Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports

Monthly Meeting

February 6, 2025 / 6:30 p.m. / NMDGF

Attendees

*Phillip Pruett	-Karen Parmeter	-Fritz Lawerence	-Vic Babin
*Rick Richardson	-Tom Greenling	- Scott Gardenhire	-Bob Kirkpatrick
*Jason Browning	-Preston Benfield	-Keith Brodd	
*	-Jim Ramsey	-Ray Bundy	

1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

1.1 Minutes of 1/2/2025

2.0 Financial

2.1 "Statement of Financial Position" dated 2/3/25 showing a total bank account in the amount of $88,662 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2025 showing a total income of $4,346 and a total outgo of $2,173 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of $2,173.

2.2 Club House Fund Balance $28,232

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

2256	
3	5 stand 1/4/25
183	Skeet, Preston 1/22/25
8	Sporting Clays 2/2/25
100	Trap, Jimmy 2/5/25
2550	

3.0 Skeet

3.1 Paul Giambrone was at the range on January 17-20, 2025 to give skeet lessons. Preston said it was a successful training course. They threw about 135 rounds, despite the cold windy days. There were a total of 14 shooters (4 adults and 10 kids).

3.2 Next club skeet shoot will be 2/23/25. Preston said it's a lot better if the shooters will shoot 4 rounds.

3.3 2024 skeet targets thrown 81,150 (plus Brock's totals from registered shoots) This information was given to Phillip after the meeting.

4.0 Trap

4.1 There are a couple of guys that repair/maintain the trap and skeet machines for Tucson Trap & Skeet. Jim Ramsey said they declined to come through this spring but will try to schedule it later this year.

4.2 Jerry said that the bottom boxes of targets in trap houses 1 - 3 are damaged from moisture. We have had this problem for years. It was decided to line the walls with ½" insulation board before we restock on January 25, 2025. Phillip purchased 1" insulation board. Phillip, Randy and Rick installed the board in trap houses 1, 2 and 3 on January 14, 2025.

4.3 2024 trap targets thrown 112,713

5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand

5.1 Next 5 Stand - 3/1/25.

5.2 Next Sporting Clays - 2/15/25

5.3 We wanted to set up a practice station for sporting clays at the existing station #9. We moved two of our small containers there to house the machines and targets. Ken Hunter said he would purchase and donate to the club two new MEC clay machines and accessories to make it happen. Phillip will get a quote from MEC (should be around $7,000) and discuss it with Ken.

6.0 Current membership list. 61 paid members for 2025 (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 Flagpole rope/pulley system broken. Jason will see if he has equipment that can lift a man approximately 40'.

7.3 Faucet broke on trap field #4. Phillip will notify the City.

8.0 Discussion

8.1 **-No Change-** Mike Smelker to advise on the progression of our Master Plan with the City.

8.2 We now have MVSS caps to purchase. They are $25 each.

8.3 The NMHSCTA shoot was this past weekend and was a very successful shoot. We invoiced them $14,667. Next year we need more cardboard bins (hopefully 3 total). Also, we need more help, 2 at skeet, 2 at trap and 2 at sporting clays (total of 4 per venue). Each venue only needs 2 people at a time for approximately 8 hours per day. The two person crews need to stagger with another 2 person crew.

33,200 trap targets

11,928 skeet targets

9,580 sporting clays targets

54,708 total targets

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. Voting for this board position was due January 30, 2025 (one week before the annual

meeting on 2/6/25). Votes were emailed to Randy Toepher. Since he could not attend this meeting he turned the voting results over to Rick. Rick said that Phillip Pruett ran unopposed and received 13 votes. Phillip has been voted in for another 3 year term.

8.5 Targets: A semi trailer full (23 pallets) was delivered on 1/24/25. That Friday, Phillip, Randy, Tom and Keith offloaded the 23 pallets and staged them at each skeet and trap house and took the sporting clay targets to their container. Brock had secured the shipping through Wild West (Woody) and Phillip had secured the forklift with Sunbelt Rentals (Mark Halvorsen).

Numerous people (30-40) had answered the call to help stock targets on 1/25/25. With their great help we were able to stock all the skeet and trap houses in record time! We began shooting at approximately 10:30. **THANK YOU to all that helped!!**

8.6 Goals for 2025

1. **Mine Lead.**
2. **Enlarge sporting clays parking lot - Relocate Station #1 - Set up a practice station.**
3. **Enlarge parking lot at skeet fields.**
4. **Figure out a new trash disposal system at trap and skeet ranges.**
5. **Replace the door knobs on the skeet fields.**

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.
5 Youth Skeet Camp - January 3-4, 2025
6 NMHSCTA - Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays - Jan 31- Feb 2, 2025 (expect 100 kids)
7 NM 4H Seniors County Contest - March 29, 2025
8 Senior Olympics - April 19, 2025 - **This date is tentative**.
9 NM Novice/Juniors County Contest - April 26, 2025
10 Mesilla Valley Open - Registered Skeet - May 2-4, 2025
11 Quail Forever Fundraiser Trap Shoot - May 10, 2005
12 4H District Contest - May 21, 2025
13 FireCracker Open Registered Skeet - July 11-13, 2025
14 Dona Ana County Fair Shooting Events - July 25-26, 2025
15 Host Lions Club Trap Shoot - September 27, 2025 (21 teams in 2024)
16 Members Appreciation/Founders Day Shoot - October 4, 2025
17 Bag A Bird - Registered Skeet - November 7-9, 2025

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm