



Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for November 2nd, 2023

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	√		
Tim Ralston	√		
Scott Johnson	√		
Dave McClure	√		
Scott Pontrelli	√		
Steve Traverso		√	
Treasurer: Georgia Coulter	√		
Game Warden: John Palmer	√		
Secretary: Robb Wolfe	√		

Announcements:

MSP (Motion Second and Passed) by Georgia, seconded by Dave to approve the minutes, as submitted for October.

At the October 9th Executive meeting the following decisions were made:

- Appleseed program: We think it would be beneficial, but we would have to shut down access to the range during the event.

Decision: Unfortunately, the program would not be a good fit for the range currently based on space and schedules.

Approved the 2023 election voting process:

1. The Game Warden will send a list of members who are qualified to vote, to the Secretary.
2. The Secretary will email ballots to all eligible voters, after the end of the November meeting within one week.
3. Members will add their member number to the ballot and after completing it place in the ballot box at the main clubhouse before 7:00PM on December 7th (preferred method).
 - a. If they are not able to place their ballots on the box, they may Email it to: secretary@rfgc.org before December 7th. Who will print and place it in the box.
4. The Secretary will provide the approved voting list (with member numbers only) to the club president.
5. The President selects a counting committee of three members not on the ballot.
6. The ballots are given to the counting committee
7. The counting committee members will each count the ballots.
8. The counting committee will validate the results.
9. After validating the voting results, they are provided to the President.

Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Balances as of 11-02-2023

Account	Interest	Balance
Checking		65,232.99
Savings	173.15	27,193.22
CD	329.34	102,336.98
BECU	568.06	243,783.03
Total:	1070.55	683,266.22

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery, Ted Pitt:

Archery is looking great. Mark has done a great job of keeping things clean and kept up.

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

Shotgun is doing fine, just got a load of targets.

Bunker has been doing well

Rifle & Pistol, Steve Traverso:

The range is looking good with the help of the Monday Crew. Our range master John has been really busy the last two months with hunter sight in and breaking in our new range master. Ted was able to help clean out some of our storage room by moving the bass buckets out.

The average monthly usage from June to September was 697 members and 359 non-members totaling 1056 using the rifle range 513 times and the pistol range 530 times.

September was up some with average of 729 members and 376 non-members totaling 1105 (up 49) using the rifle range 614 times and the pistol range 526 times.

Our biggest month, October usage was 757 members and 425 non-members total 1182 (up 126 shooters over summer average) using the rifle range 658 times and the pistol range 441 times and 124 shooters going to the action bays.

Well done, John.

Respectfully submitted
(serving as Steve's assistant)

LaMarr

Ted took 5,937 pounds of brass to recycle and was paid \$13,459.60

Grounds, LaMarr Hood:

We had 24 yards of gravel brought in and 12 yards was spread around the stat shack, Steel Dragons TCU and under the shelter in bay 4 the other 12 yards was spread in the parking lot by the dumpsters at the club house.

Scott got the rotten baffles replaced.

Roy checked out the speaker system that went out in the rifle office and found the switch broken. Ted order/received/replaced the microphone, system now working.

We checked on our order and had to add some more parts for the target retrieval system, parts were received, and we started hanging the rails and got them in placed and due to the lack of manpower we are planning on having it running in two weeks to start testing.

The crew help with target backers and general cleanup and picking up brass, and ripping up 2x4s for target legs, another busy month.

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

No report

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

No report

Kids Day, Greg Fortin:

No Kids Day activity in October.

Next event scheduled for Dec 10th.

Also, I still need a Santa.

I have a complete outfit, less the beard.

It's a 3-hour job from 10am - 1pm,

Contact Greg Fortin 425-306-23

Scholastic Clay Target Program (Renton Crushers), Bob Louser

Practice as usual.

Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston

The Steel Dragons had some fun with pumpkins and celebrated Halloween by carving pumpkins with their guns. Everyone had a lot of fun, and it was good getting together during our offseason.



Cowboy, Derek Mirkle

Our next matches will be November 4th & 5th, 2023.

Submitted the annual SASS affiliation

Civilian Marksmanship Program, Don Miller:

The next match will be in January 2024. The 2024 schedule is still to be determined.

Precision Rimfire, Victor Vuong:

There was no match in October. The next one will be November 4th.

Someone has been going into the closet and shooting the steel and it looks like with centerfire ammo as the steel is damaged. I have found that closet unlocked. Can we have the range master make sure that it stays locked up? I must buy some replacement steel for the matches now.

IDPA, Scott Johnson:

Saturday October 21st was the most recent IDPA Match.

6 Stages were set up for 53 shooters. There was 1 DQ when an experienced shooter stumbled and during his recovery the muzzle broke the 180-degree rule.

\$910 was turned into the Club.

The next IDPA Match will be held on November 18th.

Thank you from East Renton Community Church for the use of Bays 1-3.

We had 16 men turn out on a cold day, for an introduction to pistol shooting and Action Shooting. There was a large variety of skill levels from: *1) never handled a handgun to, 2) very familiar with shooting but have never shot an Action Shooting Match.* There are no DQ's to report. Everyone had an opportunity to try out a variety of handguns and all had an enjoyable time.

From my records this is the 7th time I have hosted this type of activity, but the last time was a few years ago. I did get complaints from several ladies who want "their turn" to come shooting.

Thank you.

Scott Johnson

USPSA, Dave McClure:

October saw 2 matches.

Match 1:

First, we had the USPSA Trigger Treat match. This match was a points match in the NW Section Series and saw multiple divisions come down to the wire. We set up after IDPA and had plenty of help. Matchday ran smooth. We tore down 1-3 and left 4-7 for the following weekend's PCSL match

Match Director: Eric Beerbaum

Range Master: Marcel Englmaier

Match fee:	35
Total Scored Shooters:	100
Total Paid Shooters (including late withdrawals without refund):	94
Gross:	3290
Stripe Fees:	123.61
Total ROs (\$10 discount via refund)	10
Total Active Military Registrants (\$10 discount via refund)	4
Total Renton Member Registrants (\$5 discount via refund)	25
Total Junior Registrants (\$10 discount via refund)	0
Total Discounts:	265
USPSA Activity Fees:	150
NW Section Activity Fee:	600
Net:	2151.39
Refunds don't stack. The highest value is issued. There were multiple signups as Renton Member who setup, active Mil, or ROed. Withdrawals get no refund of any kind, and their selections are nullified. Numbers only represent how many of that refund were issued.	

SAFETY ISSUES: 2DQs

1 180 during turn & draw, 1 "unsafe gun handling" having a "loaded" gun outside RO supervision (snap cap in the gun)

Match 2:

The 2nd match was the PCSL 2gun match. PCC was required for stage 4-7; rifle calibers were allowed in bays 1-3. Only a few took advantage of this option. PCSL a new-ish sport geared around Hitfactor scoring and freestyle shooting but centered around Carbine/Handgun use. Stages are similar to USPSA but normally 2x the size complexity and time.

We charged \$15 to donate to Toys4Tots for a total donation of \$495. I suggest Renton sends a check to King County before December, so the cash gets used this year rather than banked for next year.

Match fee:	60
Total Scored Shooters:	28
Total Paid Shooters (including late withdrawals without refund):	28
Withdrawn Shooters (We keep \$20 for donation + stripe fee)	5
Gross:	1780
Stripe Fees:	67.32
Toys4Tots Donation (\$15 per Shooter)	495
Net:	1217.68
Refunds don't stack. The highest value is issued. There were multiple signups as Renton Member who setup, active Mil, or ROed. Withdrawals get no refund of any kind, and their selections are nullified. Numbers only represent how many of that refund were issued.	

SAFETY ISSUES: 3DQs

- 1 dropped loaded gun
- 1 dumping a firearm while in an unsafe condition (even if in a safe direction)
- 1 sweeping

Other notes:

There are only 9 timers in the safe. I think there were originally 11. This was the state when I opened the safe on USPSA Sunday.

-Marcel

Action Shooting International (ASI), Robb Wolfe

At the October 14th match, there were 7 Stages and 102 shooters.

\$1790 was turned into the club. \$306 will be paid to ASI

The next match will be on November 11

There will be an ASI Safety Officer class on be Sunday, November 12 at the club.

If you would like to apply to become an ASI Range Officer, please send an email to Mike Meisner at mmeisner@asi-usa.org and request an application.

Membership, Georgia reported:

Data as of 11-02-2023

	Membership Period		
	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Junior	50	69	50
Annual	499	517	640
Senior	293	275	301
Family	166	137	5
Military	18	16	17
Life	19	22	20
Total	1045	1036	1033

Game Warden Report, John Palmer:

The October 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
Fortin, Greg	265
Goodnow, Jim	1741
Hood, LaMarr	1856
Jackson, Paul	6811
Johnson, Scott	108
Lichtenberg, Dick	294
Louser, Bob	1783
McClure, David	3613
Mirkle, Derek	490
Mueller, Chuck	4415
Palmer, John	3133
Pitt, Ted	257
Rautio, Pat	6369
Salmi, Scott	4176
Sporrong, Terry	5470
Sumaoang, Benedict	5067
Torgerson, Corey	4774
Wolfe, Robb	156

Old Business:

1. New financial and membership system for the club – Georgia
Status: Working on it. POS system has been loaded. Will verify this weekend. ECD is November 20
2. Pilot for a target retrieval system on the pistol range (short end) - LaMarr.
Status: We have installed the rail for the retrieval system and have all the parts to complete the installation (we hope) and am now waiting for the crew to be able to get together to complete the job. If all goes well, we should have it up and running in two weeks.
3. Repairing the gaps in the skeet fence – Ted
Status: In work
4. Bid for the waterline and cable conduit – Ted
Status: In work

New Business:

1. Safety Items for October:
 - a. Robb Wolfe reported that on October 14 we had issues with people driving too fast onto the range. Jackie said she saw a mother grab her child near the shogun range so they would not get hit.
Proposal – install additional speedbumps (removable) between the rental house and the action bays.
MSP to install additional speed bumps
 - b. An USPSA shooter injured their ankle during the August USPSA setup.
 - c. An RSO2 was struck with a ricochet while shooting steel plates during a practice session. They were shooting from around 15 yards, but we think the plate may have had some defects. We re-inspected the steel plates and removed any that did not have a smooth surface. We will also remind the RSO2's to inspect the steel before they shoot them.
 - d. Ken Wong asked that we order “gritty soap” for the bathrooms.
Ted will take care of it.
2. 2024 Workday - March 23 is the best day to schedule the 2024 work party (there are events scheduled for the 30th). The only conflict will be the USPSA setup. Also propose that we schedule the 2025 workday for March 29, 2025 (so that the date is blocked out).
MSP – Workdays to occur on March 23, 2024, and March 29, 2025
3. Donation request from Lindbergh High School Boosters:
Our 19th annual auction is March 30, 2024. The funds that we have raised in past years have helped to provide AP text books and practice books, busses for our music program so that they can compete in their state and local competitions, provide multiple dinners for activities that run late at night, replace old athletic uniforms, state entry fees for FBLA and HOSA so that students can compete at state, drinking fountains that are filtered and can also refill water bottles replacing

old drinking fountains that were not “healthy”, replace broken and extremely old athletic equipment, prizes and activities to reward students for positive behavior and extraordinary deeds, and knitting supplies for our knitting club that provides hats and scarves for our homeless population. Boosters has also helped our wrestling program to replace wrestling mats that are falling apart as well as provide updated football helmets. These are a few of the various ways that Boosters help Lindbergh High School students to achieve more and to be involved in opportunities that they would otherwise not be involved in.

Last year we donated a club membership, and the Steel Dragons donated an introductory session.

MSP – To donate a standard membership and a Steel Dragon’s introductory session.

Nominations for Directors and Officers

Positions expiring in 2023:

Directors: LaMarr Hood, Steve Traverso, and Robb Wolfe

Treasurer: Georgia Coulter

Game Warden: John Palmer

Secretary: Robb Wolfe

Nominations

Directors

LaMarr Hood

Robb Wolfe

Steve Traverso - is not eligible

Scott Collins

Terry Sporrang

Game Warden

Kevin Bridges

Treasurer

Georgia Coulter

Secretary

Robb Wolfe

Good of the order:

Derek shared that WA state has gone to a new background process for gun purchases

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Submitted by Robb Wolfe, Secretary