

Minutes
General Meeting
January 28, 2014

President Melanie White called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Officers present were President Melanie White, Vice President Josh House, Treasurer Stephanie House, and Secretary Wesley Morris. Members present as shown on the sign in sheet.

Minutes – The meeting minutes for December were submitted for review. Wesley Morris moved to approve the minutes and Karen Chitwood seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was read by all in attendance. Stephanie House pointed out the treasurer report provided by Susan Brown. Motion was made to accept report by Tom Brown, seconded by Josh House. The motion passed.

Membership – The current club membership figure is **163**. There are 289 people total, but Wes Morris has been advertising online and through e-mails that if you join in the last two months of the year, the membership will carry over through 2014.

Sunshine Report – Tom Brown reported that Susan's mother is not doing very well. She will be coming home with hospice and Susan is doing her best. They appreciate all of the love and support.

Publicity – Wes Morris reported he is working with Matt Henry to publish the banquet. Melanie White said the Sporting Clays Shoot will be in the Bakersfield Californian and encouraged people to get signed up and spread the word.

Trap Report – Wayne White reported the regular Thursday night shoot numbers are down and we are getting 4-10 shooters a night. The interest to shoot at night seems to be waning.

Fireworks – Mike Donnelly said he has attempted to tie down the Sno White location for the fireworks booth, but he has been unable get confirmation. Mike believes we might want to start looking into alternate locations. The city is going to require that an officer will have to fill out the lottery application this year and Stephanie House said she can do that no problem. However, we will have to wait until we have an address to apply.

Junior Pheasant Hunt – Melanie White stated she received a letter from Ace High Adventures asking for the bird order by March. Tom Brown stated he will get the order in.

Action Shooters – Wes Morris reported he can't remember what the December match numbers were. The January 3F match was well received as always. It was decided to switch to shooting 3F every other month instead of every 4 matches. There will be a sea train work party at 9 AM on February 15th and if you are an IDPA member, a classifier around noon. The regular IDPA night match will take place that night at 5 PM.

The Tactical Shotgun Match has been canceled for February 15 and will be rescheduled for March 29. It will be advertised in the next newsletter.

.22 Action Shooters – The December match had 17 shooters and the January match had 13 shooters. Many juniors are showing up so Josh House said to come out and support the club and the matches.

Special Announcement – Clay and Colt Hamblin gave a presentation on behalf of the Cuyama Valley 4H about shooting and hunting safety.

Legislative – Wes Morris reported that Ruger and Smith & Wesson are dropping all of their semi-automatic handgun models from the California approved list of handguns for sale, so if you want one, get it now. There have been lawsuits pending on this for years, but this should be fuel to add to the litigation.

Correspondence – Paul and Kelly Black Ward donated \$50 in Erma Lee Parent's memory and sent a nice letter. Stephanie House sent a thank you letter.

Game and Cover – Nothing to report.

Awards – Jimmy Chitwood asked about some missing fish awards. Some awards were missed and they will fix them next year.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Old Business – Wes Morris reported that the Friends of NRA grants were all approved and those items and funds should be coming in after our grant reports are completed.

Tom Brown reported that the 2nd Annual Sporting Clays Shoot and Raffle will be February 22, 2014 at 5 Dogs Range. He reported that he purchased some more general raffle prizes and will submit his receipts to Stephanie.

New Business – Melanie White reported that the Trout Pond is February 28, March 1, & 2. Wes Morris will look into some good raffle prizes and Melanie asked that the more volunteers we receive the better.

Melanie White reported that the Chamber of Commerce membership is up. There are plenty of ways to use the membership to advertise. Wes Morris moved to renew our membership for \$100. Tom Brown seconded the motion and it was passed.

Sally Johnson asked about the performance of the banquet. The issues of people failing to RSVP and ordering too many dinners was discussed. Some solutions were to only order what is RSVPed, charge a different price for tickets at the door, and to send out a reminder postcard next year.

Donny Pezer was volunteered to be the chairman of the Awards Committee. He will be soliciting volunteers and setting up some meetings.

Tom Brown asked about amending the by-laws in regards to the junior awards requirements. After much discussion the idea to set an age limit exception around 10 years old was universally popular. There are other issues that need to be probably changed in the by-laws.

Melanie White called for a board meeting on Tuesday February 4th at 6:30 PM at Pizza Factory.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Chitwood and seconded by Josh House. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.