

## BSC – Club Meeting Minutes

**Date:** *April 9, 2023* (due to snow storm) **Meeting Opened @ 7:38 pm**

Attendance: Dan Luks, John Billings, Mike Noblini, Norm Gemme, Vinny Kotowski, John “Fig” Neri, Aaron Latulipe, Mike Wood, and Janet Pierce

Absent: Glenn Carter

### VP’s REPORT

- The total number of current club members is **154 (Max 175 members)**
- **New Member:** Justin Silkey (Carl Silkey sponsored)

### Secretary’s Report

- April’s Meeting Minutes posted to BSC Website and approved on file.
  - o **Attendees:** 32 in attendance

### Treasurer’s Report

- Balance \$29,625.82

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### League and Committees:

1. **Archery** – 3-D Archery to begin end of April, weather permitting (5:30 pm & 6:00 pm shooting start times). 3 pins 25 yds, 45 yds and over. Archery 3-D course clean-up Sunday, April 21<sup>s</sup> - \$20 per month (funds go to target maintenance). Mike Woods – indicated there may be grant money for logging some of the course through a grant (may pursue in 2025)
2. **Range-Pistol** – Vinny and Mike are looking into acquiring new signage for the pistol/rifle range, costs to be provided at an upcoming meeting. Stations 1 – 10 (close impact stations) will be designated as pistols (.22, .38, .357, 9 mm and assorted handguns and rim fire .22 rifles only). Please pick up brass, remove targets and return target stands when done shooting. Stations 11 – 20 will be designated for 200-yard rifle shooting and remaining stations for 100 yard and sighting in firearms. **NO Tannerite ALLOWED! No foreign objects, glass bottles or cans for target practice!**
3. **Range-.22 Rifle Shoot** – Brent Leger and Harry Riendauto co-chair the .22 Rifle shoots in May- 2024! Begging in **May 2024 every Tuesday**, May 7<sup>th</sup> the .22 rifle shoot will begin, \$20 per person and at the conclusion of the month a steak dinner will be served. This will be repeated into the early fall (end date TBD).
4. **Range-200-yard rifle** – no new updates, spring clean-up and possible shoots this coming year.

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5. **Sporting Clays** – Committee to evaluate some recommendations based on issues that may need to be addressed on the clays range.
6. **Trap – POC**–Mike Noblini has indicated that Trap Shoots will commence at the end of April, a one-call to announce the start will be sent. Once underway, shoots will occur weekly (weather permitting) on **Wednesday's at 7 pm.**

### OLD BUSINESS

1. **Glenn – New Club Soundboard acquired:** Cordless microphone and sound system was purchased as approved by the members previously.
2. **Vinny – Range Signage:** Vinny will be researching costs for new signage as documented by the pistol range committee.
3. **NRCS Grant money** –Herm is researching the possibility of the management plan, which is pending. Mike is researching the forestry management plan and signatories from the club, which may need to be additionally filed to proceed with further grant funds on the Chapter 61 program for the forestry plan.
4. **Game Dinner update** – Held **Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**, 141 tickets sold, and the event was **sold-out again!**
5. **Club apparel** –Rob D will be acquiring additional club apparel. Rob received quotes and the members voted to approve an order for 25 of each (2 types of hunter orange and 2 types of camo hats) in the March meeting. Estimated at \$18.95 each = \$1895 to order, Rob will provide any updates at the May meeting.
6. **Glenn – new event added to calendar:** Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> Blue and Gold Ceremony for the Cub Scouts (1 – 4 pm), Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> (1 – 4 pm) Eagle Boy Scout Court of Honor Ceremony and Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> (1 – 4 pm) Eagle Boy Scout Court of Honor Ceremony. Members voted/approved at the April meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. **Bylaw change** mailing and membership renewal forms mailed out with club membership renewals on April 9, 2024.
  - a. By-Law review – The board reviewed and proposed some changes to the bylaws, which were approved at the February 1st member meeting. (This will require 3 consecutive meetings for member review and approval once documented):
    - i. Elimination of term limits for the President/Vice President positions
    - ii. Updates to the by-law for club dissolution – to be drafted by Cranston & Cranston

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2. **Signage** - Update on range signage and vendor choice.
3. **Junior Conservation Camp**- Kara Trottier will attend BSC sponsorship (Scott Trottier's daughter being sponsored).
4. **Club cleanup**–The members voted for Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> for club-cleanup day.
5. **Maintenance/Repairs** - Building(s)/pavilion needs and repairs.The Ladies room needs a new vanity, Fig seeking possible options and will report back (members voted to have Fig pursue at a cost of \$500 - \$600). Jeff Degnan will remove the old mower in the shed and either fix it up or junk it if it is not salvageable.
6. **Internet Access** - Springhill Rd internet progress. Mike conferred with Mark Salinas that work should be completed in the next 2 – 3 months.
7. **WRWAC**– Ware River Water Advisory Committee updates. Mike made recommendations to open the roads in October (Rubin Walker to Colebrook, Colbert to Prison Camp to route 122). This is still being discussed, but Mike is advocating for sportsman/women on the accessibility.
8. **BARRE PD Shoot** – The members voted to provide a shooting date of the 3 options: Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> (7 am – 3 pm). Once they've determined which date will work, we will update the calendar with the date.
9. **Sportsman's Challenge**: The Hardwick Club will be hosting the Sportsman's Challenge, Vinny Kotowski has put together a team of 5 and is looking to see if any other members would like to join a 2<sup>nd</sup> team. On Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 am, a practice 300-yard shoot and pistol shooting will be held and every week thereafter till the Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at Hardwick.

**NEXT MEETINGS – May 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:30 pm**

**MEETING ADJOURNED @ \_\_\_\_\_**