

August 7, 2023 Monthly Meeting Minutes Hope Rod & Gun Club

The 693rd meeting of the Hope Rod and Gun Club monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Deese.

Secretary's Report: President Deese asked if there were any corrections or questions to the July 2023 monthly meeting minutes emailed to each member. President Deese asked for a motion to accept the July 2023 minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the July 2023 minutes. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

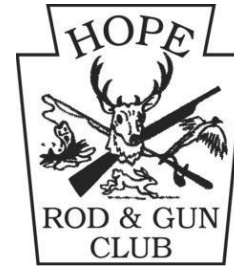
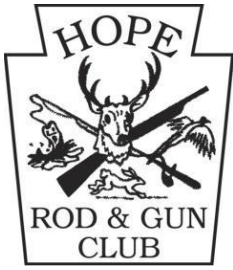
Treasurers Report: Treasurer George presented the July 2023 Income and Expense Report. President Deese asked if there were any questions on the June 2023 Income and Expense Report. President Deese asked for a motion to accept the July 2023 Income and Expense Report as presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the July 2023 Income and Expense Report. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Member inquired about annual budget and expenses. Discuss creating an annual and expense budget consisting of annual estimated income and expenses for the year. Board will discuss this further.

Discussed putting a five-stand on the trap field. More discussion will take place.

Membership Report: Membership Director Mann read the names of the new members. President Deese asked for a motion to accept them into the club. A motion was made and seconded, to accept and approve the new members. The Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. President Deese welcomed the new members to the Hope Rod & Gun Club and briefly reviewed some of the club's safety rules. Dues are paid Jan 1 each year. Gate combination was shared as well as the rule that the gate must remain open when someone is using facilities.

Membership Director Mann stated that we have 339 members and 28 Life members. We have 14 people on the waiting list.



Fishing / Hunting Report: Russ gave the fishing / hunting report. Call 608-244-3474 for up-to-date fishing information. \$5 to \$10 for the buck bow contest. \$50 in the pheasant contest.

Building / Grounds:

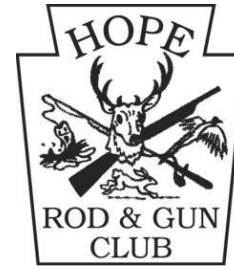
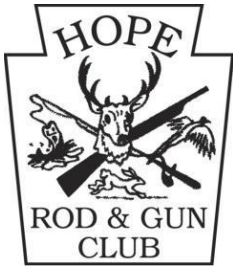
- Currently seeking volunteers to participate on the Building and Grounds committee. Please email the club if you are interested.
- The entrance road is scheduled to be fixed this month.
- New target stands built on the upper deck.
- Discussed putting timers on the rifle and pistol range inside lights.
- In preparation for the picnic, club clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, August 26th from 9am – 12.
- Doors are installed on the pattern board. Please make sure the doors are shut after using the pattern board.
- Clocks have been installed in the rifle and pistol ranges.

Old Business:

- Continued looking into replacements for the scoring benches on the trap field.
- There is a need for more volunteers to run the Sunday public shoot.
- Post membership roster in the rifle, pistol ranges and in the clubhouse.
- Plan to hold a raffle next year with either merchandise we purchase, a cash raffle or a combination of both.
- Beer coolers will be replaced this winter.

New business:

- Brent will investigate Porta Potty rental.
- Change Gate code will be changed on August 21st. Reminder emails will be sent out on August 10th and 14th.
- Discuss mounting red/green lights on the outside of rifle and pistol ranges indicating the range is being open or being used.
- Discussed holding a hunter safety course. Denny will follow up with the last instructor.
- All bartenders licenses have been renewed for another year.



Archery

- No archery leagues this year.

Trap League

- Plan to run a nine-week trap / skeet league. Beginning Tuesday, August 29th we will shoot three weeks of skeet, three weeks of wobble and three weeks of doubles. League will start at 5:30 pm. Shooting will be done on a first come first served basis. Costs for shooting will be \$60 for members and \$70 non-members. If you are interested, please contact Jeff Krisher at jkrisher@charter.net

Calendar Updates

- Saturday, September 9th - Swap Meet from 9 am – 3 pm.
- Sunday, October 8, 2023 – One trap field will be closed for a black powder trap tournament. The other trap will remain open from 9am – 1 pm.
- Saturday, December 2, 2023 – Clubhouse is closed for a private event from 10am – 4 pm.

Picnic

Pig and sweet corn are ready to order. The picnic will be on Sunday, August 27th. Plan to run a 75-bird event. Secretary Mann will send out more information.

If you are interested in booking a private event, email the club at hoperodandgunclub@gmail.com

50/50 Raffle: 50/50 raffle was won by Janet Oakley.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Mann.