

LA GRANDE RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 8, 2020

MEETING LOCATION:

North Fir St., La Grande, Oregon, Conference Room of Anderson-Perry & Assoc. (next to the Hobby Habit store).

The annual meeting of the La Grande Rifle and Pistol Club (the “Club”) was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Darrel Plank. Members of the 2019 Executive Committee present were Darrel Plank, Dick Hohstadt and Sheldon Strand. Also present were 17 members/attendees, providing a quorum for election of 2020 officers in accordance with Article VI(A) of the Bylaws.

DISCIPLINE REPORTS:

No reports were given for the following disciplines:

Defensive Pistol
Cowboy Action/SASS
Muzzleloaders
Traditional Archers

.22 Silhouette: Reported by Gary Langlitz. December, 2019 shoot had 6 participants. January, 2020 shoot had 15 participants and excellent weather. Bob Bork has been conducting “Schuetzen” matches in addition to the regular silhouette relays, these side matches are proving to be popular and will be continued through the season.

OLD BUSINESS:

A general question was asked concerning the keys to the Club post office box and the Club safety deposit box. Currently, Sheldon Strand has possession of the key for the safety deposit box and Gary Langlitz has possession of the key for the PO Box.

A question was asked concerning the procedure for applying for Club membership through the Club website. The website only provides for the downloading of the membership application form and the Club Range Rules and gives a description of the application process. The prospective member will need to fill out the application form, sign the Range Rules, obtain a passport size photograph and mail the completed forms, photo, and membership fee to the Club PO Box.

A need was expressed concerning door closers for the toilets and/or signing to “Close the door when finished”. This need is an effort to keep rodents from chewing up the toilet paper. No follow up action was indicated.

The Eagle Cap Shooters Assoc. (Enterprise, OR) inquired concerning the Club source for cardboard pistol silhouette targets. Sheldon S. and Dutch Brogoitti will follow up with source info and whether the Club might have extra targets that could be sold.

A lengthy discussion was held concerning recent vandalism of pistol bay equipment and range

vandalism in general. The steel plate rack in the pistol bays has been damaged to the point of being unsafe for use by bullets presumably fired from high power center fire rifles. The rack is designed for use with pistol caliber and rim fire weapons. This rack weighs approx. 400 pounds and is estimated to cost \$1500-\$2000 to replace. This rack is currently being evaluated by a local fabricator to determine repair-ability and repair costs. Discussion topics included: removal of the plate rack from the range when not in use, install a new bulletin board at the pistol bay entrance with signing concerning the acceptable use/cartridges at the bays, identification of club member/non-member vandals, consequences (loss of membership, expulsion from club, prosecution for property damage and trespass, restitution, etc.), electronic surveillance, training requirements for membership, have range/safety officers regularly present at the ranges, report vandalism incidents to law enforcement, provide article/pictures concerning vandalism to local media, provide reward for info leading to successful prosecution of vandals, appropriate changes to Club Bylaws and Range Rules, research other shooting clubs and NRA for additional solutions to this problem. This topic will be the subject of future discussions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Leslie Michael has volunteered and been appointed by vote to be the Membership Coordinator. She is being provided with the necessary computer/printer to handle the processing of memberships and preparation of ID badges. She will work in conjunction with the Secretary.

Darrel Plank suggested that the Club provide some type of gift to Anderson-Perry for the free use of the meeting room. He will follow up.

Chris Hubble, representing the newly-formed local chapter of The Well Armed Woman (TAWW), gave a short presentation and indicated that 48 women attended their first meeting. The needs of TAWW for the use of the pistol range and 300 yard clubhouse were discussed and potential calendar dates/times were determined. Also discussed was the need for a cleaning of the 300 yard clubhouse, Dick H. will follow up.

Les Henderson asked for an acknowledgment of the many years of service that Darrel Plank has given to the Club. A hearty round of applause was provided by all present.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nominations for 2020 Club officers was re-opened, having been commenced during the December meeting, with the following results:

President: Karl Baum by unanimous vote

Vice President: Dick Hohstadt by unanimous vote.

Secretary: Gary Langlitz by unanimous vote.

Treasurer: Sheldon Strand by unanimous vote.

Executive Officer: Dale Frizzel and Darrel Plank were nominated. Darrel was elected by a 10-7 vote.

Chief Instructor: Catherine Parks. While not present at this meeting, Catherine had indicated her willingness to accept this position, contingent on the Club covering the training fee for the next level of NRA certified firearms instructors. Catherine was elected by unanimous vote and the Club agreed to cover the cost of the training.

Trustees: (All elected by unanimous vote)

Gene Paul (2020 one year term)

Dutch Brogoitti (2020-21 two year term)

Jim Grey (2020-21 two year term)

Bill Boren (not up for re-election, will be completing the second year of his current term).

AUDIT:

The yearly audit for 2019 needs to be completed as soon as possible. Sheldon Strand will follow up.

FINANCIAL:

Sheldon S. reported that the Club has a couple of time certificates that are maturing. He will follow up.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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These meeting minutes were read and approved at the February 5, 2020 business meeting.