



12 August 2013

Minutes of the 2013 AETSM Ordinary General Assembly,
10 July 2013, Örnsköldsvik, Sweden

The President, Sami Mäkelä, declares the meeting open at 9:00 pm, and welcomes all the Delegates.

List of the Delegates attending the meeting:

BEURTHERET	Jean-Pierre	FRANCE
GLOSIMOT	Birger	NORWAY
ISAKSSON	Moritz	SWEDEN
JONSSON	Tom	SWEDEN
LAMBOUR	Antoine	FRANCE
MÄKELÄ	Sami	FINLAND
MUSTAPARTA	Nicolay	NORWAY
POST	Wulf	GERMANY
SAVINAINEN	Petri	FINLAND
SCHUH	Sigrid	GERMANY
VAN HOOFF	Joep	THE NETHERLANDS

DEWSBURY	Davis	AUSTRALIA	Observer
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The General Secretary asks the Assembly to allow David DEWSBURY from Australia to attend the meeting as an observer. The Assembly agrees.

Jean-Pierre BEURTHERET introduces Antoine LAMBOUR who replaces Michel BOULANGER as a French representative. He also informs the Assembly that the new French Metallic Silhouette Director is Gerard DALLE-FRATTE.

Point 1: President's Report

Dear delegates,

Starting from January 2013 IMSSU has accepted new rules and AETSM is following same rules. After 2012 IMSSU General assembly, shooters were informed rule changes and feedback was colourful, I got lots of opinions that some shooters will not shoot Unlimited any more, I got also lot of feedback that finally Unlimited and Production is separated, it took over 10 years to do that.

After shooting season 2013 started I have seen about same number of shooters shooting Unlimited than earlier and after some competitions feedback has been positive. Even shooters with least talent are enjoying unlimited, of course there are some that don't like it but it was same before changes. We can't satisfy every shooter. Most important is to keep our sport interesting. And feedback about banning peep sights has been almost same, shooters have put their own old open sights back to guns and still I have seen same faces at ranges. There is very little feedback about airgun but I am sure that after this season we have more experience.

It seems that shooting ranges in some countries are disappearing and only big clubs have possibilities to keep ranges up and fill all requirements that authorities are pushing, environmental etc...

Also it seems that getting firearm licenses are getting also harder.

Travelling with firearms and ammo with aeroplane has been getting tougher and tougher.

Point 2: General Secretary's Report

I am glad to meet you once again but I regret to see that some members are not here. Our Australian friends are here to attend the World Cup. Davis Dewsbury represents the Aussie delegation.

There are not many things to say. The number of silhouette shooters is not really increasing to say the least. The best we can hope is to not lose competitors.

I think you are all aware of the Internet poll about firearms organized by the European Commission. It's a sting since everybody can vote as many times as he or she wants. And anyway, whatever they are, the voters are not a representative sample of the population.

All we can expect is that the European Commission will not be able to use the results against the European shooters rights.

About the AETSM, there is little to say. Hungary rejoined us this year. Good news.

One point about our funds. The money of the AETSM is split into two parts. A small part is on the bank account. The greatest part was in mutual funds. It was a formula reserved to non-profit organizations with no risks for the funds. The interest rate is very low (proportional to the risks). It is less than one percent a year.

My banker proposed a new solution. Now, in France, it is possible to open a savings passbook for non-profit organizations. Before, it was reserved to individual citizens only. No risks too but the interest rate is higher. This rate can vary a little from year to year. This year it was 2.25 %.

So, I transferred the funds from the mutual funds to the savings passbook. I showed the operation justificatory to Sigrid. We will examine the amounts later, according to the agenda.

So, we can proceed with the agenda.

Point 3: Vote for the renewal of the Council

The outgoing Members are the only candidates.

There are five candidates for five seats.

Are elected:

Jean-Pierre BEURTHERET
Birger GLOSIMOT
Sami MÄKELÄ
Bernhard PAOLINI
Sigrid SCHUH

Point 4: Election of the President and the General Secretary by the Council

The candidates are:

- For the Presidency: Mr MÄKELÄ
- For the General Secretariat: Mr BEURTHERET

Both candidates are elected.

Point 5: Election of the Vice-President responsible for overlooking the financial management by the Council

Mrs SCHUH is candidate and is elected.

Point 6: Report from the Vice-President responsible for overlooking the financial management

Sigrid SCHUH audited the accounts and certified their exactitude.

Amount of the AETSM funds:

Bank account: 9 963.09 €.

Savings passbook: 17 008.85€.

Total: 26 971.94 €.

Point 7: Approval of the accounts for the past years

The Assembly approves the accounts at the unanimity.

Point 8: Determination of the membership annual fee

The assembly votes for the status quo which is 1.25 Euro per silhouette shooter and 5% of the entry fees of the European Championships paid by the sponsoring country.

Point 9: Vote for designate the hosting country for the 2015 European Championship

France is the only candidate to host 2015 European Championship. The Assembly agrees at the unanimity.

Jean-Pierre BEURTHERET introduces the Volmeranges-Les-Mines shooting range. through a PowerPoint slide show. The Big Bore Rifle events will be shot on a temporary range set up in a military camp, located at 150 km from the range. The dates have to be determined yet but these Championships will be probably held in July or August 2015.

Point 10: Miscellaneous Questions

Following the presentation of the Volmeranges-Les-Mines shooting range, some members asked about the new shooting range in Chateauroux (France) but no useful information are available now.

According to the sporting rules, when the same pistol is used, the Production event must be shot before the Unlimited event. Some members point out that this rule is remote since now Production and Unlimited are shot on different silhouettes. This point is of the competency of the IMSSU.

Along the years, many modifications were made to the sporting rules. This inevitably created discrepancies in these rules. The General Secretary proposes all members to carefully read the rules and point out these discrepancies to have them submitted to the IMSSU.

Some countries, where laws about air guns are very strict, have difficulties to organize air gun matches.

Some members point out the scarcity of production pistols available on the market.

It is proposed to create a data warehouse fed by the decisions of the technical juries of previous competition and posted on the IMSSU website. This would be helpful when the Rules don't answer to a question.

It is wished to enhance the communication between countries through Internet. It would help Member Countries to solve the problems they have to cope with.

The Assembly ends at 11:00 PM.

Sami MÄKELÄ
AETSM President



Jean-Pierre BEURTHÉRET
AETSM General Secretary

