

Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports

Monthly Meeting

January 4, 2024 / 6:30 PM / NMDGF

Attendees

-Phillip Pruett	-Preston Benfield	-Jim Ramsey	-
-Brock Hammond	-Karen Parmeter	- Rich Robinson	-
-Mike Smelker	-Scott Gardenhire	-Tom Greenling	-
-Randy Toepfer	-Ray Bundy	-Fritz Lawrence	

1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

1.1 Minutes of 12/7/2023

2.0 Financial

2.1 **Financial.** "Statement of Financial Position" dated 1/2/24 showing a total bank account in the amount of \$75,086 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2023 showing a total income of \$69,279 and a total outgo of \$67,401 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of \$1,877.

2.2 **Club House Fund Balance** **\$15,044**

Mark Donations **\$12,064** Karen donated an additional \$5,000 in Mark's name.
\$27,108 Statement dated 12/31/23

Mike Slugaj Donations **\$ 4,00** To be deposited. (\$300 from Brock and Carter and \$100
from Tom Pitcavage)

\$27,508

2.3 **Status of MVSS club tokens in Phillip's Possession.**

1774 No Change

3.0 Skeet

3.1 Skeet instructor, Paul Gamboni, is scheduled to be here 4 days in March 2024. If you would like to schedule with him please notify Preston.

3.2 The four low house skeet windows have all been replaced with metal ones.

3.3 On December 26th and 27th Preston organized a skeet instructions/clinic. It was well attended. 85 rounds of skeet were thrown. Thank you Preston!

4.0 Trap

4.1 There was a registered trap shoot on December 16-17, 2023. Mike Smelker was the shoot director. We only had 6 shooters that shot 92 rounds. Not a big turn out but it gave us the opportunity to use and get familiar with the score keeping program.

4.2 The next registered trap shoot that was scheduled for February 17-18, 2024 will be canceled. We discovered that El Paso has a large registered shoot on that weekend. Mike Smelker will review for a new date.

5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand

5.1 Next 5 Stand will be Sunday 1/6/2024.

5.2 Next Sporting Clays will be on February 17, 2024.

6.0 **Current membership list.** 38 paid members for 2024 (includes 14 Life members).

7.0 Facility Grounds Care

7.1 There are numerous mesquites that need to be eradicated throughout the grounds. Ray Bundy is going to meet a company at the range to review the mesquite problem.

7.2 There are eight more benches that need to be installed on the skeet fields. Another work day will be scheduled to complete these.

7.3 MVSS Board approved the purchase of a riding lawn mower, not to exceed \$4,000. This purchase will be put off until this spring.

8.0 Discussion

8.1 Please get your 2024 dues paid. Those that sell tokens, please ensure that the purchaser is a member in "good standing" if you charge \$6.00/token. Otherwise, the nonmember price is \$7.00/token.

8.2 The City Parks & Recreation agreed to purchase the alarm system components. They ordered the components on 12/8/23. When received, the components will be turned over to Organ Mountain Cabling and Technology LLC for installation. Their original quote to furnish and install was \$2,246.52. Now with the City kicking in, MVSS cost will be around \$1,000.

8.3 We continually have pistol and rifle shooters entering the Trap and Skeet ranges and wanting to shoot. We believe that 99% of this problem could be handled with proper signage. Randy agreed to take this problem on and get it resolved. Randy has received written recommendations from Ron and he was introduced to the City employees that will help with the signs. Randy has set up a meeting with the City on January 16, 2024.

8.4 Jason Browning said that he would replace/renew the large 4' x 8' MVSS billboard at our entrance as a donation to the club. Jason also had his employee repair the solar panel that had blown loose at the sporting clays range. Thank you Jason!

8.5 Mike Smelker is working on our Clubhouse drawings. Mike should have some preliminary drawings to review soon.

8.6 There are 2 board members whose terms are expiring at the end of this year. Those are Rick Richardson and Mike Smelker. Nominations for these two positions are open.

- Rick Richardson nominated by Scott Gardenhire

- Mike Smelker nominated by Phillip Pruett
- Jerry Teufel nominated by Jim Ramsey
- Jason Browning nominated by Rick Richardson (via email).

Randy Toepfer will send all members a ballot that they can fill out and return directly to him.

8.7 The large kid shoot is January 12-14, 2024. The Shoot Director is Mike Smelker.

Skeet - 65 kids currently signed up. Skeet fields 2-4 will be used all day Friday and Saturday. Public skeet shooting available only on Sunday.

Trap - 98 currently signed up. Trap fields 1-4 will be used all 3 days. No public shooting that weekend.

Sporting Clays - MVSS will set up the course on Friday, January 12. Three waves (9:00, 11:00 and 1:00) of kids will shoot the course on Saturday, January 13. MVSS will pick up the course that Saturday. Volunteers: Phillip, Randy, Tom, Vic, Brock, Scott

Phillip will contact the City regarding additional toilets and trash cans.

9.0 Shoot Schedule (Always refer to the calendar on the MVSS website for the latest information.)

- 1 Skeet/Trap - Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 to 12:00
- 2 Skeet Club Shoot - Last Sunday of the month.
- 3 Trap Club Shoot - Second Sunday of the month.
- 4 Sporting Clays - 3rd Saturday of the month (Excluding Nov., Dec. and Jan.)
- 5 5 Stand - First Saturday of the month - 9:00 to 12:00.
- 6 NM Clay Target Association - Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays - Jan 12-14, 2024
- 7 Senior Olympics - One round Trap & Skeet - April 13, 2024
- 8 Noons Lions Club Trap Shoot - September 28, 2024
- 9 MVSS Founders Day Shoot - October 5, 2024

Next month's meeting will be held on 2/1/2024. The meeting will be held at the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish located at 2715 E Northrise Dr. It will commence at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm