

June 1st, 2026 Monthly Meeting Minutes
Hope Rod & Gun Club
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The 724th meeting of the Hope Rod and Gun Club monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Deese.

Secretary's Report:

May 2026 monthly meeting minutes will be presented during the July meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

President Deese presented the April 2026 Income and Expense Report. He asked if there were any questions to the Report as presented. Hearing none, President Deese asked for a motion to accept the Income and Expense Report as presented. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Income and Expense Report. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote

Membership Report:

Secretary 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 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 due January 1st of each year. Gate combination was shared with the new members as well as the rule that the gate must remain open when someone is using facilities.

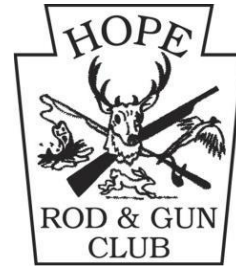
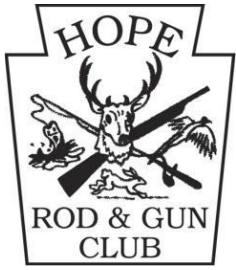
Club Membership – 90% (315 members)

Fishing / Hunting Report:

Billy Winner gave the fishing report. Call 608-244-3474 for up-to-date fishing information. Turkey Contest was won with a 24lb, 8in and 3 1/2in beards. Fishing contest is still ongoing.

Hunter Safety Course

President Deese stated that we will schedule a hunter safety course later this summer. We have four members that are NRA certified to run this course. However, they do not have the equipment needed for the course.



Building / Grounds:

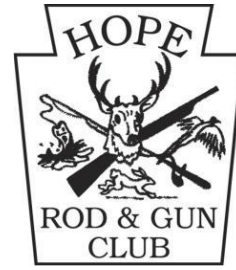
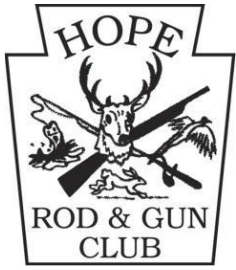
- (No Update) President Deese obtained an estimated cost at \$15 per square for the fencing around the club. He talked to the contractor that installed the fence around the solar panel field. More discussions to follow.
- (No Update) Lead reclamation in pistol range will commence in the Spring. Put together a list of volunteers and scheduled several days to complete lead reclamation. Looking for someone to lead this project. Tom Nelson is available to help.

Old Business:

- (No Update) President Deese mentioned that the driveway will be extended to the pistol / rifle gate this summer. He is working with Casey on finishing the driveway.
- (No Updated) Tim Babcock is working on designing the award.
- (No Update) Discussed the need for a place to sell outdoor equipment, firearms, and other items online.
- (No Update) Discussed holding a raffle this year if we receive our non-profit status.

New business:

- President Deese is looking into lanyards for identifying current members. More information to follow.
- Shannon M. has taken over for ordering apparel for the club. She partnered with Badger Sporting Goods for apparel. More information to follow.
- A Member of the Clay Busters presented a project for building bat houses for the club as part of his Eagle Scout requirements. He will build five bat houses. He asked for authorization for funding not to exceed \$100 for this project. A motion was made and seconded to approve the funding request not to exceed \$100. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote
- We were notified that a rifle range camera was damaged. President Deese is working the member on replacing the camera.
- Dave Murray presented hosting a prime rib dinner for our annual fund-raising event this year. Along with the dinner we would hold various raffles. Thought is to hold the dinner in September after league shooting is over. He will provide additional information at the next meeting.
- Discussed having a black-light trap shooting event. These have become more popular with clubs in the area. More information to follow.



Trap League

- (New) – Birds have been ordered and will arrive on Wednesday, July 8th
- (No Update) Looking for a lead person(s) to oversee the trap field, machines, and ordering birds. Please let us know if you are interested.

Calendar Updates

- Saturday, June 6th - Black powder skeet tournament from 9am – 3pm.
- Saturday, June 6th - Pistol / rifle ranges closed from 9am – 3pm
- Saturday, June 6th – Private party from 3:30pm – 10pm.
- Sunday, June 7th - Private party from 2pm – 6pm.
- Sunday, June 13th – Clay Busters practice from 11am – 2:30
- Sunday, June 28th – Clay Busters year-end party from 1pm – 5pm.
- Sunday, October 4th - Black powder trap tournament on Trap II from 9am – 3pm

50/50 Raffle: 50/50 raffle won by Steve Hauge,

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Mann.