El Dorado Hills Bowmen (EDHB)
Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2024

This meeting took place at the El Dorado Hills Saloon and Grill, 879 Embarcadero Dr., El Dorado Hills, CA 95762, where attendees socialized while awaiting the meeting to start.

1. **Call to Order**
   The Meeting was called to order by President Kayo Shiveley at 6:35 PM.

2. **Attendance**
   In addition to President Kayo, Treasurer David McReynolds, VP Events Greg Dodds, VP Publicity Debbie Heise, and Secretary Sal Segura were present. Members Duane Heilman, Bill Peterson, Willow Musser, and Catalina Oatridge also attended. Duane also serves as FEDHPAR President and Bill is a past EDHB President. Greg D also brought in guest Lauren Bolton. Kayo took time to welcome and have new members introduce themselves.

3. **Treasurer's Report**
   David provided an overview of Club and FEDHPAR finances. The Club took in approximately $1,300 this past month and continues with a healthy overall balance. Expenses included $4,300 in insurance, $350 in supplies, $700 for purchasing bows and arrows, and $1,060 in target expenses. FEDHPAR took in $1,066 in donations and $840 from classes. A total of $5,885 was spent on range maintenance and improvements and insurance. It, too, continues with a healthy balance.

   David also provided a comparison of operational expenses for the past five years. The figures vary considerably from year-to-year, based on large purchases/significant improvements, but average $40 to $45 thousand annually.

4. **Secretary's Report**
   Sal reported there were 17 memberships in the past month: 12 Family; four Adult, and one Youth. The totals are below:

Period	Family	Adult	Senior	Youth
6/10-7/10/24	6	6	3	0
			Active Memberships	**304**

5. **Old Business**
   - Entrance Sign Update – Sal reported that two bids were obtained for the support frames for the Banner and New Club/Range Signs. It was decided to go with past member Jason Spears', since it was over $600 cheaper than the other. Sal has been in regular contact with Jason and, it is hoped the materials will arrive on Friday. Depending on their arrival, work will start either late Friday morning or Monday. Sal will be clearing out the rear of the Storage Building to accommodate the assembly and asked all to keep it uncluttered until then. Once the frames have been completed the Club will need to arrange for an auger to dig the post holes and perhaps to lift the structures into place.

- National Night Out – Kayo reported that despite significant preparations, the Community Services District (CSD), which hosts the event, called it off at the last minute. Apparently, emergency responders, who contribute significantly to the displays and activities, were tied up at various wildfires. Kayo displayed a tri-fold pamphlet that had been prepared for the event, and which will now be available for other uses.

- CSD Communications – Kayo has been attending various public meetings being held by the District. Future use of the land recently purchased from developers, and which sits adjacent to the Range has repeatedly been a focal point. The CSD recently reported on the information compiled from a community survey and Kayo took the opportunity to convey the Club's hopes for the land's use. He hopes to meet with Mark Hornstra, the new Director, to strengthen the Club's relationship and to arrange the annual archery Team Building Exercise they have conducted in the past. Kayo also related he will be contacting the El Dorado Hills Promise Foundation to seek funding for the purchase of 3D targets and perhaps facility improvements, such as a shade structure for the Training Range.

- CPR/First Aid Training – This training is a CSD requirement for those teaching the CSD/EDHB Archery Classes. At the time the requirement was imposed, CSD staff indicated they would be willing to host training for our instructors. Greg D has contacted them about certifying our instructors and was told they may be able to make a few slots available in their September classes. The cost is $100 per student. If available, the Club will prioritize member attendance based upon teaching involvement.

  A motion was made that, if there is a cost affiliated with the certification, the Club or FEDHPAR consider covering it. Sal then recalled that member Brandi James, also of the CSD Recreations Programs staff, had mentioned that she might become a CPR/First Aid instructor as part of her CSD duties, and might be able to provide an EDHB-specific course, perhaps at a reduced rate.

  Kayo will follow up with Brandi to see if an EDHB-specific class is feasible. Members also agreed with the motion to have the Club/request FEDHPAR fund the training.

6. New Business

- Mosquito Creek (MC) Partnership Update – Kayo has continued to work with the owners and manager, offering his services in certifying their instructors. In exchange, he is asking their indoor range be made available for some Club functions, like the Junior Olympic Archery Development programs. Kayo also briefed attendees on his decision to start routing members to this Placerville business, in addition to Wilderness Archery. Sal asked if Mosquito Creek will match Wilderness' past sponsorship of the Club, and if they might be willing to offer the ten percent discount to new members Wilderness makes available. If so, we should include their coupon in the new member packets.

  Kayo will continue negotiations with Mosquito Creek.

- Community Resources Guide – Debbie related we have been contacted by the CSD for updates to the Club/Range's half-page ad in their semi-annual publication. After a brief review, it was decided that there is no need for changes.

  Debbie will contact the CSD representative and ask that the ad remain unchanged.

- Board Officer Vacancies – Kayo reminded attendees that Officers are selected to the Board on an annual basis, in November. He related we would soon have a vacancy on the Board, as Rob Kunstel is in the process of relocating to Idaho. Rob has been a significant force in Range maintenance and improvements over the past several years and his shoes will be hard to fill. Sal related having received an email from Rob that morning, asking Sal to convey his formal resignation. Rob thanked the Club and its members for making his term both productive and enjoyable. Kayo will ask Greg Landon, who has previously served in this position, to temporarily fill in.

  During this discussion, Greg D announced that this would be his last week as a Board member, citing the significant demands of the position. Greg expressed his intent to continue as a member, and to help with classes and events. Sal indicated he has drafted an announcement for consideration in posting/emailing to the membership to solicit interest in the vacancies.

  Kayo will review Sal's announcement and post/email it as appropriate. He asked existing Officers to help fill in and to attempt to recruit for the positions.

- Life Membership Award - Given Rob's commitment and exceptional service to the Range/Club over the past six years, as well as his very active participation on the Board, Sal nominated him for Life Membership. The nomination was promptly seconded, and all present voted in favor.

  Sal will acquire the Life Member name plate and plaque for issuance at the earliest opportunity.

7. Events

- CSD Classes - Kayo said that we continue to have low turnouts at CSD Try Archery classes (eight to nine participants for the 16 slots available). This may be attributed to the excessive heat we've experienced, as well as the Club's training sessions. Additionally, this year, CSD-sponsored classes were extended into March and September, significantly increasing the number of slots available for the season.

- Halloween Shoot – In Greg Landon's absence, Kayo went over some of the activities we hope to include during the shoot. To ensure event success, we will need to start drafting volunteers well in advance. He also displayed the posted he created to advertise this event, scheduled for October 26.

- Club Calendar – The group reviewed classes and events coming up: Members' 3D Shoots are scheduled for September 21st and October 19th. The latter will be the last for the year. Kayo reminded attendees that participation is now free for Club members.

Other classes/instruction include CSD Try Archery, the Club's Intro to Archery, a training session for a Girl Scout Troop and another for the Wounded Warriors organization. As mentioned earlier, Kayo will also be working with the CSD in hosting their employee outing.

8. Maintenance Projects

- Range Workdays – In spite of the skipped Workday in July, the Range is in fairly good shape. There are approximately eight butts in need of/soon to need replacement, and we should also order backfill stock. Most of the housing structures are in good shape. The project most in need of attention is installing the new Entrance Sign and relocating the Banner Sign. Sal related that he received two bids for the support structures and the Club accepted a bid from Jason Spears, in the amount of approximately $1,500. He has scheduled the welding for the coming Friday and cleared out the rear of the Storage Building for the work to be completed.

- Shade Structure Proposal – Kayo briefly revisited this potential project. Mr. Peterson interjected that, while a shade structure would be a great addition, the Club should consider finishing the leveling project behind the Clubhouse first. It was started several years ago with the intent of creating a more welcoming area for Club gatherings, barbecues, etc. Due to the significant amount of fill and earth being relocated, the Club had to seek approval from CSD and Bill fears too much delay, combined with the significant staffing changes in CSD, may place this project at risk.

- New Broadhead Target – Greg D recently spent significant effort in creating a life-sized elk target. This is now stationed adjacent to the Broadhead Range. The target should garner additional interest from hunters. It was suggested that the Broadhead Range's wire fence border be extended to include the new target, and perhaps to include some of the others discussed earlier in the meeting.

- Broadhead Damage - We have officially entered hunting season and Sal and Kayo recently conducted an inspection to look for necessary repairs and examine them for broadhead damage. While the use of broadheads was evident, it is not nearly as heavy as in prior years. It is felt that creation/enhancement of the Broadhead Pit and peer pressure has reduced broadhead use on unauthorized targets. Based on the poor condition of 3D targets currently on the Broadhead Range, Kayo wondered if we should put out some of the older targets presently in storage. Putting out better quality targets for broadhead users might keep them away from other targets. Attendees agreed this was a good idea.

9. Good of the Order

- Exceptional Service Pins – Duane related that the pins originally ordered for acknowledging third time recipients of this award had been delivered oversized and were unsuitable for general wear. Replacements are now in. Sal will work on getting them out.

- Deadnuts Targets - Greg D and Kayo have been looking at these 2D life-sized targets. There is the potential that the local distributor may be interested in sponsoring some for the Club's use.

- Absence **–** Sal related he will be out of the country starting August 23rd and returns September 13th. Member Brandi James will be helping with membership processing during this time.

10. **Adjournment** – September 11 was confirmed as the next General Meeting date. Now that cooler weather has returned, the meeting will return to the Range. This meeting was concluded at 8:19 PM.