

Minutes of Emergency DRPC Management Committee Meeting Tuesday 22nd September 2020.

Present:

D Jones, J Smith, N Waring, D Holt, J Starley, T Mepham, M Ashley, B Hall

Apologies:

M Savory, S Walters, R Hufton

Previous Minutes:

N/A.

Matters Arising:

- Following the temporary closure of A Range on 18/09/2020 this emergency meeting was called to discuss and implement measures to prevent a recurrence of the ricochet incident of the 17/09/2020.
- It was concluded that non-adherence to policies and procedures implemented under previous administrations gave rise to the incident.
- It was concluded that a lack of current / in date risk assessments for shooting in general and for managing pertinent risks arising from Covid-19 expose the club, committee and wider sport to unnecessary risk.
- It was concluded that the Management Committee consider appropriate methods by which to ensure such an instance is not repeated.
 - These methods, in whatever form they take, will:
 - Ensure the correct logging of range inspections at monthly intervals.
 - The timely arrangement of preventative range maintenance.
 - Achieve a cost-effective solution that is fit for purpose and enables the continuation of permitted shooting disciplines on A Range.

Immediate Actions / Outcomes:

- The Safety Officer stated they will not be standing for any Committee position in 2021, and that their involvement in remaining range inspections for the year 2020 will cease.
- The Deputy Chairman agreed to take over this function for the remaining year.
- The Chairman and PR Officer will liaise to assess and where necessary, review existing Risk Assessment documents and protocols.
- The Membership Officer will circulate and email to all members calling for a work party for Saturday 26th September.
- The Chairman has already dug over and de-leaded lane 3 on A – Range.
- The Chairman will contact F.Haxton to request further copies of the club's current range safety certificates.
- The Chairman will contact the contractor who designed and installed the canopy on B-Range to allow the club to assess cost implications, establish a reasonable budget for such works while enabling the committee to consider alternative solutions that

are fit for purpose whilst being cognisant of the reduced muzzle energies introduced under normal operation of A – Range – (typically 22 Rimfire and pistol calibre)

- It was proposed and agreed that when A Range is reopened only 22LR / rimfire calibres be permitted until such time as a canopy / cover / alternate means of containing “stray / deflected / ricochet” media from the sand backstop is introduced, and that all other calibres are restricted to B & C ranges during this period.
 - Once de-leading work has been completed and the committee has voted to re-open A Range the changes will be communicated to the membership.
- The CRO is attending a competition at Bisley over the 2nd, 3rd & 4th of October and will speak to contacts there regarding the efficacy of an system introduced two years prior to address the same problem.