# Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017



**Call to Order:** Sam Hewlett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The following officers were present:

Directors: Sam Hewlett (President), Georgia Coulter (Vice President), Ted Pitt, Robb

Wolfe, Scott Johnson, Wayne McCann, John Palmer, & LaMarr Hood

Kevin Michellich (Game Warden) Sean Wade (Membership Robb Wolfe (Secretary)

Absent:

Brian Howard (excused)

#### **Announcements:**

**MSP** (Motion Second Passed) to approve the minutes for February

## Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Balances (as of 01-26-2017):

Checking	\$15,741.56
CD	\$100,457.46
Savings	\$57,100.05
Total:	\$173,299.07

## **Standing Committee Reports:**

## **Archery Ted Pitt:**

Looking decent.

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

Getting ready for our continental shoot on Sunday. Bunker is slow. April is our start of shoots. A clinic is planned for March Trap is running good

#### Cowboy, Brian Howard:

No report

## Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Bob Hull:

We had 3-shooters and we brought in \$21 to the club. We had the range to ourselves from 9:00am until 11:00am for a total of 2-hours. The next match is March 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

Well covering the septic pipe at the rifle office didn't do us any good. The septic line needed more repair which has been completed with new line to the septic tank.

We mixed and poured the cement pad for the bench by the flag pole. Folded up the tarps and kept the poles that were not damaged by the snow in bays 4 and 6. Pulled out the belts by the skeet range, graded the shotgun flat, filled traps houses. Cut up small tree on the fence behind the rifle office, kept up with target backers and general cleanup of the rifle and pistol buildings. Also, adjustment of the cupboard doors in the range office.

## **Conservation, Gary Emerson:**

Plants are on order.

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

First Four classes are posted.
March 13
April 10
May 15
June 12

#### **IDPA**, Scott Johnson:

Feb Match was a pretty quick experience in solid rain all day. We had a couple of rivers in Bay 1 and 3 by the end (I suspect depending on the severity of the rest of the winter we may need a new round of gravel around the stat shack (where we had a rather nice swimming hole) and in those bays). Some tidy up had been done by the time I arrived but it looked like a couple of the tarp tents got beaten pretty hard from the weather.

Match Director: Robb Wolfe

Stats/Reg: Euan Garden

Stats/Reg Padawans: Edwin Garcia and Lee Mathena

NSO: Mike Meisner

#### 65 Competitors.

2 DNF's (One left the match and one was missing a time on one of the stages and when we tried to find the SO's they had already left)

2 DQ's (One person got on the trigger a little fast after a reload and dumped one into the berm. The second person swept themselves from a seated draw).

Total Receipts: \$1075 Total Expenses: 0

#### Breakdown:

13 x 10 (SO's)

4 x 10 (Mil)

1 x 10 (Jnr)

5 x 15 (Renton Members)

41 x 20

Our next regular match will be on March 18th.

## ASI, Sandy Wylie:

The match went off well.

The condition of the range was not good. Garbage in cans next to TCU were full as well as full of water and many bays with full garbage cans, the tent structures in a couple of bays were broken down. The TCU was a mess, with used IDPA targets thrown about. Everything was cleaned up and left in good condition.

All that being said it was a very nice ASI match with about 40+ shooters. Nice to be at RFG.

### Membership, Jay & Sean

Membership as of 02-26-2017

Junior:	16
Family:	77
Senior:	229
Annual:	456
Life	24
Total:	802

## **USPSA**, Dave McClure:

There was no match in February. The next match is March 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Scholastic Clay Target Program, Bob Louser:

Practice, practice and more practice. Successfully raffled the shotgun and the winner was Ted Schepper who donated it back to the team. A big Thanks to Ted for that. Competition starts in April so will have more info then.

## Rifle and Pistol, Sam Hewlett:

Attendance was slow this month and the weather was not so good. We had 163 shooters and took in \$2,974.88. The range is in pretty good shape just wet. Nothing out of the ordinary to report.

Adult	\$160.00	\$2,947.25
Junior	\$3.00	\$27.63
Total	\$163.00	\$2,974.88

## **Steel Challenge, Cel Alvarez:**

Steel Challenge at RFGC for February 12, 2017 had a total of 31 participants. There were 12 Juniors, 16 RFGC Members, 21 Non-Members, and 13 extra guns for the match. We submitted \$367.00 to RFGC and had \$26.69 of expenses. There was a lot of water flowing out of Bay 1 and Bay 2. We had a little hard time trying to make our targets stand in Bay 2 because the ground was so soft.

There was one DQ in Bay 4. Participant was reaching for the magazine from the table to the left of him and while doing so fired a round into the Fort with his .22 rifle. The shooting position was to the right and back of the Fort.

We are planning to not have a match for June because there is a big steel match in Ephrata, WA during the same weekend we have our steel match. Therefore, we are canceling the June Match.

## Black Rifle League, Sean Wade:

Last month's black rifle match had its best turnout yet! We had a total of 30 shooters, 15 paying for a total of \$240.00. We ran a two-bay system for a second time which was met with optimism and success. Despite the weather conditions being wet and muddy we had no safety violators/violations. There was great help from a variety of shooters

(members and non-members) making sure things ran smoothly and efficiently. We also had food provided by a regular shooter and member. (Kevin Nguyen) Thanks to all who showed up and helped out. Next month's match is tentatively set for the 18th.

## **Old Business:**

- 1. Muzzle blast shield update Wayne, brought in a prototype. The next step is to test different insulation materials.
- 2. Sam contacted Northwest Asphalt regarding a new drain on the entrance road. He is still waiting for an estimate.
- 3. Members meetings that Wayne has been conducting. He provided a summary of the feedback that he received.
- 4. Fee reduction policy for volunteer hours worked was submitted by LaMarr (Sam will post copies for membership feedback):

Work Hours for fee deduction. Total needed 20 hours Fee deduction as approved by the Committee Chairpersons

Conservation; Current Club related conservation projects are as follows:
Spring Native plant bare root planting & summer watering of plants
Trout pond help at International Sportsmen Show
Misc habitat projects
(Cavanaugh Pond is being torn out by the county so no more
projects down there)

Assisting with youth shooting programs.

Shotgun, Action, or General Shooting Programs of RF&G

Grounds Maintenance and Projects
Annual Work Party, Mowing, trimming, range restoring, general Maintenance and/or up dating.

Membership Drives WAC tables, Etc.

Working RSO as assigned assisting the Range Masters
As needed for Hunter Sight In and cover for/or assisting Range Masters.

### **New Business:**

1. Work party input, meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 (prior to the Board meeting).

- 2. Safety meetings. John reported that conversations with employees will take place with employees regarding commonly used chemicals, cleaners, and hearing and eye protection. He will ask for another voluntary inspection in April.
- 3. Membership drive proposal:
  - a. Conduct a membership drive with the goal of at least 1000 members. A fiveyear plan to accomplish this seems reasonable.
  - b. Decreasing membership fees: for July 1 would be 175 family, 150 regular, 120 senior and go down \$10 July 2018, \$5 July 2019, \$5 July 2020 and \$5 2021. Therefore, at the end of the five year drive it would be 150 family, 125 regular and 95 seniors.
  - c. Do away with the initiation fee for new memberships for 2017, the first year of the drive. Based on drive success, the initiation fee could be eliminated on a year by year basis by the Board.
  - d. During the 5-year membership drive, award a \$10 RFGC gift certificate for each new member that is brought in by the member sponsor.
  - e. Major capital projects, \$20,000 or more would be outlined to the membership in the spring so there is plenty of time to discuss them prior to the renewal date for memberships and as approved the expenditure would be divided by 1000 (membership goal) and the resulting amount presented to the members either renewing or new members coming in within that fiscal year as a "capital project assessment". For example, if we determine the main road needed drainage at a cost of \$25,000 during 2017/2018 and we presented this need to the membership and it was approved as a capital project the "special assessment" for July 1 2017 through June 30 2018 would be \$25 added to each renewal or new application. There would be a cap of any assessment at \$40 per year.
- 4. Sam Grubbs shared that during the Hunter Education classes there is a slide in the presentation promoting club membership. He would like to come to the club (in his uniform) during the hunter sight-in to share information regarding the programs. It was suggested that he also come to the kid's shoots.
- 5. Eagle Scout project for Aaron Byrd. Karen Jennings suggested that he contact her for some potential projects for WAC. Roy and Sam have potential projects.
- 6. Randy Hill resigned and thanked the club. The Board thanked him for his service.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM

Submitted by Robb Wolfe, Secretary