

July 2008 Renton Fish & Game Board Minutes



The meeting was called to order by Robb Wolfe at 7:03 PM on July 10th, 2008.

Board Members in attendance:

Brian Howard
Georgia Coulter
Ken Williams
Scott Johnson

Ted Pitt
Robb Wolfe
Bob Hull

Not in attendance:

Dave Reed (excused)

Karen Jennings (excused)

Members in attendance:

Jay Burleson
LaMarr Hood
Fred Tiblr?
Ben Kapwlka

Tom Chandler
Matt Kundrat
Glenn Pickard

Minutes:

The June Board Minutes were approved as submitted.

Committee Reports:

Archery: Ted Pitt

- Have not purchased the new bags yet, but the range is looking good.

Bunker: Bob Bracco (absent)

- No report

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Trap / Skeet: Ted Pitt

- Fields are looking good.
- There is a Sporting Clays event on August 24th
- The next order for clays will probably be in August.

C.M.P: Bob Hull (absent)

- The June match had 7 shooters and \$ 45.00 was turned into the club.
- Bob noted that Tom Chandler has been to every match.

Conservation: Gary Emerson (absent)

- No report.

Cowboy: Brian Howard

- At the June match they had 75 shooters attend and turned in \$750 to the club.
- West Match will close all of the ranges July 31 – August 3
- There was discussing about the impact West Match has on the club. More discussion needs to take place before the board gives their approval for 2009.

Firearms Safety: Casey Clevenger / Bob Emerson (absent)

- Jay reported that the next class is July 14 – 17.
- The August and September classes are half full.

Grounds: LaMarr Hood Emerson

- LaMarr contact the Scout who wanted to do his Eagle project at the range but he has not heard back from him.
- The Monday crew is a bit “banged up” so not as much has been happening.
- The logs that were behind the 100 yard targets have been pulled out.

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- The top rail on the fence that was damaged by a falling tree will be replaced.
- We have maxed out on wood chips and are no longer accepting them.
- There is an Action Bay work party on July 26th starting at 9:00AM

IDPA: Robb Wolfe

- Reported that said they had 78 shooters at the June Match. \$770 was turned into the club.

Rifle & Pistol: Dave Reed (absent)

- Georgia reported that said they had 362 adult and 26 junior shooters. Total turned into the club was \$3,750

Safety:

- No report.

Membership: Jay Burleson

- The renewals are ahead of normal. 70% have renewed (354 regular and 102 senior).

USPSA: Matt Kundrat

- The most recent monthly USPSA match was held on June 22nd. There were a total of 63 shooters and we turned \$570 into the club afterwards. Setup and takedown went smoothly, the match was well received and the weather was nearly perfect.
- Our next match is scheduled for Sunday July 27th. Setup for the match will take place on the preceding Saturday, July 26th after the action bay work party ends.
- Matt asked about using bay seven for practice (it's good for long distance). Scott Johnson made a motion to allow shooters who are or are with a RO / SO to use the bay for practice. The Board approved the motion. Scott will make a new sign for the bay.

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Old Business:

- Tom Chandler is going to build some test baffles and witness screens in the next couple of weeks. He will also be testing to see how well the chips work with skipping rounds.
- Ben Kapeck will create a list of the employees from the local gun stores that will have access to the range (the stores are giving out our flyers).
- Karen received the following information regarding advertising in the Washington Arms Collectors monthly newsletter: The B card size is \$55/mo. There is a 10, 15, or 20% discount for runs of 3, 6, and 12 months respectively.
A motion was made to run an ad on a trail basis for three months. Ben Kawaka will coordinate the ad.
- Phil Fortunato presented his draft for a grant request to purchase 22 caliber rifles and pistols to use during classes. The Board is still concerned about liability, storage and access. Robb Wolfe took the action to talk with our attorney to get his opinion.
- Membership - Georgia suggested that we contact inactive members and see why they are not renewing. She will look into what it would take to contact them later. **Karen would be willing to do the mailings if and when labels are produced.**
7-10 Update: Since we have gotten such a good renewal response this will not be done

New Business:

- Ken Littlefield has requested the use of the Rifle range on Wednesday nights for new junior shooters. The Board approved his request.
- Jay received a call from the Puget Sound Air Quality Agency. A neighbor has complained about the dust from the parking lot. Jay explained that we were getting bids for paving and will look into reapplying the dust retardant. He expects to get the bids in the next two weeks.
- Ken Williams reported that when the WOW group used the clubhouse and trap range, he had to come in early (on overtime) to open up the facility for them. He also noted that members were buying clays for the non-members (at a discount). The Board agreed that we will not open early again for a group unless they are willing to cover the costs. Brian Howard took the action to talk to the members who were abusing their discount privileges.

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- Ken Williams asked if people who are giving lessons on the trap range (as a business) should be charged an extra fee. It was agreed to discuss this at an Executive Board meeting.
- Glen Pickard made a motion that the club pay the \$75 Camp Perry entry fee for the seven Junior High Power shooters. The motion was seconded and passed. Total fees to be paid will be \$525.
- Matt Kundrat is working with MGM Targets to apply for a NRA grant to purchase new stell targets for use in the action bays.

Items to follow up on at a future meeting:

- The permit for the storage shed is waiting for the final signatures from the County. **Nothing from Andy at this time.**
- Tom Chandler brought a couple of new rounds to the Board to determine if they should be shot on our range. They are very high power rounds, and concern was raised about their usage. We will look at these and others at a future Board meeting, after he has finished his baffle tests.
- Ben Kapeck has a Master Gardener that would be willing to visit the range and help determine what we could plant to help with sound, and better coverage.
- At a previous meeting Robb Wolfe asked if the Board had considered increasing the daily range rate for non-members (currently \$10). Glenn provided the data he gathered regarding what other local ranges are charging. There was a concern that we need to keep the correct balance between members and non-member income to maintain our non-profit status. Karen suggested that an audit committee be formed to review what we charge for all services (range use, ammunition, targets, etc). The board approved Karen's suggestion and the following people volunteered to be on the committee:

Ben Kapeck
Karen Jennings
Ted Pitt
Georgia Coulter
Ken Williams

Karen and members of the committee have been extremely busy so they have been unable to meet at this time. It was determined that the committee should start meeting after the busy summer months, starting in September. All members agreed. In the meantime Karen will look at our current set up to have a better understanding of how it's currently being done.

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Good of the Order:

None

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Robb Wolfe