



Renton Fish and Game Club minutes for October 5th, 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 Scott, seconded by LaMarr to approve the minutes, as submitted for September.

At the Executive meeting the following decisions were made:

1. Change the instructor for profit policy to require the instructors to be members.
2. No change to the current policy of not allowing rifle calibers (5.56, 7.69, etc.) on the pistol range.
3. Authorized Ted Pitt to spend up to \$9K to purchase and install a GS Brass Sorting machine.
4. Changes to the membership handbook:
 - a. Add the following: "Dogs are allowed on the range unless a complaint has been made relating to the dog. A dog shall be always under the owner's control and not interfere with shooting activity. If a complaint has been made, the owner will not be allowed to bring any dog to the range in the future."
 - b. Add Rangemasters to the concealed weapon exemption.

- c. Club approved chamber flags must be used on the rifle and pistol range. If needed, non-members will be provided one as part of their daily fee. Members may purchase or use club provided chamber

5. Hired Keller Murray as a part-time rangemaster (weekends)

Project Appleseed - Original email request:

At Project Appleseed events in Washington State over the last few months we've had several RF&GC members ask us if we can put on an event at your range. It sounds like some of them have spoken to your Board and Rangemaster already, and I wanted to ask if your range is interested in working with us to host some of our 25m Rifle Marksmanship Clinics in 2024. One of your members (Corey Torgerson) has been an instructor with Project Appleseed for several years, and we would love to help bring our program to your range.

We find partnerships with established ranges to be mutually beneficial as it provides us a location to bring Project Appleseed and reintroduce Americans to their heritage, and it provides your club an avenue to further the shooting sports and bring prospective members to your range. Shooters who complete our rifle marksmanship clinics frequently find that they want a membership at a rifle range that allows them to shoot past 100 yards, and they have been taught all the skills they need to use that range safely and effectively.

Our needs are very small from hosting clubs. Project Appleseed provides a multi-million-dollar insurance policy, expert instructors, targets, and everything else necessary to hold a safe event. What we ask of clubs is only the donation of range time (on a 25m+ range) with a safe backstop and hopefully some promotion opportunities within your membership so we can fill our firing line. The use of target stands or backers is a bonus, but if those are not available for our use we are able to bring those materials as well.

I recognize that your range is already host to a variety of events around the region, and that your calendar is packed! I want you to know we would love to run an event at your range, and that we are willing to work with you to make that happen.

I've attached our standard Appleseed Host Agreement document to this email, with some of the basic information about your range already filled out. This agreement lists our requirements (under "Administrative Items") and allows you as a range to specify Range Fees, which range we can use, and any additional safety considerations we should be aware of while running our events. We would be happy to talk through this with your Board and/or your Rangemaster in person, or via phone or over email.

Please let us know if you're interested in working together to host Project Appleseed events at your range. I am available to join your next Board meeting in October if you'd like to meet in person to talk about Project Appleseed. We're looking forward to a successful partnership to advance the shooting sports in Washington!

Thanks,

Eric Stewart and Ian Borchert
Project Appleseed WA State Volunteer Coordinators

Corey Torgerson
Project Appleseed Volunteer Instructor

Project Appleseed - a 501(c)(3) nonprofit
www.appleseedinfo.org

Decision: Will be discussed at the next executive board meeting.

Treasurer's Report, Georgia Coulter:

Balances as of 10-05-2023

Account	Interest	Balance
Checking		47,944.22
Savings	255.30	271,740.07
CD	339.21	102,007.64
BECU		243,214.97
Total:	594.51	664,906.90

Standing Committee Reports:

Archery, Ted Pitt:

Archery is looking good we have 2 new 3D targets; a deer, and a wild boar to replace the ones that are toast.

Trap & Skeet Ted Pitt:

Shotgun is going well, the weather helps. Bunker is going well too; people are shooting every day. I will be ordering targets soon

Rifle & Pistol, Steve Traverso:

No report

Grounds, LaMarr Hood:

The crew worked on opening more parking along the roadway. Ted graded and added gravel to the East and South side of the club house, and Gary spread more around the action bays by the stat shed. So far 24 yards of gravel has been spread.

We received a package of 2x4's x 10ft. (296). We cut them in half for the long legs for the pistol range targets stacking them and ripped 2"x4"x4' for the short legs and 2"x4"x5' for long legs.

Spent some time building target backers and cleaning up the area.

Hunter Education, Gary Emerson:

No report

Conservation, Gary Emerson:

No report

Kids Day, Greg Fortin:

Highlights:

- 9 out of 14 kids were girls!
- Raffle winner Gursingh Kang was in attendance!

Kids Day Sept 2023	
<i>Everybody looks forward to Sept Kids Day - RAFFLE DAY</i> <i>Slow start, but ended with 8 members & 6 non-members. 14 total.</i> <i>This event seemed to be "girls day at the range". See Below.</i>	
	
	
	
2023 raffle winner: 7yr old Gursingh Kang	

Scholastic Clay Target Program (Renton Crushers), Bob Louser

First practice of the season in the books just getting started.

Steel Dragons, Tim Ralston

On Wednesday Oct 18th our team will gather and have fun at our annual Pumpkin Shoot. Where the kids will do their best using .22's to carve epic Jack-o'-lantern's

Cowboy, Derek Mirkle

October monthly matches

Our Friday set up was completed in good weather. The range was in good shape, and we had 4 pards come out to help Guest Match Director Tacoma Slick (Craig Wirfs) sling the steel into place They were Carlsbad Kid (Karl Mayer), Cedar County Sheriff (Derek Mirkle), Just Dan D (Dan Dupertuis), and Tuscan Grit (David Gaaleoti).

Saturday started cool with fog in the morning but later it cleared to a nice fall day. We had 25 Pards and Pardettes come out to join us this day. Three of our cowboys were able to shoot the match clean Slick Capone (Craig Wirfs), Carlsbad Kid, and Hardway McCrea (Scott Moeller).

Our top three cowboys were: G. D. Rattler (Bill Hanson) in third place, Rick O'Shea (Russ Siverling) in second, and Mountain Man Dan (Dan King) whuppin' up on us old guys to take first.

Sunday began similar to Saturday, but the sun came out much sooner, and it warmed up nicely. 16 competitors arrived to slay steel bad guys and keep RUCAS territory safe This day. There were but two stalwarts that managed clean matches this day, Slick Ranger (Craig Wirfs) and Just Dan D.

Our top three cowpunchers were: CB (Cliff Nelson) in third, Bjorn E. Ville (Eric Simonson) in Second, and Mountain Man Dan making it two days in a row!

We had no DQ's either day and one 10-second minor safety on Saturday for an empty case left on the carrier of a rifle.

\$555.00 was turned into the club. Our next matches will be November 4th & 5th, 2023.

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 will be no match in October due to Hunter Sight In. The next match will be November 4th.

IDPA, Scott Johnson:

The most recent IDPA Match was held on September 16th. The weather was clear and cool but became very pleasant by mid-morning.

Seven stages were set up for 42 shooters. There were no safety issues to report.

\$690 was turned into the Club.

Our next scheduled Match will be on October 21st.

USPSA, Dave McClure:

The Movember match held on Sunday 9/24

Registered shooters: 95

Match Revenue: \$5225.00

Match costs: stripe fees [unknown, see Georgia]

Donation Recipients: Movember & Prostate Cancer Foundations, even split.

Donation amount: \$5225.00

Special assistance notables; Keith Tsang & Noel Domingo.

There were three DQ's for 180's

Action Shooting International (ASI), Robb Wolfe

At the September 9th match, there were 7 Stages and 81 shooters.

There was one disqualification for engaging a steel target too close.

\$1365 was turned into the club. \$243 will be paid to ASI

The next match will be on October 14

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.

Requirements:

- Maintain a current ASI membership.
- Have participated in at least three ASI matches (or have instructor approval).
- Recommendation of ASI club contact.
- Return of ASI Range Officer training application.
- Class fee of \$20 due by start of class.
- Successfully completion of RO training class.

Membership, Georgia reported:

Data as of 10-05-2023

	2022	2023	2024
Junior	31	67	38
Annual	325	479	599
Senior	104	268	294
Family	96	132	5
Military	12	15	16
Life	19	22	20
Total	587	983	972

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 #
Benzion, Irv	540
Bridges, Kevin	5446
Collins, Scott	4333
Coulter, Georgia	591
DuPertuis, Dan	3735
Goodnow, Jim	1741
Hewlett, Sam	2314
Hood, LaMarr	1856
Ishibashi, Maxine	6082A
Ishibashi, Ron	6082
Jackson, Paul	6811
Johnson, Scott	108
Mirkle, Derek	490
Palmer, John	3133
Pitt, Ted	257
Pontrelli, Scott	2287
Rouff, Tony	6846
Sporrong, Terry	5470
Sumaoang, Benedict	5067
Wolfe, Robb	156
Wong, Ken	2975
Wylie, Sandy	2075
Young, Gary	1065
Lee, Ralph	6325
Tran, Johnathon	6035

Old Business:

1. New financial and membership system for the club – Georgia
Status: In the middle of the computer conversion so we will not be able to take credit cards for a couple of weeks.
2. Pilot for a target retrieval system on the pistol range (short end) - LaMarr.
Status: We have a bad support beam on the short-range pistol side that should be replaced before we start to install the retrieval system, which are now in our plans to do.
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 September:
 - a. Ensuring the fire extinguishers are checked
 - b. There was a member that broke his ankle during the setup for the August USPSA match. Dave is gathering more information and Georgia will be following up with our insurance.
2. Dave asked for approval of the 2024 Movember Charity Classic
MSP: To approve the event and the donation
3. Report from the World Championships in Croatia

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 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
Scott Collins
Terry Sporrang

Game Warden

Kevin Bridges

Treasurer

Georgia Coulter

Secretary

Robb Wolfe

Good of the order:

Georgia asked if the members were interested in coordinating the December potluck (after the board meeting).

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM

Submitted by Robert Wolfe, Secretary