

Minutes  
NCAC Shooting Sports Committee  
May 2, 2017

Attendance: Steve Crowe, Joe Flaig, Kurt Johnson, Freeman Jones, Alice Nelson, Andrew Petty, Demi Pulas. Brian Suddeth, and John Wolfgang

Meeting Started at 7:35 PM. The April 4, 2017 meeting minutes were accepted as submitted.

The 2017 Shooting Sports calendar is ready and April 2017 printing has been distributed. In addition, the calendar now has a submission form for adding activities to the calendar. Each printing will continue to include NRA and USA archery courses within 100 miles of the council.

BSA National camping school for Shooting Sports Directors will again in 2017 require that all NRA certifications (except for RSO and Muzzle loading) be completed before attending NCS session. This year we will not be able to do any, last minute, training sessions for one or two people, due to NRA restrictions. The council must recruit new NCS Shooting Sports Directors several months prior to start of 2017 camping season (i.e. by mid-April). John Wolfgang has again notified Phil Barbash of this issue.

John Wolfgang reported that all shooting sports events at the Goshen 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary camporee will be managed by the council shooting sports committee. We expect to have archery, shotgun small bore rifle, small bore pistol and Cub Scout BB and archery ranges. We will not have high power shooting or muzzle loading at the Goshen 50<sup>th</sup>. Ranges at Marriott, Olmstead and Bowman will be used for rifle, archery and shotgun. We will provide pistol shooting at Marriott for Venturers and Explorers only. Cub Scout family camp BB and archery shooting activities will be held in their camping area. Webelos shooting sports activities will be held at Camp Ross and will include BB gun and archery. Recruiting of shooting sports staff is underway. We need to locate Clay throwers for use during the Camporee. There is one located at Olmstead (supposedly working). John Wolfgang will provide a single stack thrower, and Steve Crowe will arrange for a thrower that is also capable of rabbit throw. It was requested that all people serving on the shooting sports staff register for the camporee as soon as possible. Brian Suddeth distributed via email the procedure to use in signing up.

Phil Barbash the Goshen Reservation has been contacted about ammunition a clay purchases for the camporee. He ordered ammunition as part of the national BSA bulk order. The bulk order is due to be shipped the week before the Camporee. Shotguns will be restricted to 20ga. The coaches for pistol will provide 22 caliber pistols and revolvers for use by the Venturers at Marriott.

We are continuing the annual equipment maintenance cycle at Goshen and Snyder. We had everything cleaned and winterized at Goshen at end of January. During the holidays in December we held an archery repair sessions at Camp Snyder. Over 400 arrows were re-fletched and points and nocks replaced as necessary. We still have another 400 to repair for Goshen. These are scheduled to be completed by the end of April 2017. During 2017, all Genesis compound bows have been re-cabled and re-strung, and arrow rests replaced at both Snyder and Goshen. This year new compound youth bows have been ordered and received. The new bows will be used in Cub Scout Day Camps. We used the new bows for Range Master training.

Work on the Special Use Permit update for the rifle and shotgun ranges at Snyder is still suspended pending approval of the NCAC Board of Directors and cognizant council committees. Risk management analysis for the new ranges and presentation materials for the proposed ranges has been developed. The land survey need to produce a site plat drawing has been completed. This is required before we can

proceed with the Special Use Permit modification submission. Board approve presentation materials are now being developed following approval by the Chairs of Camping and Outdoor Adventuring committees,

After discussion with the council merit badge dean, the issue with contact information on merit badge counselors was identified. Apparently for those counselors prior to 2015 information was not entered in the council data base as to which badges they were counselors for. This information only resides with each district's merit badge deans. The council Merit Badge Dean has requested the district deans provide to the shooting sports committee a list of their districts shooting sports related merit badge counselors along with contact information. So far, we have received input from thirteen districts. We still have far too many merit badge counselors, in the shooting sports, who are not certified to be on ranges with the scouts.

As part of the verification of merit badge counselor credentials, we have developed a list of NRA certified instructors and USA Archery certified instructors in the NCAC geographic area.

Brian Suddeth and John Wolfgang are to review the materials for inclusion in the council website. Items we are considering for inclusion as part of the website and district roundtable presence are:

- NCAC "How to" Shooting Sports manual (Approved by committee)
- Event help request form for shooting sports (developed)
- Firearm and Archery Instructors List (being developed. Have received NRA/BSA list and USA Archery list – Developed – Will not be Posted on Website)
- NCAC Shooting Sports Merit Badge Counselor List (updated every month) Must be password protected (developed)
- University of Scouting Shooting Sports Presentations (developed)
- Where to Shoot information for council troops, teams and crews (BSA council camps have been added) Version 1 posted on council website.
- Shooting Sports Committee Minutes (developed proved each month- Posted on council website)
- Pointers to various national BSA Shooting Sports Manuals (Posted on council website)
- NCAC Shooting Sports Standard Operating Procedures (under final review)
- NCAC shooting Sports Pistol Permission Slip (developed, under review)

Brian Suddeth is working to provide a committee membership contact list on the Shooting Sports section of the NCAC website.

Kurt Johnson agreed to update shooting sports display and develop a handout for use at district roundtables. It was suggested that we also develop a trifold shooting sports flyer for use at Roundtables.

Action item list was reviewed and updated. This list is now distributed with each month's meeting agenda

Our next Shooting Sports Committee meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2017, Marriott Scout Service Center from 7:30-9:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 PM.



John Wolfgang  
NCAC Shooting Sports Committee Chairman