

Louisiana Trapshooting Association

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LTA Board Meeting – September 13,2020

The teleconference meeting was called to order by President, Keith Crissman, at 1:00 pm.

Those in attendance were:

Keith Crissman
Donny Sanders
Jim Jenkins
Doyle Brooks
Amie Skipper
Gene Saizon
Al Sikes
Danny Batten

1. The financials were reviewed. The 2020 year will end with a surplus of \$6572. This included the expenses of cashiering help at \$1000; the Saturday night meal at \$3499, split 50% with TBMGC; and extraordinary one-time costs of computer monitor at \$120, new router at \$90 and a thermal barcode reader at \$90. Various other impacts to the budget were discussed.
2. The number of targets thrown for 2019 - 2020 was reviewed against those thrown in 2019. Even with the Covid impact, this year's numbers were higher. The increase was primarily due to more AIM shooter participation at regular ATA events.
3. The dates for the 2019 State Shoot were approved to be 4/29 through 5/2/21 with Thursday being an Open day and Friday through Sunday being Resident/ Non-resident days. The AIM State Shoot will be held on May 22, 2021.

4. Trophy Committee – Keith Crissman will handle the ordering of the trophies. Due to a suggestion from one of the out of state shooters at the State Shoot, some of the category trophies that may or may not be awarded in a given year due to not having anyone participate in that category will be ordered without a year specified. That will allow them to be reused for the next year's state shoot.
5. The Rain Delay Committee was approved to be Keith Crissman, Doyle Brooks and Donny Sanders.
6. The Grievance Committee was approved to be Keith Crissman and Doyle Brooks.
7. The Handicap Committee was approved as Doyle Brooks, Chairman; Danny Batten, Jim Jenkins and Keith Crissman.
8. The target setting committee by TBMGC will be Donny Sanders.
9. It was approved to hire cashiering assistance.
10. The results of reducing the offered options, including Added Money, seemed to be fine. No one complained about not having the options available. It was approved to keep the present reduced number of options going forward.
11. It was approved to pre-classify shooters for the State Shoot going forward as a time saving effort. This worked well at this years State Shoot.
12. Discussion was held around pre-cashiering shooters for the State Shoot. Even though this was thought to be a potential time saver, the actual cashiering did not take awfully long this year. Pre-cashiering will not be made for this years State Shoot as the advantage was deemed to not be worth the additional effort.
13. The fees for credit card usage at the State Shoot was discussed in regard to usage and the adder fees for using a credit card. The LTA lost \$4.89 due to having manually enter some credit card numbers, which requires higher credit card fees. Eight persons used a credit card. It was agreed that this option would continue to be offered and the fee would remain at 3%.
14. While considering the various impacts to the budget, it was generally felt the fees were suitable. Amie made a motion to keep the fees at \$33/100; seconded by Doyle. It was agreed to keep the State Shoot fees at \$33/100 targets.
15. This year the regulations for the state shoot were modified to allow refunds to anyone that requested it if an event had not started to get more shooters to pay for all events at one time. Doyle made a motion to continue this; Donny seconded. It was approved to continue the refunding if an event has not started.
16. The printing of the program was discussed regarding printing less or not at all as this is a trend being seen in other trapshooting events. Printing this years program cost about \$1000. Discussions were held about the impact

- to getting notice out to our out of state participants, impact to donors, etc. It was discussed that most new participants are getting the word by word of mouth. AIM shooters are getting the information on social media primarily. Doyle made a motion to move to a digital program with only a few programs printed to be available at the State Shoot as a trial for the 2021 State Shoot; seconded by Danny. It was approved. On the LTA website a second download choice will be a download of rules/ shoot information only.
17. The tee shirts sold at the State Shoot by Andy Waldo were discussed. It was agreed to allow Andy to provide the shirts at this years State Shoot and to thank him for the job well done. The gun club name needs to be changed to Toby Bancroft, rather than just Bancroft.
 18. Jim asked if it was a good idea to keep publishing our financials on the LTA website due to concerns about cyber theft. Al asked if it was a non-profit requirement to post them. Jim will check and notify the Board of the results. Jim would propose that the financial reports be emailed to the Board Members and a note put on the website that any member can request a copy of the financials instead. A motion was made by Jim to remove the financials from the website, if allowed by the non-profit rules: seconded by Doyle. It was approved the financials will be removed from the website.
 19. For information to the Board, the Excel shoot management program has been upgraded to auto generate the ATA reports and the T&F reports. Additionally, there is now a method to download contact information and ATA information to the database portion so that all the information is up to date for each gun club.
 20. The proposed slate of incumbent Board members for next year with Bo Shaw replacing Shon Sanson was approved to be presented at the State Shoot Membership Meeting.
 21. The HOF committee submitted a candidate to the Board. Discussion was held and the candidate was approved to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.
 22. Other Business
 23. The next fall Board meeting will be held Saturday, August 28, 2021, face to face at the traditional library meeting place in Ball, LA.
 24. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Submitted by:

Jim Jenkins

LTA Secretary/ Treasurer

LTA AGENDA

Board Meeting

September 13, 2020, 1:00 pm

1. Review of Financials – Jim Jenkins.
 - a. For the year there was an increase in general fund balance of \$6,672. This was the result of additional event donations of \$2250 (Robert LaBorde donating for Championship Singles primarily), program donation of \$650, elimination of Added Money -\$2000 and additional targets thrown - \$1300.
 - b. HOF account decreased by \$200 due to low option selection at State Shoot.
 - c. Cashiering Help - \$1000
 - d. Saturday night meal - \$3499, split 50/50 with TBMGC. Last year's was \$2150.
 - e. Extraordinary one-time costs:
 - i. Computer Monitor - \$120
 - ii. New Router - \$110
 - iii. Thermal Barcode Printer - \$90
 - f. There were higher than normal Web Hosting expenses because of reimbursing Jim Jenkins for the prior year's hosting cost in December, 2019 (there was a few month overlap where both the original host and the new host were paid while the website was developed) and paid for a 2 year hosting plan that provided a 40% savings in total cost for the next two years.
 - g. Office supplies were higher than normal, mostly ink costs, due to buying next state shoot supplies during this fiscal year.
2. Review of Targets Thrown

CLUB	Shoot Held	Single Target	Handicap Targets	Double Targets	Total Targets Thrown	Last Year Targets Thrown
Arcadia Gun Club	7	10,800	4,250	2,800	17,850	20,400
Cottonland Skeet & Trap Club	0				0	0
Bridgeview Gun Club	0				0	0
Louisiana AIM Shoot	1	4,000	2,500	1,700	8,200	4,700
Louisiana Trapshooting Association	1	29,500	19,400	16,900	65,800	55,200
Lafayette Trap Club	2	1,100	700	4,000	5,800	13,350
Mill Creek Gun Club	0				0	0
Toby Bancroft Memorial Gun Club	9	14,700	10,700	7,550	32,950	29,425

Red Chute Shotgun Sports Club	11	12425	6500	5900	24,825	14,950
TOTALS *					155,425	138,025

*Includes AIM State Shoot

3. Confirm that the State Shoot will be April 29 to May 2, 2021, which is 4 days long and will be of the same Open/Resident/ Non-Resident format as the last three years.
4. Select AIM State Shoot date.
5. Selection of Trophy Committee – Proposed Keith Crissman, Other?
 - a. Trophy cost \$6828, \$478 for state team awards and \$458 for attendance pins for information. Total = \$7764.
6. Selection of Rain Delay Committee – Proposed Keith Crissman, Doyle Brooks, Donny Sanders.
7. Selection of Grievance Committee – Proposed Keith Crissman/ Doyle Brooks
8. Selection of Handicap Committee – Proposed Doyle Brooks, Chair; Danny Batten, Jim Jenkins, Keith Crissman.
9. Selection of Target Setting Committee (TBMGC) – Donny Sanders
10. Approve hiring assistance to help with cashiering, scoring input, collecting score sheets, etc.
11. Option reduction review – 2020 had Lewis only plus yardage on Championship Handicaps. There was no Added Money. Did anyone hear any complaints from the participants? It is suggested we keep this format for options. No Added Money helped the financials as discussed above.
12. Pre-Classification – appeared to work well. It certainly saved time in the line.
13. Pre-Cashiering – The LTA website can be set up to accept payments either by Square, our credit card processor, or Paypal. Either way fees are encountered. Do we want to consider doing this for 2021 to save time? It means that the Presquad will have to be shut down a week earlier to be able to download the participants to cashier in 3S. It is suggested that we pre-cashier for those that wish to be cashied early and not require it.
14. Credit Card information – worked well. Eight shooters used credit cards. The net effect of the fees @ a 3% upcharge was (4.89). The deficit was due to having to manually enter credit card info which has a little higher fee. If we elect to pre-cashier, we probably need to go to a 3.5% upcharge because I believe all the payment info will be considered manually entered and incur the higher fees. As an option, if we went up \$2.00 / 100, the upcharge could be eliminated but it basically makes everyone pay the fees whether using a credit card or not. It is suggested not to increase target costs to cover credit card fees.
15. Determination of Target Cost to Shooters
 - a. In 2020, it was \$33/100.
 - b. The cost to the shooters could be reduced to \$30/100 which would reduce the income to the LTA by \$1500 for the base budget.

16. Printed Program – printing of the program continues to increase both due to printing cost but also the number of programs being printed. This year it cost \$998 to print 400 copies versus a more historical cost of \$500 ish to print 250 to 300 copies. The printing cost was checked at two printers before the order was placed. There were about 10 copies leftover. Is there any interest in not mailing printed programs to previous attendees and instead, allow any shooter to download it the program from one of the websites? A reduced number of actual printed copies could be available at the shoot.
17. JJ proposes to keep the refunding of entry fees if the event has not started. It is believed that more people paid for all days at one time with this option.
18. Tee Shirts – Do again with Andy Waldo? Sold all but 9 of 96 and ordered an additional 37 after the shoot. LTA makes no revenue from this. Andy absorbs losses. This appeared to be a big hit.
19. Financial Statements on our Website- Traditionally, the financial statements have been published on the website. This may not be the best practice due to exposure to persons not needing that information. Does the Board agree to continue this practice or would they prefer to receive a monthly financial statement via email and put a note that any member may request a statement to be sent to them.
20. Monthly Shoot Program – for information only to the Board, the common database for people who shoot the state shoot, any who shoot in a registered shoot in LA and any who are active LA Shooters is being made available in the excel shoot program that the gun clubs use for managing a monthly shoot. The new program has been rolled out but it is still being discussed how each club wishes to receive the updated information, ie by an emailed updated program or by a download from OneDrive or even if they wish to receive it. It is a gun club's decision whether to make use of this. The goals are if a new shooter shoots at a club, his information is available to all the other clubs without having to reenter it. Also, this database will be updated with the latest ATA info such as Categories and Yardages and Averages regularly.
21. Proposed Slate of Board of Directors
 - a. President - Keith Crissman
 - b. Vice-President - Donny Sanders
 - c. Secretary-Treasurer- Jim Jenkins
 - d. Director at Large – Shon Sanson incumbent; Donny and JJ nominate Bo Shaw to replace Shon.
 - e. Northwest Director – Amie Skipper
 - f. Southwest Director – Gene Saizon
 - g. Southeast Director – Al Sikes
 - h. Northeast Director – Danny Batten
 - i. Delegate – Doyle Brooks
 - j. 1st Alt. Delegate – Robert LaBorde
 - k. 2nd Alt. Delegate – Jim Jenkins

22. HOF Candidate Proposal

- a. Lifetime target attainment
- b. LA. State Shoot Trophy attainment
- c. Contributions to the sport

23. Other Business.

24. Schedule for next Board meeting, suggested 8/21 or 8/28/21.