

Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for March 5th, 2020

Call to Order: Ted Pitt called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

The following officers were present:

Directors: Ted Pitt (Chairman), Georgia Coulter, Karen Jennings, Diana Pinto, Scott Johnson & Robb

Wolfe.

Game Warden: John Palmer (excused)

Secretary: Robb Wolfe

Absent: Sean Wade and John Palmer (excused)

Announcements:

MSP (Motion Second and Passed) by Karen, seconded by Georgia to approve the minutes, as revised for January

This week, two of our rangemasters had expressed concerns about Sean Wade's behavior and actions. Before the board could investigate, Sean resigned.

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery, Ted Pitt:

Archery looks ok

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

We had our yearly continental shoot Sunday. All went very well. We had the right amount of help and there were no real issues.

Bunker will soon kickoff

Cowboy, Derek Mirkle

Once again, the weather gods were kind to us, and the TV weather-wizards were wrong (well, half wrong) They said Saturday was gonna be mostly wet and Sunday would be mostly dry. We stayed almost all dry on Saturday and were all dry and mostly sunny on Sunday!

My thanks go out this month to club members Jus Dan D (Dan Dupertuis), & T-Bone Shorty (Terry Sporrong), and non- members Knucky McPolack (Steve Polack) & Bjorn E. Ville (Eric Simonson) for coming out on Friday afternoon to schlep steel and props for our matches. Thanks also to Contingent Fee McGee, who designed all the stages for both days based on the movie "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance" and making all 12 of the starting lines have the word "pilgrim" in them!

We had No DQ's either day, 4 clean shooters on Saturday out of 11 shooters (I think the weather wizards scared some away), while several of our regulars were gone to Phoenix for the SASS National Championship match, Winter Range.

Sunday's forecast of good weather, brought 16 shooters out to play, but only 2 were clean! \$230.00 was turned into the club, with no expenditures.

Our next scheduled matches will be April 4th & 5th.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Don Miller:

The February CMP match was held on 2/22/20. Three people participated, with revenue to the club of \$21.

Grounds: Positon is open LaMarr reported

We Have been keeping up with target backers and general cleanup of the ranges. Refaced the 50 yard and 200-yard berm on the rifle range and filled in the holes again coming in to the parking lot at the rifle range. We added two runs of rope under the shooting benches in the pistol range, hope this will deter the youth from going under benches. Cleared the old cottonwood tree of the fence on 144th.

Before we can have the fences repaired we need to have the brush cleared off the fence line along with all the trees and brush off even where the isn't damaged. A big project for the work party.

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

1st class of the year is Monday the 9th

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

Bare root native plants pick up is the 21st. I will plant same day and Sunday.

PBRS: two letters received from user groups. Need to confirm answers with the Board to the annual questions before submitting to the County. I will get together with Ted.

IDPA, Scott Johnson / Robb Wolfe:

Our most recent IDPA Match was held on February 15th.

7 Stages were shot, 43 Shooters participated. There were no DQs or Safety Issues.

\$595.00 was turned into the Club.

Our next match is scheduled for March 21st.

Membership, Sean Wade

Membership as of 03-05-2020

Junior	44
Annual	612
Senior	692
Family	114
Military	6
Life	19
Total	1487

Rifle and Pistol, Sam Hewlett:

Attendance this month was quite high for members, with an all-time high of 977. Guests came in at 281 of which 193 were paying and gave the range an income of \$3790.53. The range is in good shape even after all the rain. We are gathering materials in anticipation of the work party coming on the 28th.

Scholastic Clay Target Program, Bob Louser:

Nothing new to report, first meet this weekend in Oregon so hopefully good news for next month.

Steel Matches, OPEN:

There has not been a person identified to replace Cel Alvarez so no matches are scheduled for 2020.

USPSA, Dave McClure:

There was no January match. Next match will be March 22nd Dave also introduced Matt Carlson who will be taking over for Alan Feucht.

Black Rifle League, Sean Wade,

Black Rifle had its monthly match on the 29th and had great success. There was a total of \$480 turned into the club and had a big turnout of people.

There was a DQ for safety violation (breaking the 180) but was quickly corrected and the shooter acknowledged his mistake. Even stayed to the end of the match and helped break down.

There will be no match in March due to our annual working party on the 28th. The next match will be in April.

Action Shooting International (ASI), Scott Johnson:

69 shooters participated in the February 8th match. The target covers worked well again. \$1030 was submitted the club.

Report from the ASI special match on February 25th

Rick Breneman reported: there were 24 shooters, a total of \$360 was returned to RF&GC.

We shared the action bays with Black Rifle; BR in bays 1-3, and ASI running two, 8rd stages each, in bays 4-6.

Weather was gloomy, but only very little mist to dampen the festivities.

No DQs or other issues, and we were cleaned up, and out of there at 12:45.

Precision Rimfire, Ken Wong:

4 people participated, \$20 was collected.

Kids Day, Greg Fortin:

Next scheduled events are May, June, July, Aug, Sept, & Dec.

Thanks to the Monday Crew for setting the ropes up under the benches.

Thanked Karen for helping getting the Kids Days advertisement into the WAC Newsletter.

Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston

Since the last report we have received the 501C(3) determination from the Feds. So the Renton Steel Dragons are now a full-fledged non-profit corporation. The primary purpose of this endeavor is to encourage sponsorships and donations. Pinto's and Pantel Tactical have indicated they are interested providing support. Much appreciation to them.

We submitted our application for a range development grant from Midway USA for improvements to the action bays. As a reminder, our request was for lighting and cover for 4 bays. Midway will announce the recipients sometime in April. We are very hopeful.

The Steel Dragon roster is at 23 athletes with a good mix across the age groups. We are really looking forward to our first practice, which is Wednesday March 11th. We are also hosting a coach and volunteers clinic on Sunday March 15th. We expect 30-40 participants as Team Gotta from Bellingham and the newly developed team from Issaquah will join. The very experienced coach from Team Gotta will lead the clinic and run a simulation to teach our new coaches and volunteers what to expect, what to do, and how to run a match.

Steel Dragon Demographics:

Total Dragons 23
High School age 8
Middle School age 9
5 Grade and under 6
15 boys and 8 girls
14 new shooters

Old Business:

- 1. Updating member handbook and range rules (Sean). Tabled for a future meeting.
- 2. Unhealthy tree removal in the action bays (Sam). We may wait until the weather is drier. Scott reported that he has bids in the \$4,000 to \$4,500 range. Steve T. will look into selling the trees for lumber.
- 3. Closing off the upper pedestrian gates (closing them off) and fence repair (Sam). LaMarr received two bids for fence repair. We will discuss at the capital meeting.
- 4. Action bay upper berm repair progress report (Sam) Waiting for the weather and Steve's availability.

- 5. Creating policy and forms to document any safety incidents (John). Draft policy was created and shared with the Board. John was unable to attend the meeting so this will be addressed at a future meeting.
- Publishing the club's policies and procedures (Diana). In work
- 7. Water on road / repair diversion of the water to keep off our property (Aaron Lyons)
 I received back the proposal from Gahans Concrete Construction which below you can find the job scope as well as the cost estimate.

Job Scope:

Excavate along entryway from top of water runoff to the bottom. At the road and at least 6 to 8' of excavation away from the road will be installed a 1' to 1" Road widening with proper compaction down to a swale with lined fabric and 1' depth of big rock with outside grading done with a medium rock.

This will manage better the water runoff as it comes down. But the county has agreed to handle the piping up above. Before it hits your property. I don't know when that will be accomplished but that will help reroute the majority of that water. Our job will definitely fix your erosion problem and eliminate any future problems along that side of the entry.

Cost \$7,500 plus tax \$750 Gahans Concrete Construction Jason Gahan 360-421-8107

This will be discussed at the capital meeting on the 9th

- 8. CPR/AED/First aid training will be April 22nd from 6:00 to 9:00PM. Employees, Directors, Officers and Committee Chairmen have been invited (19). At this point only 2 have declined so we are at the class maximum.
- 9. Work party on March 28th
- 10. Capital Planning meeting is on March 9th for the Board and Committee Chairs. Karen provided estimates for new porta potties

11. Draft Rifle and Pistol Range Brass policy (Ted) – tabled to a future meeting

Patrons of the ranges are welcome to collect their spent brass after shooting on either range. Collection is to be done in a safe manner without crossing the firing line. The patron may take their brass home with them or donate it to the range by depositing their brass in special collection containers located on the range. If the brass is not removed by the end of the day it becomes the property of Renton Fish and Game Club. The brass will be collected on a daily basis by the Range Master or their assistant and deposited in special collection containers located on the range. The used brass will be sold to local recycler's and the proceeds deposited in the club's bank account.

The spent brass in the action bays may be collected by patrons or donated to the club by depositing it in a special collection container located by the stat shack. Until otherwise posted, any current member in good standing may collect brass from the action bays and use it as they see fit. The member collecting brass in the action bays must sign in at the Rifle Range and also on the sign in sheet at the stat shack. The member must follow all Action Bay Rules and only collect brass when the range is safe.

New Business:

- Safety Items for February No items
- Diana Pinto proposed an Action Bay Day, tentatively May 30
 This would be open to the public where they could try the different sports.
 Each discipline would set up a stage or two. They would provide guns, ammo, supervision.
 Suggest that there be 4 or more RSO's per discipline
 Diana will pull together a planning committee / meeting.
- 3. Snoqualmie Valley lost their RSO instructor and asked if we have an instructor that can help them out.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17

Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary