



# International Benchrest Shooters

54th Annual Meeting January 15, 2025



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**INTERNATIONAL BENCHREST SHOOTERS  
INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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# Zoom Guide



## How to Unmute Your Audio:

Use the Zoom toolbar On a PC or Mac, position your mouse over the Zoom window and the toolbar will pop up.

On an iPhone/Android, tap the screen until you see the toolbar. Locate the “Mute” button (which looks like a microphone) on the toolbar. On a Mac, PC, web client, smartphone, the toolbar stretches across the bottom of the screen or window. On a tablet, the tool bar at the top of the screen. Click or tap on the “Mute” button.

Cell phone controls \*6 - Toggle mute/unmute.

How to turn on your video: On the toolbar, press the camera icon that reads “Start Video.” If your video is already on, the icon will read Video.”

Please Keep Microphone MUTED Unless you are speaking.





**Waiting for the right conditions at 100 yards...**

## Bill “Big Bird” Gebhardt 1945-2024



Bill Gebhardt left for quieter ranges on December 30, 2024. He was an accomplished benchrest shooter, IBS officer for decades and IBS life member and machinist. As a skilled machinist, he created his Bald Eagle Precision Machine Co. in Lock Haven, PA. The business was sold to Grizzly Imports in 2010.

He served in the U. S. Army in Vietnam as an M.P. Over the years, his rifle rests were seen on firing lines around the world. When asked about his sales to the benchrest crowd, he said “it’s a big world out there” with an unseen market outside of competition. For example, famed country singer Hank Williams Jr. is a shooter and called him a couple of times for rests. Bill traded his products to Hank for CDs and other items.

Some may have known Bill as “Big Bird”. That nickname originated when a customer called Bald Eagle Precision one day and asked for the “Head Eagle”, Bill responded with “you’ve got Big Bird” - it stuck hard and fast. He was also known as “Cash Only Gebhardt”. But that is another story.

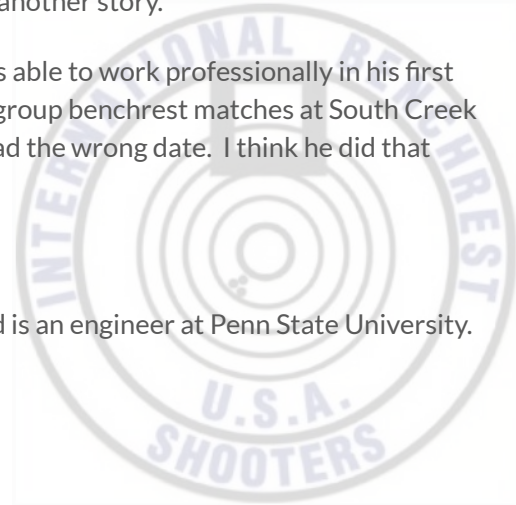
Big Bird was a long time friend to me and the entire shooting fraternity. He built a solid business from nothing and was able to work professionally in his first love, shooting rifles. I remember him telling me about his early competition days when he was a regular at the winter group benchrest matches at South Creek in rural northern PA. In his eagerness, he once drove there one Sunday morning for nearly two hours only to find he had the wrong date. I think he did that only one time.

He has been in declining health for a number of years. He died at home.

He is survived by two children. Kelly is a veterinarian in NC and owns a large practice. His son Harry lives close by and is an engineer at Penn State University.

Jeff Stover

January 11, 2025





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# Welcome to the 54th Annual Meeting of the International Benchrest Shooters

Establish a Quorum of IBS Clubs and Executive Board  
Members



# IBS Clubs - Proxy Received



Lee  
**Bell City Rifle Club, Southington, CT**  
Lee  
**Black Creek Winter League**  
JC  
**Bowmanstown Rod & Gun, PA**  
JC  
**Bridgeville Rifle & Pistol Club, DE**  
JC  
**Caledonia Forest & Stream Club**  
JC  
**Camillus Sportsman Club, NY**  
JC  
**Canaan Rifle Club**  
Lee  
**Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Club**  
JC  
**Cherry Ridge Range (ANJRPC)**  
JC  
**Elbert County Gun Club**  
Lee  
**Fairfax Rod & Gun Club, VA**  
JC  
**Georgia Mountain Shooting Association**  
JC  
**Just For Fun Sports Association**  
JC  
**Lincoln County Rifle Club (Damariscotta), ME**  
JC  
**Mainville Sportsman's Club, PA**





# IBS Clubs - Proxy Received



JC  
**Memphis Sport Shooting Assn**  
JC  
**Mid-Carolina, Orangeburg SC**  
JC  
**Montana NW 1000 Yd, Deep Creek, Missoula, MT**  
JC  
**Orrington Rod & Gun Club**  
JC  
**Palmetto Gun Club**  
JC  
**Piedmont Gun Club, NC 100-200**  
JC  
**Pine Tree Rifle Club**  
JC  
**Rattlesnake Ranch Wildlife Club**  
JC  
**South Creek Northern Tier Sp Club, PA**  
JC  
**Sulphyr Springs Rifle & Revolver Club**  
JC  
**Union County Sp Club, PA**



# 2024 Leadership Team



## *2024 Executive Board*

Jim Cline - First VP and Match Chairman

Ron Mattson - Second VP and Awards Chairman

Don Cameron - Treasurer

Lee Martin - Executive Secretary

Bob White - Advisory

David Matthews - Past President

Jeff Peinhardt - President



# Recording Secretary – Kay Aikey



Thank you for all you do!



# Competition Committees



600-1000 Committee Steve Wilson (Chair), Richard Schatz, Mike Wilson, Robbie Miles, Bart Sauter, David Wey, JC Jarrel and Tom Mousel

Score Committee Todd Payseur (Chair) Orland Bunker, Brian Fitch, Delle Smith and Chris Gibby

Group Committee Paul Mitchell (Chair), Harley Baker, Al Aumen, Jack Sutton and Bob Hamister

Records Committee Tommy Williams (Chair), Bob Hart, Brian Buttrick and Jason Wolf

Awards Committee Ron Mattson(Chair) Robbie Miles, Bart Sauter, Michael Clayton

Rimfire Committee: Mark Burns (Chair)



# Thank you to our points keepers!

600 - Taylor Ebbitt

1,000 Yards- Tom Mousel

Group - Bill McIntyre

Precision Rifleman - Bart Sauter

Score - Todd Payseur





# Treasurer's Report

Don Cameron



# Income for the year 2024

● Total Match fees	\$ 7,171.00
● Member Dues	\$25,865.00
● Royalties	\$ 1,760.58
● Interest Income	\$ 3,859.93
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● Gross Income	\$38,656.51



# Expenses for the year 2024

● Advertising & Promotions	\$ 3,755.00
● Award Expense	\$ 5,569.24
● Management & Membership	\$12,742.38
● Professional Fees	\$ 80.00
● Postage & Shipping	\$ 833.39
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● Total Expense	\$22,979.99





# 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Presidents Report



**Ron Mattson**

**Awards for 2024 Season**



# Awards Report

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All 2024 awards have shipped and received by recipients

## **CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS FOR 2024:**

JACKETS WILL BE ORDERED AS NEEDED & SHIPPED FROM THE SUPPLIER TO THE WINNER.

PLAQUES WILL BE MAILED DIRECTLY FROM THE TROPHY COMPANY TO THE MATCH DIRECTORS.

PATCHES & PINS WILL BE EITHER HAND DELIVERED, OR MAILED TO THE MATCH DIRECTORS.

WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO CONTROL DELIVERY COSTS TO THE ORGANIZATION



# Awards-Group

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## *GROUP LV, HV, HB, SPORTER CHAMPIONSHIPS*

- KEEPER PLAQUES FOR LV, HV, HB, SPORTER
  - 100&200 WINNERS EACH CLASS
  - 100-200 AGG WINNER EACH CLASS
  - 2-, 3-, & 4-GUN 100-200 AGG WINNERS
  - FEMALE 100-200 & 200-300 AGG WINNERS
- 5" CHAMPIONSHIP PATCHES
- 3" TOP 20 PATCHES TO LV, HV, HB, & 2-, 3-, 4-GUN
- MATCH WINNER PINS FOR EACH MATCH



# Awards Score

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## VFS & HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS

- KEEPER PLAQUES FOR VFS, HUNTER, 2-GUN WINNERS, FEMALE, & ROOKIE)
  - 100, 200, & 300 WINNERS
  - 100-200 and 200-300 AGG WINNERS
  - 2-GUN 100-200 and 200-300 AGG WINNERS
  - FEMALE & ROOKIE 100-200 & 200-300 AGG WINNERS
- 5" CHAMPIONSHIP PATCHES
- 3" TOP 20 PATCHES, VFS
- 3" TOP 10 PATCHES, HUNTER CLASS
- MATCH WINNER PINS



# Awards 600YD And 1000YD

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## 600 & 1000 YARD LG & HB CHAMPIONSHIPS

- KEEPER PLAQUES (LG & HG)
  - FOR GROUP, SCORE, & OVERALL CHAMPIONS
  - 2-GUN AGG WINNER
  - FEMALE AGG WINNER
  - ROOKIE AGG WINNER
- 5" CHAMPIONSHIP PATCHES
- 3" TOP 20 PATCHES TO SCORE, GROUP, & AGG
- MATCH WINNER PINS – 2 PIN PER MATCH (SCORE & GROUP)



# Other



- *THERE WAS A SUGGESTION FOR A PIN FOR A 750 IN VFS*



# Long Range Marksman Awards 2024 Season

Taylor Ebbitt

Congratulations to these fine LRM accomplishments!

**Gold:**

David Torgerson

**Silver:**

*Non Accomplished during 2024 IBS Shooting Season*

**Bronze:**

*Non Accomplished during 2024 IBS Shooting Season*



# Precision Rifleman Awards 2024 Season

Bart Sauter

Congratulations to these fine accomplishments!

**Gold:**

*Non Accomplished during 2024 IBS Shooting Season*

**Silver:**

Lee Hachigian

**Bronze:**

Hugh Williamson

Curt Knitt





# Long Range Report



Steve Wilson



# 2024 600 YD Shooter of the Year

Page 1 - Steve Wilson

## TOP 10

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1 SETH WOOTEN 245.75

2 ROBBY VICK 232

3 SCOTTY POWELL 200.5

4 SAM HALL 166.75

5 MIKE WOOTEN 111

6 MARK THOMPSON 99

7 JEFF GODFREY 98

8 JIM CLINE 85

9 DARBY BECK 83.75

10 CURT KNITT 77.5



# 2024 600 YD Shooter of the Year

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## TOP FEMALE

SHELLY GUDGER 23

## TOP ROOKIE

RICHARD BRANCH 40.25



# 2024 1000 YD Shooter of the Year

Tom Mousel

## TOP 5



1. David Torgerson 22.064
2. Nick Howlett 19.672
3. Tom Mousel 16.998
4. Glenn Kulzer 14.662
5. Tom Jacobs 11.921

**TOP ROOKIE:** Kurt Ibach

**TOP FEMALE:** Teresa Mattingly

**TOP JUNIOR:** None



# Group Committee Report

Paul Mitchell





### ***Group Committee Members:***

Paul Mitchell (chair), Harley Baker, Jack Sutton, Al Auman and Bob Hamister

Thank you all for serving.

Bill McIntyre has served tallying the Group SOY points for 2024 and has agreed to continue for 2025.

Thank you Bill



# Group Report



## *Group Committee Members:*

Paul Mitchell, Harley Baker, Jack Sutton, Al Auman and Bob Hamister all have agreed to continue serving.

Thank you all for serving.

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Thank you, Bill



# Group Report

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## *Group Report for 2024 Season*

The group nationals were held in Holton Mi.

August 5th through the 10th .

It was a very well-run event with 70 shooters in the shoulder gun classes and 45 in the unlimited class.

Thank you, Nancy Scarbough and her whole crew!





# Group Report

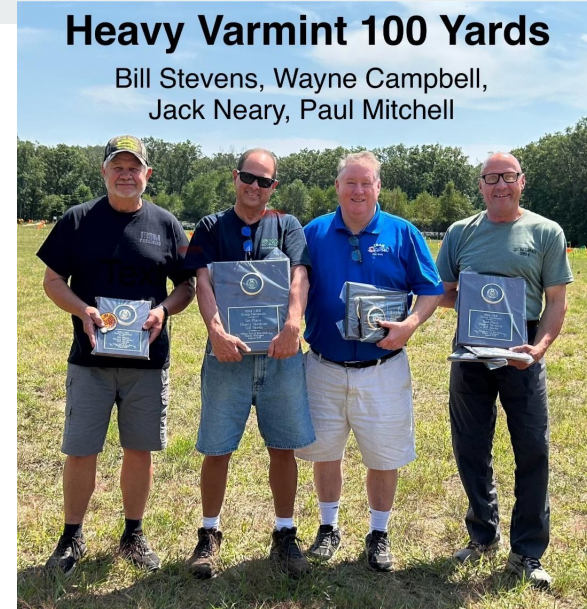


## *Other Group Matches Held*

We had 9 other matches held in 2024:

Canaan held 3, South Creek held 2, Mainville held 2, Camillus held 1 and Union County held 1

Attendance was fair with some conflicting matches hurting attendance.



# Group Report



## Group Awards SOY

- 1- Jeff Peinhardt with 372 points
- 2- Mike Bennett with 313 points
- 3- Paul Mitchell with 305 points
- 4- Jack Sutton with 258 points
- 5- Bob Hamister with 240 points

A complete list of competitors can be found on the IBS website



# Group Report



## 2025 IBS Group Matches

IBS website has a list of matches to be held in 2025. There will be some additions so please check the schedule. Also, please try to attend the new venues holding IBS Two-Gun Group matches.

A big thanks to Harley Baker for helping with the 2025 season planning.

Pending approval, the current committee has served 2024 well and will continue for 2025 as appointed.

Paul Mitchell (Chair)

Harley Baker

Bob Hamister

Jack Sutton

Al Auman



# Score Report



Todd Payseur



# VFS Shooter of the year



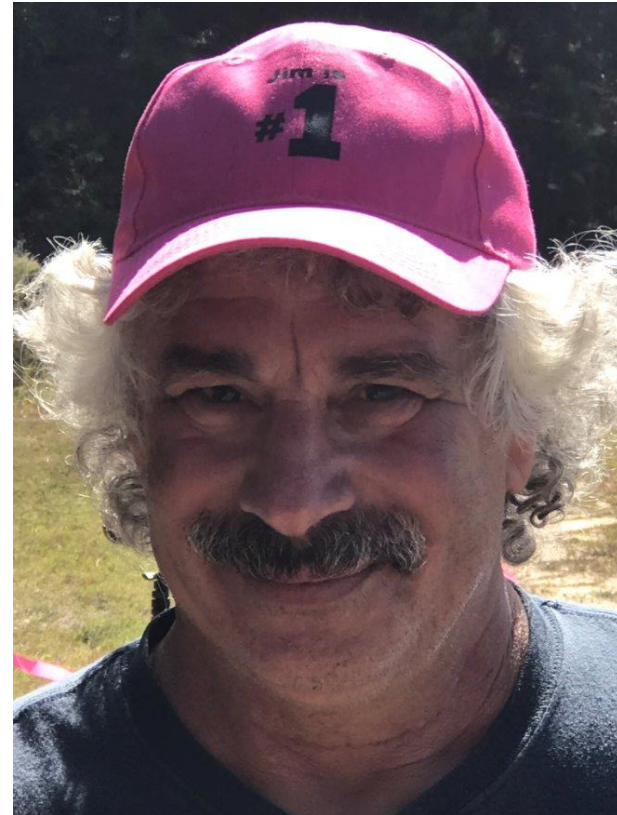
Jim Cline with 1069 points



# VH and Hunter Shooter of the year



Brian Fitch with 277 points



# VFS Rookie of the year



Michael Dunn with 622 points



# VFS Junior shooter of the year



Natalie Gibby with 70 points





# VFS Female shooter of the year

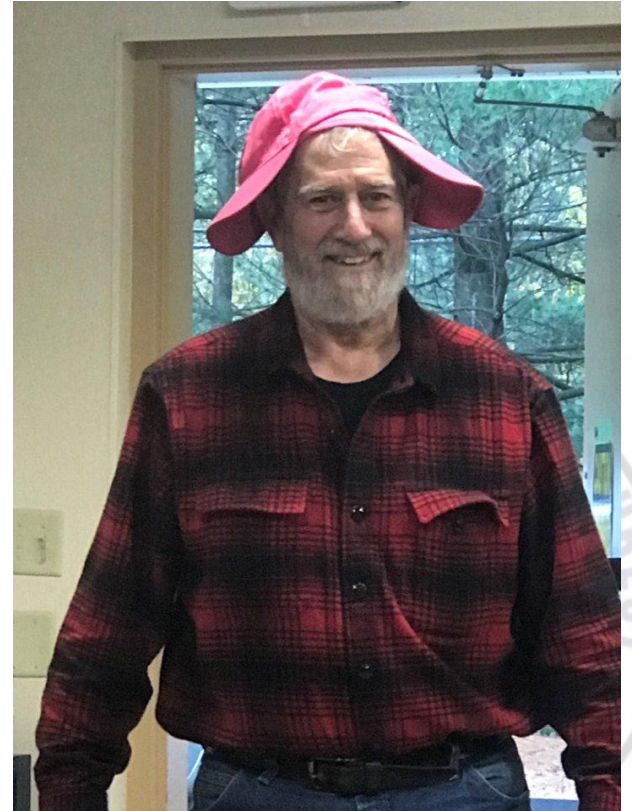


Tammy Cline with 617 points



## 2024 IBS season

- We had a total of 192 shooters participate this year in VFS.
- We had 27 shooters in the Varmint hunter and hunter class.
- Our 200/300 yard National champs were Blaine McRay in VFS and Tom Benoit in VH/H held at Lincoln county rifle club.
- Our 100/200 yard National champs were Kevin Roark in VFS and Jim Cline in VH/H held at Fairfax rod and gun club.



# Records Report

**Tommy Williams**



**2024 IBS Long Range Record Submission Groups and Scores Turned In - No 600 Yd Record Submissions turned in -**

<b>Long Range</b>		<b>2024 IBS 1000 Yard Score That Tied 2023 records, did not beat tiebreaker</b>						
Name	Class	Gun	Shot	Group/Score	Submitted Record	Tiebreaker	2023 Standing Record	2024 Record
Lonnie Andreson	20 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	48.25	4.970	48.25 TB 4.3825	NO



**2024 IBS 1000 Yard Scores/Groups That Broke 2023 records**

Name	Class	Gun	Shot	Group/Score	Record	Tiebreaker	2023 Standing Record	Surpassed 2023 Record
Nick Howlett	20 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	48.40	4.164	48.25 TB 4.3825	YES
Nick Howlett	20 Target Agg Group	Light Gun	5 Shot	GROUP	4.1641	48.40	4.3825 TB 48.25	YES
Nick Howlett	12 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	49.833	3.4193	49.6667 TB 3.7749	YES
David Torgerson	20 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	48.25	3.9215	48.25 TB 4.3825	YES
David Torgerson	20 Target Agg Group	Light Gun	5 Shot	GROUP	3.9215	48.25	4.3825 TB 48.25	YES
Darin Van Oosterhout	20 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	48.30	4.483	48.25 TB 4.3825	YES



**2024 IBS Records going forward**

Name	Class	Gun	Shot	Group/Score	Record	Tiebreaker	2024 RECORD
David Torgerson	20 Target Agg Group	Light Gun	5 Shot	Group	3.9215	48.25	YES
Nick Howlett	20 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	48.40	4.164	YES
Nick Howlett	12 Target Agg Score	Light Gun	5 Shot	SCORE	49.833	3.4193	YES



**SCORE****2024 AGGREGATE / GRAND AGGREGATE RECORDS**

CLASS	DISTANCE	MATCHES	SHOTS	Aggregate/Grand Agg	SCORE	NAME	DATE	2023 Standing Record	2024 RECORD
HV	100 Yards	5	5	SCORE AGG	250-25X/17 WO	Jason Owens	3/2/2024	250-25X/22 WO	NO
HV	100 Yards	5	5	SCORE AGG	250-25X/17 WO	Robert Brooks	4/6/2024	250-25X/22 WO	NO
VFS/Hunter Class	200-300 Meters	20	5	2-GUN AGG	985-12X	Jim Cline	5/18-19/2024	NA	YES

**GROUP****2024 AGGREGATE / GRAND AGGREGATE RECORDS**

CLASS	DISTANCE	SHOTS		GROUP	NAME	DATE	2023 Standing Record	2024 RECORD
HV	100 Yards	5	Single Group	0.0665	Roscoe A. Murray	9/28/2024	0.0445"	NO
HB	100 Yards	10	Group Agg	0.18165	Mike Conry	8/5/2024	0.1755"	NO
LV	100 Yards	5	Group Agg	0.14785	Dave Bruno	6/8/2024	0.1599"	YES



# IBS Rimfire Benchrest



Mark Burns

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# 2024 Election Results

**Kay Aikey**



# Election of Officers

170 Total ballots received

## President

[Jeff Peinhardt - 165 - Confirmed for 2025 to 2026](#)

Didn't Answer - 3

Write-in: 2 Votes

## 2nd Vice President

[Jim Cline Yes: 165 - Confirmed for 2025 to 2026](#)

Didn't Answer: 2

Write-in: 3 Votes



# Agenda Items

**RB-1 Retiring of ALL traveling plaques awarded at the Nationals. They will be displayed and maintained until full at a range or ranges selected by the appropriate committee. This applies to Group, Score, 600- and 1,000-yard plaques.**

Yes: 141

No: 20

Undecided: 1

Didn't Answer: 8



# Agenda Items

**BL1- Adopt the updated bylaw changes to reflect the new ones attached per attorney's direction. Anything is red will be deleted and anything highlighted in yellow will be added.**

Yes: 143

No: 6

Undecided: 1

Didn't Answer: 18

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Invisible Explanation on This: 1

**Ballots counted by Kay Aikey, Recording Secretary**

**1/4/2025**



# Committee Nominations Received

## 1000YD:

T Mousel, Jim Fuller and Steve Boyce

## 600YD:

Steve Wilson (Chair), Robbie Miles, Bart Sauter

## Score:

Todd Payseur (Chair) Orland Bunker, Brian Fitch, Delle Smith and Chris Gibby

## Group:

Paul Mitchell, Harley Baker, Jack Sutton, Al Auman and Bob Hamister

## Awards:

Ron Mattson (Chair), Robby Miles, Bart Sauter, Michael Clayton

## Records

Tommy Williams (Chair), Bob Hart, Brian Buttrick, Jason Wolf



# February Online Vote

Proposed IBS ByLaws changes. You may review the changes online listed on IBS website:

- All Proposed Changes listed and marked up
- Please login with your registration email and vote
- Voting will start 1/16/2025 and will commence 1/31/2025 at midnight.
- Any additional Proxy's or wish to be considered for a committee, contact any of us listed on the Website.



Thank you for attending; This Concludes the Members  
Annual Meeting



# Board of Directors Meeting

Jim Cline







# 2025 Budget

Don Cameron



# 2025 IBS Budget

Forecasted Income  
\$32,000.00 to \$42,000.00

Forecast Expenses

Advertising and promotion	\$4,000.00
Awards	\$7,000.00
Management and Membership	\$14,000.00
<u>Professional fee</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
Total exp	\$27,000.00





**Thank you**  
**Well Done All**

