

Minutes
General Meeting
July 28, 2015

President Jimmy Chitwood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Officers present were President Jimmy Chitwood, Vice-President Billy White, Treasurer Karen Chitwood, & Secretary Wesley Morris. Members present can be found on the sign in sheet upon request.

Minutes – The meeting minutes for June were submitted for review. Susan Brown moved to approve the minutes and Karen Chitwood seconded the motion. It passed.

Treasurer's Report – Karen Chitwood submitted her report from June 24 through July 28. Billy White moved to approve the treasurer's report and John Miller seconded the motion. It was approved.

Membership – The current club membership figure is **313**.

Sunshine Report – Karen Chitwood sent a card to The Heptinstall's with Carmen Mortimer's passing and sent flowers for Rod Napoleon's passing.

Publicity – Wes Morris asked what we would like to put on the billboards. The Junior Pheasant Hunt is coming up and it was agreed to put up some notifications about the pheasant hunt.

Correspondence – We have received scholarship information from Jose Barrera.

Trap Report – John Miller reported trap is going well during the summer time.

Sporting Clay Shoot – Sandy Ross reported the Sporting Clays Shoot will be Saturday February 20, 2016 and she plans on doing some shopping soon.

Fireworks – Jimmy Chitwood reported the final numbers are not in yet, but we made money and the booth did well. He wanted to thank all of the volunteers that helped make it happen.

Junior Pheasant Hunt – Susan Brown passed out a few fliers for the Junior Pheasant Hunt and we will start advertising for it online and in the newsletters.

Taft Sport Shooters – Wes Morris reported that they attempted a night match, but due to wind and rain had to refund and cancel. Regular 3F should run this month.

.22 Action Shooters – Jimmy Chitwood reported that he talked to Josh House and he was supposed to come by and give a report, but he was not in attendance. Jimmy will contact him and see what is going on.

Legislative – Nothing to report.

Game and Cover – David Hardt formerly from Quail Forever reported the chapter has disbanded, but a few members would like to keep doing the work necessary to maintain the guzzlers in the Temblors. He would like to become a member and help organize some guzzler work parties and keep that heritage going. The club was very supportive of his efforts and would extend as much support as possible to reviving this.

Committee Reports – **Awards** – Karen Chitwood asked if the fish awards were like the deer awards that you can only win one fish category. The general consensus was that was the case. Billy White asked about a Hal Parrent trout trophy. There is already a Hal Parrent bass trophy.

Old Business – Jimmy Chitwood reported the new sign is up and he thanked Chad Miller for getting that accomplished. We just need to figure out where to place the smaller signs. Wes Morris reported that he will order some no trespassing signs to put around the fence.

Joe Gregory has not reported back to Jimmy Chitwood about the NRA Range Certification yet.

Gary Morris is still on vacation and will have a report next meeting about final costs on the skeet range.

New Business – Taylor Ross asked about having a scholarship program for club members that are attending college other than Taft College and Taft High graduates. It was discussed and Craig Johnson moved to approve two \$500 for students outside of Taft Union High School seniors and current Taft College Students. It was seconded by Karen Chitwood and passed.

Wes Morris received a phone call from Taft Police Chief Ed Whiting reporting that their city range is going to be shut down for 6-12 months and would like to know if it is possible to use our range every quarter. Wes Morris will get the dates from them and we will assign a club member to go open up the range for them. We will encourage officers to join the club if they enjoy using the range.

The Maricopa Veteran Stand Down is coming up and Billy White moved to approve to donate \$350 to them. Mike Donnelly seconded the motion and it passed.

Coleen Morris reported that the NRA New Traditions Magazine published an article she wrote about the Taft High Trap Club. The Club was mentioned in the article as a supporter of the Taft High Trap Club. Gary and Coleen Morris were recognized by the Friends of NRA as the Central California Volunteers of the year. Great job!

Motion to adjourn by Billy White and seconded by Steve Schmitz. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.