

2010 IPSC Ontario Club Representative Meeting 10/23/10

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: John Evers – ESSA, Reg Lake – Peterborough, Shane Melless – Ajax, Jake Hunter – Eganville, Ron Mally-Waterford, Mark Graham – Kingston, May Russell – RAGC, Steve Russell – EOHC, Robert Thomas – Barrie, Scott Halliday- Cronwall, - Perry DeNardis-Wentworth, Glen Leitch – Haliburton, Scot MacDonald-Aurora, Steve Morgan – Oshawa, Len Walker – Sudbury, Warren Davey – Waterloo, Ian Bullen- Burlington, Dom Accardo – Sharon

Attending Board of Directors – Rachel Blum, Josko Kovic, Bernard DeGagne, Virgil Fala, Pat Harrison

Guest- Phil Carreira – NROI, Kent Hill – Black Badge Training Coordinator, Simar Sahin – IPSC Member – Bobbi Curran – minutes

Agenda:

8:00 ~ 10:00 – Breakfast / Registration / Introductions

Courtesy of Peter Lambert – Participation gift for club attendance - All IPSC Ontario Clubs have received an IPSC Ontario Flag for display during their matches – Thank you Peter !! All clubs will proudly display our flags during our matches.

18 of clubs of 28 represented

IPSC ON is currently at 1090 members

IPSC ON 2011 Membership Dues deadline is November 30th

IPSC ON Phone # (519) 587-5779

10:00 ~ 10:15 – Review of March 27th minutes

No questions arising from the previous meeting minutes.

Motion to accept previous meeting minutes - Robert Thomas
Seconded - Glen Leitch

10:15 ~ 10:45 – Business arising from the minutes

Announcement for 2011 IPSC Ontario Provincials & 2011 Canadian Nationals
– Host Club – Kingston

Note: IPSC Ont. Provincials will be held one week earlier than historically held
– *does not fall on Canada Day long weekend.*

Request to the Club Representatives to post the Announcement within their clubs for membership awareness.

10:45 ~ 11:10 – Break & Check out timing

11:10 ~ 12:30 – Business arising from the minutes (con't)

- **Mission Fee (9:45 ~ 10:20)**

Mission Fees are used by IPSC ON to support the management of activity of IPSC Ont. (patches / targets / sponsorship of NROI etc.). Concerns have been identified that Clubs are avoiding Level II matches and submission of Mission Fees.

BofD is concerned that Level II matches are being reduced to Level I to avoid payment of mission fees and sanctioning requirements.

Request that the clubs run Level II matches to generate revenue to ensure the continued success of IPSC ON. The BofD does not want to set mandatory requirements and would like all clubs to utilize their own discretion to set the level of the matches accordingly.

- Reg Lake – small clubs with few competitors are not making a lot of money on the matches held, the creation of larger matches is difficult given the available help within the club.
- May Russell – make the level II worth something – eg. attach to the classification system so clubs/competitors want to participate.
- Rob Thomas – BGC is not generally prepared 30 days in advance to have sanctioning completed. Monthly matches mean immediately following the current month match the submission for the next month must be sent out, time to support sanctioning becomes an issue.
- Virgil Fala – suggested for clubs to have pre-approved stages completed for the year and send in the stages selected for application to the match. Virgil will ensure where at all possible that sanctioning will be completed to support club requests.
- Rachel Blum – concern that clubs are downgrading from Level II to Level I as a result of insufficient manpower – this is unrelated to scope of match and should not have a impact on the level of the match.
- Kent Hill – historically – 2 level II's avoided mission fees of Level I's are clubs meeting this requirement? If clubs are struggling with RO / CRO support they can call Phil or Kent to access a larger pool of interested officials.
- May Russell – Mission fees were attached to RO points and classification and therefore if a club wanted their RO's to have points recognized mission fees would be submitted.
- Dom Accardo – can we move towards generating a managed pool of CRO's to support clubs that struggle operating larger matches – managed and supported by IPSC ON.
- Len Walker – what is a reasonable price to charge for a Level II – this is a good topic for group discussion further along in the agenda.
- Mark Graham – is there validity in assigning club points to separate or distinguish host clubs and mission fee requirements.

- May Russell – two issues or concerns seem to be persistent – worker availability and IPSC ON revenue generation. For workers consider twin club logic to share resources and for revenue tie Level II matches to the classification system.
- Steve Morgan – Guelph set a standard several years ago and increased match fees – the increase was justified in patching expectation, food and beverage for the match. All clubs have followed the same suit without offering the same services... if clubs are struggling with attendance those clubs should be reflecting on their matches.
- Mark Graham – match fees are revenue generating and are applicable to HST. Different clubs are approaching HST collection differently.

- **Classification System**

Starting January 1st the new Classification System will be in place – Waterloo donated range for the day – all 10 stages have been shot by Ontario Grand Masters / Masters – best time from 3 to 4 shoots were used to generate an average. Eugene Kuleshov has created a database to manage the system. The BofD is requesting all clubs to include a classifier in their Level II matches.

May Russell - Concerns regarding the classification system continue to exist? Issues remain regarding comparison to the U.S (15% reduction). If we are using U.S then match to USPSA, if International uses ICS, if classification is for Ontario than use Ontario shooters as base. The concern remains that Ontario will not have Grand Masters under this new system as ON only has one Grand Master in the World Org. Under this system we are not recognizing Ontario shooters and giving them the honour of their position within Ontario as compared to other Ontario shooters.

Steve Morgan is concerned that the classification system is based on multiple attempts and creates a higher standard. This is not the case multiple runs by multiple shooters were utilized to generate an average to set a standard. These same shooters still must classify under this system.

Len Walker – this entire system was supposed to be generated to evaluate Ontario shooters against other Ontario shooters. The intention of this system was supposed create a system that is repeatable and enables direct comparison within Ontario. This proposal meets this requirement.

Shane Melless – has this direction been accepted by the general membership? What voting power do the club reps. have? From the AGM a motion was proposed and accepted that the club reps are representing the IPSC membership within their clubs and do have the ability to vote on / accept proposals.

Robert Thomas – what happens if a shooter surpasses the high hit factor – Pat Harrison response - cap at 100% no competitor can surpass.

Bernie DeGagné – proposal - list ranking with & without 15% reduction so shooters can see their positions within Ontario and the World.

Motion to list both with/without 15% reduction - Bernie Degagne

Seconded – Reg Lake

Voted - passed

Len Walker – motion to defer motion voted and passed above for further discussion involving Mike Auger at next representative meeting.

Seconded – Phil Carreira

Voted – passed

Result – Classification system as proposed in Mike Augers presentation will continue as planned. A formal review after

- **Sanctioning Updates**

Please ensure that we follow the IPSC rules in accordance with Canadian IPSC requirements. All submissions requesting sanctioning should include:

Walk through

Shoot through evaluation

Measurement from steel

Evaluation for conformance to IPSC Rules

IPSC ON is in need of support with sanctioning. The re-introduction of stage verifiers is requested to ensure that the course of fire meets the approved/sanctioned submissions. Verifiers will evaluate the course of fire and provide feedback to the sanctioner who in turn will review with the club. Verifiers will provide feedback if in attendance of the match. Please provide volunteer names to Virgil. From the list of the volunteers the B of D will review & select.

As discussed above, the 30 day rule will apply for sanctioning however Virgil will where at all possible accommodate submissions which do not meet the 30 day requirement.

Kent Hill – As a note: in the past matches were required to have a physical verification prior to first shot.

Ron Malloy – what looks good on paper does not necessarily meet range requirements. How much leeway is there from an approved stage to actual stage setup? Cannot add but can remove targets, steel type etc. Response – be reasonable and follow the IPSC rulebook.

Len Walker – clarification – the intention is for an independent view outside of the match director. Can any Range Officer perform this function? Looking for designated verifiers which can train under the sanctioning officer.

Rob Thomas – the authority of the verifier must be clear, Clubs cannot have verifiers come into their match and based on personal preference remove targets/stages.

Phil Carreira – oversights happen, if a non conformance to IPSC rule book or Safety infraction exists these items should be immediately brought to the attention of the Match Director.

Virgil Fala – the intention of this request has not been understood by the club reps. A simple support group to ensure conformance to sanctioning was the request, policy etc. should not be required to manage this activity. Request for verifiers has been withdrawn.

12:30 ~ 13:00 – Lunch

- **IPSC Forum Presentation – Simar Sahin (13:00~13:30)**

Simar introduced a new IPSC Ontario Membership Forum. This Forum has many opportunities and will be directly linked to the Website. Areas exist for general membership, club representatives, BofD and moderators. Links to NROI and IRO will be available.

May Russell – can we add an area for the club reps to communicate regarding discussions such as CFO. Response – these topics are best served under representative subjects which can be established within the Club Rep area.

This forum will be run with full identity – no alias to be utilized.

Who will be the moderators? This list has not been finalized.

Shane Melless - How much personal information will be available on this site? Name, BB# and email address. No personal information will be available outside of the information listed above.

This will be kicked off after the rules have been established. Each club representative will be provided access to the test server to evaluate and provide feedback. Full access should be available early 2011.

IPSC ON Website:

Updates to the IPSC ON website have been completed. There are now direct links to NROI, IRO etc. The match calendar will be available on-line with direct link to On-Line registration.

Mark Graham – can we colour code the various match levels and those that include classifier matches.

Kent Hill – request that the calendar be utilized for additional content eg. Black Badge courses, RO courses etc.

13:30 ~ 14:00 – Business arising from the minutes (con't)

Election Nomination forms – please ensure that they are posted within the clubs.. all forms are due in October 31st. If an election is required the cost will be similar to 2010 app. \$1100~\$1200.

Steve Russell – is everyone who was appointed going to run? This question cannot be answered until after 10/31.

14:00 ~ 14:30 – Black Badge Training Coordinator Report

NROI Update:

NROI Ontario duties and responsibilities have been separated and removed from the BofD. This activity has been positive and separates the Board from the administration of the RO's.

NROI handbook is being created to educate members on the RO process, escalation, and RO discipline process.

RO courses and availability – Phil requested clubs to offer sites to host RO courses, of 10 clubs requested he received only 2 responses. The clubs have to support this initiative to ensure sufficient opportunity exists for our new RO's. Additional requests will be made in the spring for a CRO course to be held in the general Toronto area.

Black Badge Absence – Re-certification

1 to 3 years absence

Greater than 2 consecutive years of absence

- supervised instructor assessment by a Black Badge instructor

4 to 9 years absence

- Re-certification course (\$25.00 instructor fee)

Successful practical (8 exercises of 24), successful retest result and 1 match point

Dom Accardo – what is the determination of the 4 to 9 years. If we know that a previous member has continued to shoot actively why are we drawing a line at 10 years?

Phil – agree to modify the 4 to 9 to any period of time greater than 4 years.

Al Goodfellow has been promoted to Provisional Range Master (1 year probation) under the supervision of Kent Hill.

A range official has been demoted to provisional RO based on match performance feedback. Evaluation of performance of future matches must be completed by CRO / RM.

Dom Accardo – visible weakness is evident in new RO's. Can NROI ON look at the RO course for potential improvements? Response - all existing RO's and CRO's must step up and mentor new RO's, we have a responsibility to bring our new RO's forward.

Bill Smyth / Ron Malloy – all new RO's run the club level matches to develop experience.

Black Badge Update:

Over 200 new BB's issued in 2010

Club Requirement:

All Disqualifications must be published to support monitoring performance
(2 incidents in 1 year)

2 DQ's within 1 year = re-qualification + 1 year probation
If occurrence within probation year – full black badge course for re-certification

All competitors must be listed in results – DNF's, DQ etc.
If any submitted match results do not follow these guidelines any blue cards submitted with the match will be returned to the competitor, as the match must follow IPSC rules.

Proposal – Kent Hill – all new members will receive a \$20.00 voucher, which can be utilized at any Level II within Ontario. The club receiving the voucher will deduct this from the mission fees submitted to IPSC ON.

Please submit a disqualification report to Kent Hill with the following content:
Rule #, description, RO, RM, competitor position on ruling

14:30 ~ 14:45 – Break

15:00~ 15:45 – Updates for Discussion

Small Group Discussions

- **Score System**

Dom – Sharon has purchased a Palm based scoring system for trial. Difficulty has been encountered with the training requirements and functioning in a real world environment. This product is OK for smaller matches but becomes more difficult as the match requirements grow. Hardware requirements must be in place to support full match capabilities – Palms are too slow for scoring larger matches.

Several shooters have been in the US and these systems function – additional information is required to investigate these opportunities.

I Phones – are cost prohibitive and most shooters will not be willing to share the hardware. In addition many concerns have been identified with I Phone functionality.

Voice recognition would be a direction that the clubs would be interested in.

Can IPSC ON investigate the opportunity for clubs to download the active membership list to avoid repetitive data entry and make match management easier in WinMSS.

- **Posting of Scores**

Dom Accardo – 1 week for Level I results posting is appropriate. Standardized timing could be considered.

- **Level I vs. Level II – requirements**

Suggest that each Level II is RECOMMENDED to have a classifier stage.

Suggest that each club call in to the sanctioning rep. for a suggestion on which stage to insert within the matches to ensure all classifiers are shot.

- **Development Opportunities**

IPSC ON to organize a course design class. This could be an interactive web based training session that would not require travel etc. All clubs would benefit from this activity and other like it.

IPSC On membership is not well versed on EMT / electronic payment methods. Improved payment communication is required during signup.

Are there any established rules for competitors who pull from on-line match sign-up. This is a subject managed by the Match Director from each Club. IPSC ON has no opinion on this matter.

- **Outreach**

John Evers – How do we promote the sport / interest the younger generation?

- Business Cards
- Pamphlets for handout during club open house events etc.
- Video's on the Web Site to intrigue new shooters
- What about sponsorship – Red Bull etc.
- Approach TSN / CBC for time (Provincials/National) strong opportunity
- Sportsman show – IPSC Ont. to investigate a booth

Is IPSC loosing potential IPSC ON membership to IDPA? IDPA membership list is growing. We need to find out why we are loosing shooters to IDPA.

15:00 ~ 15:45 – Group Discussion

15:45 ~ 16:15 – Group Presentations

Len Walker – Presentation to Rachel Blum “For the Encouragement Provided to the Club for Getting “IPSC” off the Ground” at the Sudbury Revolver Club.

**16:15 ~ 16:30 – Review Group Information
– Discussion & Recommendations**

16:30 – Evaluations

Meeting Adjourned

Feedback

<u>IPSC Club Rep Meeting Evaluation</u>	
Meeting site was adequate in size, comfortable and convenient	86.3%
The length of the day was good	84.2%
The amount of information / material covered today was good	84.2%
Information presented was up to-date, well-organized, and presented in sufficient depth	82.1%
Presenters demonstrated a comprehensive knowledge of the subject	89.5%
Presenters/Board appeared to be interested and enthusiastic about the subject	89.5%
Questions and participation were encouraged	89.5%
Handout materials were useful?	86.3%
I would attend another club representative meeting	93.7%

What did you enjoy most about the day?	Comments (Positive or Negative)
Feedback	Off topic too easy
Interaction with other Reps	All questions Answered
Covered Pertinent Info.	Marketing a must
Information Presented	Great Job with WebSite
Group Discussion	Good info. On RO courses
Information Sharing	Great Food
Round Table Discussion	Good People
Very productive Day	Treated like AGM vs. Rep mtg.
A lot of good ideas	Located in Central ON not only in GTA
	Good info / Projects to work on for IPSC ON - Develop'mt & Comm.
	New Forum looks great
	Continue to develop as discussed
	Excellent way to connect IPSC clubs & promote the sport
	Application of Roberts Rules of Order
	Well done a lot of info. clarified
	Run on topics
	Good job for Bernie for meeting Mgmt.
	Great Job to Rachel
	Commend the BofD