



Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for March 7, 2019

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

The following officers were present:

Directors: Sam Hewlett (President), Sean Wade (Vice President), Georgia Coulter, Ted Pitt, Ken Wong, Diana Pinto, Scott Johnson & John Palmer

Game Warden: Kevin Michellich

Absent:

Robb Wolfe (excused)

Announcements:

MSP (Motion Second and Passed) by Georgia, seconded by John to approve the minutes for February as amended.

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery Ted Pitt:

Archery is looking good. Bags are OK. \$18 was brought in during February

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

Continental match was held on March 3rd. There were 125 shooters, 12,400 birds were thrown and \$3,204 was brought in. It was a long day.

Cowboy, Derek Mirkle

Wow, the blizzard of '19 has really taken its toll on the range over the last month. All the portable shelters are destroyed and the load/unload table at bay 6 is down. There is a lot of vegetation hanging over the edges in bays one, two and three. Luckily the weather held out during this weekend's events, dry with temps in the low 40's for both days. I'm hoping to put a crew together for the Club work party to re-build the loading/unloading table on Bay 6.

A big thank you to those who helped clear the collapsed shelters, and set the steel on Friday. Appy Dan (Dan Glor), Just Dan D (Dan Dupertuis), T-Bone Shorty (Terry Sporrong), John R. Schantz (Larry Bunning), Hazy Grey (Kris Jensen), and Rusty Barrels (Martin Spotanske). We were able to save a lot of the framework from the shelters and one of three of the covers. The other two covers were too torn up to be salvaged. The collapsed shelter in bay 2 was too frozen into the ice for us to remove it.

Saturday there were twenty-three shooters to start the event. Sunday we had thirteen shooters enjoying some more great RUCAS fun with some of Contingent Fee McGee's (Lance Palmer) stages pulled from the archives.

We had 1 clean shooter on Saturday, Driften Rattler (Bill Hanson),. Rick O'Shea (Russ Siverling) was the one and only clean shooter on Sunday. There were No Match DQ's either day and one Stage DQ for a dropped empty gun on Saturday.

Congratulations to Driften Rattler, Lawbreaker and Wrongo Starr on their top three overall for Saturday. Sunday, we saw Rick O'Shea, Wrongo Starr and Driften Rattler fill out the top three.

The ROI and ROII classes were cancelled because of weather-related lack of range access. Derek is working on rescheduling the classes.

Thanks to Margarita Villain (Kevin Michellich) for letting me plagiarize (with some editing) his match report to our RUCAS gang for this report.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Don Miller:

The second CMP match of this season was shot today with 4 shooters and proceeds to the club of \$28.00. There was still some snow on the ground but the weather was good.

Grounds, (open): Position is open LaMarr reported

Monday 4th General clean up and target backers replaced

Monday 11th Closed to much snow

Tuesday 12th Gary got stuck couldn't get in.

Thursday 14th Dale made it in and cleared the roads and parking lot at the club house

Saturday 16th Some snow from the action disciplines to clear out action bays one and three.





There still is a lot of work left to be done it the action bays.

Monday 18th 6 of us showed up and cleared snow from around the range office and sidewalks by the range buildings. Gary removed snow from the R/P parking lot and plowed and back bladed the road out to 200-yard line. We cleared the snow from the target holders on the rifle side only. General cleanup of the R/P ranges and some target backers. Removed old canopy from in front of the office.

Tuesday 19th. Jim cleared snow from the shotgun shooting positions.

Monday 25th 29 deg. snow frozen hard. 7 showed up. We replaced two red flashing lights cleaned up the R & P ranges broke down and built more target backer. Travis built a fire to warm us up. All happy and went home.

All & all pretty rough month.

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

Once a month one night classes start next Monday the 11th.

The team is working on shooting several 30 to 90 second videos on load/unloading the various actions used in class.

Once shot, reviewed and approved by the DFW I would like to be able to post on the club web site under Hunter Education.

Often, I'm asked where a student with access to just one or two actions can practice with the other actions. Looking on line I see one horror story after another on loading / unloading guns. Nothing I would recommend a student watching.

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

Native plant pick up is 3/16. I'm recruiting volunteers to help plant that Saturday afternoon.

IDPA, Scott Johnson:

Match was cancelled due to the weather

Membership, Sean

Membership as of 03-07-2019

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| Junior | 39 |
| Annual | 582 |
| Senior | 261 |
| Family | 105 |
| Military | 9 |
| Life | 21 |
| Total | 1017 |

Rifle and Pistol, Sam Hewlett:

The Range was closed for approx. seven business days this month due to weather. The Rifle/Pistol range suffered little damage except for a collapsed shelter by the electrical shed. We had 498 shooters this month of which 81 were paying guests or juniors which brought in \$1,590.75 in revenue. Glenn reported one person fell on the ice on the pistol range once operation resumed. He used ice melt to help resolve these hazards on both ranges. Thanks to everyone who helped get the snow cleared and the ranges up and running

Scholastic Clay Target Program, Bob Louser:

Finally, able to practice without so much snow. Had a squad go to Oregon over the week end with mixed results. Several new high score in competition but really good scores from other teams. Christina in her first meet as a Crusher did get two gold medals in trap and skeet. Congrats to her for a great start. More practice and hopefully better results.

Steel Matches, Cel Alvarez:

We did not have a match due to deep snow for February 2019. We do plan to have a match for March 10th and will set up 6 stages of 150 round minimum. We understand there is still snow and ice on the ground but we don't shoot and move. We will just set up steel target and engage in a stationary position.

Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Data was not available

USPSA, Alan Feucht:

There was no match in February. The next match will be in March

Black Rifle League, Sean Wade:

Black Rifle was cancelled due to weather conditions. Next month's match will be the 23rd of March.

Action Shooting International (ASI), Robb Wolfe:

Match was cancelled due to the weather

Old Business:

1. Load levels as a public range (Wayne McCann).
In work. He is attending a seminar on the 18th for non-profits.
2. Updating member handbook and range rules (Ken Wong).
No Progress
3. Sean asked us to consider having a free night for ladies. He will bring a proposal to a future meeting.

New Business:

1. Safety items:
 - a. No safety items to report
2. Third reading of Ken Wong amendment to bylaws, new section 8 to Article V:
"In the event that there are not enough eligible and willing candidates under Article V, Section 3 for there to be at least two candidates running for each available position, all members who are eligible to vote under Article V, Section 5 become eligible to be nominated and elected to the available positions."
It must be read at the two (2) following regular Club Member/Board meetings and at the last reading voted on by only those members eligible to vote on amendments to the By-Laws, as defined herein. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote by the eligible members present shall be

necessary to amend or add to the By-Laws
This serves as the third reading.

3. Discussion regarding the donation of \$500 to the Renton Steel Dragons to help with their trip to the nationals.
MSP – to donate \$500 to the Renton Steel Dragons for their trip to the nationals
4. Georgia will review the guidelines regarding for profit classes at the range.
5. Glenn discussed the break in at the stat shack and the loss of the AED. He suggested that we get the serial number of the unit from Bill Merritt and provide that to the local pawn shops.
6. Glenn expressed concern that Jackie's dogs are aggressive. Sam took the action to talk with her.
7. There was a discussion regarding the cost of member trap vs rifle / pistol and if there was an inequity between the two.
8. Subject of prior members still using the range without current dues being paid. No conclusion was arrived at.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Submitted by Scott Johnson, Filling in as Secretary