



NBAA: MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date :	Thursday, 03 December 2020
Time:	17:00 for 17:30
Venue:	Baurnstube Restaurant, Conference Room Thorpe Street, Windhoek, Namibia

1. WELCOMING

- 1.1 The chairman, Mr. Richard Grant, welcomed everyone present to the NBAA AGM.
1.2 The chairman declared the 20th annual general meeting of the NBAA officially open with quorum being obtained as per the constitution.

2. MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 Paid up members at the end of 2020:
24 X Senior
5 X Country
8 X Junior
- 2.2 The chairman appealed to all members to make use of the online membership application / renewal system which has been in place since the beginning of 2020. The advantage of all members applying / renewing their membership online is that it eliminates time consuming manual admin work.

3. ATTENDANCE

- 3.1 An attendance register was circulated and signed by all parties present.
- 3.2 The meeting was attended by 8 NBAA members constituting a quorum for the AGM.

4. APOLOGIES

- 4.1 Apologies were noted for the following members:
- Mr. Alec Williams
 - Mrs. Taryn Zerht
 - Mr. Neil Engelbrecht

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 5.1 The minutes of the previous AGM held on 28th of November 2019 were approved by Neels van Tonder and seconded by Jurgen Geiger and unanimously accepted by the meeting.

ACTION

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 6.1 None.

7.	PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2016	
7.1	<p>The following annual reports were presented with subsequent approval of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairman's Report – Appended to these minutes Development Report – Vacant portfolio and as a result no report. Conservation Report – Vacant portfolio and as a result no report. PRO Report – Appended to these minutes Tournament Director's Report – Appended to these minutes 	RG AH NE
8.	PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS AND STATEMENTS	
8.1	Mr N van Tonder, NBAA Treasurer, informed the NBAA that the financial statement has been completed for 2019 by Ben Mouton Chartered Accountants.	NvT
8.2	Financial statements for 2019 & 2020 are appended to these minutes.	
8.3	The financial statements were approved by Johan Coetzee and seconded by Jurgen Geiger.	
9.	FUND RAISING EVENTS 2020	
9.1	All events cancelled due to Covid9.	
9.2	The chairman appealed to all members to make a concerted effort to support fund raising initiatives in 2021 to assist the NBAA post Covid19.	RG
10.	DISCUSSION OF MOTIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS SUBMITTED BY EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	
10.1	<p>Motion to amend the constitution and house rules to allow for certain executive council portfolios to be outsourced.</p> <p>The chairman gave some insight into the decision to present this motion. Emphasis was placed on the executive secretary portfolio and the importance of having this position filled.</p> <p>Motion carried – accepted unanimously by all. The executive council of 2021 has been mandated to make the changes to the constitution and house rules.</p>	EXCO EXCO
11.	DISCUSSION OF MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS	
11.1	<p>Junior Development Events</p> <p>A concern was tabled by Mrs Alida Coetzen, mother of one of the NBAA's junior members, Bian Coetzen.</p> <p>The chairman answered Mrs. Coetzen on this concern raised as a motion. Development events were not possible at all in 2020 for reasons beyond our control. The executive council has placed emphasis on getting junior development off the ground, as we all know that the future of our sport lies in our juniors, over past few years by hosting development days in association with the Scouts of Namibia. These events have been massively successful, so much so that we have already planned 2 such events for 2021 and intend to continue our partnership well into the future.</p>	RG
11.2	<p>Junior participation at NBAA events</p> <p>Mrs Coertzen also asked for clarity as to which events juniors may participate in.</p>	

Juniors may participate in all events other than B.A.S.S. Nation events, FLW qualifying events as well as national trials. FLW open events such as the Big Bass Fest are open to juniors under the same rules as the seniors including the fee structure.

Junior trials were planned for 2020 but had to be cancelled. Junior trials have been scheduled for 2021 for participation in the Region V junior championships at the end of 2020.

The chairman read the following concern raised by Mrs. Coertzen to the meeting:

Raising the two points for discussion comes from concerns in terms of the participation of juniors at events hosted by the NBAA. I raised this point out of great concern. Junior development can only be successful with the assistance of the senior members of the NBAA, assisting the juniors at competitions. With juniors not having access to a boat, how can they take part in competitions? Will senior members be prepared and willing to take the juniors on board? In the past it was quite a struggle to get a senior member to take Brian on a boat, for example. We get the impression that the senior members are not prepared/willing to do this, with the exception of one or two members who assisted previously. Will a junior member be able to operate the NBAA boat? In Brian's case for example, we don't have a boat/we don't have a car that can pull a boat trailer. Therefore, it is difficult for him to take the NBAA boat (logistically very difficult). I am sure there are other junior NBAA members as well with the same concerns. Will the senior members be prepared to assist?

The floor was opened for discussion and the following points were noted:

1. Senior members compete throughout the year in order to qualify for teams as well as for the opportunity to compete in the USA. Having a junior onboard can hamper these efforts, which is just a fact that junior members must come to terms with.
2. Members that don't want to risk a tournament outcome are urged to take juniors along when practicing for tournaments.
3. The fishing has been tough, and every bite has counted. Having a junior onboard in tough fishing could cost a bite. When the fishing improves more senior members will be more willing to take a junior onboard for a tournament.
4. The NBAA boat is available for hire and arrangements can be made to tow the boat to the dam and back.
5. Junior members under 16 can hire the boat but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

12. DETERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP FEES

12.1 The membership fees for 2021 were unanimously voted on as follows:

- Seniors – N\$ 1 800.00 + N\$ 200.00 for membership card
- EXCO members – N\$ 900.00 + N\$ 200.00 for membership card
- Juniors – N\$ 0.00 + N\$ 200.00 for membership card
- Guest Angler – N\$ 200.00
- Country member – N\$ 400.00 + N\$ 200.00 for membership card
- Complaint fees – N\$ 500.00

Fee structure for 2021 was carried unanimously.

13. NBAA Membership Cards – 2021

The chairman informed the meeting that all NBAA membership cards expire at the end of 2020 as do the contracts in place with the alliance partners. The contract must be renewed early in 2021 and new membership cards must be printed.

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14. ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- 14.1 **Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Alec Williams. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.2 **Vice Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Johan Coetzee. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.3 **Secretary:** No nominations received – portfolio remains vacant.
- 14.4 **Treasurer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neels van Tonder. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.5 **Tournament Director:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Richard Grant. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.6 **Development Officer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neil Engelbrecht. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.7 **Conservation Officer:** No nominations received – portfolio remains vacant.
- 14.8 **Public Relations Officer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Andrew Hall. The nomination was approved by the meeting.
- 14.9 **Weigh Master:** No nomination was received, and a new weigh master / mistress will be appointed in 2021. (The weigh master / mistress is not a member of EXCO)

16. ELECTION OF SELECTION COMMITTEE 2021

- 16.1 Nominations received:
Chairman – Mr Johan Coetzee
Treasurer – Mr Neels van Tonder
Committee member – Mr Richard Grant

The nominations were approved by the meeting.

17. ELECTION OF CONSERVATION COMMITTEE 2021

- 17.1 Conservation officer portfolio remains vacant. Should the vacancy be filled the conservation officer will appoint a committee.
- Unanimously approved by the meeting.

18. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2021

- 18.1 Mr Neels van Tonder proposed remaining with Ben Mouton Auditors which are in the process of a name change.
- The proposal was unanimously approved by the meeting.

19. ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING REPORT:

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National Champion 2020 – Jurgen Geiger
Big Bass Fest Overall Winner – Mr. Jacques Marais
Keepnet Champion 2020 – Mr. Andre van Vuuren
Mercury Summer Bass Classic Champions – Neil Engelbrecht & Richard Grant
FLW Champions 2020 – Alec Williams & Duan Kotze

The chairman congratulated all anglers that managed to compete in the few events hosted in an extremely challenging year.

20. REGION V TOURNAMENT 2021:

Zimbabwe still to host.

Date & venue TBC.

Team selection to be based on 2019 results.

Teams members to be re-nominated in January 2021.

21. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021:

USA to host on Lake Murray, USA – date TBC.

Team selection to be based on 2019 results.

Teams members to be re-nominated in January 2021.

22. FLW NAMIBIA:

The chairman asked that members direct all FLW related queries to the convenor of FLW Namibia, Mr Neil Engelbrecht.

23. FISHERIES MANAGEMENT 2021:

The chairman informed the meeting of a concern of the vast amounts of duck weed currently in our dams. An appeal was made to consider possible intervention should the situation not improve after the wet season. Intervention will only be possible should the conservation portfolio be filled. The chairman once again placed emphasis on the importance of filling this position.

24. KEEPNET TRAIL 2020 / 2021 PROPOSED KEEPNET TRAIL:

24.1 The Keepnet trail was launched for the 1st time in Namibia in 2020 and proved to be a massive success. Who would have thought that you could take tournament bass angling into the digital age? Towards the end of the 2020 trails things were getting really tight and anglers kept on going to our dams to try and improve their bags. The excitement from everybody that entered was visible and great to see. The success of the 1st tournament inspired the 2020 EXCO to launch not 1 but 2 Keepnet tournaments for 2021.

24.2	1 st tournament scheduled from 4 December 2020 – 22 March 2021 – The headline sponsor is WBM Lureworks. Additional sponsors will be sought and added as we go along. The tournament is live and members wanting to register can do so.
24.3	2 nd tournament scheduled as per calendar.
25.	2021 INTERNATIONAL TEAM / INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS:
25.1	As per correspondence sent out through the course of the year teams for 2021 tournaments as well as individual events internationally will be re-nominated as per selection criteria of 2019.
25.2	Teams will be nominated early in 2021 for all international tournaments.
26.	NBAA BOAT:
26.1	Income generated 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NBAA boat eventually been registered and is ready to be rented. • Insurance to be sorted. • Must be NBAA member to hire the boat. Parents / guardians of junior members may rent the boat and paid up country members too. • The boat was been hired out a few times in 2020 and has generated
26.2	Rental procedures for 2021 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The boat must be pre-booked at least 5 days prior to date of collection. • Payments must be made prior to collection. • Checklist must be signed by person renting the boat. • Rental agreement must be signed by person renting the boat.
27.	SPONSORS: The chairman thanked all sponsors that remained loyal to the NBAA through this extremely unprecedented year. All of these sponsors are critical in the survival of the sport we all love. The following sponsors were singled out: Bank Windhoek Cymot / Snomaster Surf & Turf / Ruffnek Boats / Mercury Paratus Bushwhackers Tyre Rack WBM Lureworks Williams & Knight Insurance Brokers Jan Jonker Service Station Eurolux / Radiant Lighting Optic Exclusive Deepcatch Trading / Score Energy Drink King Price Insurance

28. 2020 NALAA INVITATIONAL – ZAMBEZI RIVER

In the words of the chairman:

I was fortunate enough to be able to attend the inaugural event on the majestic Zambezi River. NALAA managed to pull a rabbit out the hat and host a fantastic tournament. Team NBAA did exceptionally well and ended 2nd overall with Team NALAA winning by the narrowest of margins. Jurgen Geiger and Thinus Williams were the top boat for the event and Thinus Williams also caught the largest bream of the event.

Thank you to Jaco Visser and NALAA for hosting a flawless event and to Gondwana for making us all feel like kings.

2021 will be bigger and better and NALAA better watch out as the NBAA will be going for gold.

29. 2021 CALENDAR:

Appended to these minutes.

30. CLOSURE:

The meeting was officially closed at 20:04

VACANT

Secretary of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

Date



Chairman of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

04 January 2021
Date