

OAA Board of Directors Meeting

A1 Archery, Hilliard
October 10, 2009

Meeting Called to Order at 10:25am

In Attendance:

Bob Holden, President
Jeremy Evans, Vice President
Seth Adams, District 1 Governor
Norm Newman, District 2 Governor
Mike Stefanini, District 3 Governor
Ken Gibson, District 5 Governor
Clyde Hinton, Bowhunter Director

Old Business

- 1) Fall newsletter will be finalized after the outcome of this meeting. Governors asked to submit articles to Jeremy within next 2 weeks (Oct 25th).
- 2) Printer purchase approved at August meeting. Not yet purchased but Bob will follow up soon.

August meeting minutes accepted by unanimous vote.

New Business

1) 2010 Shoot Locations and Dates

The first item of business was to select shoot locations from the bids that were received and to select dates for those shoots. Dates will be confirmed with the selected club ASAP and adjusted only if necessary.

a) Indoor 300

Date previously established as March 5, 6, & 7, 2010

One new proposal received. New proposal presented by OAA officer with OAA as host with the proposed location of Batavia, in SW Ohio for 2010. Crooksville/Take Aim Archery also wishes to be considered to continue hosting.

Votes in favor of:

Crooksville/Take Aim Archery - Darrell (via email)
Batavia/OAA - Seth, Norm, Mike, Ken

Batavia proposal passed by a vote of 4-1.

b) Spring 3D

One proposal received from Wayne County Archers. Previous host Apache Bowhunters not interested in being considered for 2010.

Wayne County proposed a fee schedule different from the standard OAA fee schedule and proposed to allow shooters not wishing to compete for awards to shoot for a reduced fee.

By a vote of 5-0 (Seth, Norm, Mike, Ken, Clyde), Wayne County will be awarded the Spring 3D shoot under the condition that they agree to use the standard OAA fee schedule and that no shooters will be allowed to shoot at a reduced rate. All participants will be eligible for awards. Clyde will follow up with Wayne County Archers.

Date will be Sunday, May 23, 2010, as proposed by Wayne County Archers.

c) State Field Championship

One proposal received from Clinton County Farmers and Sportsmen Association in Wilmington. Sherwood Archery also wishes to be considered to continue hosting.

Votes in favor of:

Sherwood Archery - 0

Clinton County - Seth, Norm, Mike, Darrell (via email), Ken

Clinton County proposal passed by a vote of 5-0.

Concerns were brought up regarding the safety of the course at Sherwood Archery, especially when the course is full with many groups. OAA will offer to help Sherwood to address these issues. They have been a great host for the OAA and we would like to have the option to return someday.

Date will be July 17 & 18, 2010, to be confirmed by Clinton County. Jeremy will follow up.

d) 600 Round

One proposal received from Miller's Gun Supply in Sugarcreek. Hunters Outlet also wishes to be considered to continue hosting.

OAA has also been approached unofficially by a representative of the Ohio Fita Archers about the possibility of combining the OAA 600 round and the Ohio Fita Double 900 in order to help boost attendance at both. Because this suggestion came in late, the OAA has decided to honor the proposals received officially, but will leave this topic open for discussion for the future.

Votes in favor of:

Hunters Outlet - Darrell (via email)

Miller's Gun Supply - Seth, Norm, Mike, Ken

Miller's Gun Supply proposal passes by a vote of 4-1.

Date will be August 21, 2010, to be confirmed by Miller's Gun Supply. Mike will follow up.

e) All Ohio 3D Championship

South Cuyahoga will exercise their right to host for the second of their two-year contract.

Date will be a single day being either the weekend of August 6 or 7, or September 11 or 12, to be confirmed with South Cuyahoga. Jeremy will follow up.

2) Governor's Cup

The governors voted via email on Sept 9, 2009 to establish a district championship 300 shoot, to be called the Governor's Cup. Details to be established at this meeting.

After much discussion, these details were approved by unanimous vote:

Governor's Cup will be awarded to the highest score in each class in each district. Archers may shoot in any district, but scores will apply to the district of residency. The Governor's Cup shoot will take place in one location in each district. Location will be determined by the District Governor. Date will be determined per District for a single day sometime between Jan 1 and Feb 14, 2010. The varied dates may tempt archers to shoot in more than one location, but archers may only shoot one score for the Governor's Cup. An archer who signs in and begins shooting but does not complete the round or does not turn in a score will receive an official score of zero (0). This event will be open to guests. Guests will not be eligible for the Governor's Cup, but high guest scores will be awarded certificates (or similar). Ties will be broken by X count. If a tie still

exists, the tie will then be broken by the first X dropped. If a tie still exists after this, the tied shooters will compete in a head to head shoot off at the OAA Indoor 300. Failure to show up at the shoot off will result in forfeiture of the award. All awards will be presented at the Indoor 300. Awards will be mailed to any winner not in attendance. This shoot will not count toward SOY or the Iron Archer award. Similar to the mail-in events, there will be no money class in the Governor's Cup.

300 Classifiers will continue as in previous years, but the Governor's Cup event will also count as a classifier score. Shoot fees will follow the same format as the OAA Mail-in shoots and the same 50/50 split between host club and the OAA will apply. The OAA will supply scorecards and the Host club will be responsible for providing 5-spot target faces, consistent with the mail-in format.

3) 300 Classifier

The 300 Classifiers will continue following the same format as previous years. By unanimous vote, the OAA will add 2 weeks to allow more opportunity for members to submit a classifier score. Classifiers may be scheduled by any OAA affiliated club between Jan 1 and Feb 14, 2010. Any classifier score received after midnight, Feb 19, 2010 will not be accepted.

4) Rangefinder

Clyde mentioned that the rangefinder previously purchased by the OAA has stopped working and he asked for a replacement. By unanimous vote, Clyde is approved to purchase a rangefinder not to exceed \$200.00 and will be reimbursed accordingly.

5) Teams

Dan proposed via email a makeover of the team format. This proposed format would establish teams at the beginning of the year and these teams would compete together at every OAA shoot with a winning team to be determined by a total team score from all OAA events. The hope is that more OAA members would have an incentive to attend every event.

It was brought up in discussion that only one OAA member actually attended all OAA shoots this year. It was agreed that something needs to be done to increase attendance but several were concerned about the popularity of a yearlong team format. It was also suggested to modify this proposal to take the top 3 scores during a year from the yearlong team.

Ultimately, the governors in attendance voted unanimously to leave the team format as-is for 2010.

6) Newsletters

Dan suggested via email that the OAA consider tracking addresses for guests and sending them a copy of our newsletter, in hopes of drawing them in as future members. This idea was well received. Discussion turned to moving toward an electronic newsletter, which would be easier and less expensive to send to a larger group. The governors in attendance voted unanimously to provide a sign-up sheet or other option in order for guests to receive the OAA newsletters. The newsletter will also be posted on the OAA website and we will work in 2010 to transition from a paper newsletter to an electronic version, still providing a paper copy option to those members who might not have internet access.

7) Newsletter Advertising

It was also suggested to consider selling advertising space to affiliated shops/clubs and/or others to help cover the cost of the newsletter. Discussion brought up the point that affiliated shops/clubs are already paying a yearly fee and should expect some advertising in return. In the end, since the OAA has decided to move toward an electronic newsletter, the cost of printing and mailing will be greatly reduced therefore negating the need to sell advertising to cover these costs.

8) Website

Bob suggested that the front page of the OAA website should receive a makeover. Users

currently have to scroll toward the bottom to find any new information. Sponsor information will remain on the front page, but new news and highlights will be placed near the top of the page for easy recognition.

Also regarding the website, Mike still receives numerous emails through the website from individuals looking to get started in archery. He usually refers them to an OAA affiliated club in their area. It was suggested to add a link making it easier for people making these requests to find an affiliated club.

Jeremy will follow up with Charles on the website items.

9) Ohio Archers Association & Indiana Field Archery Association - Cross State Challenge

Jeremy & Ken have proposed initiating a cross-state challenge with the IFAA for the State Field shoots in an effort to boost attendance at this shoot in both states. This was discussed unofficially with IFAA officers at the 2009 IFAA Field shoot and the idea seemed well received. Under this proposal, the top 4 scores from IFAA members and the top 4 scores from OAA members at the Ohio State Field shoot will be recorded. These will be added to the top 4 IFAA and OAA member scores at the IFAA State Field shoot. The state with the highest total of these 8 scores will win.

The governors in attendance voted unanimously to pursue this idea. Jeremy will draft a challenge, send it to the OAA officers for final approval, and it will then be issued to the IFAA Officers for their consideration.

10) Late Fees

In order to ease the process of assigning shoot times and lane assignments for the Indoor 300, the governors in attendance voted unanimously to establish a \$5 late fee for this event only.

11) SOY Shirts

The governors in attendance voted unanimously to replace the SOY jacket with a SOY shirt, deciding that a shirt is more useful during the OAA tournament season than a jacket. Bob will follow up and order the shirts.

12) Treasurer Position

Dan Lane was appointed and approved as OAA Treasurer on 9/27/09. Bob has been working to transfer the account to Dan. Bob mentioned that currently only a single person has access to the OAA account. The governors in attendance voted unanimously to allow two officers have access, these being the OAA Treasurer and the OAA Secretary. Since the Secretary position currently remains unfilled, Bob will continue to have access to the account until a secretary is appointed. Bob noted that adding Dan to the account rather than transferring it to him should make the transition much quicker/easier.

Meeting adjourned at 1:42pm.