



EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS

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General Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 14, 2025

Status: Draft – Pending Approval

Board Members Present: Gary Bethscheider, John Amond, Dan Piper, Gina Birkmaier, Dean Brown, Grady Rawls, Dave Kuhlman, Dan Moncrief

Board Members Absent: Bill Oliver

Members and Guests: John Haskett, Jane Rushane, Tom Thornton, Dale Rasmussen

Handouts: April financial statements, April membership report

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

Flag Salute

Introductions

Last Month's Minutes

The March minutes were read and approved on a motion by Gina Birkmaier and a second by John Amond with no corrections or additions.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was read by John Amond. Current primary checking account balance is \$15,026, banquet account balance is \$5,499, short-term CDs total \$10,403, and long-term CDs total \$25,000, as reported on the handout. The detail of the Treasurer's Report is available by contacting John Amond.

Regarding the P&L statement since the last meeting, John explains that we have received \$900 for Life and Founding Member Plaques and a \$500 donation from one of our life members. They offered the \$500 as a donation without a plaque, it was agreed by all present that we would do a plaque for this member anyway. John notes that we have received about \$4.7k in membership dues since the last meeting. Year-to-date, we have received \$2,300 towards Plaques and about \$10.8k from membership renewals.

John further explains that we are still forecasting a shortfall in cash for this year, but expects to easily close this gap with income from the Banquet and other fundraising efforts. John also notes that the reserves for long-term memberships is still sitting heavy, so we can bring some funds forward if needed.

Membership Report

The Membership Report was read by John Amond. John explains that the total membership count for the 2025+ membership year is 220 at the time of the meeting, with 155 of those members paying annually. John notes that the final count for the 2024+ membership year was 339 and he expects a similar membership total this year.



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Law Enforcement Relations Report

No update given at the meeting.

Old Business

Range Report

Gary Bethscheider explains that he will be working on repairs to the roads at the Range soon, especially those going out to the berms on the Rifle Range. Gary notes that we recently had to do some repairs on the excavator which delayed progress.

Dean Brown explains that he is coordinating with Casey Crum to burn and spray the Range for weeds. Dan Moncrief explains that he will work on getting the donated MGM target placed at the Pistol Range.

Education Building Project

No update was given at the meeting.

Trap & Skeet and Moving Target Range Projects

Gary Bethscheider explains that work is resuming now on the block houses and he will begin pumping out the Moving Target pit right away to continue work on drainage.

Front Gate Project

Gary Bethscheider explains that he will dig trenches for this project at the same time that he is working on the Moving Target Range.

Wallowa Ready

Grady Rawls explains that he is still working with instructors on scheduling, likely looking at after the Banquet.

Life & Founding Member Plaques

John Amond explains that we have received \$2.3k towards this fundraiser so far and we will be selling plaques at the upcoming Banquet.

Sponsor Signs

John Amond explains that we have not received any further payments since last meeting.

New Business

Friends of ECS Banquet Planning Update

Gary Bethscheider explains that planning is going well but we still need more donations and volunteers to help with the event, needing help with setup, working raffles etc, and cleanup. Gary asks if we want to allow children and if we should offer an additional dinner option. After some discussion, it was decided that children will be allowed at the banquet and there will be a kids dinner option for children 12 and under for \$10/plate.



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ECS Classified Listing Discussion

Dan Piper explains that he recently received a classified listing and was asked to send notice to membership about the listing. Dan explains that the historical practice has been to list any items on the website but to not notify membership that an item has been added. After brief discussion, it was decided that everyone gets enough emails as it is and we will continue the practice of listing classified ads on the website but not notifying membership.

Range Safety Orientation for May

Dan Piper explains that the orientation for May is currently scheduled for 5/17, the same day as the banquet. Dan Moncrief volunteers to host the orientation a week earlier on 5/10.

1,000-yard Competition Target Facility

Gary Bethscheider explains that it is very hard digging at the 1,000-yard berm but the project is progressing.

Upcoming Events

- Saturday, 4/19: Range Safety Orientation at 10am. Instructor: Gary Bethscheider | (541)263-0304
- Saturday, 5/17: Friends of Eagle Cap Shooter Banquet | Clover Leaf Hall
- Monday, 6/9 – Tuesday, 6/10: Rifle Range Closed | OSP/Multi-Agency Sniper Training
- Thursday, 6/12: Rifle Range Closed | OSP/Multi-Agency Sniper Training
- Friday, 6/20: Pistol Range Closed 10am – 2pm | American Heritage Girls Training
- Sunday, 6/22: Pistol Range Closed 2pm – 5pm | Summit Training
- Monday, 7/7 – Thursday, 7/10: Pistol and Rifle Ranges Closed | DPSST Training

Good of the Order

The annual Gun of Your Dreams drawing was held at the meeting and the winner was Chad Galloway and Chesa Alexis. Congratulations to Chad and Chesa! John Amond will reach out and let them know about their winnings.

Gary Bethscheider explains that the donated load of logs for firewood has been delivered to the Range and that we will use the excavator along with volunteers from the Wallowa Trap Team to make quick work cutting and splitting the firewood. Gary notes that the logs are all tamarack and red fir.

This Old Gun

None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:34pm

Next Meeting: Monday, May 12th, 2025, at 6:30pm at the VFW Hall, Enterprise, Oregon

Submitted: Dan Piper, Secretary