

# MINUTES OF QCTA COUNCIL MEETING

Condamine

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Present:** G. Moore, B. Brown, B. Muirson, R. Nugent, M. Collins, D. Back, M. Swale,  
B. Pile, G. Oats, P. Hill, M. Robertson.  
Proxy representatives: J. Mack for B. Bosworth.

**Chairman:** G. Moore                      **Minutes:** D. Young

**1. Meeting Opened:** 9.00 am

**2. Apologies:** D. Richardson.

***“That leave of absence be granted to those who have lodged an apology or appointed a proxy representative.”***

Moved: R. Nugent                      2<sup>nd</sup>: M. Collins                      Carried

**3. Minutes of previous meeting:**

i) State Council Meeting – Emerald 27/4/17:

***“That the minutes of the State Council meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017 represent a true and correct record.”***

Moved: G. Oats                      2<sup>nd</sup>: M. Collins                      Carried

**Business Arising:**

- J. Mack asked why it was decided by Council that eight (8) of the total quorum present at meetings must be State Councillors. D. Young explained.
- M. Collins enquired if the target order had been confirmed. Winchester have been advised the targets are expected to arrive in Townsville in March.
- Nick Reynolds is the new president of Charleville so the club will once again be operational after their AGM.
- J. Mack asked about D. Johnson and the Warwick issue. B. Brown advised that D. Johnson is now a NSW ACTA member.
- G. Moore noted that the trap program with double rise as the first event was not changed in the 2018 program. This will be confirmed in all advertising. We will gauge if it is practical to have this as the first event at the 2018 carnival.
- J. Mack raised the issue of the Redcliffe club. This will be discussed in general business.
- B. Pile asked if the night Zone teams events would continue in Townsville. All agreed that this was a success at Emerald.
- The 2018 AGM will be held on the Friday night of the State Trap Carnival.
- Management minutes are ratified at the following Management meetings.

B. Muirson asked if these should be distributed to Council, however at the last Management meeting it was decided to carry issues forward to the current State Council meeting agenda. Financial reports and correspondence will be distributed from one State Council meeting to the next with any ratified Management minutes included.

<b>ACTION:</b>	D. Young	To send ratified Management minutes to State Councillors.
<b>Date of Completion:</b>	21/2/18	Minutes from last 2 Management meetings sent.

#### 4. Financial Report:

D. Young presented the financial report.  
A correction was made to the ISSF team subsidy payment of an additional \$600.

***“That the financial report be accepted, to include the additional \$600 payment to ISSF team members, and accounts presented be approved for payment.”***

Moved: R. Nugent                      2<sup>nd</sup>: B. Muirson                      Carried

#### 5. Correspondence:

##### Inward:

- Item 9652: Hall of Fame awards for skeet shooters.

R. Nugent suggested that when a skeet shooter is nominated they can make their own decision about receiving the award. The inductee is to be given the choice. Discussion followed, some further research is needed and we require the list of skeet shooters in order of induction. J. Mack suggested this be done for 2019.

***“That Caboolture be advised QCTA agree that one person per year be inducted to the Hall of Fame for skeet, to be awarded at either the Skeet Carnival or the Trap dinner, date to be specified, to begin from 2019.”***

Moved: R. Nugent                      2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Back                      Carried

<b>ACTION:</b>	D. Young	To send letter to Caboolture re skeet Hall of Fame inductees.
<b>Date of Completion:</b>	27/2/18	Letter emailed to Caboolture.

No Hall of Fame criteria has yet been set for Sporting or ISSF.

- Item 9654: T. Williams re State ISSF jacket.

A background explanation was provided regarding the ISSF team selection for the junior girls’ team. ISSF differs from other disciplines in that an MQS applies and we cannot simply go to the next reserve on the list.

R. Nugent suggested we approach the ACTA to change the team qualification rules to allow more people to contest the event, especially as juniors do not shoot shoulder to shoulder.

While rules concerning age may not appear in the ACTA rule book they are addressed in the ISSF rules.

M. Collins confirmed that the shooter and her family were advised beforehand (prior to the event) that she would not be permitted to compete in the team but she chose to go for the experience.

Unfortunately no jacket will be provided and this will be explained in a letter.

- Item 9642: M. Farrow request for funding.

QCTA has specific selection criteria to qualify shooters to receive financial support and M. Farrow is not eligible under this criteria. It is the responsibility of Shooting Australia to support this request and we are supportive of their criteria.

***“That QCTA decline the request to provide funding and M. Farrow be advised by letter.”***

Moved: M. Collins                      2<sup>nd</sup>: G. Oats                      Carried

<b>ACTION:</b>	D. Young	To send letter to M. Farrow declining the request for funding.	
<b>Date of Completion:</b>	4/2/18	Letter emailed to M. Farrow.	

***“That Inward Correspondence be accepted and Outward Correspondence adopted.”***

Moved: B. Muirson                      2<sup>nd</sup>: B. Brown                      Carried

## 6. New Business:

### a) ACTA Delegate

Last year B. Bosworth started his two year term so with R. Nugent as president B. Muirson is up for re-election.

***“That R. Nugent be nominated as the number one delegate for Queensland.”***

Moved: B. Muirson                      2<sup>nd</sup>: G. Oats                      Carried

***“That B. Muirson be nominated as the replacement delegate for Queensland.”***

Moved: M. Collins                      2<sup>nd</sup>: R. Nugent                      Carried

Both nominations were accepted by the nominees.

### b) ISSF Nominations

G. Moore said that at the Nationals at Echuca the cost of nominations was .75c per target for men and \$1.15 per target for women.

Nomination prices and the current carnival program were discussed. P. Hill said prices should be set on a cost per target basis.

***“That the 60Pr women’s double trap event be removed from the State ISSF Carnival.”***

Moved: B. Muirson                      2<sup>nd</sup>: M. Swale                      Carried

The open double trap will remain for the 2018 carnival however a mixed pairs event may have to be considered for the future. Women are permitted to nominate in the open event.

***“That prices be altered for the 2018 carnival, as per proposed.”***

Moved: B. Brown                      2<sup>nd</sup>: R. Nugent                      Carried

***“That the format be altered for the 2018 carnival, as per proposed.”***

Moved: B. Muirson                      2<sup>nd</sup>: M. Swale                      Carried

<b>ACTION:</b>	D. Young	Update program to include changes to prices and events.
<b>Date of Completion:</b>	1/3/18	Program updated, for distribution & advertising.

c) State Venue Grant

G. Moore had recommended that the State provide \$10,000 per state trap carnival venue as it becomes their turn to host the event to continue for the next three years only. B. Brown said the \$20,000 per venue grant was a one-off arrangement and there was no commitment to begin a new round. He is concerned that the QCTA is too heavily reliant on grant funding.

Discussion continued with regard to a state ground. As we do not have our own we are committed to supporting the existing venues. M. Collins asked if such an investment was beneficial to the QCTA.

R. Nugent stated that as a venue they have recently undertaken costings in preparation for the Nationals and all costs are greatly increased. They are required to build permanent facilities, etc. and therefore would appreciate the assistance. The Roma club could not sustain conducting the state trap carnival every year and do not wish to become a state ground as continually hosting large events is difficult on club workers.

***“That a new round of \$10,000 payments be made to the three State Trap Carnival host venues per year (\$30,000 total) to be paid in advance.”***

Moved: D. Back                      2<sup>nd</sup>: B. Muirson                      Carried

d) Trap Carnival Date Change

For 2018 the State Trap Carnival has reverted back to competition on Saturday – Monday rather than the previous Friday – Sunday. After Townsville this will be reviewed to see if it was successful. There were both advantages and disadvantages to moving back to the public holiday.

e) Prize Money Review

R. Nugent provided a report showing prize payments proportionate to nominations in each grade. Percentages are capped so that at minimum shooters will receive their nominations back. G. Moore provided figures to support that paying the same cash prizes across all grades has not increased participation of C grade shooters. Prize money payouts and sponsorship were discussed. The total amount of prize money paid out is not affected, only the allocation proportionate to the grades.

***“That the reviewed prize money formula be adopted for the 2018 carnival.”***

Moved: J. Mack                      2<sup>nd</sup>: B. Muirson                      Carried

This will be included in the program advertising.

f) Face to Face Meetings

P. Hill requested that meeting dates be set in advance so everyone can plan ahead. We are not fulfilling our constitutional obligations by not having enough face to face meetings.

M. Collins said there was an ongoing problem with the Northern Zone not responding to meeting notices, attending meetings or appointing proxy representatives.

J. Mack suggested that if people cannot attend meetings a limited number may be able to participate via Skype.

The next meeting is scheduled for:

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May in Townsville, then

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August at Gold Coast

The Central Zone will advise a suitable date and venue for late 2018.

g) Sponsorship

G. Moore has a new sponsor for the State Trap Carnival in Curley Transport and has secured \$1500 per year for the next three years. The double barrel is currently available if they would like to sponsor this event.

D. Young is currently writing the sponsor brochure and agreement to outline what sponsors receive for their contribution. This will be sent out for approval when completed. G. Moore suggested a sponsor pack, to include shirt, cap etc. He also has other prospective sponsors to follow up.

Spika will once again supply a safe through Hall's Firearms. He is also negotiating Falcon to provide either cash or ammunition at cost price, however this is not finalised.

D. Young confirmed that Briley Australia will sponsor the high gun for the State Skeet Carnival. M. Collins asked about sponsorship at the 2017 carnival however only Pat Dury and Winchester provided sponsorship.

h) Donation/Fundraising

G. Oats has spoken to Julie Allan regarding a donation from the Paw Paw Club proceeds for William Bosworth. M. Collins discussed issues involved with setting a precedent with regard to cash donations from the QCTA to members who fall ill.

J. Mack suggested we give the Northern Zone the right to run a raffle at the State Trap Carnival and retain the proceeds for William. With regard to the raffle prize, G. Moore will ask John Sleightholme if we can transfer the Spika safe as a raffle prize.

***"At the Townsville carnival the Northern Zone can run a raffle for William Bosworth and retain all proceeds."***

Moved: M. Collins

2<sup>nd</sup>: J. Mack

Carried

An announcement will be made about this at the outset of the carnival.

*At this point the meeting was suspended for internal discussion and resumed after 25 minutes.*

## 7. General Business:

1. D. Young thanked G. Moore and the Council for allowing her to briefly address some administration issues:
  - Congratulations to all the Queensland juniors accepted into the ACTA Academy for 2018 – Max Johnstone from Roma, Aidan Donaldson from Toowoomba, and Cameron McKiddie from Townsville.
  - State Postal Team results have been released for the 2017 competitions and Queensland have done well winning in all four sections for skeet, Junior Olympic Trap and Ladies ISSF Skeet.
  - Documentation was distributed to Councillors regarding the available Commonwealth Games assets awarded to the QCTA as part of the legacy program. Councillors were asked to apply for goods on behalf of clubs in their Zone.
  - Claim forms for coaching activities approved by Councillors were distributed.
  - Profit & Loss reports for 2017 State carnivals were presented with all carnivals showing a profit for the year.
  - Nominations were requested for the Junior Sportsmanship Award for 2018.
  - Communication from the Dept of Sport & Rec was read with regard to a complaint lodged against the QCTA by Leah Costanzo. Discussion followed including correspondence of 3/5/17 in which the QCTA answered a series of questions tabled at the previous State Council meeting by L. Costanzo and the Ballandean club.

The QCTA is fully compliant with all aspects of Sport & Rec funding as confirmed by the Department.

***“Any further correspondence from Leah Costanzo with regard to QCTA Sport & Rec funding will not be tabled for discussion as all questions have been answered.”***

Moved: B. Muirson

2<sup>nd</sup>: D. Back

Carried

If Management, Dept of Sport & Rec and the auditor are happy with the QCTA funding documents State Council will be satisfied.

2. R. Nugent stated that the Nationals will be held in Roma next year and the running of the competition is the responsibility of the State. He recommended a sub-committee be formed to organise this as positions and duties must be discussed.  
Sub-committee: B. Muirson, R. Nugent, D. Young, B. Brown and M. Collins.
3. R. Nugent advised that the Northern Zone is proposing to change the constitution so that the secretary is no longer part of the Management committee. It is not a matter of changing the constitution as it is a provision of the Incorporations Act. At present R. Nugent does not use his power to vote as secretary and it is not relevant which Zone the secretary is from.

Any concerns can be settled by not voting the secretary in at the AGM. From the 2018 AGM R. Nugent no longer wishes to be in the role of secretary.

J. Mack suggested the secretary be elected from the Management committee so that an elected official adopts the role, ie. The secretary is not elected at the AGM but is appointed later. This should be discussed with the Northern Zone.

4. The Life Membership Board for the Hall of Fame is to be ordered from Allsports Trophies.

<b>ACTION:</b>	D. Young	Order Life Membership Board from Allsports Trophies.
<b>Date of Completion:</b>	5/3/18	Allsports will source the same as DSA board.

5. R. Nugent said it is believed the trap equipment installed at Belmont for the Commonwealth Games will be retained by the QRA, although no-one is able to confirm this. They apparently want Brisbane Gun Club to run trench competitions from the new site but there are no facilities there and no provision for DTL. R. Nugent asked if it was time to write a letter to the relevant department regarding the infrastructure as we should be encouraging them to develop BGC further and ensure they have a permanent site to continue to operate.  
P. Hill confirmed that they have had no answers and no confirmation about relocating BGC. He is to take the QCTA intentions back to his committee to discuss, and will advise prior to our writing a letter.

<b>ACTION:</b>	P. Hill	To discuss the intention of a QCTA letter with BGC committee.
<b>Date of Completion:</b>		

6. R. Nugent advised that on 11/1/18 there was an ACTA Executive meeting in which a vote of no confidence was put forward. This vote was lost and of the two people who put the motion forward neither offered to resign, which is the usual procedure.
7. M. Collins questioned how we could solve the problem of Councillors refusing to respond to emails. At present we grant leave of absence to those who apologise for not being able to attend meetings. If they miss three meetings and are removed from State Council they just get re-elected at the next Zone meeting. We want the Northern Zone to have a presence at State Council meetings but do not know what else to do to get them to attend.
8. P. Hill advised that BGC have changed their skeet day back to the first Sunday of each month. It was confirmed this advice had been received.
9. D. Back said that as this is the State Council meeting prior to the State Trap Carnival weekend it is difficult to know if everything is prepared for the carnival without representation from the Northern Zone. Time is short with only four months until the event. G. Moore has spoken to B. Beazley about the organisation of the carnival.  
D. Back said it was important to know if everything is on track.

10. B. Muirson has not yet had a chance to follow up with D. Ziesemer. He has requested the date the cheque was written and cashed.

11. G. Moore raised the issue of the State affiliation fee. The VCTA have waived the fee for Recreational members so that it is only \$60 plus the club fee. This should also include targets only so that it allows members to shoot at competitions for experience. G. Moore would not like to see the QCTA drop the State fee for Recreational members. J. Mack suggested we find out how this affects the VCTA.

12. B. Brown asked why ACTA staff were on holidays at the busiest time of year when clubs were trying to process memberships. R. Nugent advised they only had the usual public holidays off. B. Brown has experienced some delays with the processing of memberships.

G. Moore thanked everyone for attending the meeting on Australia Day.

**Meeting Closed: 3.15pm**