



## WORLD BENCHREST SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS



**NELSON, NEW ZEALAND 2-12 November 2017**

**Minutes of meeting of WBSF Delegates held at  
the Quality Inn, Nelson on Sunday 4 November 2017.**

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### Present

I Owen	New Zealand
W Campbell	USA
C Rando	Argentina
G Marshall	Australia
B Atkinson	Australia
J Juntunen	Finland
C Pacheco	France
L Artaud	France
F Luciani	Luxembourg
K Venske	Namibia
Henri Dovil	New Caledonia
K Visser	South Africa
B Lenton	United Kingdom
R Pollock	Canada
G Smith	Treasurer / Acting Secretary

### Apologies

Austria  
Germany  
Netherlands

### Proxies

Luxembourg notified proxy votes for Austria, Germany, Netherlands  
South Africa notified proxy vote for Zimbabwe

**Minute of silence** Members stood in respect of shooters who have passed in the last 2 years.

### Contact Information

Secretary circulated updated contact list of known contacts as at meeting time. President circulated request for current contacts of members present. Discussion held on the concern that information is not being fully circulated by some members. It was moved that all members be required to supply contact details of their Delegate together with their National Association so that all information goes to two sources. Namibia / New Zealand Carried.

**Minutes of Meeting held at St Louis WBC13.** Have been circulated

### Business arising:

**World Record Diplomas** Following resolution in St Louis, President displayed Diploma's produced by Scott Pieper and were well received. Agreed these be presented at the Awards Dinner. Special thanks to be sent to Scott on behalf of Delegates. Australia requested Scott be requested to produce Diplomas for Rimfire Records and it was resolved to proceed.

**Financial:** Treasurer circulated Bank Statement showing funds held \$13891.00. Treasurer advised he was unable to access account (can pay in – not withdraw) due to 2<sup>nd</sup> signatory not co-operating and sought

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approval to delete Kevin Duckworth from account and replace with Ian Owen of New Zealand for ease of access.

Approved Australia / United Kingdom.

Treasurer advise he had personally paid account for our Website and sought reimbursement.

List of Countries that have paid current membership fees circulated

**Presidents Report:** Presidents report was previously circulated approved South Africa/Canada

**India:** President advised the meeting that interest from 2 separate individuals seeking membership of the Federation has been received. At this point it seems Mr Rajat Vij of the Rimfire and Air Rifles Benchrest Association is the most appropriate. More clarity is needed to further consider the matter.

### **Minutes of Rimfire meeting held in Portugal:**

Minutes approved – no objections

#### **Business arising:**

Wording B4.1 – B4.2 “the sum of” accepted

B6 Barrel Tuner added to provision – accepted Recommendation, Centrefire also be considered.

Alteration to tuner during a match not approved.

B9 Sand Bag – Compression rules to be reviewed in line with changes in NBRSA Rules. Wording non-metallic substance needs further consideration due to mineral sands.

Rules as printed and distributed (Red Logo) approved.

**Time limit** Direction to be obtained from all members by survey - Information to be obtained by 1 January- and referred to Rimfire Meeting in Spain.

Proposed backing card/material behind target to enhance vision of shot hole is supported by delegates and becomes a recommendation for Rimfire and Centrefire.

Discussion held on whether more independence should be given to Rimfire Group as it develops. This was favoured by meeting but equally would like to see the sport develop in tandem. President indicated the appointment of Carl Hanson (UK) as Rimfire Manager and Alan Couranton (France) European Rimfire Manager to progress Rimfire matters. These appointments were welcomed by delegates.

### **WBC15**

Wide ranging discussion held on the situation to be confronted with non-appearance of an Italy delegation to place before members their plan for the holding of 2019 Championship. The President informed meeting of what he knew and made members aware of information on the internet re major earthworks issues at the range. The meeting resolved if there was any doubt about the position in Italy, then a decision needed to be made to move the Championship rather than wait. It was proposed that the Championship be removed from Italy and granted to Canada in 2019 New Zealand / USA Carried

**WBC 16** South Africa made a presentation for the holding of WBC16 and was well received.

However, considering the previous decision, Italy should be offered the opportunity to bid for 2021 if they so desired. Such advice should be received before 1.1.2018 Carried

**2019** Canada made presentation on their plan to hold the Championship Their plan was for 2021, however they agreed to bring this forward to 2019. The likely dates being 13 – 17 July at their range half way between Calgary and Banff.

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**2018 World Rimfire** Australia withdrew their application for this event and same was awarded to Spain to be held at Manresa, near Barcelona at the end of July 2018.  
Entry information will shortly be distributed by Spain.

**Rewrite of Rule Book** President advised that Mike Ratigan had withdrawn from this project and Tony Lenton would undertake the necessary work.

**Refund of Entry Fees:** With the very late withdrawal of the Italy and Indonesia entries, New Zealand indicated the provisions in the rules and sought advise on refund policy. The meeting considered that refunds were not payable.

### **Election of Officers**

President	Frank Luciani reappointed unopposed
Vice President	Bruce Lenton appointed by acclamation
Treasurer	Graeme Smith appointed unopposed.
Secretary	no applicants

Meeting closed 11.30pm