

Gate City Sport Shooting Association

Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2018

I. Call to order

Chuck Howell called to order the regular meeting of the Gate City Sport Shooting Association at 7:00 pm on August 16, 2018 at the Oregon Trail Shooting Range Larry Allenbaugh Clubhouse.

II. Attendance

The following persons were present: Chuck Howell (President), Kelly Anderson (Vice President), Denis Freudenthal (Treasurer), Michael Wheelock, (Secretary), Earmal McKinley, David Read, Ron Gill, Gordon Perry, Steve McClung, Ryan Reay, Charles Mahler, Rick Hillman, John Rook, Jeff Houck, Dean Harris, Russ Bartholet, Phillip Bauman, Jim Farmer, Richard Lopez, and one other (could not read signature).

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Approval of the July meeting minutes was motioned by Jeff Houck and seconded by John Rook. A vote to approve the May meeting minutes was unanimously in favor. The July sign in sheet was found in the clubhouse, so Mike was asked to add attendance to the minutes before they are posted on the website.

IV. GCSSA Finance Update

Denis Freudenthal discussed the GCSSA financial transactions that have taken place since the July meeting. There were some larger expenditures for improvements and insurance during the last month.

V. Membership Update

Earmal reported that 1,350 membership packets have been distributed to stores. There are now 1,060 annual members in the 2018 database. Sportsman's is behind in payment for memberships and they owe over \$12,000 at this point. CAL Ranch owes for about 100 memberships. Earmal is updating the membership form. They will clearly state the requirement for both key and card to be with member while at the range. Memberships will again be discounted after September 30th this year.

VI. Shooting Discipline Reports

Southern Idaho Rangers had 16 shooters and shot 4 stages. Portneuf Vaqueros put up new facades in Gulleyville. Portneuf Muzzleloaders had 8 shooters and held their barbeque here. 3-Gun had about 20 shooters. Broken Clays are not currently holding shoots.

VII. Old Business (open issues)

a) Ongoing Range Projects

- Bench carpeting: Bill Burnell and Charles Mahler have been working on the benches and have carpet glued down on five of them. They have used two full buckets of glue and need more. They have enough carpet to cover 10 more benches, but will need more carpet to cover the last six benches.
 - Shade for Gulleyville (Vaqueros): Another work day is needed to complete the shade. People will need to bring drill-drivers and hammers. A scissor lift will be rented to complete the roof on the shade.
 - Wood chips: A walkway is wanted to the 100-yard berm on the main firing line. Some of the berms at 50 and 100 yards need to be trimmed down while Kelly is moving the wood chips.
 - Eagle Scout gunrack project: Chuck will be meeting with them. The racks still need to be painted.
 - Hunter sight-in day: We will be advertising in local gun stores that we are having free sight-in days September 8th and 9th, and September 15th and 16th. We will have someone greet visitors, have them sign a waiver, and explain the safety system. Volunteer RSOs are needed for the event. Proposed hours are 8am to 1pm each day.
 - Second Eagle Scout project: There is another scout group that wanted to power-wash, scrape, and re-paint some of the covers for the bays. Chuck is waiting to hear from them.
 - Land transfer/sale: Chuck has made contact with a realtor who is a regional expert on land transfers. Chuck will contact Danny Miller.
- b) Revision of GCSSA bylaws – Bylaws will remain tabled while Chuck revises them to include RSO duties.
- c) Five-Year Plan – Richard Lopez has volunteered to work on the five-year plan.
- d) RSO class – Sam Clark set up an RSO training class through the NRA. Each discipline should have RSOs. Chuck passed out a draft of Range Safety Officer guidelines. There was discussion about the duties of the RSO. Chuck summarized that there were two main duties for an RSO; safety, and membership verification.

There were comments from members that membership verification is not being done in a courteous manner. A lengthy discussion took place about the primary duties of an RSO and how they should be interacting with members. The consensus of the members was that the RSO should focus primarily on range safety. Chuck suggested that we develop a set of guidelines for checking memberships.

Steve McClung made a motion to suspend membership checks at the gates, but continue RSO duties and membership checks along the firing line and bays. Suspension will be effective until guidelines are set for membership checks. Rick Hillman seconded the motion. A vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Kelly suggested the board members tackle the guidelines over the next month. Chuck invited members to email him suggestions concerning the guidelines.

- e) Badger in Gulleyville – There is a badger living in Gulleyville. Earmal will check with Fish & Game to see how we might deal with trapping/relocating the badger.

VIII. New Business

- a) Berm work on the 50 and 100-yard berms – discussion on this item was held earlier while discussing wood chips under old business. See above.

IX. Adjournment

Chuck Howell adjourned the meeting at 9:06 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Michael Wheelock

Minutes approved by: Chuck Howell