



Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for March 3rd, 2022

Call to Order: Ted Pitt called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

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			√
Dave McClure	√		
Diana Pinto	√		
Steve Traverso			√
Treasurer: Georgia Coulter	√		
Game Warden: John Palmer	√		
Secretary: Robb Wolfe	√		

Announcements:

- 1) **MSP** (Motion Second and Passed) by LaMarr, seconded by Karen to approve the minutes, as revised for February.
- 2) Evan Rosenfelt was hired as our fourth rangemaster. There are now three full-time and one part-time rangemasters.
- 3) Jack Richmond passed away last month. Jack shot mostly at the pistol and rifle ranges and will be missed.

Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Balances as of 3-3-2022

Account	Balance
Checking	\$65,471.66
Savings	\$495,129.61
BECU	\$40,000.00
	\$ 600,601.27

\$5254.57 net income for January

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery, Ted Pitt:

Archery looks good. A little wet from the rain

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

Shotgun is doing fine. People are shooting. The kids are back shooting too, bunker is doing well also.

Rifle & Pistol, Steve Traverso:

No report submitted.

Ted reported that 1263 pounds of brass was collected and was sold for \$3722

Grounds, LaMarr Hood:

The weather has held back work, but we did get some things accomplished. In the rifle range we got the cameras up and running that were blacked out, sawed up boards for target legs, made some target stands and kept up with target backers along with general cleanup.

Cleaned up some of the mess next to the dumpsters and moved wood blocks out so the wood burners can get to them. Worked over and widened the parking area across from the club house.

Had Bill Lake Tree Service come in and cut down the two dead firs along the tree line across from the shotgun parking, and piled limbs to be chopped up during the March 26 work party. I have reserved a 6-inch chipper to chip up limbs and brush around the grounds. We made up a list of things that need to be worked on during that time and have posted them around the ranges.

Got bids for the cement slab next to the archery range and went with Washington Custom Concrete. They have come in and laid forms and re-bar and ready to pour cement on Monday.

Received a bid for the equipment cover. \$6450 for an open structure. \$7650 for a closed building.
MSP: to authorize the purchase of the enclosed building.

Respectfully submitted with thanks to the support of the Monday crew volunteers

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

No report submitted

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

No report submitted

Kids Day, Greg Fortin:

No Kids Day activity in February.

All 2022 dates are firm and should now be posted on the RFGC web site.

Sundays 10am - 1pm

May 15th / June 12th / July 17th / Aug 21st / Sept 18th / Dec 11th

Scholastic Clay Target Program, Bob Louser:

Just practice. Meets start this weekend so more to report then.

Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston

The Dragon's 2022 season is set to kickoff this month. We are excited to have another great season and looking forward to all that's ahead for the team. We will participate in many local matches, a couple near state matches, the WA State tourney, and Nationals in Ohio. The season begins March 16th and runs through July.

There are many returning athletes who are getting quite experienced, and new athletes just starting off. We are expecting around 30 participants, which is near our manageable threshold.

We will continue with our Wednesday's and Friday's practices from 5:00 to 7:00 and work with the police and the cowboys on the few days where there are overlaps, and of course we are looking forward to another "Kids going Cowboy" day.

Thanks for all the help and support,

Go Dragons!

Cowboy, Derek Mirkle Submitted by T-Bone Shorty, (Terry Sporrong)

Friday, Feb. 4th, Black Powder Night Shoot

The RUCAS Cowboys hosted the second annual Night Shoot on Friday, February 4th., with 25 Cowboys & Cowgirls participating, including two shooters from Oregon, and two others coming down from Whatcom County. Mother Nature was kind with mostly dry weather and temps that were moderate.

The overall match winner was Lawbreaker, and with one clean shooter, Rick O'Shea. There were no DQ's or safety issues.

After the match Chili & Cornbread was served along with warming by the campfire while the match results compiled and read.

Tentative date for next year's event is Friday, December 30th., 2022.

Thank-you to the Board of Directors, Renton Fish & Game Club for allowing us to host this Night Shoot and we are looking forward to continuing the growth in participation of this event.



Saturday Feb. 5th

Saturday morning the ground was still wet from the days before, but the sky was mostly dry! We had 24 Pards and Pardettes come and play our game. Four shot the match clean: Lawbreaker (Tim Thibert), Rick O'Shea (Russ Siverling), Carlsbad Kid (Karl Mayer), and Nellie Belle (Terri Perin). Our top three competitors were: Jus Nobody (Barry Turner) in Third place, Rick O'Shea in Second and Lawbreaker was First. There were no safety violations or DQ's.

Sunday Feb.6th

One of our largest turnouts for a Sunday match in a while, we had 26 folks come out to slay steel bad guys. Again, we had four who managed to shoot the match clean: Diamond Slinger (Matt Randolph), Slick Gorch (Craig Wirfs), Rick O'Shea, and R. P. Dodge (Richard Otto). Our top gunslingers on this day were: Rick O'Shea in Third place, Slick Gorch in Second, and Diamond Slinger taking First place. And again, there were no safety violations and no DQ's.

So, for the weekend, we had a total of 75 competitors, 69 paid and 6 comped. A total of \$690.00 was turned in to the Club.

Our next matches will be March 5th & 6th.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Don Miller:

The CMP rifle match was held 2/26/2022. We had 7 competitors, and \$75.00 was turned in to the club. Weather was cold but no rain. Our next match will be April 23.

Precision Rimfire, Victor Vuong:

The next match will be April 2nd (the 1st Saturday).

IDPA, Scott Johnson:

Our most recent IDPA match was on February 19th. The weather forecast was for rain, but it never happened. It was overcast and cold but a good day for shooting with friends.

The Match consisted of 7 Stages and a minimum round count of 104. 59 Shooters turned out.

\$895 was turned into the club.

The next match is planned for March 19th.

USPSA, Dave McClure:

We had a work party on the 27th. Thank you to those volunteers that came out in the rain. We built a bunch of concrete wall bases and 20 walls, with plans to build 20 more over the next few months.

We ask that disciplines please not use the new walls until it becomes necessary. We'd like to keep them in the best shape possible prior to the state match.

June USPSA match will not happen. Match Directors will be in Oregon for the Oregon State USPSA Championship. The weekend is free for Black Rifle or other disciplines to use.

WA State USPSA Championship update: 186 registered competitors with months to go before registration closes. I got a box from Leupold yesterday with by my estimate has \$4k in prizes.

USPSA budget spend proposal - \$2535 to purchase radios and props.

MSP – to approve the request.

Black Rifle League, Sean Wade:

Black Rifle League had no event at Renton in February.

Would like to have a match on June 25th

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

The February ASI match was sunny and dry.

There were 7 stages, 7 squads, and 120 shooters

The match began at 10:00 and the first squad finished just before 2:00 and the last squad finished at 2:45.

We had one DQ – The shooter discharged his gun while he was moving and reloading (finger was on the trigger). The round impacted the berm.

\$1735 was turned onto the club.

The next match is March 12th.

Membership, (Open)

Data as of 3-3-2022

	2021	2022
Junior		64
Annual		614
Senior		312
Family		185
Military		19
Life		19
Total	Not available	1213

Game Warden Report, John Palmer:

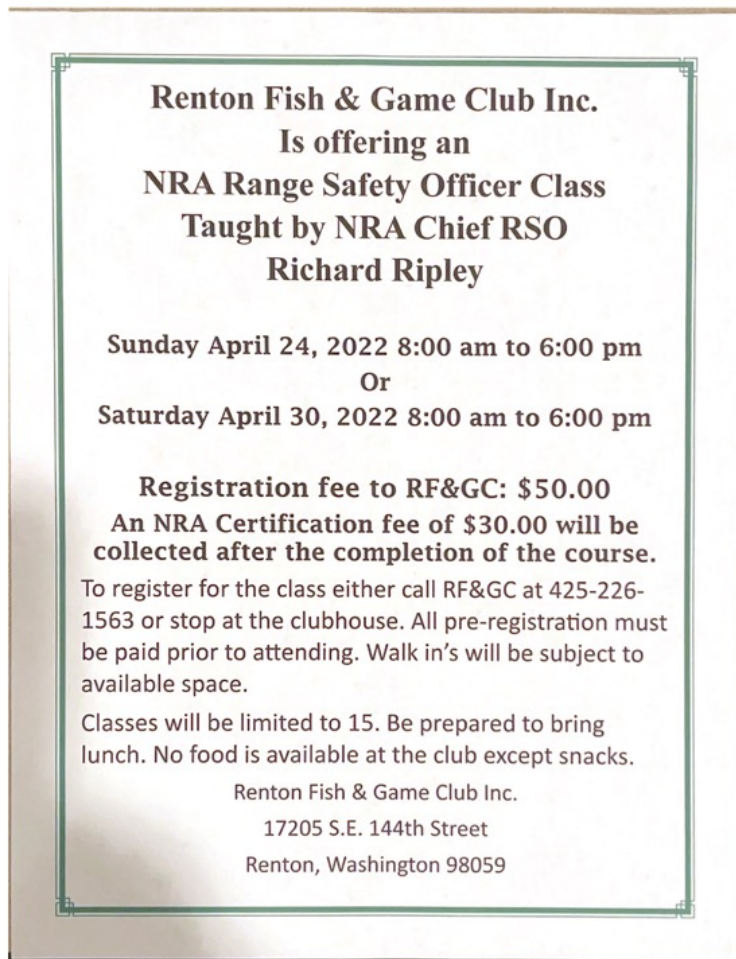
The February meeting attendance is below.

If a member feels their attendance was not recorded correctly, they should contact the Game Warden @ palmerje51@aol.com

Last Name, First Name	Member #	Feb-22
Barry, Tim	1902	X
Case, Steve	5731	X
Collins, Scott	4333	X
Coulter, Georgia	591	X
Englmaier, Marcel	5701	X
Goodnow, Jim	1741	X
Hill, Randy	2212	X
Hood, LaMarr	1856	X
Ishibashi, Ron	6082	X
Jennings, Karen	20	X
Johnson, Scott	108	X
McClure, David	3613	X
Mirkle, Derek	490	X
Nestorek, John/Leslie	2402	X
Ohnemus, Chris	3796	X
Palmer, John	3133	X
Pinto, Diana	3795	X
Pitt, Ted	257	X
Pontrelli, Robyn	2287 jr.	X
Pontrelli, Scott	2287	X
Rasmussen, Roy	2633-LIFE	X
Stevens, Scott	5775	X
Traverso, Steve	4548	X
Tsang, Keith	4361	X
Wade, J	3919A	X
Wade, Sean	3919	X
Wolfe, Robb	156	X
Zheng, Mavis	6178	X
Bryant, Mark		X
Martinsen, Ron		X
Russo, Joey	5626	X

Old Business:

1. Backup administrator for the web site
Status: Ron Martinsen has not been able to connect with Chuck
2. Come up with a plan to establish a volunteer RO program, to include requirements of volunteers, limits of authority and any discounts to membership. Karen



3. Karen asked Ted to verify if our insurance covers members (not employees) filling the trap machines. He checked with our insurance agent, and he said that anytime a member volunteers at the club in any capacity they are covered under our insurance policy. Non-members are not covered.
4. New system for the club – Georgia
Is working with the supplier and needs to talk with Aushim & Chuck.

5. Holster draw on the pistol range – Sean Wade presented the following:

I would like to propose the following: that qualified members of Renton Fish and Game Club be allowed to draw from the holster either concealed or open while on the rifle/pistol range.

1. Establish personal committee/group who are able to qualify members for holster draw.
2. The designated personal will then establish protocol for a proper holster draw.
3. Once a protocol is established, members may then request to draw from the holster. Designated personal will instruct them and then watch as the member/s demonstrate what is a proper draw stroke.
4. Once members are successful, then their name and member number will be recorded in a book and/or the computer for reference.
5. To help alleviate problems on the range from the general public or non-qualified members, certain lanes of the range could be sectioned off for pistol draw stroke. The range master must also be notified that said member is going to be performing draw strokes with their pistol.

I understand there is some concern about a monkey see monkey do happening, however, playing the what if game should not be reason to dismiss this proposal.

The members of our range have a great track record of policing each other and with continued help and education, I don't see a problem moving forward.

If our employees have concerns, they should remember that it is their responsibility to ensure they let the members and general public aware of new policy changes and if they are too inept or incapable of doing so, then perhaps it time find new personnel that is.

I would also like to say that myself along with Robb Wolfe, Scott Johnson, and Dave McClure be the ones who develop proper draw stroke protocol as we are the ones most qualified and involved in shooting sports that have a need for it.

The following letter was submitted by the Rangemasters:

From:
RFGC Rangemaster,
To:
RFGC Board, and Members

Regarding:
Draw from holster policy of the rifle pistol range

We, the combined Rangemasters employed by RFGC, are in unanimous voice stating our concern with the conversation from a previous Club meeting about drawing from holster on the rifle and pistol range.

We feel that the current facilitation of draw from the holster being limited to the Action Bay is reasonable.

Our arguments against changing the draw from holster policy at the Rifle and Pistol range is based on two objections. The first being the existence of the Action Bay facility on club property which has been purposely cultivated as a safe place to practice and perform draw from holster weapons handling. The second reason is one of example. If an unqualified nonmember witnessed someone drawing and firing from a holstered weapon and emulates the example, they will be removed from the range for a misunderstanding that could be easily avoided.

We feel that because the club has the Action bay facility, and has a reputation for a fervent safety and family oriented culture, the conversation of draw from holster at the rifle and pistol range firing line should be concluded immediately.

Respectfully
RFGC Rangemaster staff

MSP to discuss the request at the next directors meeting.

Old Business that is on hold

1. Action bay upper berm repair, on top of bays 4 and 5 (Steve).
On hold until the equipment that can do the work is available to rent.
2. The facing on the North side of the club house needs repaired and painted (Ted).
Status: Has one bid and will get a second one. Will email the quotes
3. New internet connection (Chuck)

New Business:

1. Safety Items for February:
 - a. Range is following all COVID-19 guidance and practices.
 - b. One shooter loading his shotgun to capacity
2. Diana Pinto: Proposed Action Bay Day: Sunday, July 31, 10-2 (possibly 3pm if we still have people). USPSA, Black Rifle, Cowboy and Steel Dragons/Kids Day would each have a bay for members or non-members who want to try the discipline. Guns, gear, and ammunition would be provided by each discipline or Pinto's Gun Shop (ammo). Price per stage would be \$10-15, with proceeds going to the Kids Day Events. Ideally, I would like to have 2-3 people per discipline/stage, with a few extra people floating around for help.
IDPA and ASI decided to not participate due to personal liability concerns.
Georgia spoke with the insurance agent, and they would need the person in charge and all volunteers to sign a volunteer form.
MSP to authorize an Action Bay Day on Sunday, July 31.
3. Gregg Livell from Pivotal Readiness presented his information to begin conducting for-profit classes RFGC
MSP to authorize Greg to begin training after all his paperwork has been reviewed and approved by Georgia
4. "Food Trucks" have asked about the possibility of coming to the range. In previous special action bay matches, the match organizers have arranged for food trucks to come and sell their food to the competitors.
MSP to authorize food trucks if they provide proof of insurance and business license.
5. Dave McClure: purchasing some WIFI WAPs devices to set up a Wi-Fi system on the range. He will also investigate a cellphone booster
MSP to authorize the purchase of two units for \$150
6. LaMarr will follow up on when the last time L&I made a visit to the range

Good of the order:

Marcel and his wife had their baby today.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary