



**Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Call to Order:** Ted Pitt called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.

Directors and Officers attendance:

Directors	Present	Absent	Excused
Chairman of the Board: Ted Pitt	√		
Vice Chairman: Robb Wolfe	√		
Georgia Coulter	√		
LaMarr Hood			√
Karen Jennings	√		
Scott Johnson	√		
John Palmer	√		
Diana Pinto	√		
Steve Traverso		√	
Treasurer: Aushim Sarkar	√		
Game Warden: John Palmer	√		
Secretary: Robb Wolfe	√		

**Announcements:**

- 1) **MSP** (Motion Second and Passed) by John, seconded by Ted to approve the minutes, as submitted for July.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**Archery, Ted Pitt:**

Nothing has changed. Going to be stuffing bags soon.

**Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:**

Bunker has been going well. The state shoot was good. Trap and skeet a little slow but not bad. Just got a load of targets half international and the balance standards.

Georgia reported the following:

Renton Fish & Game Club hosted the Washington State Championship Shoot on July 10 & 11, 2021. International Trap "Bunker" We had 24 shooters complete the match. The competition was fierce. Everyone was ready to shoot and was focused. There were a few shooters that let their nerves get to them on some of the shots. Overall, it was a great shoot, and everyone had a great time.

Jim Dinnie participated in his first International Trap "Bunker" shoot in two years. He shot extremely well, ending up with a 94. He felt great about how well he shot and left to go home. Jim received a phone call letting him know he made it in the top six for the shoot off round. He turned around and came back to the club to complete his competition.

Scot Heath showed up to the finals ready to show the audience what a champ looks like. Scot shot a 23 in the first 25 single barrel shoot off. This was a great feat to accomplish Great Shooting Scot!!! After a great show of shooting by Scot, he decided to keep the pressure on and won the Washington State Championship Match.

The top six in the shoot off was:

Crockett Stultz 108

Ted Pitt 104

Scot Heath 101

Tucker Simpson 100

Dick Lichtenberg 98

Jim Dinnie 94

There were ten Junior participants. After the first day of shooting, it became a tight race. Everyone showed up on Sunday ready to shoot and take the win.

The Junior female shooters were

Peishan Peng 1<sup>st</sup> place

Sun Yi 31 2<sup>nd</sup> place

Junior male shooters were:

Chejun Zhang 84, 1<sup>st</sup> place

Ethan Hu 83, 2<sup>nd</sup> place

Spencer Yuan 76, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Zifei Liu 62, 4<sup>th</sup> place

Spaghetti was served on Sunday for lunch and was enjoyed by everyone, especially Samuel Li, who had three helping of spaghetti and garlic bread. If we had an eating contest Samuel would have been in first place.

The Adolph Hague Memorial Shoot is on August 14 & 15, 2021

**Rifle and Pistol, Steve Traverso:**

No Report

**Grounds: LaMarr Hood:**

The crew has replaced lights that were out, and Roy has sent in a proposal to update other areas in the range. The parking has been changed in the rifle parking lot with the moving of the smoker tent and next to the pistol range entrance, the dirt from here was added to the berms in the action bays.

Trees along the rifle range are being watered out to 300 yards. General cleanup and target backers are being maintained.

Since we are now out of target backer material, Lynn checked prices for OSB 7/16 Oriented Strand board Sheathing. Individual sheets, Lowe's \$39.25, Home Depot \$35.33 and Dunn Lumber \$24.88. He ordered a sling, which cost about \$2040. It will be delivered Monday around 8:00. We plan on cutting it up Monday and Tuesday.

Dale and Roy have reviewed the lighting around the club grounds and suggest we do the following:

1. Relocate 50-yard pistol range lighting from sacrificial baffle to main support beam for baffles. This modification will require only a small amount of material, all the lighting is already led type and can be reused. Estimated cost \$50 in miscellaneous materials if not already available in electrical shed stores.
2. Upgrade and replace all lighting in the trap houses, bunker trap house, skeet houses and various storerooms and lockers at rifle/pistol range. This upgrade would use all led industrial strip lighting identical to what we used in the recent Steel Dragon TCU. Estimated cost \$1,300.00. The breakdown on this is \$1,087.24 for led lighting, \$200.00 in miscellaneous materials. As in all our other projects any miscellaneous material on hand in electrical shed stores will be used first.

Please approve this lighting upgrade plan before we will order the lighting required for the project. The lighting quote includes a quantity discount for 25 fixtures.

**MSP:** to spend up to \$1500 for lighting improvements.

**Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:**

We received notice last week that we can start teaching in person starting late this month. I'm limiting class size to 12 or 14 and will conduct as much of it as possible outside.

I sent my list of instructors the following dates to choose from. I need at least 4 instructors to hold a class. I would like to hold 3 or 4 if possible.

I'll forward dates out as soon as they are selected.

Possible Aug dates:

23 or 24

30 or 31

Possible Sept classes

13 or 14

20 or 21

27 or 28

**Conservation, Gary Emerson:**

Watering going well only two plants have succumbed to the heat wave. I'll continue watering until rain starts.

**Kids Day, Greg Fortin:**

The weather was perfect, and the turnout was very good. Special thanks to Diana Pinto for arranging BBQ help from her Aunt Linda and Cousin Stephanie. They did a great job.

***Kids Day - July 2021***

*We were a little short handed this month with only 3 RSO's*

*Fortunately we are all seasoned veterans. Quick on our feet.*

*This month we hosted 16 kids. 8 mem & 8 non-mem.*

*At least half of todays kids were repeats. It's good to see them come back.*

*Thanks to RSO's Ron, Mark, and Chris,*

*Sincere thanks to Linda and Stephanie for the L&S BBQ Grill.*



***Peace and quite (for now)***

***Savage Rascals***



***The calm before the storm***



***You pop 'em - You pick 'em up.***



***Short side action***



***Long side action***

**Scholastic Clay Target Program, Bob Louser:**

No report submitted

### **Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston**

Loran Chewning gave a report on the Steel Dragons and their performance at nationals on July 10-18 in Ohio. 19 Dragons competed against 2000 others. This was a record setting event for SASP in terms of entries.

### **Cowboy, Derek Mirkle**

Report for the July 3 & 4 match: Friday set up was accomplished with the help of Just Dan D (Dan DuPertuis), who also wrote the stages, Carlsbad Kid (Karl Mayer), G.D. Rattler (Bill Hanson), J. J. Wainwright (Darin Puryear), and Buddy Wainwright (Braxton Puryear). I would request that the Steel Dragons leave the green flatbed wagon out of their brand-new locked TCU so that the other disciplines can use it too.

Saturday was a beautiful day that saw 21 Cowfolk come out to play our game. We had three of them shoot the match clean, Rick O'Shea (Russ Siverling), Kodachrome Kid (Chuck Ropel), and Paso Tom (Tom Fritter). Our top three finishers were: Doc Kharon (Tim Davidson) in Third place, Rick O'Shea in Second, and Slick 'Capone' (Craig Wirfs) in First.

We had one stage DQ for a shooter that moved with a cocked, loaded long gun with the action closed.

Sunday was a bit overcast in the morning, but that helped keep the temperature down a bit on this 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

12 cowboys came out and celebrated Independence Day the way it should be celebrated, with gunfire!

We had one Pard that shot the match clean, that was Diamond Slinger (Matt Randolph). Our fastest gunhands on this day were: Appy Dan (Dan Glor) in Third place, R & R (Russ Holm) taking Second, and Diamond Slinger in First.

\$280.00 was turned into the club. Our next match is WESTMATCH XXX, July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Westmatch report will be submitted in September.

### **Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Don Miller:**

The CMP rifle match was held 7/24/2021. We had 4 shooters and \$32.00 was turned into the club. The next match will be held August 28.

### **Precision Rimfire, Victor Vuong:**

We had a great showing for the July precision rimfire match with 29 shooters participating. We started shooting at 10am and the match wrapped up around 3, with a lot of folks staying to the end to help clean up and get everything back to the normal operating state.

The match consisted of 8 stages with close to 100 rounds fired. I purchased a snake charmer for the match that a lot of people enjoyed shooting. (Side note on how we would ever expense these targets, as all the targets so far have been personally purchased and not expensed yet).

The match collected \$435 with \$70 in trophies, \$50 in the barrier / setup we did to enable the trough of water to not get shot up + the cost of the trough, and another \$35 in the NRL22 submission fees which lands us at a net of \$280 to the club.

There were no disqualifications or safety issues which was great. One thing to note is we had to stop a half dozen times due to the deer constantly running through the range. Suggestions on what we would do?

**IDPA, Scott Johnson:**

Report for the July 17<sup>th</sup> Match

Stages: 6

Shooters: 55

MD: Jon Stein

Registration: Deanna Atkinson

Total Net Revenue: \$820

**STATS**

Senior: 9

Super Senior: 13

Lady: 5

Law: 3

Renton Members: 28

SOs: 22

International: 1

New Shooters: 2

We only have a few decent pens, so I have ordered more (total cost of \$10.84). I will bring them next month.

The next match will be August 21

**USPSA, Dave McClure:**

July match report:

Stages: 8

Shooters: 90

MD: Dave McClure

Financials:

Gross Revenue: \$2697

Stripe Fees: \$29.80

Discounts: \$305

USPSA Activity & Classifier Fees: \$135

USPSA NW Section Fee: \$67 (Marcel to verify if paid) Total Costs: \$469.80

Net Revenue: \$2227.20

RANGE CONDITION - Upon Arrival:

Range: Good, nothing else to report

Shack: Good, nothing to report.

RANGE CONDITION - Upon Departure:

Range: Bays were cleared, garbage cans emptied.

Shack: Trash was walked out to the dumpster.

SAFETY ISSUES:

1 DQ: Breaking the muzzle 180. Reported to USPSA NW Section for remedial action

**Black Rifle League, Aaron Lyons:**

No match for Black Rifle League this month. The next match at the club will be October 30th

**Action Shooting International (ASI), Scott Johnson / Robb Wolfe**

We had another beautiful day for a match. There were six stages and 75 shooters participated. \$1075 was turned into the club.

Our next match is August 14<sup>th</sup>, unless the action bay repair begins before that date.

September 11<sup>th</sup> will be the annual "Hand-sized" match.

Thursday evening practices will be discontinued at the end of August. This will give people a break.



## Membership, (Open)

Data as of 08-05-2021

	2021	2020
Junior	38	23
Annual	330	326
Senior	249	118
Family	107	63
Military	14	3
Life	19	19
Total	757	552

## Treasurer's Report, Aushim Sarkar:

Balances as of 08-04-2021

Account	Balance
Checking	\$55,718.21
Savings	\$495,100.39

## Commentary

The club had a banner month in June for financial performance. We brought in \$66,067.00 in revenue representing a 28.6% increase over revenues in May and a 30.7% increase over revenue from June 2020. The club was disciplined about expenses in June, and this allowed us to add \$50,000 to our cash reserves. Despite lower-than-expected shooting revenue, strong membership performance helped us have a good month that will help build for the leaner winter months ahead. The club recorded \$66,067.00 in revenue and generated a net income of \$42,642.35 for the month.

## Revenue Report

Membership revenue alone accounted for \$45,290.02 or 84% of the club's revenue in June. June is usually the month that brings in the highest membership revenue due to renewals and this strong performance is an indicator of our members' continued interest and confidence in the club as we begin to open up after the pandemic. We did not get ASI, Black Rifle or USPSA revenue in June but match revenue was steadied by \$1,750 in action bay rental fees. Compared to May, rifle/pistol range revenue was down 2% and shotgun revenue was down 12%. The shotgun range started to see shortages of 12-gauge ammunition in June. This was a likely a contributing factor to the 46% drop in merchandise sales we saw compared to May, largely driven by a drop in clay target sales.

## Western Washington Range Alliance: Karen Jennings

No news to report

## Old Business:

1. Diana Pinto - Publishing the club's policies and procedures – will address one at a time.  
*Working on item 2*
2. Subcommittee for proposed changes on creating a software-based solution that would make a better solution for tracking members, the general public and give the range masters the ability to track when a customer is asked to leave the range (Karen, Diana, Aushim & Aaron).  
*They have not had a chance to get back together.*  
*Georgia may have found a source for a system (same one that Bellevue Gun Club uses).*  
*Aushim spoke with Wade, and he has a custom system that tracks waivers.*
3. Aushim - giving the club the ability to accept electronic payment for membership renewals.  
*Needs to get together with Chuck and add it to the web site.*
4. Aaron Lyons redo of the rifle / pistol range orientation video.  
*No report*
5. New internet connection (Chuck)  
*Still in work. He is also considering satellite and other options*
6. Sniffing dogs (Karen)  
*They will get back with Karen later in the season.*
7. Action bay upper berm repair, on top of bays 4 and 5 (Steve).  
*Scott reported that Steve is too busy to begin the work. Karen suggested we investigate other contractors*
8. The facing on the North side of the club house needs repaired and painted (Ted).  
*Will get quotes and a schedule*
9. One-day garage sale on July 18<sup>th</sup> (Diana)  
*The event went well. 11 vendors participated and approximately 40 buyers. Received good feedback. \$125 was collected.*
10. RSO2's in the action bays with children (as their second person).  
*Scott shared the proposed changes with the Board via email.*
11. Audit request: Karen & Georgia.  
*Both have talked to auditors, but it needs to be determined what type of audit is needed.*  
*A financial statement audit?*
12. Aushim will be updating our POS software.  
*Will be connecting with the POS company about the costs.*

## **New Business:**

1. Safety Items for July:
  - a. Range is following all COVID-19 guidance and practices.
2. Roy talked about testing a cable system for the pistol range.
3. Derek asked about replacing steel targets for the cowboys
4. Dave asked about hosting a USPSA Sate Match in July 2022. Wanting to use the rifle pistol ranges Wednesday – Sunday and the action bays for the week. He will bring a written proposal to the board.
5. ASI would like to increase the number of shooters who participate at the Renton matches and get those who have not shot in an ASI match, to do so. The ASI organization has suggested that RFGC provide a “First ASI Match Free @ RENTON” to local shops and for current participants to share. The cards would expire at the end of 2022.  
This will not negatively impact the club financially but does have the potential to bring in additional revenue (memberships and participants) and expose more shooters to action shooting.  
We would begin with 50 cards and monitor the response.  
**MSP:** to allow the free matches as suggested
6. Financial consultant shared information regarding the club investing to earn more than what we are making in the banks.

## **Good of the order:**

None submitted

**Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM**

**Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary**