



MFAA Meeting held at Lunenburg Sportsman's Club

December 9, 2018

**Call to order:** 1:05PM

**Roll Call:** (ACTING) NFAA Director David Ferrie; MFAA President David Ferrie; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Pat Tuttle; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ed Woodcome; Classification Secretary/Treasurer Ruby Shannon; Recording Secretary Annette Ferrie; Board Members Jeff Grieman, John Lanney (Not Present)

**Clubs Present:** Bay Path Archers; Granby; Lunenburg; Nenameseck; Pequoig; Riverside; Woburn

**Recording Secretary Report:** Accepted as written; motion made by Ruby Shannon, seconded by David Sarver (Lunenburg)

**Treasurer Report:** Accepted as written motion made by Paul Nault, Seconded by Annette Ferrie

**Correspondence:** Received a letter from Jenn Copper from NFAA to explain how members can change their state affiliation on the website (members can change state affiliation up to twice a year) but would have to pay the difference in that state affiliate's fee which is usually a \$10 fee among states. Members can email or call headquarters, or Ruby will send a list to Jenn and Jill will be able to update the members account, but the member will have to pay the complete MFAA dues when they change to MA coming from a different state. That's when the additional \$10 fee on top of their membership. Its not a fee to change affiliation. It's because different states have different membership fees and Massachusetts has a \$10 difference among neighboring states. For example, Members of the Archery shop X-spot are affiliated with Rhode Island state shooters. X-spot as a club wants to be a MFAA club to be able to hold MFAA indoor shoots. So, all their shooters would need to change their state affiliate. A question came up by one of X-spot parents "Can they be affiliated with both states? So, they can patriciate in both State Championships." Well according to the NFAA constitution you can, if you pay the fees. Just unclar on if you must pay an additional MFAA fees. Example, when members pay their MFAA membership "family membership is \$69", NFAA receives \$50, MFAA receives \$19. Is that \$50 fee must be paid in additional fee. Director/President will do further research.

In addition, an email was received by the representative for Westfield, Warren Sweatt. Westfield Sportsman Club charter has been temporary Suspended by NFAA due to the club does not have enough head of household members. The club has two members that the President knows of but without going through all the MFAA members to see where their affiliated with. The club would need three more members. In the past it was practice giving a club state shooter to keep up their charter qualifications.

The President to bringing it up to the membership, feels that Warren only does the bare minimum of what needs to be done to have a MFAA Charter. Only attends 2 meetings, only has one shoot. Westfield needs to have members to join the NFAA, so they have enough members to keep their charter. The question was brought up to the members. Should the state give the club shooters? So, the club has its minimum to get out of suspension, or have the club be the one to get its members to become MFAA members, it only needs five members. The question was ask when does Westfield charter expire? Ruby unsure either the end of October or the end of November. At the meeting members feel that the State should give Westfield members because they already picked this year shoots. But next year Westfield will need to ask their members to join the MFAA members before the club's charter is expires. President will send Warren and email with the decision that it will be allowed this but in the future Westfield will need to have to MFAA members.

Ruby addressed the Clubs regarding a MFAA shooter Jason Kennedy he signed in at the shoot today. But his MFAA dues are past due when ask if he has renewed his membership, "he said he hasn't yet but will soon." So, the clubs are reminded that if Jason Kennedy comes to their clubs for an MFAA shoot to ask if his membership is renewed, if not Jason Kennedy should be listed as a Guest Shooter. He won't be listed on the MFAA Shooter print out and on the website.

#### **Committees:**

1. **Auditing:** No Report
2. **By-Law:** Only the one that is up for vote. Ballets are going out the last week of December or the first week of January. Need to be returned to Ruby for the February meeting.
3. **Classification:** 175 members
4. **Newsletter:** *No changes to the Newsletter*
5. **20 Pins:** No recipients
6. **Bow Hunter / Youth Committee:** No actions on the Bow Hunter. It's been asked if the members have been receiving the NFAA newsletter that has been sent out on a monthly bases. Its been focusing on the Bow hunter, a lot of stuff focussing on Bow Hunting, Pod casts. To get Bow Hunters involved.

**Youth Committee:** Youth Patches program is a success with the Young Shooters. So far since the beginning of the season 11 Youth Patches have been award to Young shooters that have been earned. There needs be order a couple of pathes from NFAA. Due to the original order of Patches was only complete sets. With three Young shooters reaching the 290 for the indoor score only had two patches to offer, That next year consider order more of the higher numbers Patches. Right now there is four Young Adults, Six Youths, One Cub. The list of the Youth achievements are on a spread sheet that can be seen on the *MFAA website* it gets updated with the date and the club that the Young shooter earned the Patch. First time shooters, instead of the purchasing the First Time Shooter metals pins. They been given option of a MFAA pin or a MFAA patch. A lot of first time shooters are taking pins so getting low and Two people have been taken patches.

7. **Tournament and Awards:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president had dicuss with the vendor of the Awards that the awards needed to be completed for the December meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP will be call the

vendor on the due date will be. Gift Certificates from Lancaster Archery Supplies Gift cards has arrived and some had been given out at todays shoot.

**NFAA Directors Report:** Riversides charter is expires at the end of December. All Other clubs are in good standing. As for State inspection for 2019 an indoor Pequoig in November is the only one. All other Club range inspection are due in 2020. This year is the Directors Board meeting of the NFAA out in Yankton, SD right after the Outdoors National. If the membership has any issues in the NFAA constitution that needs to be brought to the National committee. As it gets closer to the date National will send out news reports or any new changes of rules to the constitution. So, the Director can pass them on to the members. An issue that is being considered is changes to the classifications of those that have low participation at a national level, State level still will recognize classes.

**Old Business:** By-law change is going out in the mail to be voted on by the Membership. Return to Ruby by the end of January so the votes can be tallied for February Meeting. MFAA Scholarship fund for NFAA/MFAA members only was decided at the October meeting, US Archery members can apply by they need to have an updated MFAA membership. To Clarify that NFAA will recognize a US Archery membership at a state level a below will substation for a MFAA membership for a purpose of State Shoots and certain awards but will not receive an award at a Sectional or State title Shoot. Will not recognize their score, for insurance purposes, that the US Archer can shoot and would be covered if anything should happen. MFAA constitution sites that US Archery shooter could pay a \$10 fee and be a MFAA only member, that is legal, the wording states in the MFAA Constitutions that US Archery shoot will have to obey by the MFAA Constitution. This is an issue the will be brought up at another time. Should we continue with the \$10 fee? Example is: Part of the reason X-spot left Rhode Island because RI will except a non-state shooter to their State Shoot if they pay the additional \$10 fee. MA does it for all the MFAA Shoots and RI is having a lot of grief for having that fee. Ruby was asked to recall when the last time MA has had a US Archer/non-NFAA membership that had to pay the \$10 fee. At least two or three years.

**New Business:** Nominations will be closed at this meeting for President, NFAA Director, 1<sup>st</sup> vice president. David Ferrie retracted his name for re-elected for President, will only be running for NFAA Director. Carmen Sarver will be running uncontested. 1<sup>st</sup> VP is a re-election.

**Good of the Association:** Not currently

**Next Meeting Date: February 17, 2019 at 1 PM**

Pat Tuttle made a motion to accept, Carmen Sarver. 2nd

**Meeting Adjourned: 1:40Pm** Motion to Adjourned by Dave Sarver, Ed Woodcome 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Respectfully submitted:**

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*Recording Secretary*

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