

NCAC Shooting Sports Committee  
Marriott Scout Service Center  
Minutes July 2, 2019

Attendance (in person or dial in): Alice Nelson, Bill Swarm, Brian Summers, Demi Pulas, Jerry Sagers (VC Range Development), Joe Flaig, Ken Gaul.

1. Meeting Started at 7:36 PM.
2. June meeting minutes were approved and may be posted to the website as final.
3. NCAC Shooting Sports Status Reports – **All**
  - a. Goshen range inspections, inventory & equipment checks/cleaning June 16-20, 2019 successfully completed. **Training conducted by Hal Noer, Chief Instructor, resulted in training eight Goshen staff as rifle, shotgun and muzzeloading co-op rifle instructors**
  - b. Shooting bench plans for Ross – Phil Barbash not present. Status not available. Inventories for CWBS – Discussed. **Moved 1 bucket of arrows to range (bad fletching?)**
  - c. Inventories for Day Camp Pods – Demi Pulas met with Day Camp Staff June 10, 2019, and completed inventories for each day Camp Pod.
  - d. Update "NCAC Shooting Sports Committee Report and Implementation" for 2019 – **(update annually for multi-committee planning and budgeting)**
  - e. Noted need for range improvements at Camp Marriott. Berm re-furbishment completed prior to camp commencement. Noted need for: (1) new shotgun shooting points. 6x6' slabs with welded 2x2 steel frame for shooting point; and (2) Archery range cement slab shooting positions and storage shed for rounds, stands and related archery equipment. Add to list for report.
  - f. Verified from Goshen Staff Shooting Sports Director that SOP for Goshen ranges was in place.
  - g. Need to develop standards and syllabus for tomahawk training. BSA SS manual pg. 101 has basics, but not sufficient. Check with Tony La Cava, and Maggie De Jeng who may have some usable details to develop draft.
  - h. Need to develop talking points for presentation before Advancement Committee regarding certifications for shooting merit badge counselors.
4. NCAC Shooting Sports 2019 Calendar support requests
  - a. Powder Horn – Aug 24-26 Camp St. Charles (Berwyn R&G Offered Shooting Support – Tom Hanyok POC. Shooting Sat 24<sup>th</sup>. Ken Gaul bringing Ruger Mark 1s?)  
<https://www.ncacbsa.org/training/powder-horn/>
  - b. Sept 14 Camp Snyder – Endowment Committee Adult Scouting Skills Event (Pellet Gun and Archery?)
  - c. Sept 15-21 Philmont - Shooting Sports – Attendees? **Fun! Certs, man activities.**  
<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/PTC/conferencesO/ShootingSports/>
  - d. Sept 20-22 OA Fall Fellowship @ TBD
  - e. Oct 19 Cub Scout EXPO @ CWBS (**Confirmed: Brian. Possible Brian Summers, Bill Swarm. Note: Demi not available due to JOTA**) Covered by Snyder Summer Camp Staff per Stephanie?

- f. Nov 16 Webelos and Scout Expo @ CWBS (**Confirmed: None. Jerry Saggars should be able to provide pellet guns. Need to order more of those.**)
  - g. Other?
- 5. New range development at Snyder – **Jerry Saggars, Demi, Joe Flaig**
  - a. SUP Submission Status – **Working resubmissions to account for shotgun range orientation. Wetlands protection is an overriding issue. Need more professional consulting.**
  - b. Issues with VDOT and PWDOT – **Rifle range OK? Rotate shotgun range? Lead or steel shot? Safety zone issues? All under review.**
  - c. Any requests for searching Wolfgang's records?
- 6. Merit Badge Counselor certification requirement from Advancement Committee – (**Demi scheduling to meet with them at an upcoming meeting, possibly September.**)
- 7. District Representatives to Shooting Sports Committee – Request to all Districts (**Some districts more active than others. Some need replacement rep due to lack of participation.**)
- 8. Equipment maintenance, replacement, and repair
  - a. New shotguns and muzzleloaders at Goshen Demi, Phil
  - b. Need BB gun replacements for all programs Demi, Phil Equipment Inventory Goshen, Snyder and Day Camp – Replacement Needs?
  - c. Day camp archery and BB Gun Repair – Schedule more Fletching dates Brian Demi
  - d. BB Gun Repair Party- TBD need inventory and parts acquisition first, Rear Sight Ramps
- 9. Equipment Acquisition. Retirement and Maintenance Plan
- 10. Maintenance Budget
  - a. \$15,000 allocated to Goshen; \$5,000 allocated to Snyder
  - b. Goshen upgrade & repair
    - i. Marriott: rifle berms archery pavilion concrete slab.
    - ii. Repair cost for Goshen rifle pavilions.
    - iii. Cost for concrete pads for archery ranges in two Goshen camps.
    - iv. Cost to replace Archery Storage Sheds.
  - c. Snyder upgrade & repairs- BB range berm (**done**) and target line; replace archery storage shed underway.
- 11. Certification Opportunities
  - a. USA Archery Levels I and II
  - b. NRA RSO
  - c. NRA rifle and shotgun instructors
  - d. Camp staff training at Goshen Hal, Demi completed.
  - e. Goshen Shooting Sport Director certifications from NRA, USA Archery, Camp School?
- 12. Old Business:
  - a. **University of Scouting Presentation:** Committee review presentations for the University of Scouting and determine if they should be posted to our website as reference materials. – **Roundtable Handouts:** Discussed many times. Who has drafts for review? Determine if they should be posted to our website as reference materials. **TBD**
  - b. **Other Items – Brian to send MBC listing to Demi from John's files**

Our next Shooting Sports Committee meeting is scheduled for Next meeting: August 6, 2019 at MSSC from 7:30-9:00PM. Meeting adjourned 8:55 PM.

Brian Suddeth  
Vice-Chairman for Administration

### **Action Items:**

- **1 Correction of Berm heights @ Goshen:** Measurements and marking completed. **The berm correction work for the Marriott Rifle Range has been corrected before the start of the 2019 summer camp season.** The ranges at PMI and Ross will not be changed; but will have additional warning signs installed.
- 2 Concrete Pads installation at Marriott and Bowman,
- 3 Rifle Shooting Pavilions floor stiffening at Marriott, Bowman and Olmstead,
- 4 Replace Archery Sheds on all camp ranges,
- 5 Shooting Benches Ross BB Gun Range.

#### **TBD for Goshen:**

- Re-grade the black powder range. As previously noted, "Black Powder range at Lenhok'sin Mountain Men camp site needs to be replaced. We will inspect site during our equipment repair sessions." **TBD**
- 22 Range at Bowman: Access Road is 100 feet past the target line and could see overshoot. **TBD**
- 22 Range at Marriott, Shotgun Shooters Area is in front of the firing line, and berm only begins 45 degrees off the firing line. **Corrected.**
- 22 Range at Olmstead: Millard Burke Memorial Hwy is 750 feet downrange. What is the berm height? ShootersCalc.com shows 22LR over an 8 ft berm at 50 feet will cross the highway at 2ft above the ground. **TBD**

### **Phil Barbash Action Items:**

- Leaders for Goshen NRA Rifle & Shotgun certified before Camp School. Completed
- Ensure required GSR berm repairs are completed for safe operation before camp season starts or ranges must stay closed until these are safe. Provide manpower, resources and earthmoving equipment to raise berms at Goshen ranges and level black powder range. See 5 point action plan for GSR above. Completed
- Obtain updated inventories from all camps. Recent inventory files from John attached "NCAC Camp Inventories & Reviews.zip" **TBD**
- Review pay scale for Shooting Sports Directors and Staffers to reflect required training and experience requirements and be competitive with internships and similar jobs. **TBD**
- Draft Letter of Recommendation for camp directors to document leadership, independence and management achievement. **TBD**
- Ensure Lenhok'sin instructors receive Camp School and black powder training. **TBD**
- Provide Rangemaster Certification cards to SS Committee **(Brian provided from John's files)**
- Provide new NCAC Cub Summer Camp Chairman contact information to SS Committee **TBD**
- Work with John's family. They appreciated the memorial at Camp Snyder.

### **Jerry, Joe, Demi**

- State approval for new Snyder shotgun range footprint. Rifle range design has been approved.
- Certified sound tests @ Camp Snyder

**Demi**

**Qualifications of Shooting Sports Merit Badge Counselors** – Less than 20 % of NCAC merit badge counselors are certified to be operating ranges with the scouts. We have developed a package to notify merit badge counselors of the safety and certification requirements for BSA shooting sports activities. To help in correcting this issue we will need to provide more NRA instructor courses. The Shooting Sports Committee unanimously agreed that we ask the Advancement Committee to require NRA and USAA certification for all applicable merit badge counselors. The shooting sport committee directed John Wolfgang to contact the NCAC Advancement Committee Chairman with a request to require shooting sports merit badge Counselors to meet the minimum BSA requirements for shooting sports instruction, i.e. that all archery merit badge counselors be USAA Level I instructor, rifle merit badge counselors hold a current NRA Rifle Instructor certificate and Shotgun merit badge counselors hold a current NRA Shotgun Instructor certificate