur, Todd	10	9
1047	Hooper, James	10	10

6X Shooter of the Year is Brian Fitch.

6 Power Standings 2018			
Pts	Name	# Shoots	Pl
248.0	Fitch, Brian	10	1
190.0	Bunker, Orland	10	2
174.5	Hills, Peter	10	3
147.0	Cameron, Don	10	4
131.5	Benoit, Thomas	10	5

2019 Score Committee: Ronnie Milford (Chairman), Orland Bunker, Brian Fitch, Jerry Powers, John Bosley, Dewey Hancock, Gary Slawick and Todd Payseur.

Records Committee report was given by Kent Harshman. Kent thanked his committee consisting of Dave Tooley and Bobby Hart who have served for 13 years on behalf of the entire IBS membership.

The Committee had 30 record submissions in 2018. From those submissions, we had 24 new records established; 2 in 600-Yard, 2 in 1000-Yard, 4 in Group and 16 in Score.

2018 Chronological Order of Ratified Records by Discipline

600-Yard Records

04/21/18

Bart Sauter - 600-Yard HG Score

Confirmed Record: 50/0.311"

04/21/18

Bart Sauter - 600-Yard HG Group

Confirmed Record: 0.311"

1000-Yard Records

07/21/2018

Mike Wilson – 1000-Yard LG 5-Shot Score

Confirmed Record: 50/1.087"

07/21/2018

Mike Wilson – 1000-Yard LG 5-Shot Group

Confirmed Record: 1.087"

Group Records

08/13/2018

Don Powell – HB 100 Yard 10-Shot Group Aggregate

Confirmed Record: .1889"

08/13/2018

Jeff Peinhardt – HB 100 Yard 10-Shot Group Aggregate

Confirmed Record: .1881"

08/18/2018

Paul Mitchell – HB 200 10-Shot Group Aggregate

Confirmed Record: .1742"

08/13, 18/2018

Paul Mitchell – HB 100/200 10-Shot Group Grand Aggregate

Confirmed Record: .2145"

Score Records

05/06/2018

Randy Jarvais – HVFS 100 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD 250-25X-22WO's

06/02/18

Jim Cline – LVFS 300 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 250-9X

06/09, 10/18

Wayne France – HVFS 100/200/300 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED 750-42X's

08/04, 05/18

Dewey Hancock – HVFS 200/300 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 500-23X

09/01/18

Richard Sissel – HVFS 200 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 250-21X

Richard Sissel – HVFS 100/200 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 500-44X

09/29/18

John Bosley – HVFS 300 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 250-12X

09/29, 30/18

Jim Cline – LVFS 100/200/300 Yard Grand Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 750-38X

Jim Cline – LVFS 200/300 Yard Grand Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 500-17X

09/29, 30/18

Dewey Hancock – HVFS 100/200/300 Yard Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 750-46X

10/14/18

Dewey Hancock – LVFS 300 Meter Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 248-1X

10/14/18

Jim Cline - LVFS 300 Meter Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 247-2X

10/13, 14/18

Jim Cline – LVFS 200/300 Meter Grand Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 495-12X

10/13, 14/18

Jim Cline – LVFS 100/200/300 Meter Grand Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 745-27X

10/14/18

Todd Payseur – VH 300 Meter Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 243-1X

(New Meter Record established as of 10/14/18 – Aggregate contested twice)

Dean Breeden – VH 100/200/300 Meter Grand Aggregate

CONFIRMED RECORD: 735-18X

Kent mentioned the importance of the RECORD SUBMISSION FORM, even for 'Score' submissions of 250-25X ratifications or 750 ratifications. The RECORD SUBMISSION FORM needs fully completed. And, do not submit warmup targets.

Target need to shipped in flat boxes and NOT in tubes.

Voting results for Executive Board Officers were announced by Stover.

President: Jeff Stover, 303 votes with 21 other votes

First VP/Match Chairman: Jim Cline, 154 votes; Jeff Green, 65 votes and 5 other votes

Agenda Item Votes (see appendix for ballot wording):

LR5 (Coaching): 238 yes, 23 no, and 6 no votes.

LR1 (600 Yard, One Range, One Club): 180 yes, 71 no and 17 no votes

LR3 (1000 Yard, One Range, One Club with Exceptions): 179 yes, 67 no and 20 no votes.

Presidents Report:

Jeff Stover went over a PowerPoint slide show which is posted separately on the IBS website along with his annual report.

2018 Season Rule Book Items:

The meeting moved into the proposed agenda items. For this year, the three agenda items could only be discussed because they had not been published for 45 days before the Annual Meeting. Stover explained that he was responsible for this oversight.

The agenda items were:

SC1: Include a 2-gun and 3-gun Aggregate and Recognize 200-300 yard Aggregates

We the below signed members of IBS would like to change the below sections to include a 2 gun and 3 gun aggregate and update the section to recognize the 200-300 yard aggregates as championships. This will also include any and all applicable records that will apply. Below is a direct excerpt out of the rule book in bold black letters. The suggested changes will be in red letters that we would like to discuss as an agenda item at the 2018 winter meeting.

d) Score Championship Grand Aggregates

Targets	Shots	Distance	Classes
5	5	100/200 Yds.	HTR, VH, VFS
5	5	100/200 Meters	HTR, VH, VFS
5	5	100/200 Yd/M	HTR, VFS
5	5	200/300 Yd/M	HTR, VFS

e) Unfired Events – 2-gun Grand Aggregate

Targets	Shots	Distance	Classes
5	5	100/200 Yds.	HTR or VH &, VFS
5	5	100/200 Yd/M	HV-LV
5	5	100/200 Yd/M	VFS-HTR or VH
5	5	200/300 Yd/M	HV-LV
5	5	200/300 Yd/M	VFS-HTR or VH
5	5	100/200/300 Yd/M	HV-LV
5	5	100/200/300 Yd/M	VFS-HTR

*******SECTION F BELOW IS AN ADDED SECTION*******

f) Unfired Events – 3-gun Grand Aggregate (NATIONALS ONLY)

Targets	Shots	Distance	Classes
5	5	100/200 Yd/M	HV-LV-HTR or VH
5	5	200/300 Yd/M	HV-LV-HTR or VH

LR1: Proposed Change to the 600 Yard Shooter of the Year Program

Issue: Currently, Light Gun Overall and Heavy Gun Overall do not count for Shooter of the Year points. This agenda item would remedy the situation.

Proposal: Change Shooter of the Year points calculated to read:

Points will be awarded for the Two Gun Overall, Light Gun Overall, Heavy Gun Overall, Light Gun Score and Group Heavy Gun Score and Group.

LR2: Proposed Change for Two Gun Calculation

Issue: Two Gun Calculations are determined by adding together a shooter's rankings in Light Gun and Heavy gun Score and Group, They are not based on the Shooters Overall Group aggregate and total Score for the match. This essentially turns the Two Gun calculations into an estimate.

Proposal: Calculate Overall Two Gun based on the Shooters Overall Aggregate and Score for the match using the below method.

The overall Two Gun for any shooter will be calculated using the following method:

1. The shooter's two Gun group aggregate will be determined by adding all group sizes shot in LG and HG together and dividing by the number of targets.
2. A shooter's Two Gun score will be determined by adding all scores from targets shot in LG and HG.
3. Shooters will be given a ranking based on the shooters overall Two Gun aggregate (smallest to Largest) and overall Two Gun score (highest to smallest).
4. The Shooter's ranking numbers from overall Two Gun aggregate and overall Two Gun score will be added together to determine overall Two Gun Rank. This ranking will be sorted in ascending order, the lowest number will be deemed the overall Two-Gun aggregate winner.

The procedure for breaking Two Gun Ties will remain the same.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Jeff Stover, President (for Joan Borden, Recording Secretary).

Appendix A:

2018 Mail-in Ballot Facsimile

Temporary Rule Changes to be Made Permanent (if approved)

Please vote yes or no to the following rule changes and mail back with your ballot in the envelope provided. Return envelope must be signed in order to count.

LR5: "Coaching Rule Changes"

Re: New Long Range Rule book, page 26 "General Rules", Coaching.

Existing Rule:

1147 Coaching. Coaching will be allowed during the sighter period only. Exception: for safety and 1148 instruction proposed, new shooters may be assisted during their sighter period and record string

1149 with permission for the Range Officer and for no more than two matches. Other than this 1150 exception competitors caught coaching or receiving coaching will be disqualified.

Proposed rule Change:

Replace lines 1147, 1148, 1149 and 1150 with the following:

Coaching will be allowed during the sighter period only. Exceptions for safety reasons only. New shooters may be assisted during their Rookie period with permission for the Range/Safety Officer. Mentally or physically handicapped shooters may receive assistance with permission from the Range/Safety Officer. Handicapped shooters must indicate what type of assistance they require prior to the start of the match. It is for the Range/Safety officer to determine whether this request is reasonable, fair or within current IBS rules. The Range/Safety officer may allow a new, rookie or handicapped shooter a previously designated coach and that person/coach, during the sighter period only, may fire a sufficient number of shots until one shot is spotted on the bank, berm, or sighter target. Then the New, Rookie or handicapped shooter must resume firing the rifle for the remainder of the sighter period. If a Coach performs more than described here and or to the Range/Safety officer, then both the shooter and Coach will be disqualified from the matches in which they committed the violations

Reason for Change/Addendum: Pursuant to the 2016 IBS National Championship incident where an advising competitor took possession of another competitor's gun , occupied the same competitors seat at their assigned bench. Shot the same competitors rifle and adjusted the same competitors scope so as to be "on target". The previously mentions "same" competitor had participated in many previous IBS matches including top ten finishes at National competitions and obviously did not have Rookie status.

Through a misunderstanding with a Range Officer this "advising" competitor took full advantage of the Range Officer's lack of familiarity with this "advising" competitor and did not

convey their full intentions. It is also commonly felt that this was a violation of existing rules but further clarification would be helpful in future situations.

_____yes _____No

LR1: "For 600 yard competition at a given range, only one IBS Club may host matches that earn 600 yard SOY points."

One IBS affiliated club may use a single or common range facility including the ability to award 600 yard IBS SOY points. Any additional IBS club wishing to use a range or club facility that another IBS club is currently using may not award 600 yard SOY points at their matches.

Reason for Rule Change: There is no existing rule concerning this matter and this proposal would be an addition to the rules instead of a "Change". Currently we have no formal policy in place for the addition or prohibition of new IBS clubs or existing IBS clubs piggybacking an existing IBS range/club facility. At the Winter Meeting of 2015 it was decided by the LR committee that any additional IBS clubs, whether new or existing, may not use an IBS affiliated range/club facility that is currently being used by a IBS club including the ability to award SOY points. See current January 16, 2016 IBS 600 yard shooter of the year program on the IBS website. In effort to promote consistency within 600 yard discipline and at the direction of the LR committee.

_____yes _____No

LR3: "One Club/One range with Exceptions" in 1000 yard competition

1000 yard Ranges and clubs-Ranges are only permitted to hold IBS sanctioned matches for one IBS Club for its 1000 yard matches, noting that: The Virginia 1000 yard Benchrest club is grandfathered and is not subject to this rule.

By action of the Long Range committee, and with agreement by the Executive board, this one range/one club rule may be waived in order to allow more than one club to use the same range if there is a reasonable expectation that it will lead to growth of the 1000 yard discipline. However, the second club at the range must be a distinct club with distinct officers running its own matches, not a clone of the other club.

The Long Range Committee is required, to the best of its ability, to establish a 1000 yard Shooter of the Year points system that minimizes geographical advantage. (EBoard comment- this last statement is a recommendation and not subject to a rules amendment)

_____yes _____No