



**Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

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

Directors and Officers attendance:

Directors	Present	Absent	Excused
Chairman: 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 Karen, seconded by John to approve the minutes, as revised for March.
- 2) Ted shared that Glenn Pickard submitted his resignation and retired on March 28th. Glenn had been with the club for 16 years and will be missed.  
Tom Talburt will be our acting Rifle and Pistol Rangemaster until a full-time replacement is found.  
Ted is working on options
- 3) Paul Bennett has been hired to work part time with Jim at the shotgun range.

## **Standing Committee Reports:**

### **Archery, Ted Pitt:**

The Monday crew checked out the range did some cleanup.

### **Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:**

Shotgun still busy. We had a clinic last month that went very well. There were seven students and lots of help. Bo Li came out and brought his collection of shooting medals.

We have our April fools shoot this Saturday and we have 4 squads so far,

### **Rifle and Pistol, Steve Traverso:**

Last month rifle/ pistol had 970 people attend. As of the 28th glean no longer works as the range master. We are out of ammo and targets are low.

Targets will be ordered

### **Grounds: LaMarr Hood:**

The main project of removing the old berm behind bay 4 (Item 7 Old Business) was completed after 4 days, we built up the berms between bays 4 & 5 and other side of 5. We were also able to clean up the two bays and remove rocks from the bays. The telehandler worked great so there was no need to rent other machinery. Cost, another barrel of fuel. Steve started hauling in loads of large cement to fill in and make a base for the TCU. The leveling will have to be completed by Steve and his mini. The smaller trees removed from the back gate we added to the berms between 4 & 5 to help hold dirt in place.

General cleanup has continued on the rifle and pistol ranges along with target backers, repairing staplers and grinding up old papers to help keep things tidy.

As requested by Ted we walked though both archery ranges and removed down limbs from the pathway and checked out the shooting lanes, the 3D targets are shoot up pretty bad and some target bags need replaced.

We also laid blocks next to the Club House near front the steps and added crushed cement and rolled the area to cover the mud and old sidewalk.

### **Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:**

No in person classes being allowed yet. All classes completely online only.

If a student is under 9, they will have a special appointment only in person field course and skills evaluation review at the regional office.

**Conservation, Gary Emerson:**

Nothing to report

**Kids Day, Greg Fortin:**

No Kids Day activity in March or April is scheduled.

Next Kids Day May 16<sup>th</sup>

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

We had 8 young shooters of 87 total at a recent meet in Oregon. Team placed 3rd HOA with good individual results.

Meryn: Ladies HOA 1st sporting clays 1st trap 2nd skeet

Christina: 3rd sporting clays

Greg: 3rd HOA 2nd sporting clays 2nd trap 1st skeet

A great showing with many personal bests and great way to start the competition season. More practice and more meets to follow.

**Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston**

We launched mid-March to a large crowd of parents and kids. At this point we are at 34 active participants, and several who are signed up, but not yet active. Our coaching staff is now at 12, all who have taken the available SASP training requirements. So, we have a great group of coaches that can support our two practice days across the bays.

We have published our match schedule for the season and participated in our first event, which was at the Upper Nisqually Sportsmen's Club in Eatonville, WA. We took 19 shooters and entered 22 guns. Upper Nisqually was very pleased with our participation and enjoyed watching our kids compete. Our kids did very well, and we received many compliments on our behavior, attention to safety, and skill. Our next match is at the Tacoma Sportsman's Club in Puyallup on April 11th.

On a side note, two of our kids went to the SW Regional Championships in Arizona this last weekend. Ethan Chewning took 1st place overall in RFPI (rimfire pistol iron sights). Jack Sasaki took 3rd place.

As a reminder we are hosting the WA State Championships on June 12th and 13th.

Our Conex container is delivering Tuesday April 13th. I'm going to meet with Roy and Dale to go over the electrical needs. Obviously, we are very excited, and appreciative, this will be a great addition to the action bays.

### **Cowboy, Derek Mirkle**

Friday set up was accomplished in a light drizzle, and I'd like to thank Jus Dan D (Dan DuPertus) our match designer, T-Bone Shorty (Terry Sporrang), J.J. Wainwright (Darin Puryear), Bjorn E. Ville (Eric Simonson) Knucky McPolack (Steve Polack), and Bedlam Ben (Ben Stewart) for coming out to wrangle the steel and props. Also, my thanks to Marcel for helping my score-wizard Dastardly Dean (Gary Sandwick) get us up and running with the new timers and tablets.

The weather was mostly cooperative with just a couple of light showers each day, and relatively mild temperatures.

We had 25 Pardes and Pardettes join in the fun Saturday. Two shooters managed to complete the match clean, T-Bone Shorty and Aldo Bridger (Kyle Cooper).

Our top Gunslingers on this day were: in Third place, Mudflat Mike (Mike Perin). In Second place, Lawbreaker (Tim Thibert), and in First place, T-Bone Shorty.

The Sunday match saw 10 rough an' ready cowboys show up for the showdown. Once again only two Pardes managed clean matches. This day it was Jed I Knight (Kirk Bell) and for the second day in a row Aldo Bridger!

Our top three in this gunfight were: Bjorn E. Ville in Third, Jed I Knight, Second, and Jus Nobody (Barry Turner) took First.

There were no DQ's either day, and one Minor Safety Penalty on Saturday for an AD impacting beyond 10ft. We turned in \$290.00 to the club.

Our next matches will be April 3rd & 4th.

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

The CMP rifle match was held on March 27. We had 3 competitors, two of whom were new to the sport and used club M1's, and ammo.

Proceeds to the club were \$197.00.

### **Precision Rimfire, Josh Harney and Victor Vuong:**

No report.

### **IDPA, Scott Johnson / Robb Wolfe:**

Stages: 7

Shooters: 58

DQ: 1 (180 during movement)

MD: Jon Stein

Registration: Deanna Atkinson

Total Net Revenue: \$915

**USPSA, Dave McClure:**

Stages: 7

Shooters: 56

DQ: 2 (details below)

MD: Dave McClure

**Financials:**

Gross: \$1430.00

Stripe fees: \$57.97

USPSA Activity Fees: \$84

NW Section Fees: \$56

Discounts [Setup, Ros, Renton members, military]: \$300.00

Net Revenue: \$932.03

**RANGE CONDITION - Upon Departure:**

Range: Bays were cleared, garbage cans emptied. MatchSharks were returned to their location. Targets were tossed.

Shack: Trash was walked out to the dumpster.

**SAFETY ISSUES:**

2 DQ: Both participants had Accidental Discharges. One during a reload, the other during movement while not aiming at a target. Both impacted the berm.

Dave reported that there were people who used the bays Saturday after their setup (which should not be happening). The attendees talked about adding signage to have people stay out of the bays after they are set up for matches.

**Black Rifle League, Aaron Lyons:**

No match was held this month. The next match will be held on May 29th.

Black Rifle League launched a new website requiring Pre-Pay for registration to discourage people from signing up and not showing up.

I am currently working with DocuSign to move away from paper waivers to adopt digital waivers.

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

85 shooters enjoyed a beautiful 60-degree day.

Five stages were shot and there were no DQ's

\$1350 was turned into the club.

**Membership, (Open)**

Data as of 04-01-2021

Junior	42
Annual	813
Senior	326
Family	230
Military	24
Life	19
Total	1454

**Treasurer's Report, Aushim Sarkar:**

Balances as of 04-01-2021

<b>Account</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Checking	\$ 37,075.42
Savings	\$ 425,085.69

**Commentary**

February was the worst month for financial performance at the club since the shutdown last summer. We had the lowest revenue and ran the largest loss since then. Once again, we were not able to add to the club's savings account.

The club recorded \$21,614.61 in revenue and generated a net loss of \$4,456.90 for the month.

**Revenue Report**

Our revenue decreased by 16.6% from January. We had lower match revenue because of the ASI match not being held and also because we didn't record USPSA revenue for the month as our Stripe account did not start transferring funds until March. USPSA match fees for February will be recorded in March. Membership revenue dropped by 56% compared to January.

Merchandise sales continue to be the largest contributor to our income with 46% of our revenue. We saw some sales for pistol ammunition which finally came in after orders placed over the summer. We are hoping that supply will improve by late summer allowing us to improve our sales of ammunition. A continued shortage of ammunition in the general market could affect match fees from shooting sports

during our peak summer months as less people are able to participate due to the unavailability of ammunition.

Shared a proposal to open an account at another institution for the club's reserves –

Proposed to move \$248K from savings to BECU

Karen made a motion to move \$248K from BECU. Seconded by Jon.

**MSP** – to move \$248K to BECU

**Western Washington Range Alliance: Karen Jennings**

From Su Laig: The only news is our new shooter initiative program happening at Interlake the end of April. I'm working on an agenda and hope to schedule a meeting for our group soon.

## Old Business:

1. Diana Pinto - Publishing the club's policies and procedures – will address one at a time.  
Taking on the next one – item 2
2. Subcommittee for what to do with members/non-members who are asked to leave the range, how to track it, and what to do with repeat offenders (Karen, Diana, Aushim & Aaron).

Karen, Diana, Aushim and I met on March 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss the 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. Currently, I am working through the Database architecture with Aushim and Chuck and designing the application solution that would replace the antiquated solution that we now have. I would need to spin up the following services

- Microsoft O365 Tenant for RFGC
- Dynamics CRM
- PowerApps
- PowerBI (this will be great for reporting)

The overall solution would encompass four separate solutions

- **Solution 1** – Dynamics CRM – Members & Public – Allowing the range masters and leadership to better track both members and general public on use of the range as well as allowing more transparency as to members renewing.
- **Solution 2** – Dynamics CRM – Rules Violation Form – This will allow the Range Master to quickly fill out a form online within CRM, attach it to the person being removed from the range as to why they are being removed. Utilizing work flows it would kick off an email to the individual (as we would have already had this on file from initial check in) as to why they were asked to leave, encouraging them to please visit us again after X number of days.
- **Solution 3** – Member Management – This will allow us to better manage our members. Looking as range use, who has renewed, violations, etc.
- **Solution 4** – Check-In – PowerApp – This is a future version, which will allow us to check in members utilizing a bar code system or our member number, which will return a VALID or EXPIRED on the range masters screen so they know if the person's membership has lapsed.

The board approved the committee to continue researching solutions.

3. Creating a member only section on the RFGC website (Aushim & Chuck)  
No progress
4. Aushim - giving the club the ability to accept electronic payment directly for matches.  
Is piloting it with USPSA



5. Neighbors Concerned trees – LaMarr has had some trees removed and working to remove additional ones (will require a crane).  
Job Completed: The trees of concern have been removed. Maple and fir south of club house on fence line and the cottonwood trees next to the back gate south of pistol range.

6. Aaron Lyons offered to redo the rifle range orientation video.  
I have received sign-off from Glen and Rob and will be moving forward this month. I'm coordinating with Scott Zumwalt to pick a date in April on a Monday or Tuesday to film the new orientation video and look to deliver the new orientation videos before the end of April to review and sign off by May. I will also be working with Chuck Mueller to set up a business YouTube account to host these videos as the current videos are on a personal YouTube account.

Chuck noted that the YouTube channel has been setup for new videos.

Robb is to ask Aaron to also coordinate with Steve.

Randy suggested that the new video also be sub-titled in other languages (e.g., Chinese). There was a good discussion regarding the need for shooters to understand all the basic safety commands.

This is one of the next policies that Diana will be working on.

7. Action bay updates (LaMarr) – Prepare a location for the youth program's storage.  
Covered in the grounds report.

8. New internet connection (Chuck)  
Still pending a permit needed to move forward with the construction. The permit is expected to be received on 5/19/21.

9. Audit request – Georgia will talk to Mike our CPA. Karen will also get estimates.  
Look at this in July (or later) after tax season.

10. Action bay walls and support stands. Aaron and Dave will coordinate with the other disciplines to build new walls and stands. Also, where they are stored.

11. Karen: Sniffing dogs will be coming on May 17 and 18.

12. Requesting a large dumpster for general range cleanup (Robb). Since we are not having a 2021 general work part it was thought that we would bring in a dumpster like we did in 2020.  
Decision was made to bring in the dumpster now

Items on hold:

1. Action bay upper berm repair, on top of bays 4 and 5 is on hold until next spring (Steve).
2. The facing on the North side of the club house needs repaired and painted (Ted).
3. Install blocks and rack next to bay 7 for lumber storage (Steve)  
Waiting for dry weather and racks

**New Business:**

1. Safety Items for April:
  - a. Range is following all COVID-19 guidance and practices.
2. Robb to schedule an action bay committee meeting to determine what items should be removed and where items should be stored.
3. Dick spoke about the World Cup qualifications and the Olympics (skeet, trap, air rifle).

**Good of the order:**

Dick's information regarding the Olympics

**Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM**

**Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary**