



**Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022**

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

- a) **MSP** (Motion Second and Passed) by Georgia, seconded by Scott to approve the minutes, as updated for August.

## **Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:**

Balances as of 9-1-2022

<b>Account</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Checking	\$103,863.91
Savings	\$495,150.50
BECU	\$40,023.91
Total:	\$679,038.32

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

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

All is looking good. Might need some cleanup of the old 3d targets and such.

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

Shotgun is going fine. People are shooting targets and the new pallet jack works well too. The Haugen shoot went well, there were 4 squads of shooters. There is one more shoot to go: The watermelon shoot in September.

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

No report was submitted.

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

We started by replacing the rope on the club flag and leveled the ditch for the electrical between sheds.

Dale trimmed the brush along the entrance road both sides from main road to the rental house. The following workday we cut back the large laurel bush, and cleaned up, trimmed limbs and brush from the front gate to the rental and cleared off the roadway. Trimmed limbs in the shotgun parking lot, along the road to the rifle range, around the power lines and parking lot, and the service road from 100-yard line to the 200-yard line.

Built new target stands for the 50-yard line. Added dirt in front of the 50-yard target area and chipped the field, starting at the small berm, the chips are about 1 foot deep and tapering down. We replaced 4 old baffles and added steel we have had stored for some time and set the baffles at a 30-degree angle with the steel on the shooters side. Removed 3 wheelbarrows of rocks and painted the new baffles white. Maybe the shooters can see what they are shooting at?

Cleaned up around the entrance to the archery range and buildings nearby. Changed out the speakers in the pistol range to match all the others. Dale got the PA system in the rifle range office working. Started planning for the rebuilding of the berm between bay 4 and the rifle range and

updating the action bays berms. Requested bid from Taegon to build a base for the new wall and other jobs around the range (no date yet). Checked out the action bays for updates and work that's needed to be accomplished. Kept up with general cleanup and target backers.

All in all, a very fruitful month, thanks to a hard-working crew.

Shared a diagram of the new wall that will be built along the rifle range.

**Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:**

No report was submitted

**Conservation, Gary Emerson:**

No report was submitted

**Kids Day, Greg Fortin:**

Another fair turnout. 4 members, 6 non-members.

They all arrived by 10:20 and most stayed until after 12 noon.

Good parental supervision, and participation.

No reason why Mom and Dad shouldn't get to pop a few balloons, too.

Thanks again to all the RSO's, and Diana & Karen at the BBQ.

**Scholastic Clay Target Program, Mike Beck:**

No report this month, we're on break until September, nothing to report.

**Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston**

Not much to share this month. The Dragons have been on a mild break since Nationals. However, a small contingent of shooters has been showing up weekly to practice, some just can't get enough. It's fun.

Sept 1st kicks off our fall/winter season and the 2022-2023 SASP season. Typically, this time of year practices are less attended, but those who do come can make great strides because they get lots of bay time.

We'll be considering a team match schedule over the next few weeks, but it will be more casual as I want our athletes to come into March (when our main season begins) eager to shoot and compete.

**Cowboy, Derek Mirkle (reported by Terry Sporrong)**

WESTMATCH XXXI Match Report August 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>.

71 Registered Cowboys (+11 from previous year)

2 DNF's

12 Stages, conducted over three days

There were no safety issues or DQ's for the weekend.

Revenue, \$3,140

Expenses, \$3,047

Net Revenue, \$93

WESTMATCH XXXI, Sidekicks of The Silver Screen, was contested over three days with warm weather and blue skies. The competition began on Friday morning with a 4 Stage Wild Bunch Mini-Match, drawing 16 competitors. The winners included Crisco, Modern Category and Dakota Slim, Traditional Category. There was one clean shooter, Flatlander.

Friday afternoon saw the start of the Main Match with 4 stages of cowboy action shooting fun, followed by 4 stages each on Saturday and Sunday morning. In addition, there was a 4 Stage Plainsman Match held on Saturday afternoon, drawing 10 competitors with GD Rattler taking home the top prize. There were no clean shooters in the Plainsman Match.

Additional side matches included Cowboy Trap and a new addition for this year, Three Gun Annie, (think "meat shoot", trap competition) which was held Friday evening and attracted 22 competitors.

Following the completion of the main match, a complimentary lunch was served by Lou-Who's Dirty Water Hotdog Stand, including hotdogs & fixings, chips, potato salad, beverage and cake. Awards were presented, including the prestigious Spirit of the Game Award, which was earned by Arkie Lee, aka- Ralph K. Lee.

Overall Top Cowboy was Lawbreaker and Overall Top Cowgirl was Buffalo Belle. There were three clean shooters, Jed I. Knight, JJ Wainwright, and Marcus "Festus" McCain. Scoring was completed by Dastardly Dean with assistance from Tacoma Slick and Bjorn E. Ville. This year's Awards were provided by Diana Pinto of Pinto's Gun Shop and very well received by all.

Special Thanks to Ted Pitt and the Renton Fish & Game Club Board of Directors for their continued support of WESTMATCH, presented by the Renton United Cowboy Action Shooters. We would like to request the following dates for WESTMATCH XXXII, to be held on August 4<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> 2023, including the closure of the Action Bays the two days prior for match preparation and setup (week of July 31<sup>st</sup>)

**MSP** to lock the dates in 2023 for WESTMATCH XXXII including the closure of the Action Bays the two days prior for match preparation and setup (week of July 31<sup>st</sup>)

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

The August CMP Rifle match was held 8/27/22. We had 3 competitors and \$30.00 was turned in to the club. The weather was nice. The Pintos charity fundraiser was held adjacent on the ranges, and cooperation between events went well. This is the last CMP event for this year, and we will start up again in January 2023.

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

The August Precision Rimfire NRL22 match went smoothly. 16 competitors came out for the match, and we had 8 stages which can be found here -

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1e0UoP0MqKuOzfBaTfrFCBalfowgmacEzK-eDjNw-iNg/edit?usp=sharing>

It was a good match with no safety violations or DQs. We picked up some zombie popper targets that pop down and pop back up when you shoot them and had some IPSCs blocking them as hostages. It was a fun stage of not shooting hostages and only being able to shoot between the hostages or head shooting the zombie.

\$260 was turned in to the range.

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

August 20th was the most recent IDPA Match. There were 7 Stages for 53 shooters. There was 1 DQ to report: a shooter was retreating from a target engagement and holding his pistol in a two-hand grip. While turning a corner the muzzle broke the 180. The shooter was immediately stopped, and actions reviewed.

\$815 was turned into the club.

The next IDPA Match is scheduled for September 17th.

There is going to be a Safety Officer Training course at Paul Bunyan on September 18th. I have recommended 4 people to the training.

### **USPSA, Dave McClure / Marcel Englmaier:**

This month we were chilling down from the State match. We had some simpler stages with easier setup, however we still had issues.

We had to throw out bay 6 due to wasps in the bay stinging folks and I didn't want to ask people to go in their for score. They had the option to shoot IF they chose.

Second, we had some trainers that were somehow scheduled on top of our match. We normally have all the bays all-day Saturday & Sunday but vacate as soon as we can Sunday for folks to be able to use them. However, we definitely aren't out by 3pm. It was much closer to 5 when we had cleaned up all the bay. All dates for 2023 have been requested and placed on the calendar so this shouldn't happen again if folks review the calendar before approving events.

DETAILS (total):

86 Shooters, 4 DQs

Match Director: Eric Beerbaum

Range Master: Marcel Englmaier

Stats: Marcel Englmaier

FINANCIALS

Match fee:	\$30.00
Total Scored Shooters:	86
Total Paid Shooters (including late withdrawals without refund):	81
Gross:	\$2430.00
Stripe Fees:	\$94.77
ROs:	14
Active Military Registrants:	2
Renton Member Discount Registrants:	18
Total Discounts:	\$250.00
USPSA Activity Fees:	\$258.00
NW Section Activity Fee:	\$430.00
Net:	\$1741.23

SAFETY ISSUES: 4 DQs:

1 Dropped gun when the competitor slipped on the (very slippery) gravel in bay 1.

2 180s During unload and show clear, 2 competitors turned around with their firearm and broke the 180 plane.

1 Finger in trigger guard during movement. This one's self-explanatory. A simple jerk could lead to an AD which is why this is a DQ

**Black Rifle League, Sean Wade:**

There was no match at RFGC in August.

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

August 13th was the most recent ASI Match. Weather was mostly cloudy for the early morning turning to mostly sunny by afternoon. There were 7 Stages for 88 shooters. We had 1 DQ to report: on this squads' last stage a shooter was performing a magazine change and the shooter's muzzle pointed to the Squad. The shooter was STOPPED immediately and understood what he had done.

\$1360 was turned into the club.

The next match will be on September 10th.

## Membership, (Open) Georgia reported:

Data as of 9-1-2022

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Junior	43	34
Annual	404	349
Senior	266	111
Family	136	104
Military	15	13
Life	19	22
Total	883	655

**Game Warden Report, John Palmer:**  
The August meeting attendance is below.

If a member feels their attendance was not recorded correctly, they should contact the Game Warden at: [game.warden@rfgc.org](mailto:game.warden@rfgc.org)

Last Name, First Name	Member #
Collins, Scott	4333
Coulter, Georgia	591
DuPertuis, Dan	3735
Englmaier, Marcel	5701
Hood, LaMarr	1856
Ishibashi, Maxine	6082A
Ishibashi, Ron	6082
Jennings, Karen	20
Johnson, Scott	108
Mayer, Karl	914
McClure, David	3613
Mirkle, Derek	490
Ohnemus, Chris	3796
Palmer, John	3133
Pinto, Diana	3795
Pitt, Ted	257
Pontrelli, Scott	2287
Ralston, Tim/Heather	3465
Sporrong, Terry	5470
Traverso, Steve	4548
Wolfe, Robb	156
Wong, Ken	2975
Young, Gary	1065
Akagi, James	3671
Hopper, Todd	
Mueller, Chuck	4415
R, Evan	
Sandwick, Gary	4760
Swenson, Ken	



## **Old Business:**

1. Electricity to the Wi-Fi transmitters in the action bays - **Dave**  
Status: *Will be delayed for a few months.*
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**  
Status: *I will post a write up at the ranges as soon as I finalize other issues at the club. I have not done anything at this juncture until I talk to the Board again*
3. New financial and membership system for the club – **Georgia**  
Status: *On hold until all the issues are resolved with QuickBooks.*
4. Labor & Industries visit. L&I provided an industrial hygiene consultation report letter and sample safety programs templates we can use as a reference to update our programs – **John Palmer.**  
Status: *Jim is working on the book*
5. Addressing issues on the Pistol Range (baffle replacement, a new short berm in front of the 10-yard target stands (similar to what is in front of the 25-yard targets) and adding angled steel plate to the baffles (as is done at indoor ranges) – **LaMarr**  
Status: *After the wall was put in place we added a dirt berm in front of the 50 yard line and chipped the field, one foot of chips to start tapering down. We replaced 4 baffles and added old steel to the shooters side and set them at a 30-degree angle. We will have to see how this goes. Item completed*
6. Other options for catching the shot (current cloth is not working) on the shotgun range - **Ted.**  
Status: *Sample piece is on the hill and appears to be working. Item completed*
7. WIFI at the range - **Dave**  
Status: *The new internet service has been installed in the shotgun building. The phone system, computer workstation, and Nest temp control device are all connected and verified to be working. There is a few clean up items; but small in scope that I need to tidy, but otherwise that project is completed.*
8. Trophy case for the Crushers – **Mike Beck.**  
Status: *In work*
9. Request to allow discipline heads and their associated staff, free or discounted memberships.  
Status: *Was discussed at the directors meeting. It was determined that there are already discounts given so no changes will be made.*
10. Additional air conditioning in the rifle range office - **Karen.**  
Status: *Is looking at options. It was recommended to investigate a “mini-split”. Karen turned it over to Ted*

11. Water dispenser for the rifle range and the shotgun range – **Karen**.

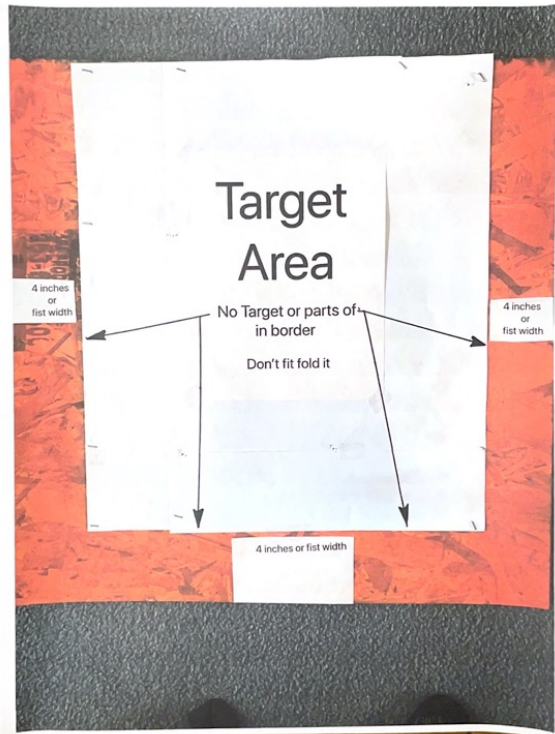
*Status: Found a bottle filling station but it would require plumbing and would be \$1100. Karen turned it over to Ted*

12. Some of the benches on the shotgun range have broken slats – **LaMarr**

*Status: I asked Jim to order some slats for the benches, haven't heard back. I robbed some from the smoker's tent and replaced the broken ones at the shotgun range. Item completed; I will replace the ones missing in the smoker's tent when the slats come in.*

## New Business:

1. Safety Items for August:
  - a. The stop the bleeds kits have been purchased and are in the action bays.
2. LaMarr - Idea on target backers. Proposed that we create a visual aid to show people to not put targets over the legs



3. Scott - I would like to add a budget item for the Action Bays to Repair the Berm between Bays 1 & 2.
  - 10 - 6" x 6" x 10' Pressure Treated Post, \$76 each at McLendon's = \$760.
    - Long Screws, ~\$50.
  - 1 - 3/16" x 250' Steel Wire Rope, \$135 at Home Depot. = \$135
  - 20 - 3/16" Wire Rope Clip, \$2.50 (for 2) at Home Depot. = \$25.
  - 20 - 3/16" Ferrules, \$2.87 (for 2) at Home Depot. = \$28.70.
  - 1 - Rental of Post Hole Digger, 1 man gas, = \$96 daily.**Total \$1094.70 + Taxes** (I'm still shopping for better pricing).

*MSP* to authorize the work and spend up to \$1500

4. Derek Mirkle – submitted a bill for steel popper repair
5. Request from a member to use a box magazine on the trap and skeet range. Ted will contact the person.

6. Andrew Ranson is willing to donate a high-end conferencing system.

## **Nominations for Directors and Officers**

For reference from the bylaws:

*Nominations for officers shall begin at the regular September meeting and shall close at the end of the November meeting.*

*Any member who has been a member in good standing for two (2) consecutive years and have attended six (6) Board or Member meetings in the eleven months (January through November) prior to the annual election shall be allowed to be nominated & elected to a Board position.*

Positions expiring in 2022:

Directors: Karen Jennings, Scott Johnson, and Diana Pinto

Secretary: Robb Wolfe

Game Warden: John Palmer

## **Nominations**

### **Directors**

Scott Johnson

Diana Pinto

Derek Mirkle

Tim Ralston

### **Secretary**

Robb Wolfe

### **Game Warden**

John Palmer

## **Good of the order:**

Derek Mirkle has been taking care of the Dennis Garrett estate and the family donated \$660 to the club.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM**

**Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary**