

Minutes of the HVGC Board Meeting

9-29-2021

The meeting was called to order at 12:07pm with board members Steve Zwicker, Steve Herold, George Gaumer, George Martin, Pam McCauley, Vince McCauley, Al Davis, Dave Merzel and Corey Hardman being present.

Financials: George Martin noted that the club has total assets of \$72,65.12 as of 8-31-2021. The final numbers for the Utah State Super Sport were not in at the time of the meeting but were updated the day after to reflect the final Lewis payouts. That data is included here. Total revenue for the shoot was \$64,389.95 and profit to the club was \$16,788.92. Over 51,500 targets were thrown during the 4 days.

RSO and Safety: Vince McCauley briefed the plan for a large RSO certification class to be held in the Nov/Dec time frame to accommodate the 5 new volunteers. Additionally, it is hoped that several more members will be added to the list in anticipation of expanding the Sporting Clays course access and usage. More details to follow when scheduling concerns with instructors and volunteer availability can be ironed out.

WCB Event hosting: George Gaumer and Vince McCauley briefed the plan for the club to act as host venue for 3 Wasatch Clay Buster events next spring and summer. There will be a Skeet competition, Trap Competition and Sporting Clay competition held on different days in April and May 2022, dates to be finalized later. Every effort will be made to minimize the impact on membership shooting opportunities while supporting the WCB team. Rules are being formalized that will streamline the events, particularly skeet, and improve efficiency. The last event hosted by the WCB was overwhelmingly chaotic. Issues that will be corrected include no late registration, no coaching during the event, a time limit for each round and a basic proficiency in skeet in order to participate. Dave Merzel discussed the precedent of other youth and intramural activities for the club strictly defining participation standards that will help these events to run more smoothly. UTYESS will be informed of the HVGC rules and standards that must be met for us to host these events.

Additionally, a compromise schedule has been agreed to that will allow the WCB team to have adequate practice time available that doesn't put undue stress on club members. Beginning in January the club will stay open an additional 2 hours on Saturdays for the exclusive use of the WCB for team practice. We have been promised a new level of parental involvement and support and we'll use the months from January to March to evaluate that support before hosting the above mentioned WCB events.

Website and IT: Al Davis will explore getting a new website host to gain local and immediate control over our club website.

Expansion of the Sporting Clay course: Corey Hardman presented a plan to purchase 13 automatic card reader controllers for the sporting clay machines using profits from the recent successful events. The 3 primary benefits of the upgrade are inventory control, improved access and revenue enhancement. It's been estimated that target loss can be as much as 15 -30 percent on from over-shooting and pre-shoot viewing. The controllers will account for all targets thrown and charge each customer accordingly. The bid from Homer Hansen is under \$20,000 dollars with some additional accessories (batteries, mobile carts, etc) adding perhaps \$2,000 dollars more.

Questions and concerns about the proposal were primarily related to access control and expanded hours. The machines will be programmed to only operate at approved times and

anyone with off-hour access to the club gate must be a certified NRA RSO. Expanding hours must come with the approval of the Utah DWR. Card holders can only use the club during normal hours or when accompanied by a HVGC approved RSO on our access list. Additional members will be enlisted as RSO's and trained alongside those mentioned above. Corey, Vince and Zwick will meet with Derek Murdoch of the DWR soon to gauge the level of support we can expect and to enlist them as allies in this effort.

New Business: Zwick announced that Winter Hours will begin at 9am on Wednesday, Oct 13, 2021. There will be a members only Turkey Shoot tentatively scheduled for November 6, 2021 with details and format to be announced shortly.

The meeting was adjourned at 1;45pm.