

Tees Valley Target Sports Club

Minutes of Meeting –4th November 2025

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Attendance David Pengilley (Chair) – DP, Mick Lord (Secretary) – ML, Pete Costello – (Treasurer) – PC, Ian Lindsay – IL, Rocky Wright – RW, Tony Curry – TC, Les Cook – LC, Claire Pinegar – PC, Geoff Bell – GB, Phil Hughes – PH, Barry King - BK, Peter Nicol PN (Note Taker)

1. Apologies

Richard Frankland, Andy Cook and Mark Grimwood

2. Minutes of last meeting – 7th October 2025

The minutes were moved as a correct record by LC and seconded by GB, the minutes were signed off as correct by DP.

3. Matters arising (Not on the agenda)

The Item number quoted relates to the minute from 7th October.

- 1) Item 3.2 **Training for Long Barrel Rifle and Pistol shooting.** – GB received an NRA training manual from APC via ML. GB to check it before sending out to other committee members. **NOTED** *APC has since advised that he spoke with David Camp (NRA Training Manager) and Myles Robertson (NRA Chief Instructor) and obtained a copy of their brief for the LBR/LBP course that they hold. This has been forwarded to ML for distribution to PC, DP and GB. (This information received by PN on 06/11/25)*
- 2) Item 3.4 **FBR** - The four RCO candidates are confirmed as James Walker, Richard Waller, Gavin Posnett and Andrew Huddleston. **ACTION** - APC is progressing arrangements.
- 3) Item 3.7 In the context of discarded live rounds, DP produced a live 38/.357 round he had found at Moorsholm on 03/11/25. He had also found spent cases. It was assumed that the live round had been ejected in error with the spent cases. **AGREED** – a message to be posted via email to all members pointing out how serious is the safe disposal of live rounds.
- 4) Item 4.3 ML hopes that the new Chair will take over responsibility for the strategic management of training, possibly on a temporary

basis. **AGREED** – ML to keep under review until a new Chair decides whether he/she takes on this role.

- 5) Item 4.8 DP had cleaned three of the Club guns. In the .22 he had found a live round wedged in the action that was crushed. The CZ semi-automatic was filthy and the Club Ruger was in a very bad condition. All Club guns are now cleaned except those used by the Miniature Rifle Club **NOTED**
- 6) Item 5.1 Decisions regarding arranging a muzzle loading course are postponed until next summer when the days are longer. **AGREED**
- 7) Item 5.3 ML reported after checking Range Orders, that any shooter at Catterick must be over 14. Minors are covered by the Club's insurance policy as long as they are properly supervised. **NOTED**
- 8) Item 5.4 – Teesside University (TVS) no further news since our last meeting. ML does not expect any further action or contact until the New Year. **NOTED**
- 9) Item 5.7 – Autumn Bulletin – ML has received only four inputs for their disciplines. GB is revising and updating his submission. ML requires submissions as a matter of urgency. **AGREED** – all discipline leads and Club officers to provide ML with an input to insert in the Bulletin by 18/11/25.
- 10) Item 5.9 – Swinging archery target – ML had received a letter/email explaining the correspondent's recollection of the past event. DP had a different recollection. **ACTION** – DP to research earlier committee minutes (2017?) to establish what had been previously agreed on this subject and then inform ML as to what had been agreed so ML can respond to the correspondent.
- 11) Item 5.10 - Archery cabinets – PC is searching two matching cabinets with no shelves, lockable and tall enough to store bows. CP is aware of the search. **NOTED**
- 12) Item 9.2 – Club rifles for training – ML has secured an amendment to the Club's FAC for two additional (training) rifles. A brief discussion concluded that a .223 rifle with the right ammunition and barrel twist will be able to accurately hit targets at 800 yards. **ACTION** – ML to speak to APC. *(APC has been made aware of a Remington 700, owned by a Club member, that is for sale. The owner does not know the twist which needs to be at least 1:8 to use a 69gr bullet for long distances. APC to inspect on his return. (This information received by PN on 06/11/25.)*

- 13) Item 11.1 -Archery training course – CP’s course will be sometime in February. **NOTED**
- 14) Item 11.2 – Catterick calibres – ACP had circulated a note on 07/10/25 detailing the eight calibres that had been used to fill an MoD form CSAAF. If a shooter wants Andy to add another calibre, Andy requires at least 6 weeks notice before the shoot where the member wants to use that calibre. **NOTED**
- 15) Item 11.3 – Range Mate – PC reported inputting data is ongoing as fast as possible. **AGREED** – PC to give updates on the roll-out of Range Mate at future meetings.
- 16) Item 11.4 – 2026 Membership cards – Simon Hatfield has assured PC that he is going to start printing the 2026 cards imminently. **ACTION** – LC to chase and update PC and BK.

4. Secretary’s report

4.1 ML has completed the Club’s affiliation to the NRA. **NOTED**

4.2 The Autumn Bulletin is due. Committee members were requested at the September meeting to submit an input from their discipline/function by this committee meeting. ML had only received four contributions. **ACTION** – all to provide a short report to ML for the Bulletin.

4.3 Probationer training – It is suggested that a new WhatsApp group for probationers be set up to keep them informed of training dates and venues. It was suggested this be left to the new Training Lead. Details also be included in the Bulletin, with notices displayed in Lawson Way. **AGREED** – further actions to be postponed until appointment of new Training Lead after the AGM.

4.4 ML reported Mike Brown had died. ML had sent a condolences card to the family on behalf of the Club. **NOTED**

5. Membership Secretary’s Report

5.1 BK reported the following two applications for Club membership:-

David Geraghty	Full membership	No.421
Neo Jacobs	“ “	No.69

ACTION -BK- both the applications were approved.

6. Treasurer's Report

6.1 PC produced documentary evidence in the form of the Club's bank statements for the following standing of the Club's accounts:

Current account	£2,905.58
General Reserve	£15,000.00
Land & Buildings	£50,322.38
Subscription Holding	£210.00
Tags	(£1,000.00) Refundable
TOTAL	£ 68,437.96 (Excluding tags)

6.2 Major Items of Expenditure

Landmark	£1,835.27
Ammunition	£791.90
Electricity	£777.24
Faceby (Planning House)	£840.00
Plans (LW extension)	£158.87
Rates	£94.00
Kiosk Box (Range Mate)	£55.26
FAC Variation	£47.00
Water Rates	£35.00
Internet	£22.57
Card Reader (Barclaycard)	£18.00

7. Building & Estates

7.1 TC reported all the anti-slip chicken wire had now been fixed to the flooring at the firing point at Moorsholm. **NOTED**

7.2 IL reported that gears in the motors for the roller shutter doors needed attention. **ACTION** – TC to deal.

7.3 It was agreed that Lawson Way must close on 05/11/25. **NOTED**

8. Proposed shooting ground – Faceby

8.1 PN reported that Planning House had sent the letter of application to the National Parks planners seeking a pre-application consultation.

8.2 Planning House's final invoice had been paid. Total £840 inclusive of VAT. PN had consulted with RJF and TC for points of detail in Planning Houses submission.

8.3 Planning House expect a response in approximately 8 weeks.

8.4 PN's progress report was **NOTED**

9. A.O.B.

9.1 GB had organised Shotgun training on 02/11/25. Black Powder training arranged for 11/11/25 for three trainees. Further shotgun training arranged for 23/11/25 for five trainees – Steve Richardson assisting.

9.2 A clay shoot has been arranged for 09/11/25 at Faceby. There will be a two-minute silence at 11:00 am for Remembrance Day.

9.3 RW came forward with a proposal for a CO2 pistol range housed in a 30-foot shipping container to be located at the end of Lawson Way (where the incinerator is located.) RW had gained three quotes for buying and delivery of a container – lowest was circa £3,500.

9.4 Any steel container would need timber internal cladding for the walls to prevent ricochets. (Estimated cost £500.) The container would need an electricity supply for lighting.

9.5 PC advised that a steel container will need treating to prevent 'container rain' resulting from condensation. This can be dealt with by spraying insulation to the ceiling/roof, using desiccants (expensive for the volumes required), or a de-humidifier (would have to be run continually).

9.6 The committee welcomed RW's proposal. **ACTION** – RW to work up his proposal in more detail with an estimate of costs.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 2nd December 2025.