

Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: December 7, 2024

Place: Nashua Fish and Game Nashua, NH

Time: 3:30 PM

President Littlefield called the meeting to order and lead the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Minutes from the annual meeting held December 2, 2023 and the state shoot meeting held July 28, 2024 had been published earlier. A motion was made by Susan Wright and seconded by Doug Whiton to accept the minutes as written. Passed U.

President Littlefield thanked everyone for their help and support in the past year. President Littlefield thanked Jason Green for his work as webmaster. President Littlefield extended the NHTA's gratitude to those who helped with the state shoot. President also thanked Minute Man Sportsman's Club and it's staff for hosting the NH State Shoot. President Littlefield spoke to the fact that the state shoot would lose money if it weren't for the shell raffle. The Executive Board met in November this year to look for ways to bring the state shoot closer to breaking even. As a result of that meeting cost cutting measures were adopted affecting trophies, added money and the youth shooting discount. A revenue enhancement was adopted by way of adding a \$1 fee for each event going to the NHTA.

Treasurer Jack Cannon presented his report. Revenue for 2024 from dues, ATA rebate, program ad sales, raffles and shoot fees were approximately \$9,800. He stated expenses were approximately \$8,400 for trophies, insurance, website costs and program printing. He stated that the cash balance is approximately \$13,500. A motion was made by Steve Grady and seconded by Doug Whiton to accept the report as presented. Passed U.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Secretary reported that a letter had been received from the Trapshooting Hall of Fame thanking the association for its contribution resulting from the Hall of Fame Lewis at the state shoot.

WEBSITE REPORT

Jason Green reported that activity on the site is very good with frequent visits by numerous shooters. He mentioned that the most important aspect of any website is content and that content has to be current and relevant. He requested that any and all content be sent to him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee – John Cannillo reported that the committee had solicited candidates and arrived at the following proposed slate:

President	Gary Littlefield
Vice-President	Jason Green
Secretary	Phil Wright
Treasurer	Jack Cannon
Director	Edith Allyn Page
Director	Steve Szczechura
Director	John Cannillo

Real Property Committee – No report.

Audit Committee – No report.

DELEGATE'S REPORT

2024 Grand American:

Weather was hot early but ended beautiful.

Attendance was up about the same as 2023.

7 NH Shooters attended. Steve Haynes, Allisen Reese, Mike and Theresa Blaisdell, Phil and Sue Wright and Frank Culbertson.

ATA Business:

The ATA's financial condition remains very solid.

ATA membership is stable at around 63,000, ATA registered targets thrown in 2022 and 2023 totaled almost 50,000,000 each year and it appears that 2024 will be about the same.

VP's REPORT:

Jason Green thanked Jari Mannisto for arranging to have the meeting at Nashua Fish & Game. Requested that in the future those attending please RSVP to assist in planning for food. Jason mentioned that there will be another shell raffle at the 2025 state shoot. Those wishing to donate shells for the raffle should reach out to him. Jason reported that the Beretta 686 combo had been sold and the NHTA benefited in the amount of \$1,400. Jason also thanked Don LeFebvre for his generous donation of a handcrafted wooden American flag to be used as the NHTA sees fit. The NHTA had some left over pottery from the state shoot which was distributed by raffle with Steve Haynes, Nick Gibbs, Nicole Pigeon, Doug Whiton and Connor Gibson being the recipients.

AIM4NH REPORT

Missy Riley reported that the AIM4NH program is going well.

STATE TEAM

The State Team for 2024 was announced with 25 qualifying. Buckles and certificates will be awarded at the July meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The date for the 2024 State Shoot was set for July 25-27, 2025 at Minute Man Sportsman's Club.

Susan Price will handle the trophies for the state shoot.

President Littlefield spoke about the new legislation recently enacted by Massachusetts. From all accounts the law adversely affects non-residents who want to travel to MA for shooting activities. There are questions as to whether non-residents are prohibited from using their shotguns in MA without getting a NR LTC. There is also a gun registration requirement for non-residents that has been delayed until 2026 while the Firearms Records Bureau develops the system to register firearms for non-residents. There continues to be speculation that non-residents can still travel to and within MA and use their shotguns without a special license providing they are not semi-automatics. Attempts to get more clarity on this issue are ongoing. Information will be posted to the website as it becomes available. Dan Madden questioned whether consideration should be given to holding the state shoot at either Montpelier Gun Club or Scarborough Fish and Game if it turns out that there are significant impediments for non-residents to shoot in MA. The Executive Board will monitor the situation and make adjustments as necessary.

Nick Fenton won the drawing for the \$75 Kittery Trading Post gift card.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

There were no additional nominations beyond those made by the Nominating Committee. There being no further nominations, the President directed the Secretary to cast one vote for the slate.

Motion was made by Susan Wright and seconded by Fred Lewis to adjourn. Passed U

ADJOURNED 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Wright
Secretary