

**Minutes
General Meeting
September 25, 2012**

Vice-President, Melanie White, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Officers present were Vice-President Melanie White and Secretary Wesley Morris. Members present as shown on sign in sheets.

Minutes – Both the July 24th and August 28th meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion was made to accept report by Karen Chitwood, 2nd by Josh House.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was read by all in attendance. Motion was made to accept report by Josh House, 2nd by Karen Chitwood.

Membership – The current club membership figure is **285**.

Sunshine Report – Nothing to report.

Publicity – Melanie White submitted an article to the Driller for the Youth Trap Shoot and the Junior Pheasant Hunt.

Trap Report – The trap program bought 4 pallets of birds for \$2544.61 and delivered them on Saturday. They had 26 shooters on Thursday the 20th of September. Night shooting has even started and a pallet of white, clay targets have been ordered. Melanie White will work with Wes Morris to get the next NRA Grant prepared before the end of October deadline. Wes recommended that any new trap machine trailers be submitted under the Pheasant Hunt Grant instead of the Trap Grant.

Fireworks – Nothing to report.

Junior Pheasant Hunt – The club was reminded that the pheasant hunt date has been set for November 17th & 18th at the same field as last year.

Action Shooters – There was no IDPA in September. There will be a regular match in October and also the 3rd Annual Zombie Match on Saturday October 27th. Wes will have updated financials at the next meeting.

.22 Action Shooters – July match had 19 shooters. August had 38 shooters and brought in \$300. Josh House had a rifle giveaway and Jacob Carrasco from Bakersfield was the winner. The September match had 15 shooters. The program bought 226 bowling pins and a bin for \$100 and that was a great haul. The Taft Shooter's Challenge 2012 Geocaching event is next weekend.

Youth Trap – Jimmy Chitwood had a shoot on Sunday September 16th for youth only. It went well. They plan to run it every third Sunday of the month. Wes Morris will get that on the calendar.

Legislative – Remember to call the Governor and ask to veto SB 1221 and save our dog hunting.

Correspondence – Nothing to report.

Game and Cover – Josh House and Melanie White report there are a lot of quail out there. However, they don't want to share where. Wes Morris reported that some locals were cited for shooting dove on oilfield land near Fellows. Be sure you are shooting on BLM land.

Awards – Nothing to report.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Old Business – The Midway School Carnival is October 4th and Steve Schmitz has volunteered to take the LaserShot Trailer to the event.

Cuyama Valley 4H will have a BBQ to coincide with the TSC Turkey Shoot on October 28th at noon. \$5 a round for Annie Oakley shoots. The Club will also run a gun raffle and donate the proceeds to the Cuyama Valley 4H.

The by-laws change will most likely be re-advertised in October and then voted on in November or December.

Josh House asked about the status of painting the sea trains and the trailer. No one has discussed it and it was suggested this be tabled until the spring.

The programs would like to know when the electricity will be finished in the sea trains. Additional the trap program would like to know when the power will be fixed in the trap house.

New Business – The Taft Chamber of Commerce has an Annual Golf Classic on October 13th. See the Chamber for more information.

October 11th is the VFWs annual Homeless Veterans Stand Down. Josh House moved and Jimmy Chitwood seconded donating \$300 to the event this year.

Jimmy Chitwood will be removing the old trap machines from the food bar area at the range. Josh House would like to move the rest of the posts and items out of the area into the trailer.

Coleen Morris reported that the Taft High School Trap Club has been going strong and the students are starting to get all of their certifications finished to start in the spring. The students have been also fund raising as well and are doing quite successful. If any high school aged students would like more information, be sure to check with Gary Morris. Starting October 9th the TUHS Trap Club will be shooting trap every Tuesday night at 4 PM at the range.

Gary Morris, Sarah Hamblin, Melanie White, and Jennifer Liljeroos are going to be attending a range master course in Novemer for the trap programs.

Motion to adjourn by Josh House, and seconded by Karen Chitwood. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.