



EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS

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General Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, August 10, 2026

Status: Approved

Board Members Present: Gary Bethscheider, John Amond, Dan Piper, Jane Rushane

Board Members Absent: Bill Oliver, Gina Birkmaier, Bo Cambern, Dave Kuhlman, Grady Rawls

Members and Guests: Paul Doherty, Roman Kennedy, Kevin Kennedy

Handouts: August financial statements, August membership report, report on long-term memberships

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm

Flag Salute

Introductions

Last Month's Minutes

The July minutes were read and approved on a motion by John Amond and a second by Jane Rushane with a spelling correction on the last page.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was read by John Amond. Current primary checking account balances combined are \$54,590, short-term CDs total \$10,403, and long-term CDs total \$45,000, as reported on the handout. The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Dan Piper and a second by Paul Doherty. The detail of the Treasurer's Report is available by contacting John Amond.

Regarding the P&L statement for July, John explains that we have received about \$2.6k from membership while dispersing an insurance payment of over \$5k with another insurance payment coming in August. Additional substantial expenses included about \$3k towards the shotgun ranges. John notes that loan payments are still on schedule. Year-to-date, John explains that we have had a total income of around \$69k with about \$45k in total expenses. Income is expected to drop off for the end of the year since income from membership is always front-loaded.

John further explains that he anticipates at least an additional \$3.7k to come in this year from membership while estimating a remaining cost of \$15k for the building and \$20k on the shotgun ranges. Paul Doherty asks John if there is tax liability on our net income, John explains that there is not since we are a 501(c)3.

Membership Report

The Membership Report was read by John Amond. John explains that we have 325 members for the 2026+ membership year with 238 of those members paying annually.



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Law Enforcement Relations Report

No update was given at the meeting.

Old Business

Range Report

Jane Rushane reports that she has continued picking up trash from the Range but generally feels that everything is looking good. Jane and Gary Bethscheider note that the property to the south of the Range was recently purchased, and the new owners have been working on fencing.

Range Host Report

No update was given at the meeting.

Education Building Project

Gary Bethscheider explains that most of the interior has now been painted. Some painting remains, but volunteers have stepped up to complete the work.

Trap & Skeet Range Projects

Gary Bethscheider explains that the trenches have been dug for conduit etc and rock will be laid soon.

1,000-yard Competition Target Facility

Gary Bethscheider explains that this project is on hold other than some loose planning while trying to complete higher priority projects. Gary explains that he would like to do some more thinking about how to build the facility and further discussion is needed about funding for the project. Gary explains that he is concerned about getting volunteers to host events once the facility is complete and feels that we should have a host in place before putting much money into the project.

Gary further explains that we were recently contacted by a potential member moving to the area who does a lot of long-range shooting and competitions. This potential member noted that it is difficult to get volunteers to man the trench at these events and recommended looking into automated systems. Jane Rushane notes that it is also challenging to get volunteers to help with the handgun shoot she participates in near La Grande.

New Business

Range Fire Danger

Gary Bethscheider explains that he feels the fire risk is relatively low at the Range since all the berms are sprayed and the grass is mowed. It was agreed by those present that we would put a temporary pause on use of muzzleloaders due to the fire risk posed by patching materials. Dan Piper will send a notice to all members.

Upcoming Events

- Saturday, 8/15/26: Range Safety Orientation - 10am | Instructor: Jane Rushane
- Sunday, 8/16/26: Pistol Range Closed – 7am – 12pm | 21 Feet Training



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- Sunday, 8/16/26: Pistol Range Closed – 12pm-6pm | Summit Church Training
- Sunday, 8/30/26: Pistol Range Closed – 9am-1pm | 21 Feet Training

Good of the Order

John Amond presents his report on long-term memberships and explains that we lose money in the long run, but it accelerates funding for projects etc. John recommends we discontinue all long-term memberships immediately and consider reintroducing them when accelerated funds are needed in the future. This sentiment was generally agreed upon by those present, but it was agreed we would ask for a vote at the September meeting.

Paul Doherty asks how to record volunteer hours now that the gate only records entries and exits and there is no way of noting which times are for volunteer work versus range time. Dan Piper explains that the general process is to fill out volunteer hour cards that are tracked and maintained by the Treasurer. Gary Bethscheider requests an easier way to track hours for those that volunteer regularly. John Amond will create additional access cards for regular volunteers to use at the gate when they are volunteering.

Paul Doherty asks if there is any sort of requirement for members to volunteer a certain number of hours per year. Gary Bethscheider explains that there is not currently a requirement for volunteer hours, though members can receive discounts on future memberships by volunteering hours. Gary further explains that we need to consider either requiring volunteer hours or charging more in membership/maintenance fees. Further discussion will be held at the September meeting.

Paul Doherty asks if we have or are considering an Archery Range. Dan Piper explains that we do not but are considering it for the future.

This Old Gun

None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25pm

Next Meeting: Monday, September 14th, 2026, at 6:30pm at the VFW Hall, Enterprise, Oregon

Submitted: Dan Piper, Secretary