Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports

Monthly Meeting

December 5, 2024 / 6:30 p.m. / MVSS Classroom at range

Attendees

*Phillip Pruett	*Brock Hammond	-Fritz Lawrence
*Jason Browning	-Tom Greenling	- Scott Gardenhire
*Rick Richardson	-Preston Benfield	-Keith Brodd
*Randy Toepher	-Jim Ramsey	-Karen Parmeter

1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

1.1 Minutes of 11/7/2024

2.0 Financial

2.1 Financial. "Statement of Financial Position" dated 12/3/24 showing a total bank account in the amount of $85,621 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2024 showing a total income of $58,152 and a total outgo of $46,203 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of $11,949.

2.2 Club House Fund Balance $28,186

2.3 Status of MVSS club tokens in Phillip's Possession.

2086
(25) Paid Phillip $150 for purchase of padlocks.
114 Skeet, Preston, 12/4/24
5 Sporting clays 11/16/24
2180

3.0 Skeet

3.1 Paul Giambrone will be at the range on January 17-20, 2025 to give skeet lessons. The available slots are almost filled. Please contact Preston if you wish to schedule lessons.

3.2 Our registered skeet "Bag a Bird" event was 11/8 through 11/10/24. We only had about 12 shooters but were still able to net approximately $2,100.

3.3 The Southwest Youth shoot is scheduled for December 7 and 8, 2024. Preston and Jason expect 15-20 youth shooters for both skeet and trap. The trap shoot is a registered event and adults are also welcome.

4.0 Trap

4.1 There are a couple of guys that repair/maintain the trap and skeet machines for Tucson Trap & Skeet. They will be coming through Las Cruces this spring. Jim Ramsey spoke with them and they said to give them a call in February.

5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand

5.1 Next 5 Stand - 12/7/24.

5.2 Next Sporting Clays - 2/15/25

6.0 Current membership list. 94 paid members for 2024 (includes 13 Life members). Note that all members (including life members) need to fill out the new form with the liability language.

7.0 Facility Grounds Care

7.1 There are eight more benches that need to be installed on the skeet fields. Another work day will be scheduled to complete these.

7.2 We have ordered 10 padlocks all keyed the same. They will replace the padlocks on the maingate, traps 1 through 4, the "P" trap and the west metal container. All locks in place are in place now. Contact Phillip if you need a key.

7.3 Jim put a small vacuum in each trap house #1 - 4. Jim and Rick also installed a new bulletin board and dry erase board in the main storage room. Thank you guys.

8.0 Discussion

8.1 The fence and cow saga has ended. On Nov. 16, 2024, Vaquero Fence Co. completed the new west fence. MVSS paid them $4,653, in full, for the installation.

8.2 Mike Smelker to advise on the progression of our Master Plan with the City.

8.3 We are completely out of MVSS caps. Jason will get us a quote for 100 caps of various colors and styles. We received a quote from Elevated Solutions (Jason) in the amount of $2,310.28. It was sent to the board members for their review/approval. All voted to proceed. A check was issued to Elevated Solutions. Jason brought about 75% of the order to the meeting. The caps look great! The remainder of the order will be completed within the week. We agreed in the meeting to sell the caps for $25.00 each.

8.4 One of the board positions, currently held by Phillip Pruett, is expiring January 2025. Scott Gardenhire nominated Phillip to run for the open board position. Phillip accepted the nomination. No other nominations were heard.

8.5 Targets: We are running short of targets and agreed to order a semi trailer full (23 pallets) to be delivered the week of 1/20/25 and off loaded and stocked on Saturday January 25, 2025. Phillip will consult with Brock on Monday regarding the target order.

8.6 Preston said that Barry Papake could not attend tonight but he wanted to float the idea of changing the Senior life membership fee from $1,000 to $500.

8.7 Rick said the 4H Southwest District has voted to include shotgun in with their other disciplines. They have asked Rick if MVSS could host their first shoot in mid May 2025 and they requested an afternoon start. The general consensus was "yes, please invite them".

9.0 Shoot Schedule (Always refer to the calendar on the MVSS website for the latest information.)

1 Skeet/Trap - Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 to 12:00

2 Skeet Club Shoot - Preston to advise dates via email

3 Sporting Clays - 3rd Saturday of the month (Excluding Nov., Dec. and Jan.)
4 5 Stand - First Saturday of the month - 9:00 to 12:00. October shoot canceled.
5 Southwest Youth Skeet Shoot & Adult and Youth Trap - December 7 & 8, 2024 (expect 40 kids)
6 NM Clay Target Association - Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays - Jan 31- Feb 2, 2025 (expect 100 kids)
7 Host Lions Club Trap Shoot - September 27, 2025 (21 teams in 2024)

Next month's meeting will be held on Thursday January 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at NMDGF

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm