

Directors and Administrators Meeting Minutes

Global Benchrest Association

Fairmont, WV 24 March 2023

Attendees: Jeff Green, Gary Vanlier, Gary Munson, Dick Hohstadt, Mike Wallace, Sandra Malone, Mike Gaizauskas, Justin Vance, Joe Laskarin, Alan Malone

Two long term benchrest shooters passed away in 2022, Stanley Taylor and Danny Brooks. They were staunch supporters of our sport, and they will be missed.

The Treasurer’s Report was given and approved by the Board. We operated at essentially a break-even in 2022, even during this time of decreasing membership due to covid and the ongoing short supply and high prices of reloading components. And it is noted that our revenue is used for the benefit of our members with very little administrative cost.

The Secretary’s Report was given and approved by the Board. Note that Sandra Malone will assume duties as Secretary effective immediately. Mike Wallace is handling transition details.

The election results are: Jeff Green is elected as Chairman and Gary Vanlier is elected as Co-Chairman. This is for a two-year term.

Administrators were appointed by the Board for a two-year term:

 Secretary Sandra Malone

 Treasurer Mike Wallace

 Webmaster Mike Gaizauskas

 Records Administrator Steve Reimers

Points Keeper for 1000 Yard LG and HG Justin Vance

 Points Keeper for 1000 Yard Factory and Tactical Joe Laskarin

 Points Keeper for 600 Yard all Classes Sandra Malone

 Points Keeper for 1 Mile all Classes Kristene Mellor

News from Australia continues to be not good. Dave’s wife Wendy is in seriously failing health. NRAA and the NSW Rifle Association continue to be unsupportive of the NDRC and generally unsupportive of Bench Rest. Recent safety issues at NRDC have made things complicated.

Action Items:

* All Match Directors should get more pictures of our shooters during matches to Mike Gaizauskas for posting on the web site as a promotional and member support effort.
* Justin and Gary Vanlier will work on getting more content on our Facebook page as a promotional work effort.
* We discussed a number of opportunities to recruit additional ranges for GBA. Jeff Green will follow up on these with other Board and Association members.
* Jeff Green will check with Steve Reimers to see if we can find a way to validate potential record targets on a more real-time basis. If so we plan to publicize these on the web site as a promotional and member support effort.
* Match Directors should poll shooters during the 2023 season to assess interest in changing our 1000 yard Factory and Tactical classes to a two target aggregate. After collecting information, the Board will make a decision whether to draft a rule change for member voting.
* All Match Directors to send updated club point of contact, club address, and contact information to Mike Gaizauskas for updating this information on our web site. It is preferred that this information be on the home page of the website if possible.
* Gary Vanlier will check advertising cost on 6BR.com We may want to do some promotion of GBA.