

Minutes  
NCAC Shooting Sports Committee  
August 2, 2016

Attendance: Mark Belli Steve Crowe, Joe Flaig, Kurt Johnson, Freeman Jones, Alice Nelson, Hal Noer, Andrew Petty, Bill Swarm and John Wolfgang

Meeting Started at 7:27 PM

The July 5, 2016 meeting minutes were accepted as distributed.

Philmont Training Center will hold a session for council shooting sports committees and other interested scouters during their session 12 (September 18-24). Cost for course is \$530. Register through the Philmont Training Center national website. Council prior approval is not required. In addition, during the same week Philmont will host a NCS-Shooting Sports Director Recert session. The Recert session requires council approval.

There have been several questions about accessing NRA courses for BSA members. The council can obtain reduced prices for some student materials. Individuals BSA volunteers may take the NRA instructors courses at a reduced rate from the normal NRA instructor pool. We are developing an information article for the Shooting Sports section of the council website. Courses for the next two months are also included in our Shooting Sports Calendar.

To date, our attempts to schedule a Level1/Level 2 Archery instructors course has been unsuccessful due to conflicts in instructor's schedule and available dates at Camp Snyder.

Joe Flaig reported on the planned pistol shoot activity for Venturers. The current plan is to hold the event at the Thurmont Conservation Club in Frederick County Maryland on October 8, 2016. Steve Crowe has presented a request to the club's board of directors for approval.

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 possibly high power rifle and muzzle loading. Ranges at Marriott, Olmstead and Bowman will be used. It is not clear what shooting sports activities the Cub Scout subcommittee requests normal support as for Day Camp programs. One concern is where are Cub Scouts camping. There is a potential that we would lose the use of the shotgun range for Bowman. John Wolfgang will inspect old High Power range during Goshen Summer Camp closeout and report at the next committee meeting.

There is still no news as to when new Cub Scout Shooting Sports manual will be released. The new Cub Scout Shooting Sports requirements however are now available. They may be downloaded from <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/OutdoorProgram/ShootingSports.aspx>.

Last minute maintenance activities continue at both Goshen and Snyder during their camp operations to correct any last minute maintenance issues. The Goshen shooting sports staff is ecstatic about having working shotguns this year. We still have 8 small bore rifles down for various repairs awaiting parts. Camp Marriott's Rifle Range Berm has been rebuilt and has passed camp inspection process.

The new Snyder Emergency Action Plan is in use at Snyder.

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. Jerry Sagers, Joe Flaig and Freeman Jones met with the chairmen of the council Program and Camping committees to resolve issues with Board approval. The two chairmen are to report back to us in two weeks.

We cannot proceed with the Special Use Permit modification submission until we have developed a Plat drawing for the new range locations. This requires a land survey. The professional staff has refused to sign the contract for this work since the bid for this work was submitted in February 2016. This now requires approval, from the Chairman of the Camping Committee, before the professional staff will sign the contract.

John Wolfgang reported that he is continuing the soliciting of the district chairmen to recruit district representatives to the shooting sports committee. The requirement for a district representative is that they hold at least one shooting sports instructor's certificate or Range Safety Officer certificate, that they attend committee meetings and participate in council shooting activities.

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
- NCAC Standard Operating Procedures (under final review)
- Event help request form for shooting sports (developed)
- Firearm and Archery Instructors List (in progress)
- NCAC Shooting Sports Merit Badge Counselor List (updated every month) Must be password protected
- University of Scouting Shooting Sports Presentations (developed)
- Where to Shoot information for council troops, teams and crews (under development)
- Shooting Sports Committee Minutes (developed)
- Pointers to various national BSA Shooting Sports Manuals
- NCAC Shooting Sports Standard Operating Procedures

Several of these items still need to be finalized in form compatible with the website,

Action item list was reviewed and updated.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 PM.

Next Shooting Sports Committee meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2016 via telecon from 7:30-9:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.



John Wolfgang

NCAC Shooting Sports Committee Chairman