

# EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS

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**General Meeting Minutes** Date: Monday, July 8, 2024

Status: Approved

Board Members Present: Bill Oliver, John Amond, Dan Piper, Dale Rasmussen, Dean Brown, Grady

Rawls, Dan Moncrief

Board Members Absent: Gary Bethscheider, Gina Birkmaier

Members and Guests: Noel Walker, John Joyce

Handouts: July financial statements, July membership report

Meeting called to order at 6:36pm

Flag Salute

**Introductions** 

## **Last Month's Minutes**

The June minutes were read and approved on a motion by John Amond and a second by Dan Moncrief with no corrections.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was read by John Amond and approved on a motion by Dale Rasmussen and second by John Joyce. Current checking account balance is \$34,029.17 and current CDs total \$35,403.44, as reported on the handout. The detail of the Treasurer's Report is available by contacting John Amond.

Regarding the P&L statements, John explains that we brought in about \$1.7k in fees and dues since the last meeting and have paid \$1.1k for insurance and another \$1k towards the Wolfe Loan. John explains that year-to-date we have received \$25.6k in total income while spending \$3.6k on the gate project and \$5.8k on the shotgun ranges.

John further explains that he is expecting about 50 more members this year for an additional income of \$5k and we are still holding \$7.5k in TIFTA. Year-to-date expenses are still trending well to end the year at our forecasted burn rate of \$4k/month.

Bill Oliver notes that he recently hosted some out-of-towners for some trap shooting and they gave him a \$200 donation.

# **Membership Report**

The Membership Report was read by John Amond. John explains that the total membership count for the 2024+ membership year is 302 as of the meeting date, with a total of 236 of these members paying annually. John notes that we are still tracking well with the membership count for last year.



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# **Law Enforcement Relations Report**

Bill Oliver explains that there is no major update since Kim Hutchison was not present. Bill notes that he has not heard from SWAT yet who usually uses the Range a couple of times per year.

# **Old Business**

# Range Report

Dan Moncrief explains that the new coyote targets are mounted at the Rifle Range and painted black. Dan further notes that one of our members recently used the 4-wheeler and it ran out of fuel while downrange and had to be pushed back to the rifle house. Dan will refuel the 4-wheeler and try to stay on top of fueling.

Bill Oliver explains that Milo Schleifer is no longer going to mow the Range so we need to find someone else willing to mow everything. Milo has volunteered to train someone on operation of the equipment. The Board is willing to consider compensation if necessary and John Amond notes that a free membership could be used for compensation.

Bill explains that the old trap thrower by the Rifle Range is now connected to line power and there are instructions included in the bunker. Power has also been brought to the rifle bay.

Bill notes that he will get the vault toilets and outhouses serviced before the wedding reception in August.

# **Education Building Project**

Bill Oliver explains that Gary Bethscheider is still working on sheetrock but he believes this will be complete by the wedding reception in August.

## **Trap & Skeet and Moving Target Range Projects**

Bill Oliver explains that block is currently being laid for the trap and skeet houses. Bill notes that the travel trailer currently on site at the Range is for the gentleman that is laying the block.

Bill notes that once we begin doing shotgun shoots we may need some sort of supervisor/manager for the equipment. Any interested parties should reach out to Bill directly.

# **Front Gate Project**

Dan Piper explains that Josh Kesecker and Gary Bethscheider will be meeting at the Range in the coming weeks to finalize the layout. Dan will experiment with the equipment once installed to ensure compatibility with gate opener equipment before purchase.



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# **Wallowa Ready**

Bill Oliver explains that Jolene Cox has retired from Wallowa Ready. Grady Rawls volunteers to help fill Jolene's shoes, at least for the time being. Grady and Bill agree that they will wait until after September for the next training.

# **New Business**

# **Youth Shoot Arrangements**

Bill Oliver explains that 9/21 is still the firm date for the Youth Shoot and this will also include the Hunter Safety Range Day. No other updates at this time.

# **Range Use Contract and Liability Release**

Dale Rasmussen presented the revised draft of the contract which was reviewed by all present and approved for adoption on a motion from John Amond and a second from Dean Brown with unanimous agreement. Many thanks to Dale for putting this together.

# **Overnight Dry Camping by out-of-town Range Members**

Bill Oliver explains that we have a new member from Lewiston who recently went through orientation and asked about dry camping at the Range for a weekend. Bill asks for input regarding dry camping for members. After some discussion, it was agreed that dry camping could be permitted on a pre-approvalonly basis for short terms with no fires.

# **Upcoming Events**

Bill Oliver explains that the recent Cowboy Action Shoot had low participation but was still a great time.

Bill explains that the wedding reception is still on for early August and will have no campers. Since the indoor bathroom will not be complete by the date, we will provide porta-johns.

- Saturday, 8/13: Range Safety Orientation at 10am. Instructor: Dan Moncrief | (541)429-5701
- Friday, 8/2 through Saturday, 8/3: Wedding Reception Setup. Education Building Reserved.
- Saturday, 8/3 through Sunday, 8/4: Wedding Reception. Entire Range Facilities Closed Saturday at 5pm through Sunday at 9am
- Saturday, 8/10: 21 Feet Training. Pistol Range Closed 9am 3pm
- Saturday, 8/10: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Saturday, 9/7: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Saturday, 9/21: Annual Youth Shoot. **Details to come.**

# **Good of the Order**

John Amond explains that we recently received a donation of 2 first aid/stop the bleed kits from the hospital that can be used however we see fit. Dan Moncrief will place the kits in the first aid boxes at the Range.



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# This Old Gun

John Joyce presents a Danish rolling block rifle stamped 1875. John explains that the rifle is chambered for an 8mm rimmed cartridge that is now obsolete, so he must modify more modern cartridges for use in the rifle. John uses the rifle for deer hunting and explains that he has taken 2 whitetails so far. John explains that the rifle was originally used by the Danish game department.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:29pm

Next Meeting: Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:30pm at the VFW Hall, Enterprise, Oregon

**Submitted**: Dan Piper, Secretary