# **Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports**

# **Monthly Meeting**

June 6, 2024 / 6:30 PM / NMDGF

# **Attendees**

\*Phillip Pruett -Jim Ramsey -Jerry Teufel -Craig Tharp

\*Brock Hammond -Karen Parmeter -Scott Gardenhire

\* Randy Toepher -Tom Greenling -Fritz Lawrence

\* -Ray Bundy -Micheal Smelker

#### 1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

**1.1** Minutes of 5/2/2024

#### 2.0 Financial

- **2.1** Financial. "Statement of Financial Position" dated 6/6/24 showing a total bank account in the amount of \$70,752 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2024 showing a total income of \$28,971 and a total outgo of \$33,304 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of \$4,333.
  - 2.2 Club House Fund Balance \$28,067
  - 2.3 Status of MVSS club tokens in Phillip's Possession.

2,118

22 5 Stand 5/4/24 and 6/1/24

5 Sporting Clays 5/18/24

88 Skeet, Preston 5/19/24

109 Trap, Jimmy 6/5/24

2342

Note: MVSS still owes 800 to Bullseye 4H for the Promatic Trap Machines.

## 3.0 Skeet

**3.1** Our registered skeet shoot was May 24 - 26th. There were only 13 participants. We threw 5,100 targets and cleared approximately \$1,500. Brock is thinking of moving the 2025 shoot off the 3 day weekend. He believes that is attributed to the lack of participants.

- 4.0 Trap
  - **4.1** A switch needs to be replaced at trap #1.
- 5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand
  - **5.1** Next 5 Stand 7/6/24.
  - 5.2 Next Sporting Clays will be on 6/15/24.

**6.0 Current membership list.** 73 paid members for 2024 (includes 14 Life members).

# 7.0 Facility Grounds Care

- 7.1 Industrial Weed Control Co, Inc. applied the herbicide on 5/22/24. The weeds and mesquites are just now showing signs of dying. We received an invoice for \$1597.50 and Brock has already mailed the check.
- 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. Currently we have not needed the mower because the cows are keeping it down.

#### 8.0 Discussion

- **8.1** Two cameras were added to show the skeet and trap parking areas. The "gate" camera was relocated closer to the gate.
- **8.2** Jason Browning offered to replace/renew the large 4' x 8' MVSS billboard at our entrance as a donation to the club. Still pending.
- **8.3** We need to reimburse PGC \$150 for the classroom AC. Phil will pick up the check from Brock on 6/10/24 and deliver it to PGC.
- **8.4** Cows are still a big nuisance on the Butterfield Range. The City requested coordinates for the west fence. Phillip prepared a Google Earth drawing with coordinates and forwarded to them on 5/28/24. The City has requested permission from BLM for them to clear a line for the fence. The City will also send a letter to the Corralitos Ranch to ask them to remove their cows.
- 8.5 Phillip met with Remington McBee at the range on May 19th. He is a professional shotgun instructor that works in El Paso two weeks out of the month. His flier was circulated during the meeting. He is a strong advocate for Bunker Trap. He claims that if we approve the inclusion of a bunker trap at our range that he would aid in securing all the grants and it should not cost MVSS anything. The closest bunker trap is in Tucson and their team currently travels to Tucson to use their facility. Julio Cerra, 915-373-5414, was also in attendance. He is the current coach of the El Paso high school trap teams. He said that their teams would like to practice at our trap fields at least once a month.
- **8.6** We have to prepare a Master Plan for the MVSS shotgun range to help secure grants. These are some of the items that will be included in it. A preliminary Google Earth drawing was distributed during the meeting.
  - Club House
  - Storage Building
  - Additional Skeet Fields
  - Additional Trap Fields
  - 8' wide sidewalk running length of skeet and trap fields
  - Additional 100 Bird Sporting Clays Field
  - Bunker Trap
  - Enlarge Parking at Skeet, Trap and Sporting Clay fields
  - Provide RV camping spots with electrical hookups
  - Lead Reclamation

## 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 Cornerstone Baptist Church Tuesday June 11, 2024 (approximately 30 rounds of trap)
- 7 Firecracker Open Skeet Shoot July 12 14, 2024.
- 8 County Fair Shoot One trap field July 27, 2024
- 9 Noons Lions Club Trap Shoot September 28, 2024
- 10 MVSS Founders Day Shoot October 5, 2024
- 11 Registered Trap Shoot October 19-20, 2024 **PENDING**
- 12 Bag-A-Bird Skeet Shoot November 8 10, 2024
- 13 Registered Trap Shoot December 7-8, 2024 Confirmed and on ATA schedule

Next month's meeting will be held on Wednesday July 3, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the classroom building on the range.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm