# **Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports**

# **Annual Meeting**

February 1, 2024 / 6:30 PM / NMDGF

# **Attendees**

-Preston Benfield -Phillip Pruett -Jim Ramsev -Jerry Teufel -Brock Hammond -Karen Parmeter - Rich Robinson -Dan Duggan -Rick Richardson -Scott Gardenhire -Tom Greenling - Ron Miller -Randy Toepher -Ray Bundy -Fritz Lawrence -Jason Browning

#### 1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

**1.1** Minutes of 1/4/2023

#### 2.0 Financial

**2.1** Financial. "Statement of Financial Position" dated 2/1/24 showing a total bank account in the amount of \$90,768 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2024 showing a total income of \$17,463 and a total outgo of \$1,780 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of \$15,682.

2.2 Club House Fund Balance \$27,108 Donations on behalf of John and Mark

\$ 500 Mike Slugaj Donations, \$100 from Phillip

\$27.608 Statement dated 2/1/24

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

1774

34 5 Stand 1/6/24

(400) Sold to Bullseye 4H 1/7/24 - \$2,000

143 In from Skeet, Preston 1/10/24

1551

#### 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. Three of them were kicked in last Friday night, 1/26/24. Phillip and Randy reinstalled them on the 28th.
  - 3.3 The monthly club skeet shoots have started again. Preston will keep us informed of the dates.
- **3.4** On Sunday February the 18th we will have a Tribute Shoot to honor Mike Slugaj. It will be on skeet field #1 at 9:00am. Regular shooting will commence after the ceremony.

### 4.0 Trap

- **4.1** Currently we have one registered trap shoot scheduled for 2024. It is on December 7th and 8th. Mike Smelker would like to schedule another one for October 19 and 20, 2024. This is two weeks before the Tucson Grande. These dates were approved. We will ask Mike to get it put on the schedule with ATA.
- 4.2 The rubber bands on the trap machines are breaking. There is a kit that replaces the rubber bands with springs. These kits are \$200 each. Since three of our trap machines are owned by NMDGF, I have reached out to Mr. Cody Johnston, the shooting sports coordinator for NMDGF, to see if they would purchase 3 of the kits. Rick said we also need 5 new Canterbury speakers along with test kits for the Canterbury systems. The springs at \$800 and the Canterbury parts at \$400 equals approximately \$1,200 plus shipping. Approval of this will be pushed to the Board following this meeting. If approved, MVSS will proceed with ordering all parts and seek reimbursement from NMDGF.
  - 4.3 The monthly club trap shoots will start soon. Preston will advise us of the dates.

## 5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand

- 5.1 Next 5 Stand will be Sunday 2/4/2024. (Canceled our normal Saturday due to the wind forecast. Scott will notify the club of date change via email.
  - 5.2 Next Sporting Clays will be on February 17, 2024.
- **6.0 Current membership list.** 65 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 has met with a contractor and they are preparing a quote to handle 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.

Organ Mountain Cabling has received all the parts except for a Wifi boosting device. This item is scheduled to be received tomorrow. They will have our alarm system installed next week.

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 and Phillip met with the City on January 16, 2024. Johnny Valenzuela presented our sign recommendations to his superiors and was approved to proceed. All 24 signs have been fabricated. We met with the City and their sign installer on January 30th. The sign installer (Summit Enterprises) will submit a quote to the City, the City will issue a purchase order to them, and they will begin installation. The signs should all be installed within the month.

- **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 to include on this sign "24 Hour Video Surveillance".
- **8.5** Mike Smelker is working on our Clubhouse drawings. Mike should have some preliminary drawings to review soon.
- **8.6** The classroom AC unit quit working a few months ago. Phillip agreed with Cindy Pollock of Picacho Gun Club that MVSS would go in halves with them on the replacement costs and that MVSS would handle the labor to replace it. Rick noted that Eva with the Dona Ana County 4H would also help with the cost. The new unit is 24,000 BTU and has both heating and cooling. The total cost is expected to be \$900, so half of that would be \$450 for MVSS to cover, lower if Dona Ana County 4H contributes.
  - 8.7 The large kid shoot was January 12-14, 2024. The Shoot Director was Mike Smelker.

-Trap Singles	94 kids x 100 birds	9,400	376 rounds x \$5 =	\$1,880
-Trap Handicap	94 kids x 100 birds	9,400	376 rounds x \$5 =	\$1,880
-Trap Doubles	75 kids x 100 birds	7,500	300 rounds x \$5 =	\$1,500
-Skeet	65 kids x 100 birds	6,500	260 rounds x \$5=	\$1,300
-Skeet Doubles	65 kids x 50 birds	3,250	130 rounds x \$5=	\$650
-Sporting Clays	71 kids x 100 birds	<u>7,100</u>	71 rounds x \$40=	\$2,840
		43,150		\$10,050

- **8.8** The Bullseye 4H would like to sell their trap machines. They have at least 5 Promatic machines, one of them is a rabbit, that would work great for our sporting clays and 5 stand venues. They would like \$4,000 worth of MVSS tokens, that would be 800 tokens. Also, we need two more Long Range wireless systems for sporting clays. This cost is approximately \$1,000. We will kick this to the following board meeting for a formal vote.
  - 8.9 Next target order/delivery will be scheduled this April.
  - **8.9** Randy will read the results of our Board Member election:

Ballots submitted 31

Qualified Ballots 30 (one member that submitted a ballot had not paid 2024 dues)

Rick Richardson
Jason Browning
Mike Smelker
Jerry Teufel
Votes
5 votes

Congratulations to Rick and Jason, each have been elected to a 3 year term as a board member for Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports, Inc.

# 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 Preston to advise dates via email
- 3 Trap Club Shoot Preston to advise dates via email
- 4 Sporting Clays 3rd Saturday of the month (Excluding Nov., Dec. and Jan.)
- 5 Stand First Saturday of the month 9:00 to 12:00.
- 6 Dona Ana County 4H two skeet fields and two trap fields April 6, 2024
- 7 Senior Olympics One round Trap & Skeet April 13, 2024
- 8 Memorial Open Skeet Shoot May 24 26, 2024
- 9 Firecracker Open Skeet Shoot July 12 14, 2024.
- 10 County Fair Shoot One trap field July 27, 2024
- 11 Noons Lions Club Trap Shoot September 28, 2024
- 12 MVSS Founders Day Shoot October 5, 2024
- 13 Registered Trap Shoot October 19-20, 2024 **PENDING**
- 14 Bag-A-Bird Skeet Shoot November 8 10, 2024
- Registered Trap Shoot December 7-8, 2024 Confirmed and on ATA schedule

Next month's meeting will be held on 3/7/2024. 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 7:07 pm