

Idaho Traditional Bowhunters
Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2024

The Idaho Traditional Bowhunters monthly meeting for April was called to order by Janet Houlihan, President, at 6:30pm MST. There were seven members present. Vice President Shawn Carman was present and Secretary-treasurer Lisa Hall was absent.

Janet gave a report on Fallen Archers shoot: there were 69 shooters registered this year (up from 57 last year). Don Schroeder brought the Pronghorn Mount which was donated by Lori Turner in memorial of John Turner, one of our founding members. It was decided by club members at the shoot that the mount will be kept as part of our club property and displayed at shoots when appropriate. Don Schroeder offered to make a wooden plaque that it could be mounted on for safe transport.

Janet gave the treasurer's report for Lisa, who was unable to make the meeting but prepared the financial statement. Fallen Archers/ITB— Income collected: \$1427.00 shoot fees, \$420 memberships, \$260 Western States Registration;
ITB Expenses — Fallen Archers/New Meadows shoot cards \$33.78,
WSTR - \$321.84 motel for speaker (Don Thomas), \$165.00 TBM advertising, \$25.28 Young adult medals WSTR(3),
ITB Operating costs —\$478.00 Zoom/Website registration for one year.
Current bank totals \$9364.00

Shawn Carman gave Vice President's report — He has designed and ordered special pins similar to the ones we got last year for ITB with the Western States logo of the moose and antlers. The pins are scheduled to arrive in the first part of May. They will be given to all registered shooters at the event as shoot memorabilia. Shirt color decided for WSTR: grey heather. He also reported on the election nominations and said folks could have until the end of this week to make any nominations, then he would contact nominees to see if they will accept the nomination for the position. Then put up a link for elections, which will run for about two weeks to finalize. If positions are not filled, then the board of directors may appoint someone to fill the empty positions.

Reports from Regional Directors and Director at Large

Eastern and Central directors were absent (Shawn Nash and Ray Gorney). Northern Director Dennis Michael reported for his region and for Mike Schlegel, our Director at Large, who was present but had to sign off because of a bad connection. Dennis is preparing for a citizens advisory group meeting about elk management in Region 10A which is coming up. Jordan Alves reported on PBS meeting in Lexington Kentucky, (happening same weekend as Cabin Fever Shoot so try to be cognizant of events from PBS and Comptons and try to avoid conflicts). Compton's and PBS have a position open for their regional legislative committee and we can try to fill that position with someone already involved with their organization. Club needs active participation in those organizations and Jordan Alves volunteered himself as person to be our legislative representative for PBS and Comptons. Jordan will reach out to them, he needs to be "sponsored" to be a voting "regular" member. It was agreed that we need to join these clubs to show our support.

Mike Schlegel lost connection but communicated with Dennis Michael with the information that the Idaho Fish and Game is seeking input for elk management and he will be sending out that information to members on Monday, be prepared for individual comments and ITB club comments.

Bow-birds/Litter pickup. Janet talked with Adopt a Highway administrator Jennifer Ford and got our group registered for our scheduled pickup on Saturday April 27, 2024 and ordered a new sign. This will be our 32nd year on this stretch of highway. It was discussed that we could elect to get a different section of an Idaho highway that was not so steep and dangerous for older folks and children. It was put to a vote to look for another highway section that we could adopt and it was passed unanimously that this would be a good idea. Jordan Alves suggested trying to find a stretch that was close to public lands so we could utilize the land that we would be hunting on. Janet will check out maps that Jennifer will be sending to her and see what might be available that would be better suited for our club. Janet reserved a Porta potty from Honey dippers in McCall so she can pickup up the potty and return it more conveniently. Cost is \$175. Janet got the liability insurance filed for the use of the Avimor property for our barbecue in the same spot as last year up on Pearl road. Dave Parks will bring the barbecue and Janet will bring his arm guard and shooting glove to the bow-birds site. Lisa will be getting the food for the barbecue lunch and flu flu arrows from the target trailer. Janet will bring flying discs.

Discussion of Western States planning

Registration flyers are now available on the website.

Task list from last month's meeting has been completed and is not repeated here except for a few items. Cathy Warford was volunteered for the raffle supervision. Don Schroeder needs help putting out rebar stakes on the course so he can carry the light plastic BC stakes on his electric bike. Novelty shoots are still in developmental stages. The northern club has a potato shoot, and a kids games. Shawn had a tic tac toe idea. We need to get novelty shoots ready for activity schedule. Jim Acheson still possible for mule packing seminar, he located a pair of mules he could use so he doesn't need to bring his over the state line. He'll let Janet know soon. Also, Janet is trying to get in touch with Justin Webb about giving a wolf talk but haven't heard back from him. He has a very busy schedule, but lives close by Moyie Springs so can be a possibility if he can get away. Don Thomas is confirmed for Friday night turkey talk and Saturday night Dangerous game talk. Campfire music and stories on Sunday night. Raffle, awards, finals for blanket shoot and Bowhunter challenge will happen on Sunday afternoon. Janet ordered 3 extra medals for the Young Adult category for WSTR, cost \$25.28, and we'll see what kind of turnout we get before making them for New Meadows Rendezvous.

Janet got in touch with Marilyn Dutra to determine if California wants to host WSTR 2025 and she replied that they do! She will not be able to attend the WSTR 2024 in Moyie Springs, so she is looking for a representative that can pick up the banner for California or we will mail it to her.

Discussion of New Meadows Traditional Rendezvous

Janet has been in touch with Ed Olson and he is unsure if the brush hogging of the site will even be happening due to financing issues. The barn will be full of hay when we have our shoot, so we won't be able to set up in it like last year.

Clean up day needs to be scheduled for either June 22 or 23 Sat or Sunday. Some said only Saturday would work and others said Sunday. We need to decide. Ed Heasley will bring big mower so he is a critical factor in deciding when we will do it. Check you emails or upcoming May meeting for finalized date of cleanup.

Discussion of target inventory was mentioned and Thom Tash said we have about 57 targets but plans to use the New Meadows shoot to do a complete inventory and to number each target. He will need some help

with that so if volunteers arrive on Friday to set the course, some could also help with the target inventory.

Discussion then turned to ordering some more t-shirts for the ITB club and consensus was to use Shawn's company for club shirts. We want to get some quality shirts, especially for women as there are virtually no women's shirts left in our inventory.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm