



Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for October 6th, 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:

1. **MSP** (Motion Second and Passed) by LaMarr, seconded by Scott to approve the minutes, as updated for September.

2. Changes made to the Member Handbook
 - A. Under "Rifle / Pistol Range Policy", added:

On the pistol range use the tall target boards at positions 1 through 11. Use the appropriate height target board (short or tall) at positions 12 through 21 to ensure that your rounds are impacting the berm and not the ground or the baffles.

If you see that your rounds are not impacting the berm, stop shooting and change your target board or reposition your target during the next cease fire.

- B. Under “Rifle/Pistol Range Restrictions”, added:
Rifle cartridges such as .308, 5.56, 7.62 x 39, etc. are not allowed on the pistol range (this is not an inclusive list). If in doubt, talk with the Rangemaster.
- C. Changed the Concealed Weapons statement in the membership book to address two open carry events that recently occurred.

Concealed Weapons

All firearms must be unloaded when entering R. F. & G. property (except for concealed carry which must remain concealed). Concealed firearms are to remain holstered at all times on R. F. & G. property. The Rangemaster must be notified if a member or guest wishes to fire their concealed gun. Open carry is prohibited on RFGC grounds, except participants in sanctioned matches in the Action Bays and adjacent parking areas

Changed to:

Concealed Weapons and Open Carry for Members & Guests (Law Enforcement Officers are EXEMPT)

All firearms must be unloaded when entering RFGC property (except for concealed carry which must remain concealed). Concealed firearms are to always remain holstered on RFGC property. The Rangemaster must be notified if a member or guest wishes to fire their concealed gun. Open carry is prohibited on RFGC grounds, except participants in sanctioned matches

The Member Handbook is located on the website, here:
https://www.rfgc.org/files/Member_Handbook_2021.pdf

D. Added a new code of conduct

Code of Conduct

Renton Fish & Game Club Inc.

Renton Fish & Game is a family-friendly club that focuses on creating and maintaining a safe, respectful environment for our employees, members, and guests.

While members and guests are on RF&GC property they must follow the following Code of Conduct explicitly, with no exceptions, either inferred or considered. Should any ambiguity arise; the Board of Directors reserve the right to interpret any ambiguity found in the Code of Conduct as they see fit.

- A. Members are expected to conduct personal/business on RF&GC property in a safe, respectful manner that shows thought and regard for persons and property.
- B. While conversing (either verbally, written, or digital media) with Board of Directors, other members, club employees, or guests, members are expected to keep conversations polite and respectful.
- C. Follow all RF&GC rules/policies, posted hours, and instructions from RF&GC employees. Disagreements should be directed to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Examples of behavior the board would consider a violation of the Code of Conduct, included, but are not limited to:

- Issuing threats either verbally, or written.
- Aggressive behavior either by body posturing or hand gestures.
- Loud or aggressive voices will be considered an act of aggression.
- Abusive and or vulgar language by members, guests or employees.
- Sexual or racial harassment/slurs.
- Encroaching on a person's personal space, and or inappropriately touching.

Violation of the Code of Conduct could lead to suspension or revocation of membership.

Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Balances as of 10-6-2022 – Not available

Account	Balance
Checking	
Savings	
BECU	
Total:	

Having computer issues so we cannot complete the P&L.

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery, Ted Pitt:

Archery is looking ok. I had a guy help me on Monday do some trail cleanup.

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

Shotgun is doing fine. Need to order targets. Our Watermelon Bunker shoot went well, with 4 squads (26 people). Changed out a bent arm

Rifle & Pistol, Steve Traverso:

No report

Grounds, LaMarr Hood:

We rented an auger and dug two holes at the pistol range and then tried different ways to use the auger in bay 2. Finally using Godzilla, we came up with a solution and were able to get the post holes dug. In the future we recommend that a bobcat with an auger on the back be rented. We feel it will work better in the long run than the one-man post hole digger we rented.

We completed the walls in bays 1 & 2, filed in behind the walls and chipped the top of the berm and added caps to the posts. We moved the dirt pile and was going to restock the lumber and winterize the bays, but we blow a hydraulic hose and need to replace it before we could continue with the other projects. Dale & Gary removed the old hoses and had two new ones made and replaced the hoses and fill the hydraulic fluid tank.

Stacked and covered the lumber along the South side of bay 7. Cleaned out the new shed and moved the clays around. The new pallet jack works very well if charged. Dale replaced the broken piece of the floor in trap 1.

We finished with the new target stands, replaced the old post holding the chain at the pistol range. We placed pictures or visual aids of the target backer around the pistol range. Hope the shooters get the right idea.

At the 25- and 50-yard target stands we marked off and numbered the lanes. Kept up with general cleanup and target backers.

Regarding the email, I received about the culvert. Our neighbor has cut down most of the trees and brush behind their house letting the trees and brush fall into the old creek bed and have placed a fence all around the pie shape area and down past the creek culvert. To clean out the culvert we would have to climb over their fence to get to the culvert for cleaning. Since they have a fence up, they need to know about the culvert and what damage it does when overflowing to our road and the lower neighbor's property and need to know that they need to keep it cleaned out.

Action bays users.

The bays are not for your personal discipline but for other members and we also do rent out the bays. I have been told that there were going to be new storage stands for the wall/dividers to organize them. Well Summer has come and gone now we still have these walls stored wherever. In bay 1 the rack was full and then a pile was leaned against the rack so much they were almost laying on the ground. We were just able to get Godzilla around them without having to move them. The shelters are for the shooters not for storing props or whatever. Again, bay one shelter was full of rifle racks and tables. We were out working in the bays and cleaning up bay 7 and we had to move barrels and cement holders. After moving barrels and cement prop holders out of bays 6 & 7, we are planning to winterize the bays (we were not able to finish). The following week I noticed that more barrels were in bay 7 and the cement holders were back in bay 6 & 7. Each week things change, not for the better. All the bays seem to have something or other laying around in the bays, next to the walls or using unauthorized bullet shops as in bay 4. Berms, Block walls and wood footings are not acceptable places to store shooting props.

You have personal that are younger, stronger, and healthier than I am, and I can no longer move these holders out of the way. If the crew taking down the props can't them out of the bays, then get the lazy ones some help. Every time the crew has to work in the bays it has to mover stuff out of the way, or we can't do the job. We spent a lot of time and money up grading the action bays, adding drainage, bay lights and lighting the safety benches, and shelters as was requested.

It seems no one wants to improve the bays they just want to put the rocks off to the side of the bays and we cannot use our machine to clean up the bays if props and stuff are stored at the sides of the bays. Godzilla is big and we need all the room to move it around and we need help, not poor storage. Each discipline has a weekend to set up and shoot, by leaving your stuff in the bays everyone else must work around or move it out of their way.

Signed one unhappy grounds keeper

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

No report

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

No report

Kids Day, Greg Fortin:

Kids Day Sept 18, 2022

Good turn out of 16. 11 members, 5 non-members.

This was an important event month because we drew the name of the lucky kid who won a \$350 gift certificate provided by Pinto's Guns for a new 22 rifle. The winner was Benjamin Erebrad of Renton.

Good RSO coverage, and good lunch from Diana and Karen.



Attentive Mom



You pop 'em, You pick 'em up.



Diana drawing the winner



Pic for Savage Cust Service

Scholastic Clay Target Program, Mike Beck:

No report

Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston

Scott reported that there have not been too many practices.

LaMarr asked about the use of bay seven. Ron said that they will be using that bay. The dock boards can be removed from the left side of the bay.

Cowboy, Derek Mirkle

Friday afternoon, the set-up crew found the range in good condition except for more holes that appear to be .22 cal. In the fort as well as the new window shutters that member Karl Mayer had just installed a couple of months ago, to replace the ones that had been shot up previously. This is a prop that we use frequently and ask the other disciplines to not place targets where the fort is in the line of fire behind the targets. Karl has removed the damaged shutters and will repair them again.

Appy Dan (Dan Glor), Bjorn E. Ville (Eric Simonson), Carlsbad Kid (Karl Mayer), Dastardly Dean (Gary Sandwick), and J.J. 'Reb' Wainwright (Darin Puryear). Came out to help set up the steel and props for the matches. My thanks to them all, and to Dave McClure for closing and locking our TCU which evidently, we forgot to do.

Saturday was a perfect day, weather-wise, for a match! We had 25 Pardes and Pardettes come out to slay steel Ne'er-do-wells. One shooter managed to shoot the match clean (no misses or procedural penalties) that was Tacoma Slick (Craig Wirfs).

Our top three overall were: Third place was Bjorn E. Ville, Lawbreaker (Tim Thibert) was Second place, and Tacoma Slick was First. There were two Stage DQ's this day, one for moving with a cocked, loaded gun, and one for dropping an empty gun on the firing line. There were no other safety concerns.

Sunday was another beautiful day for cowboyin' and 12 stalwarts came to defend RUCAS territory.

Once again there was but one shooter that managed to shoot a clean match, that was Cedar County Sheriff (Derek Mirkle), which just proves that even a blind squirrel finds an acorn once in a while!

Our top three competitors overall were: Bjorn E. Ville once again took Third place, in Second place Buffalo Belle, (Anna McDermott) whooped up on all but one of the men! And Tacoma Slick was First place for the second day in a row. There were no DQ's, or other safety concerns this day.

\$330.00 was turned into the Club. Our next matches are scheduled for November 5th & 6th, 2022.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), Don Miller:

We will resume matches in January 2023.

Precision Rimfire, Victor Vuong:

No match due to hunter sight in. The next match is November 5th

IDPA, Scott Johnson:

We had decent weather for this event.

7 Stages were set up and run. 51 Shooters participated. There were no DQ's.

\$780 was turned into the Club.

The next IDPA Match will be held on October 15th.

USPSA, Dave McClure:

Held the Movember charity match. 84 registered shooters. Raised \$5435 for men's prostate awareness.

Black Rifle League, Sean Wade:

There was no match at RFGC in September. The next match will be October 22nd. 74 people are registered.

The Toys for Tot's event will be December 11th

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

September 10th was the most recent ASI Match.

There were 7 Stages for 113 shooters.

There were 4 Disqualifications (DQ's):

One shooter came to line with a round in the chamber

Two shooters broke the 180

One shooter dropped their gun

\$1715 was turned into the club.

The next match will be on October 8th

There will be an ASI Range Officer class at the club on Sunday, October 16. We will be using the classroom in the morning and then bay seven in the afternoon.

Membership, (Open) Georgia reported:

Data as of 10-6-2022

	2021	2022	2023
Junior	27	31	67
Annual	522	325	479
Senior	95	104	268
Family	119	96	132
Military	16	12	15
Life	19	19	22
Total	798	587	983

Game Warden Report, John Palmer:

The September 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

Last Name, First Name	Member #
Bridges, Kevin	5446
Collins, Scott	4333
Coulter, Georgia	591
Dabak, Robert	6122
DuPertuis, Dan	3735
Englmaier, Marcel	5701
Fortin, Greg	265
Goodnow, Jim	1741
Hewlett, Sam	2314
Hill, Randy	2212
Hood, LaMarr	1856
Ishibashi, Maxine	6082A
Ishibashi, Ron	6082
Jennings, Karen	20
Johnson, Scott	108
Lam, Randy	
Louser, Bob	1783
McClure, David	3613
Mirkle, Derek	490
Palmer, John	3133
Pinto, Diana	3795
Pitt, Ted	257
Pontrelli, Scott	2287
Ranson, Andrew	5500
Rosenfelt, Evan	6687
Salmi, Scott	4176
Scher, Jack	1877
Wolfe, Robb	156

Old Business:

1. Electricity to the Wi-Fi transmitters in the action bays - **Dave**
Status: *No progress.*
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 talked to Richard Ripley (the previous Instructor) last week and asked him to give us three dates that he would be available. I haven't heard back yet. He is currently out of the country. When he returns, I should have some dates to pick for upcoming class/classes.*
3. New financial and membership system for the club – **Georgia**
Status: *On hold until all the issues are resolved with QuickBooks, and the computers. – Move this item to “On hold”.*
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: *MSDS information is at the shotgun and needs to be added to the rifle range.*
5. Trophy case for the Crushers – **Mike Beck.**
Status: *No update*
6. Additional air conditioning in the rifle range office - **Ted.**
Status: *Will wait until next Spring*
7. Water dispenser for the rifle range and the shotgun range – **Ted.**
Status: *Still in work*
8. Action bay berm repair – **Scott**
Status: *I was authorized \$1500 for this work. Materials were purchased totaling \$1090.94 and work was done on 9/12-13/2022.*

New Business:

1. Safety Items for August:
 - a. We had an issue with shooters on the rifle range shooting a pistol gripped shotgun (shockwave?). They hit the baffles with slugs and were asked to leave the range. Evan will draft changes to the membership book that will help clarify the issue.
2. Dave McClure: request to replace the two existing club computer workstations
MSP to spend up to \$5,000 to replace the two computers
3. Dave McClure: Request to purchase a password vault
MSP to spend up to \$100 to purchase password vault software
4. Ron Martinsen: Would like to have a Steel Dragon Pumpkin carving event in the action bays.
Approved - All the residue needs to be cleaned up.
5. Buy a new table saw for the rifle range. Ted asked LaMarr to meet with Lynn
6. Diana - She and Chris are working on possible changes to clarify what calibers can be shot on the pistol range. She asked what do we want to accomplish with the clarification?
Ken Wong will join the committee with Diana and Chris.
7. Gary said that he has heard complaints that people shooting at the 200-yard steel are having trouble seeing their impacts.
Shooters need to sight in on paper if they are not sure of their impact.
Reminder that shooters need to checkout and check-in the steel with the rangemaster.
8. Ken Wong asked if anyone new of a surveyor to map the range. The Board asked him to coordinate with LaMarr.
9. Ted introduced Josh Pullins who will be working weekends at the rifle range.

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

Scott Pontrelli

Secretary

Robb Wolfe

Game Warden

John Palmer

Good of the order:

Scott Johnson noted that there are four "Scotts" in the room tonight

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM

Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary