Minutes of WCSA Executives Officers' meeting held 15 July 2003, Lilleshall, England

1. Meeting opened at 1950 hours with Tony Bradbury, Helio Meca, Keith Reynolds and John Clark present. Visitors: Carlos Noronha and Ronald Kreshesky.

Apologies: Henrique Godinho, Bill Pimm and Clive Barnett

2. Finance

2.1 2002/2003 Financial Report

The 2002/2003 income and expenditure statement was tabled (see attached, together with the bank statement as at 30 June 2003). Cash at bank as at 30 June 2003 is

\$ AUD 1721.92 (~ \$ USD 1162.30) subject to audit.

Moved Keith Reynolds, seconded Tony Bradbury that the income and expenditure report be received. CARRIED

The point was made that we need money for "seed funding" as the organisation was still in start-up mode. There was some discussion relating to the loss of funds due to both bank commission and currency exchange fluctuations. The suggestion was made that we should require bank transfers to be in Australian funds and that we should also require net funds transfer, ie the payor pays all charges – both at the remitting country and for the receiver.

2.2 Accounts for payment

John Clark advised that he had received authorisation from Tony Bradbury to pay the sum of \$ AUD 396.00 to Secure eHost pty Ltd for website hosting for the 2003/04 year.

Moved Keith Reynolds, seconded Tony Bradbury that this payment be ratified. CARRIED

2.3 Budget & Merchandise

(a). Budget

The observation was made that it was difficult to prepare a meaningful budget due to the modest revenue and comparatively Large "start-up costs). There are matters needing attention such as insurance, medallions, flag and merchandise.

(b). Merchandise

It was agreed that we need to have a range of products available for sale such as ties, lapel pins/badges, caps, shirts, key rings, etc. We already have cloth badges available.

Helio Meca kindly offered to obtain quotes for a range of merchandise. It was also suggested that the FABP might be able to provide seed funding for this initiative.

3. Business

3.1 Report of Organising committee for 1st WCSA Target Crossbow Championships.

Tony Bradbury advised that the accommodation and food were adequate, but there are some minor deficiencies with the field equipment. The OC relied on the Lilleshall equipment being OK.

The lack of access to a photocopier is of some concern.

The lack of a working party to shift butts is also a concern, as shooters at a WC do not normally expect to shift the targets.

3.2 <u>Ratification of Constitution and Policy & Procedures Manual</u>

It was agreed that the Constitution as laid down in New Zealand and as subsequently modified to satisfy the requirements of South Australian incorporation was acceptable. The amended Constitution has been available on the website for some 5 months.

It was agreed that the Policy & Procedures manual was a dynamic document.

It was agreed that both the Constitution and the P&P Manual were subject to Council approval.

3.3 <u>Ratification of Target and Open crossbow shooting rules</u>

It was agreed that the Target rules are basically sound and would be subject to testing at these World Championships.

It was agreed that more work is needed on the Open crossbow shooting rules.

A unanimous vote of thanks is due to Clive Barnett.

3.4 Assisted rules

It was agreed that more work needs be done on the Assisted shooting rules and that we would learn from these championships.

It was agreed that the coil spring for the official shooting platform needs to be standardised and that it should be available from a single manufacturing source in the UK. It was also agreed that there may be variations to the lower mounting arrangements of the shooting stand so that the tripod controls are do not interfere, ie the lower mounting spigot could be longer than the drawing allows since this will not alter the dynamics of the stand.

3.5 <u>Membership</u>

John Clark tabled the membership register which as at 15 July shows 10 financial members as AUS (Archery Australia), CAN, FIN, GBR, IRL, HKG, MON, NZL, POR, and the USA.

We also have applications from Crossbow Australia and CZE with the possibility of HUN and SWE.

There are also 3 corporate members, 1 club application and 6 individual members.

3.6 Judges' Manual

Moved Tony Bradbury, seconded Keith Reynolds that the Judges' manual as prepared by Clive Barnett be accepted. CARRIED. Thanks to Clive for a job well done.

3.7 WCSA Championship medallions

There was general discussion and it was agreed that we need to quickly move to have a dedicated generic medal.

Helio Meca was authorised to investigate designs and costings.

There is also the possibility that the FABP may be able to fund the initial purchases by way of a loan.

3.8 Insurance

John Clark outlined the need for both Liability and general and Directors' and Officers' insurance. We have a quote from SSAA Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd (a subsidiary of the Sporting Shooters Association of Australia) for Public Liability insurance but they could not obtain cover for Directors and Officers insurance without seeing 2 years of financial statements.

The SSAA quote for worldwide coverage (except north America) Liability insurance coverage of \$ AUD 10m (~\$ USD 6.5m) general and product liability, based on 8 member federations is \$ AUD 2179.65. (~\$ USD 1416) The proviso is that any host nation conducting a WCSA sanctioned event must take out specific event insurance which co-names the WCSA as an insured party. The premium would depend on the number of member federations and would increase approximately pro rata. (Based on 13 members this would be about \$ USD 1842).

It was agreed that we needed to seek alternative quotations. It was observed that based on an annual subscription of \$ USD 100 per federation, we could not afford to pay the premium.

Tony Bradbury advised that the NSRA/NCF insurance broker was being invited to attend Lilleshall this week with a view to advising and that she should be invited to quote.

3.9 Shooting Calendar

2003 FABP offered to run an Indoor postal competition.

2004 FABP (POR) in-principle to host a European Championship Target

2005 TNC (USA) to host 2nd World Target Championships Target. TNC are experiencing some difficulty in finding a suitable venue and there is some difficulty with the relationship between TNC and the NAA. There is an alternative offer from Crossbow Australia to host a WC in Townsville, north Queensland in 2005.

It was agreed that we need to finalise this asap.

3.10 World Anti-Doping Agency

The e-mail message from Clive Barnett advising that there is potential conflict between the IOC and the WADA regarding doping provisions. It was agreed that WCSA should adopt a wait-and-see policy.

4. **Other Business**

4.1 <u>Resignation of Henrique Godinho as 2nd Vice President</u>
The resignation of Henrique Godinho as 2nd VP was received with regret.
The motion from the FABP that Helio Meca (POR) be proposed as 2nd VP was supported by the Executive Officers for consideration by the Council meeting.

4.2 Thanks to Clive Barnett

The outstanding efforts of Clive Barnett relating to the preparation of the Target and Assisted rules and the Judges' Manual were acknowledged. WCSA has made large advances in a very short time. Thanks Clive.

5. Closure

The meeting was closed by the president at 2145 hours