

NSAA biathlon committee 13 April 2009

Members present: ray w, laurel d, Roberta w, james d, diane m, joel h, Teresa n, mike m, c gilbert, Diane Moxness (ED, NSAA). Also present, Tina Sellers, attorney from Reese Amodia, LLC, representing MOA regarding EPA lead issue.

1. Approval of March 2009 minutes (1-2 min)
2. SOP – chair position? (5 min)
3. Club direction/NSAA oversight- more RSOs needed, fees- cards or tags, snowmobile use/training (10 min)
4. Coaching- schedule for Mr Barlow- needs to be sent to the “list”, put an ad in “fasterskier”, Nordic skier etc for “permanent” coach (15 min)
5. Clinics – 26-30 May- Algis Shalna will be here. We need to cover airfare, lodging and food. Ok to stay with someone... (20 min)
6. Recruitment (5 min)
7. Rifle safety clinics (5 min)
8. Races- summer schedule 2009-2010 season, AWG, Trials (15 min)
9. Trials wrap up- all receipts in? (2 min)
10. Communication (2 min)
11. Building update (5 min)
12. Lead update/clean up – Ms Reese- (5 min)
13. Other (10 min)

Meeting started at 6:30 PM.

1. Minutes from March meeting approved. Motion for approval and seconded. Approved.
2. Lead report. CG reported that the 2nd clean up will be done as soon as the snow is melted. All the lead will be picked up and provided to a recycler, as provided for in the environmental plan for the new range. JH reported that he'd provided info to Dwayne Adams regarding lead collection or lack of it at the old range.
3. The Chair should be a one year position. JD nominated TN for Chair. CT seconded. Committee agreed to forward recommendation to NSAA board.
4. Club direction. Comment by Diane Moxness that snowmachines need to be NSAA machines— Ray W will discuss with Ben (NSAA). Perception and liability issues.
Fees: April deadline has passed. Discussion about having a card that shows range fee has been paid, and card for safety training passed. Cards will be made for each individual.
RSO training: MM will put on additional training. Joel : KPG established a maintenance fund and that fund may come into play. Range use fees will start to be collected at the range for those who haven't yet paid. There will need to be lists available of those who paid the annual/semi annual fee at the range.
5. Coaching. RBarlow has been coaching for the last three weekly sessions. TN: Need to make sure all members of the biathlon community are notified of available coaching. RM: There have

been 5 to 8 biathletes coached. 12 is probably the maximum number. This coaching is for serious biathletes—advanced juniors—they have been notified. Joel is taking notes at coaching sessions and sending them out. Those notes will go on the biathlon website. LDow: Perhaps there should be a special coaching session for novices. RM: Barlow is on a schedule for training the more advanced—it's a structured program. There are the clinics for all levels of biathletes. Each biathlete being coached needs to have his/her own rifle, either their own or a club rifle—otherwise it takes too much time to fit a rifle each time. JD: Need to have criteria for eligibility for the Barlow's coaching. TN: It would be good to have criteria for the various levels of biathletes. JD: What has been agreed here is that all communications about coaching and other biathlon activities should go to all biathlon community.

6. Clinics. May 26th-30th Algis Shalna will be coming. Flights, food and lodging will need to be provided by the club. RSO coverage is needed. Need schedule of who will be there. Need estimate of numbers of participants—if more than 12-14 may have 2 coaches come. Diane Moxness will provide housing. Bill Myers clinics have been 4-5 days and the charge was about \$50 and \$10/day for each extra day. TN: \$150 is proposed as the clinic fee for the whole clinic. Agreed that is about right to cover costs. Need to call and reserve space at Kincaid in name of NSAA Biathlon. Roberta will work on registration. Need to coordinate with construction activities. New kids should come an hour early for rifle safety instruction.
7. Recruitment. LDow: Might be good to do annual BBQ on last day of clinic—agreed that is a good idea.
8. Rifle safety clinics. Need to get rifle safety cards for successful participants. Roberta will work on this. Make sure safety clinic participants are USBA members before they shoot at the range. The next clinic will be on May 7—Chris Tomsen.
9. Race schedule. Summer:
Winter: Nov 28 and 29. Dec. 13. Dec 27. Jan 9 and 10 (or Jan 17 as alternate). Feb 14. March 21.
10. Trials Wrap-up. All receipts are in. Diane reported on income and expenses. Made \$3100. Grooming costs were \$4000—contribution from NSAA. (General: Rick McClure—there's a new NRA grant of \$5000.)
11. Building update. JD the amount of money is being cut back. Builder has been hired. The power poles could be moved from the south side of the berm. Also the storage unit could be buried in the berm. The bldg budget could be reduced to do these 2 things. Could move old timing bldg to start area on permanent (tube) foundation—where the trailer was this winter. Diane M: KPG wants to get biathlon range done this year. Joel: Need for drain in the field between shooting positions and targets. JD: The cost of a drain would be high and it may be better to just let the area drain naturally over in a week or so in the spring. Diane M: KPG says biathlon will cost \$1.5 M.
12. Other. TN: There have been requests for scholarship rifles—we need to decide if we're going to support state-wide biathlon use, or focus on local area. If there are more rifles than needed for local use, then we'd make rifles available to others statewide. If someone has a club rifle for a year, they should not be able to get a club rifle for another year, they should buy their own. LDow: I think it should be 2 years. Joel: If those with a club rifle and going to re-apply, they

don't need to turn in rifles. Those who are not re-applying will need to return their rifles by April 29.

Chris Tomsen: Orienteering station at Shooting event. Looking for volunteers from Biathlon Committee to assist. Chris will investigate.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. All in favor. Meeting ended at 9:30.