

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.

Monthly Meeting

Aug 9, 2016

Attendance:

- Scott Lauder, Ken Normandy, Jon Speck, Steve Close, Dora Potekin, Nick Kasemeotes, Tom Becker, Jim Conti, Beau Bosovich, 17 regular members and 3 candidates and 2 potential candidates.

Opening – Scott Lauder:

- Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Scott introduced the officers, chairpersons and directors to the guests. We had two 1st time visitors interested in membership and Scott talked about membership qualification including sponsorship.

Secretary's report – Jon Speck:

- Jon read the minutes for the July meeting. The minutes were accepted with one small change.

Treasurer's report – Bill Means:

- Bill means was not in attendance (excused absence) therefore, there was no treasurers report this evening.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Membership report – Steve Close and Dora Potekin:

- It was reported that we have ninety-two regular members and seven senior members for a total of 99 members.
- Monthly work dues credits were applied.
- No first readings.
- Second Reading:
 - **Elizabeth Russell** was at the meeting for her second reading. Elizabeth is a former member who lives in the Milwaukee area. She is sponsored by Tom Becker. Her profession is that of a physician. Elizabeth is a former member who left the area for a new work assignment and has now returned and would like to have her membership reinstated. Began shooting when she was 7 years old. Willing to help out on the range. Got her NRA membership. Elizabeth was approved for membership via voice vote.

- **Mike Christiansen** was at the meeting for his second reading. Mike lives in Pleasant Prairie and is sponsored by Beau Bosovich. Mike is an HVAC contractor and a sheet metal worker. Mike is interested in getting back into shooting. He is willing to help around the range as necessary. Mike was approved for membership via voice vote.
- **Walton Landree** was at the meeting for his second reading. Walton lives in Kenosha and is sponsored by Beau Bosovich. Walton is a retired state trooper officer who is interested in competitive shooting. Qualifies expert in pistol. He is willing to help around the range as necessary. Walton was approved for membership via voice vote.

Rifle Team – Clark Curtis for Jon Speck

- Aaron was the top Navy shooter at the Nationals at Camp Perry and won the Wyatt Trophy as a result.
- He also made the President's 100 and made the CMP top 100 rifle shooters
- David took 1st place in a mini-palma smallbore match this last weekend. We had 3 team member participate in the mini-palma match at Bristol Conservation club
- Jon shot the smallbore nationals in July
- Rifle team continues to practice Thursday evening and Sunday morning
- League is expecting to restart in Early October with the junior program starting after the hunter's education courses at the range.

Pistol League – Bill Means (not present, kept last month's notes)

- The .22 caliber league will begin in September. The cost will remain the same at \$35.00 for members and \$100.00 for non-members. The course of fire will be 30 rounds in two Gallery Matches.
- Bill is exploring the addition of an Air Pistol/Rifle league. The league would be shot similar to a Postal Match where participants shoot on their own and post scores at the range. Shooting could be completed at Southport or at another location of the shooter's choice. Course of fire would be 30 rounds in two Gallery Matches.

Maintenance –Jim Conti:

- Summer flying by quick. Louvers are stuck open; control wire was found damaged. The issues are being fixed.
- Dates were discussed for the fall maintenance parties.

Rental – Tony DelFrate:

- Tony was not present, the report tabled until the September meeting

Match Director – Nick Kasemeotes

- Nick reported Oktoberfest last year didn't have a lot of participation.
- It was proposed to potential move the match till November given October is Nick's busy time. The November Harvest or Oktoberfest in November were proposed as possible names.
- It was then proposed to hold Oktoberfest on 10/7, 8 & 9.

- Based on that proposal, Hunter Ed was changed to the 10/1 & 2, 10/15th & 16th and the 23rd to accommodate the changes.
- Also based on the proposal, the junior program will start Saturday morning, October 22nd
- NRA pistol indoor sectional will be held January 27th, 28th and 29th

Hunter Education – Beau Bosovich

- Based on the Octoberfest discussion, Hunter Ed will be held on 10/1st & 2nd, 15th & 16th and the 23rd.
- Mike Christensen and Walton Landree to assist

Communications – Tom Becker:

- Tom Becker stated that the Fall newsletter will be completed by the end of August. Anyone who has material to be added to the newsletter please forward it to Tom. Newsletter published about three times a year.
- Tom keeps track of work hours worked toward your membership.
- Dora went to Camp Perry and place:
 - 4th with 824-17x among all women in .45
 - 23rd among all Expert shooters in .45
 - Finished 36 in Expert overall with a 2438-39x.
- Aaron Stempeck earned Top Navy for National Trophy Individual at Camp Perry. He shot 485-12X, 1st Place, winning the Wyatt Trophy in CMP High Power Rifle.

Old Business:

- Scott Lauder reported that we have two members upgraded their NRA membership to a life membership. The club received a small commission for those membership upgrades.
- Steve Close sent an email stating that he is exploring an in-house procedure to validate NRA membership. As part of the gold NRA membership, we are required to maintain a 100% participation in the NRA. Steve talked about the ideas for NRA membership validation previously proposed. He went through first to look for all members that didn't have numbers posted in the database. There were 11, Steve sent emails to each and received 6 responses leaving 5 missing. Steve is recommending we validate membership information internally. Jim Conti suggested we turn off the key if proof of membership is not made available. During club membership renewal, members must provide proof of membership, failure to comply will result in the turning off of your Southport key. If you are not technically inclined, cut the label off your NRA magazine and send it. If you are technically inclined, scan it and email it to Steve Close.
- **Nick put forward a motion that "In January, all members must show current NRA membership. They have till February 28, 2017 to comply or their membership key is turned off till that do show that proof." The motion was seconded by Ken Normandy. After brief discussion the motion passed via voice vote with not dissenting votes.**
- Jon Speck will provide the IRS 501-3c status information next month.

New Business:

- The pistol league signup sheet will be made available Bill returns
- Southport had our first bounced check. Agreed that we need to recoup our bounced check costs.
- Put in another notice for keeping the door shut between the range and the meeting room.

Announcements:

- The **"Southport Gun Club Presidents Award"** was presented Tom Becker for his outstanding service, leadership and dedication as president of the Southport gun club, 2006 to 2016.
- In addition, the **"Tom Becker Outstanding Service Award"**, an award that will be awarded annually to an individual, was first presented to Tom Becker for his service this last year.

Closing:

- Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Jon Speck
Secretary
Southport Gun Club