

September 2009 Renton Fish & Game Board Minutes



The meeting was called to order by Robb Wolfe at 7:00PM on September 3rd, 2009 with 25 people present.

Board Members in attendance:

Scott Johnson	X	Dave Reed	X
Georgia Coulter	X	Bob Hull	X
Brian Howard	X	Robb Wolfe	X
Ted Pitt	X	Ken Williams	X
Karen Jennings	X		

Minutes:

- The August minutes were accepted as published.

Committee Reports:

Archery: Ted Pitt

All is good.

Trap & Skeet: Ted Pitt

- Bunker season is over
- Last 40 Sporting Clays shoot brought in \$475
- Young republicans shoot on Oct 3rd,
- Rough Grouse Society out a couple weeks ago,
- The Bunker clinic with the Army on Aug 13th grossed \$1593 (includes practices) and a shoot on the 14th and 15th
- Ted will send a note to the webmaster to ask for an update.

C.M.P: Bob Hull

- The next match will be in January
- Done for the year.

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Cowboy: Brian Howard

Nothing new, no final \$\$ on westmatch

Next match is Labor Day weekend

Conservation: Gary Emerson

- Absent, no report
- A lot of the trees we planted have died. Out past the 200 yard line. Maybe we can plant more before the winter so they can get established. - LaMarr

Firearms Safety: Gary Emerson

- Absent, no report

Grounds: LaMarr Hood

- August was hard to get a crew together and we were not able to schedule a Monday with Jason, the electrician, to work on the light poles. We have been keeping up with target backers and moving some junk from the grounds.
- We did repairs on the railings, tighten and nailed the range side and replaced the top rails on the restroom side along with some repair on the posts.
- Rob Bale did get the buildings painted along with the steps and patio. He does have some touch up on the rifle range office left.
- Wednesday Sept. 2, a shot gunner, Don Wheatley, said he would try to paint the ammo building next week. We do have some paint left. Do we want it the same as the Club House? Or what color? Ted said same color is fine.
- We do have some pneumatic pistons in storage that were taken off some machinery some years ago. Does any one from the Action bays need or want them for their metal targets? Or anyone have any need for them? Other wise I'll put them out for free and then trash them.
- No light pole progress – need time with Jason, not scheduled.

IDPA Scott Johnson

- August was the WASIDPAC (Washington State IDPA Championship). We had a good turnout of people to start the set up process on the 12-13th (Wednesday - Thursday). The Safety Officers de-bugged & shot the Stages on the 14th (Friday, ~9am to 5pm), and the competition was run on the 15th (Saturday, 9am - 3pm). The weather went from light overcast to partly sunny with moderate temperatures. We had 13 stages in the Action Bays & Pistol Range, plus a chronograph stage. In all 124 shooters participated & \$1230 was turned in to the club.

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USPSA: Aristotle Bartolome (*submitted via email*)

- The most recent monthly USPSA match was held on August 23rd, 2009. There were a total of 53 shooters that showed up and we turned \$543 into the club afterwards. There were no issues with the match, and everything went over very well.
- Setup and take down went smoothly. The match was very well received and the weather was beautiful. Our next match is scheduled for Sunday, September 27th. Setup for the match will take place on the preceding Saturday, September 26th.

Membership:

As of August 6th:

Senior members: 123

Regular members: 493

616 total members + 3 new members signed up today Sept 3rd, 2009

Young Kim is doing well for us.

Rifle & Pistol: Dave Reed

- 406 adults and 35 juniors used the ranges. \$ 4235 was turned in for month.

Safety:

- No issues

Committees:

Bylaws: Irv Benzion

The Bylaws Committee held its final meeting on August 20th, 2009 at the Shotgun Club House of Renton Fish and Game Club.

The meeting commenced at 7:14 PM. In attendance were: Irv Benzion, Chair; Johnny Johnson; Scott Johnson; Kathy Loucks; Derek Mirkle; Andie Tadie; Robb Wolfe.

This meeting was the culmination of many meetings, over many months where the committee members strived diligently to create a comprehensive set of Bylaws. The discussions were lengthy and each section of the proposed Bylaws was examined in great detail. It is the committee's hope that the proposed document will establish a framework that will allow the club to operate and move forward for many years.

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Although there are many features incorporated in these bylaws, two are paramount. The first is that each eligible member of Renton Fish will have “a vote.” This paradigm equates to the “One man, one vote” doctrine accepted throughout our nation. The restrictions which have long stood in the way inhibiting member voting would be eliminated. The second is that the membership will have the right to elect and in some cases “un-elect” the officers and directors of our club. Additionally, these bylaws remove many of the unnecessary restrictions that have hindered and prevented individuals from seeking club office and becoming more involved in club administration

The Chair wishes to thank and acknowledge all of the members of the committee who worked diligently and gave freely of their time to produce these Bylaws. A very special Thank You must go Kathy Loucks who acted as the committee’s computer operator, keeping track of the myriad changes and constantly correcting the formatting of the document as the work progressed.

The Bylaws Committee makes the following motion which moved by Kathy Loucks and seconded by Derek Mirkle:

Moved: The Board of Directors place before the membership of the Renton Fish and Game Club the attached proposed Bylaws dated September 1, 2009 for ratification, which upon its approval would replace in its entirety the currently existing Bylaws.

The above motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 PM

The Board thanked the committee for their excellent work and Scott Johnson made a motion with “Time Certain” to table the discussion (seconded by Georgia) until the Board can review and discuss the proposed changes. The first official reading is planned for October.

Decision: Motion was approved.

WAC Gun Show Recruiting Committee Reports: Irv Benzion

The WAC Gun Show Recruiting Committee met at Noon on August 20, 2009. In attendance was Irv Benzion, Chair; Lynn Bier, Lamar Hood; and Johnny Johnson.

The design of the display was developed with construction to be completed by the “Engineering Department,” namely Lynn Bier and Lamar Hood.

Discussed were the staffing needs for the two day event.

Also discussed was the need for an incentive to have individuals join “on the spot” at the show. Lamar Hood related that in the past the waving of the initiation fee had either been used or discussed. He stated that the waiving of the fee would offer the prospective member a discount for making a commitment at the gun show.

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Additionally, the exact amount of prorated dues was discussed. The prorated dues for an October joining would be \$66.70. It was observed that to forestall the need of having a supply of nickels and quarters in order to make change that the prorated dues amount should be rounded up \$67. This was felt to be fair if the initiation fee is eliminated.

The following motions were made by Lamar Hood and seconded by Lynn Bier.

The Recruiting Committee moves that the initiation fee be waived for those individuals becoming members of the Renton Fish and Game Club at the WAC Gun Show held on October 24 & 25, 2009.

The Recruiting Committee moves that the prorated dues for members joining at the WAC Gun Show to be held on October 24 & 25, 2009 be set at \$70.

Both motions passed unanimously.

The display for the show is ready. Karen said Cowboy action shooters in costume will be walking around

Old Business:

- Storage building status: Ted said that he will take the information to the Health Department next week regarding the location in relation to the drain field for the septic tank. After they inspect, we will be good to go.
- Mining the shot is still in work. The Board authorized the first payment to the company. Question – what will the club get? We will spend money, but long term we will make money selling the shot. \$29,000 would be the initial outlay and we would make approx \$19,000 on the sales and be backwards \$10,000. We will make a profit after the mining is complete.
- Jim Goodwin logo work is tabled until next meeting
- Young Kim suggested at the last meeting that the club make available the Concealed Carry book by Dave Workman “Washington Gun Rights and Responsibilities” http://www.danddgunleather.com/pages/washington_gun_rights.htm
The cost for the books are \$6 and the retail price is \$10.95.
Decision: yes, buy a dozen
- Grant Status (Georgia):
Got another letter from the grant people who wanted a breakdown on donations for rental and estimating how many hours and how many men to work it. The grant asks for \$25,000 from them or \$25,000 from us. A big question is \$60/hr for a project manager and accurate estimate?
We are working on another bid from another contractor to give us bids on the baffles. We need other bids, but they have to allow us have us work it, and - the club has to do \$25,000 worth of the work. A concern is that volunteers are not professionals, and would just get in the way. Georgia says the grant is written in such a way that about

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half needs to be funded other than the grant. We can either do it with money or with manpower. The concern is that we need engineering, and it needs to be billed after the grant is signed.

If you are interested in working on the baffle committee, contact Tom.

New Business:

- Roy Bautista will be teaching two more NRA Range Safety Officer classes on September 6 & 7, & September 27 & 28 from 5-9 each day. Glenn is coordinating the student registration and screening.
Robb asked that Roy be given a one year membership in recognition for the two classes he has already taught and the two coming up.
Decision: The Board granted Roy a one-year membership.
- Discussion regarding help for Glenn during hunter sight-in. Brian may be unable to help so Glenn will contact Jim Goodnow and Roy Bautista.
- Nominations for Directors and Officers
 - **Treasurer** - Georgia Coulter
 - **Secretary** - Michael Thyng
 - **Game Warden** - Ben Kapelka
 - **Board position nominees** (3 open positions):
 - Ted Pitt,
 - Georgia Coulter
 - John Sandifer
 - Ben Kapelka
 - Ken Williams

Good of the Order:

Humpies on the Puyallup River, slaying sea kittens on the Puyallup.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Thyng