

**Minutes**  
**General Meeting**  
**June 26, 2012**

President, Tom Brown, called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Officers present were President Tom Brown, Vice-President Melanie White, Secretary Wesley Morris, and Treasurer Sue Brown. Members present as shown on sign in sheets.

**Minutes** – Minutes were read by all in attendance. Motion was made to accept minutes by Josh House, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan Brown.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer's report was read by all in attendance. Motion was made to accept minutes by Mike Donnelly, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Miller.

**Membership** – The current club membership figure is **257**.

Tom Brown reported that there are people who think that the range is free for anyone who wants to come shoot. Please remember to ask shooters if they are members and check the roster in the display case. Membership is only \$25 so everyone should join.

**Sunshine Report** – Paul Fedewa had surgery on his back and is recovering at home.

**Publicity** – Wes Morris reported that he took out weekly ads in the Midway Driller for about \$46 an ad. He is waiting for the trap house to be completed before running a FNRA article.

**Trap Report** – Melanie White handed out a financial report of how the trap range has been doing and the shooter numbers. The oscillator has been delivered and now the challenge is to put together a work party and install the new machine and oscillator. July 12 Wayne White will be gone and so if people want to shoot trap, they need to get someone to help Melanie out. Josh House suggested that would be a good time to start the upgrade project. Tom Brown reported that the main hold up is just getting the measurements and see how much of the trap house really needs to be modified or if we just need a new stand. Wes Morris reported that a pallet of 12 gauge shells from the Friends of NRA has arrived.

**Fireworks** – The sig-up sheet is available for workers. The fireworks will be delivered on June 30<sup>th</sup> and picked up on July 5<sup>th</sup>. We will run a raffle for the two bicycles. Customers who purchase \$50 receive five bike tickets and one gun ticket. Bicycle tickets will be sold 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5, & 14 for \$10. Gun tickets will be 1 for \$5, 3 for \$10 and 7 for \$20. We will run a daily prize for Facebook users and Wes will e-mail the information to Mike in the next few days.

**Special Report** – Clay and Colt Hamblin came and representing the Cuyama Valley 4H. They were at the meeting to learn how to run an efficient meeting and to thank the Taft Sportsmen's Club for putting them in touch Larry Heptinstall to get a hunter safety class offered in Cuyama.

**Junior Pheasant Hunt** – Tom Brown reports that the pheasant hunt date has been set for November 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> at the same field as last year. Applications will be sent out starting in September.

**Action Shooters** – Wes Morris reported that the 46 shooters at the regular IDPA match. We had a really good turn-out at the Richmond Golden Gate Regional Match. A financial report will cover the last two months at the next meeting.

**.22 Action Shooters** – Josh House reported 18 paid shooters in June. The last payment of the loan has been completed. The organizers of the Take 5 rimfire program will be coming out for the July match to help set it up. There will be no cost for this and no commitments have been made. Josh House has coordinated with Brandon

Farkas of GF Ink for club t-shirts. Wes Morris reported there will be a special Geocaching .22 Rimfire Action Match September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Legislative** – Nothing to report.

**Correspondence** – Nothing to report.

**Game and Cover** – The June 3<sup>rd</sup> work part at the Crocker Springs guzzler went well. The fence has been replaced and one of the tanks has been dug out. Tom reported there were a dozen chukar on the guzzler and they saw quite a few coveys of quail. Craig and Tom will be heading back up to finish the project soon.

**Awards** – Nothing to report.

**Old Business** – The intent to change the Constitution and By-Laws has been published in the newsletter and the vote will take place on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Tom Brown clarified that the new awards rules will not take effect until next year.

The updated membership lists are getting put up at the range once a month. Members who are in between months can bring a copy of their Pay Pal receipt, canceled check, or e-mail us and we will get you a temporary receipt.

Wes Morris reported he will start working on the new organized range use contract this month.

Jimmy Chitwood has still not started the DROS on the youth shotguns. Tom will talk to him to find out the status. Wes Morris brought up that the guns could potentially be stored at the gun shop for check out so there are no conflicts in time management.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**New Business** – Wes Morris asked if we need to spend \$50 a month on a safety deposit box just to store our CD paperwork. After this year's term is up, we will buy a fire sized fire safe and store it at the treasurer's house for any important club documents.

Gary Morris is starting a high school trap program. The high school board is favorable to this and a club has been initially formed through the high school. Gary would like to use the trap house one night a week for this program. The trap season won't begin until February. Gary is getting certified through all of the various requirements to run the program.

Steve Hill's donated a nice sum of ammunition to the club. Wes Morris reported that he would like to auction or sell it with the proceeds going to the general fund. He will use the new club newsletter classified section or a auction of some sort. Wes further wants to make a "donate" section of the website and advertise the club is open to donations from individuals with the items used by the club or sold for our programs.

Taft High ASB Mitch Emberson sent a donation request for spirit week. Wes Morris moved that the club offer the use of the LaserShot trailer for TUHS ASB use upon request as an offering for their spirit weeks.

Tom Brown reported the gate combination will change again in the next newsletter.

Motion to adjourn by Josh House, and seconded by Susan Brown. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.