

February 5, 2024 Monthly Meeting Minutes Hope Rod & Gun Club

The 698th 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 January 2024 monthly meeting minutes emailed to each member and posted on the club website. President Deese asked for a motion to accept the January 2024 minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer George presented the January 2024 Income and Expense Report. President Deese asked if there were any questions on the presented Income and Expense Report. President Deese asked for a motion to accept the Income and Expense Report as presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the Income and Expense Report. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Membership Report:

Membership Director Mann stated that we have reached full capacity of 350. Memberships received will be put on a waiting list. Members that have not paid their annual membership dues by the March meeting will be subject to having their membership terminated

Gate Code Change

Gate code will be changed no later than March 18th. Reminder emails will be sent out to current members prior to changing the gate code shortly after the March 4th monthly meeting.

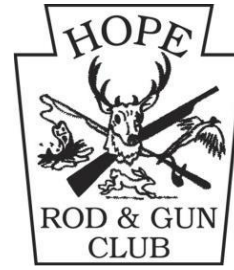
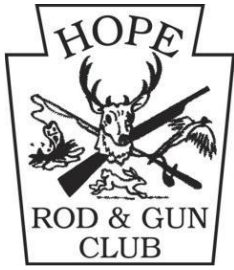
Fishing / Hunting Report:

Call 608-244-3474 for up-to-date fishing information. Russ stated that the ice is getting thin. Orié has volunteered to run the current deer and pheasant contests going forward. He will work with Russ to transfer ongoing contest information to him.

Shooting Committee

Shooting Committee will be meeting in March to discuss various topics. If you have a topic that you would like the committee to discuss, please send it to the club email at

hoperodandgunclub@gmail.com



Building / Grounds:

- Continued seeking volunteers to participate on the Building and Grounds committee. Please email the club if you are interested.
- Michael will set up meetings with the owners of the property to the east and the owners of the property to the south. More information will be provided at the March meeting.
- Discussed cleaning the coils on the beer cooler before we replace it. This may prolong the life of the cooler.
- Repaired the wire that was cut on trap II due to concrete installation.
- Discussed putting blacktop up to the dumpsters so that we can continue to get the dumpsters emptied during wet weather. Drivers will not go into the grass area to lift the dumpster when the ground is wet.
- Discussed looking into installing key cards at the club. We will be looking at the Stoughton and Portage gun clubs as they used key cards.
- Continued discussing fencing in the entire gun club for safety reasons. More discussions are needed.

Old Business:

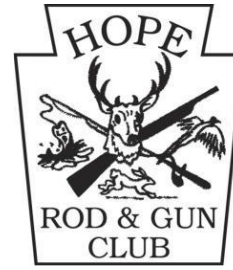
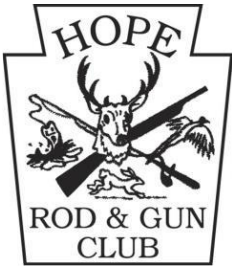
- Discussed Spring cleanup. Please send in items you would like addressed.
- Discuss creating a section of the Website for selling firearms and other sporting equipment.
- Annual estimated income and expense report. The Board will discuss this at the next Board meeting. Nick will look into providing this information.
- Cash raffle for 2024 will be ready by the next monthly meeting. Discussed selling tickets for \$100 and setting the maximum number of tickets available. More information to follow.
- New trap scoring tables to be built using metal and then power coated.
- Post membership roster in the rifle, pistol ranges and in the clubhouse. No update.
- Need update on scheduling a hunter safety course at clubhouse. No update.
- Discussed putting a stone in the trap field in memory of George Manning who passed away recently. No Update.

New business:

Nothing to report.

Archery

Nothing to report.



Trap League

- Secretary Mann will be collecting trap team information. Please use the online form on the club website which is located under the "Leagues" link, then select the "Trap" link, scroll to the bottom to see the League Signup Form. Fill out the form and select the Sign-Up button to submit the form.
- Discussed replacing speakers on the trap fields. New microphones run about \$2,800 a set. We may have a sponsor for one new set of speakers.
- Discussed using an online application to record team scores. More information to follow.

Calendar Updates

- Saturday, June 1st – black powder skeet tournament from 9 am – 4 pm.
(Rifle, Skeet and Black powder ranges closed for this event)
- Sunday, October 6th – black powder trap tournament on Trap II from 9 am - 4 pm

50/50 Raffle: Josh won the 50/50 Raffle.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Mann.