

Minutes
General Meeting
November 27, 2012

President Tom Brown called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Officers present were President Tom Brown, Vice-President Melanie White, Treasurer Susan Brown, and Secretary Wesley Morris. Members present as shown on sign in sheets.

Minutes – The October meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion was made to accept report by Jimmy Chitwood, 2nd by Josh House.

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

Membership – The current club membership figure is **286**. Tom Brown announced that at the board meeting last week the board approved a membership dues increase to \$40 for next year for general family membership.

Sunshine Report – Susan Brown announced that Mike Donnelly is a “new” grandpa and we sent a congratulatory card to Kacie & James Donnelly.

Publicity – Maricopa Chamber of Commerce sent a thank you card for our donation to the Veterans Stand Down. The Cuyama Valley 4H sent a thank you card for the donation to their club after our turkey shoot. We received a thank you card from Scholarship Award Winner Jordan Mead. Michael Remsey took some excellent photos from Junior Pheasant Hunt which were printed in the Bakersfield Californian. Susan sent a thank you card. Wes Morris reported that Jay Thomas from the Kiwanis Club requested someone be the program speaker at their meeting on Thursday November 29, 2012. Jeremiah Morris has volunteered to be our representative.

Trap Report – Melanie White \$495 for the month. There will be no trap in December, but there will be a qualifier shoot on Sunday December 9th at noon with shooting at 1 PM. Tom Brown loaned the light tower that we rented for the Junior Pheasant Hunt and the lights were a huge improvement. Tom then asked if the club would be interested in purchasing a light tower for use at the trap range and any special events. Wes Morris moved to approve up to \$3000 from the building fund to purchase a portable light stand for the club. Josh House seconded the motion. It was approved.

Fireworks – Mike Donnelly has announced he will not be able to man the fireworks booth full time this year. He will be available to organize and get the paperwork together and to still help out, but he needs to conserve his vacation time for some hunting ventures. He will need other club members to stay down there full time and to receive the product. Melanie White, Tom Brown, and John Miller stated they would be able to help out.

Junior Pheasant Hunt – Tom Brown announced that we collected \$145 in memberships and about \$1950 in raffle income during the hunt. Saturday morning we had 42 hunters with 11 no shows. Saturday afternoon we had 20 hunters and 7 no shows. Sunday morning 45 hunter 6 no shows. Sunday afternoon 23 hunters. The number of birds taken were 56/258, 37/155, 58/215 43/229. 194/857 and 206 birds left over. Tom thanked everyone for coming out and helping out. At the board meeting we discussed dropping the number of hunters per field to six in order to increase safety.

Action Shooters – There were 26 shooters at the November match. Zombie match was a success. Wes is going to start working on participation pins.

.22 Action Shooters – There were 18 shooters at the November match with quite a few out of town participants. Josh has ordered a few new targets so come check those out.

Youth Trap – No shoot this month due to the Junior Pheasant Hunt. The next shoot will be December 16th at 1 PM.

Legislative – Nothing to report.

Correspondence – Nothing to report.

Game and Cover – Tom Brown reported that we would like to present Bill Asserson a thank you plaque and award at this year's banquet. If you have any ideas for recognizing Bill, please let Tom know.

Awards – The banquet is scheduled for Saturday January 19, 2013 at OT Cookhouse. There will be a board meeting prior to the banquet to discuss further details. Tom reported that Kevin McCarthy might be coming as to present the award. Wes Morris volunteered the IDPA program to procure the raffle prizes for this year's banquet. Jimmy Chitwood moved to set the 2013 Awards Banquet price to \$20 per adult, \$8 per youth 16 years old or under, and life time members and spouses are free. Melanie White 2nd the motion. Stephanie House volunteered to help with the pre-banquet coordination.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Old Business – Wes Morris reported the NRA Grant reports must be turned in by January 1, 2013 in order for this year's grants to go through.

Stephanie House reported that she turned in the Christmas Parade application and they have been approved for the Christmas Parade. Anyone who would like to ride in the back of the truck, please contact Josh or Stephanie House.

New Business – Wes Morris reported the IDPA would like to purchase a new fence to enclose their targets. Tom Brown also recommended we fix the back fence at the same time. Tom suggested it be a building fund project to pay for the fence. Wes will get varying estimates for replacing the north fence and creating an IDPA enclosure and have those numbers prepared at the next meeting.

Wes Morris distributed a copy of the new Range Rental Agreement. Jeremiah Morris asked about if businesses renting the range must provide a certificate of insurance. It was decided to add "Large groups and companies may be required to provide a certificate of insurance for range rentals." Susan Brown moved to put the Range Rental Agreement into effect and Carrie Morris 2nd. It passed.

Carrie Morris asked about having the porta potties cleaned out twice a month. If it is not getting done Tom Brown will be making sure it does.

Josh House moved to approve the proposed Constitution and By-Laws Change and Chad Chitwood 2nd. The 18 members unanimously approved.

Motion to adjourn by Josh House and seconded by Karen Chitwood. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.