

El Dorado Hills Bowmen (EDHB)

Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2022

This month's General Meeting was held at the Range Clubhouse, 3321 El Dorado Hills Blvd., El Dorado Hills, CA 95762.

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by VP Events Elect, Kayo Shiveley at 6:33 PM.

2) Attendance

The following were in attendance:

- Board Officers – VP Events James Myers, VP Events Elect Kayo Shiveley, Treasurer David McReynolds, Secretary Sal Segura, Range Manager Greg Landon, Range Manager Elect Rob Kunstel, VP Publicity Elect Debbie Heise, and Member at Large Elect Kerry Gragg.
- General Membership – members Michael Ramsbotham and Jeff Summers were also in attendance.

3) Treasurer's Report

Dave McReynolds reported that although membership dues income was down this reporting period, funds have been supplemented by income derived from the Monthly 3D Club Shoots, with just under \$300 taken in in December alone. Club expenses totaled approximately \$1,000 – most from member reimbursement for out-of-pocket spending on Range repairs and in preparing for the membership renewal process. In all, the Club's account holds approximately \$5,000 over the same period last year.

The FEDHPAR account balance also exceeds that of last year's, with a total of \$745 taken in in donations during this period. There were no significant expenses from either account.

4) Secretary's Report

Sal reported that new memberships continued to trickle in, despite the lateness of the year. He supposed credit should be given to a combination of Debbie's outreach in late October and the attraction of the Club 3D Shoots. Sal was not prepared with precise figures on membership breakdown but noted that we have exceeded 2021's final total.

5) Old Business

- BSA Project – Kiddie Range Backstop Status - James related he received an email from Mr. Tom Grube Jr., requesting to meet and for the Club to provide the materials necessary to complete the backstop, i.e., conveyor belt. James recalled that the original plans called for the BSA to supply said materials and that he had been out of town and unable to meet with Mr. Grube. Rob interjected that the source of the conveyor belt has been exhausted and we will need to prioritize its use. James agreed to recontact Tom and determine whether to declare the project completed as is, and to retrieve loaned digging tools.

It was generally felt that this project suffered from disjointed communication between the BSA representatives and the Club. The resolve was to better manage by assigning a continuous, single point of Club contact in the future.

- BSA Work on Memorial Shed - Greg reported that he has attempted to communicate with the young lady interested in this project but has received no reply.
- December 7th Board Meeting – Sal gave an overview of membership-related discussions and decisions made during the Board Meeting held on December 7th. To summarize:
 - ✓ Changes to the MOU governing dues and Workday credit were voted in, eliminating partial year, prorated dues and changing Workday credits from a 10/30/50 percent to 15/15/15 percent.
 - ✓ The July decision to change the Member’s Lock combination on a quarterly basis was rescinded and replaced with changes to take place “as necessary.” Additionally, the Locked-In lock procedures will be revised to minimize the unauthorized vehicle entry.
 - ✓ Member ID cards will continue to be color-coded to the year of issuance, but will also contain an expiration date, allowing confirmation of membership status. In addition, the Club vehicle stickers will now include a year of issuance.

Sal indicated he sent a sample email to all Officers containing proposed text for the renewal notice to be sent via Chimpmail to the membership, as well as instructions on how to use a coupon code for 2022 volunteers to get their reduced dues. He asked for feedback on the instructions, as well as on the overall experience of renewing online and applying the coupon. He reminded attendees that the membership drive is already significantly delayed.

- ATV Replacement. Greg recounted the variety of mechanical ailments from which the ATV is suffering. The Club is not able to effect the necessary repairs and there are no local shops willing to undertake the work, due to the vehicle’s age. It was resolved that we need to start working on a replacement - well ahead of April’s Open Shoot. Kayo related he had put out some feelers with dealerships. A new replacement will be in the range of about \$7,000. James suggested we seek member’s help through Mailchimp. The vehicle parameters are: a new/reasonably recent model ATV with a 400cc or larger engine and four-wheel drive. It was noted that we could emphasize that donations through FEDHPAR are tax deductible.

Sal agreed to make a document suitable for Mailchimp and/or posting. He asked for a volunteer to handle incoming calls/emails from those interested in helping/donating.

6) New Business

- Girl Scouts’ (GS) Request for Club Participation – Kayo received a request for the Club to take part at a GS outdoor event to be held on April 22nd at Camanche Lake, near Lone. The GS offered several options for participation, including archery instruction, staffing a Club display booth, etc. Following discussion, it was resolved that due to limited resources that weekend, the Club should limit involvement to a display booth. Kayo will continue to coordinate with the GS and will work with Debbie to prepare for the event.
- Locked-In Procedures – During the November meeting, it came to light that the recording used for inadvertent lock-ins includes the combination for the secondary gate lock. In fact, the process originally agreed on was that a caller would have to speak to a Board

member who would determine what proper action to take. If the combination was provided, the lock would be re-programmed shortly thereafter.

The unannounced change in procedures (implemented due to the single point-of-contact's frequent work travel) has given rise to the concern that making this second combination so easily accessible renders control on the members-only combination ineffective. It was decided to return to the original practice, where the errant guest is placed in touch with an Officer instead of automatically supplied with a combination. To ensure the locked-in individual contacts someone who can help, the recording will supply two alternate phone numbers to call in succession. Volunteers will be needed to handle this task.

James will continue to be the primary contact, with Kayo and David acting as alternates. The new process will be placed into effect as soon as Kayo and David acquire and provide James with telephone numbers to include in the recording. In the meantime, the lock combination will be updated.

7) Events

- Monthly 3D Shoot Status – Jeff Summers and John Papagna have taken the lead on this monthly project, and it has seen significant success over the past six months. Jeff reported that the shoots are well attended, and set-up/take down of the targets is running smoothly. Rob Kunstel made a couple of suggestions to further streamline the cleanup process and set-up. Given the positive outcome to date, Jeff asked the Board for permission to continue to schedule shoots through the end of 2023.

Jeff was asked to provide Rob or Greg the proposed schedule to minimize conflict with other events, and to post to the Club website and calendar. Ms. Heise will assist in distributing flyers and otherwise getting word out.

- Annual Dinner. Kayo related he had contacted both the Grange and the Culinary Academy. There are new staff at the latter, and he is working on setting the date, possibly to include a menu like that of last year's. The cost for the Grange is likely to remain the same and based on his conversation with the new Culinary Academy coordinator, so will the cost of the meals. Kayo said he is also working on a back-up plan to hold the event at the Out of Bounds brewery/pub, though it was felt the outdoor venue would not be suitable for the weather.

Once a date is selected Kayo will update/create a flyer and the information will be supplied to allow the Webmaster to create online registration. Debbie will work with Kayo to encourage attendance.

- 3D Open Shoot. Kayo worked with Greg and James on establishing a date that does not conflict with other club competitions. While not optimal, it was decided to schedule for April 1-2. Rob conveyed that he has already sought out volunteers to set up targets and

- to get the Range in prime condition. Kayo has arranged to get on NFAA's calendar and will coordinate with Debbie and others to promote the event early, avoiding last year's disappointing turnout.

Kayo will work on finalizing a flyer, supply it to Debbie for distribution and to Webmaster Lockhart to allow development of online registration.

- 2023 Workday Schedule – The 2023 Quarterly Workday Schedule has been decided on. They will be held on the second Saturday of the first month of each quarter: January 14, April 8, July 8 and October 14. These dates have been entered to the Club Calendar.

8) Maintenance Projects

- Damage on Range - Rob reported that someone has been shooting at the target instruction frame at Target #21. He is considering relocating it and/or placing plate steel to discourage its use as a target.
- 3D Targets - Rob and Greg assessed the stock of 3D targets and found that some do not have proper stands. Rob will see about working with a welder to adapt those we do have to make them suitable. The Club spent over \$12,000 in restocking these targets two years ago. While most are still in good shape, there are some in need of replacement/attention. It was generally agreed that we should start replacing them in ones and twos, rather than waiting until a majority are beyond help. The group was reminded that income from the Monthly 3D Shoots was slated for use to this end.
- Canopies - Kayo inquired if canopies are available for use at Club and other events. While we have a couple, they are rather shabby due to a lack of proper storage (they pre-date the new storage facility). There was some discussion about acquiring a new one bearing the Bowmen logo/graphics. Kayo related they range from \$600 with graphics to \$200, without.

Kayo was asked to obtain specific prices for the Board to consider.

- Front Entrance Sign – Greg related that he has still not been able to obtain a written/emailed estimate on replacing our sign with an all-metal cut out. Rob related he will try to seek out other vendors.

9) Good of the Order

- Sal related that ours is not the only range suffering from improper broadhead use. Lone and others have completely banned their possession ANYWHERE/ANY TIME except when an archer is at the broadhead pits. Sal suggested we might consider the same approach if we continue to see damage.
- Sal conveyed that Dennis Sorensen, who manages our stock of paper targets has reported continued shortages of the 20 cm., 4 cluster, targets. The ensuing discussion

ended with a suggestion that we start tracking all target use. Sal will re-contact Dennis and ask for his input.

- Irene Hashimoto suggested via email that we institute a mandatory orientation for new members. This would allow the Club to meet new archers and enable reinforcement of proper practices and rules, perhaps helping to avoid abuse of the targets and the facility. It was the consensus that while this would be optimal, and practiced on a request basis, it is impractical due to a lack of available staff. Additionally, it was felt that most damage is caused by non-members, since we are open to the public.
- James related that it has been the practice of the Club to introduce new Board members to the staff at CSD. He will work on some tentative dates when this might be possible to arrange.

10) Adjournment – January 11 was confirmed as the next General Meeting date. There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made reg to adjourn at 8:16 PM.