 Montello Rod & Gun Club

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President Tyler Hagen Called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Members Present*: Tony Alexander, Tyler Hagen, Jeff Walters, Rick Krebs, Mark Walters, Craig Wheeler,* Roger Davis, Paul Wedon, John Thalacker, John Boeder, Wayne Reimer, Gary Alexander, Scott Benson, Dennis Smoley, Rich Berka, Mark Lenz, Kat Hardie, Jim Peyton, Bill Lundy, Marty Kupferschmidt, Matt Barthel

Previous minutes: Marty Kupferschmidt made the motion to accept Junes Minutes Wayne Riemer seconded. The motion passed.

New Members: Nicholas Cossman, Marty Kupferschmidt made the motion to accept the new members and Stoney Wheeler seconded the motion passed.

Old Business:

* 26-Gun Raffle:

The 26-gun raffle is moving right along. We had a multiple winner already. You can keep current with the winners on Facebook on the website.

* 2022 Projects:

Tyler Hagen, Steve Gibbs and Mark Pfaff worked on rebuilding the backstops on the 50- and 100-yard rifle ranges. They look great. That being said please post targets on the boards not on the posts. This has been a problem in the past let’s try to bring this problem to an end. Marty Klupferschmidt replaced boards on the 22 range and took the time to spray and burn the weeds of the pistol range. Ken Puls stained the old shooting boxes from the five stand and Dan Jonatta stained the front of the club house. Thing are stating lo look nice on the property. Stoney has been working on finishing up the steel on the clays building.

* Youth Clays:

Youth clays has finished up for 2022. Jason Moser was not present at the meeting. We will have a report at the next meeting.

* Summer Clays:

Just a reminder clays will be ending the of the month so get your scores in. Matt Barthel has been helping out on Wednesday night thanks for the help, Matt.

* Youth Pheasant hunt:

The first pheasant hunt will be in September. Get your kids signed up. We only have 2 signed up now. Contact Keith Bagley or we have signup sheets at the club.

* Youth Fundraiser:

The fundraiser was a success again this year. It is nice to know we can still make a profit on our own. Rio gun club let us use 3 of their MEC throwers making our course one more step closer to being all automated. Thanks to all the people that come out to help Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. I big thanks to Stoney and Tyler for picking up the slack of me not being there. If it wasn’t for them two guys the shoot would have never happen.

* Pistol League:

Pistol League is all finished up. Matt is Still ironing out a few details with the changing of the scoring for 2022. Hope to get a report for September.

* Steel Signs:

Tyler and Matt Barthel are working on forming a committee to discuss the purchasing of the range signs. If you are interested in helping contact Tyler.

* Traveling League:

The Traveling league runs through September get your scores shot. Let us get a winner in there from Montello.

* Fair Auction:

The fair auction did not go to plan for this year. The $500 that was approved for purchase did not cut it. Tim Mcgwin reported everything was going extremely high again. That being said the club donated $250 each to the badger 4H and Montello FFA. Tony will get the checks to the correct people.

* Minutes on website:

Last month was the first month the minutes were posted on the website. If you see Steve Paine at the club, be sure to thank him. Steve puts lots of work into the website and Facebook.

* Youth Rifle League:

We have 4 shooters this year. The kids range from 9-14 years old. They started shooting at 25 yards and they decided to move them back to 50 yards with the scoped guns due to scores they were shooting. Jeff and Bill due a good job keeping the league fun and challenging.

* Fall Rifle League:

League starts tomorrow. We will be running league the same as winter league with the addition of our stock 22 class at 50yds. Get a gun and come out and play.

* Freedom Shoot:

Just a reminder the club will be closed down August 21st for the republican party to host their shoot. If you are a free bring your shotgun down and have some fun.

New Business:

* November calendar meeting:

Get your dates in for 2023. If you are running a league, get your dates picked out. Rifle league will start February 12th.

* By law changes:

If you want to change anything in the bylaws make sure you have them brought up at a meeting by November meeting.

* Club Picnic:

We have a left-over gun from the fundraiser. We decided to give it away at the club Picnic. We will be giving a ticket to every member attending the meeting. Do not miss out this is a free raffle and need to be present to win.

* Youth Group:

The club Hosed the North Scott Baptist Church Youth Group to some 5-stand shooting. Tyler, Frasier, and Marty Helped 5 shooters learn the sports of shooting. The club donated the clay targets and a few boxes of shells to get them started. One of the 7-year-old wants to keep shooting and Marty offered to help him out.

* Head Phones:

Earlier this year the club purchased a 4 pair of electric ear muffs. We are down to 1. If you have them bring them back to the club. These are used to run leagues not a personal hearing protection.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:38 by Paul Weldon seconded by Marty Kupferschmidt