

Mesilla Valley Shotgun Sports

Monthly Meeting

September 3, 2026 / 6:30 p.m. / NMDGF

Attendees

*Phillip Pruett	-Karen Parmeter	-Preston Benfield	-Vic Babin
*Brock Hammond	-Fritz Lawrence	-Keith Brodd	-Matthew Nowell (NMSU)
*Rick Richardson	-Jim Ramsey	-Kary Bulsterbaum	-Ethan P. (NMSU)
*	-Scott Gardenhire	-Barry Papake	-Josiah Martinez (NMSU)

1.0 Last Meeting Follow-up

1.1 Minutes of 08.06.2026

2.0 Financial

2.1 "Statement of Financial Position" dated 9.2.26 showing a total bank account in the amount of \$86,120 and a "Statement of Activity" for 2026 showing a total income of \$59,327 and a total outgo of \$48,820 which equals a net operating revenue for the current year of \$10,506.

2.2 Club House Fund Balance \$28,447

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

2262

5 Sporting Clays

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3.0 Skeet

3.1 Low house #3 target machine quit working. Brock will consult with Newman to see if he can repair it. If he can't fix it he will ask the NMSU Trap and Skeet team for help to replace it with one of our back-up machines.

3.2 A few skeet houses are getting low on targets. We have 3 pallets stored in the main house. On 9/12/26 at 7:00am we will load two pallets into the skeet houses and 1 pallet into the trap houses. We have 1 pallet of orange dome at sporting clays and will use those in case of an emergency. Both NMSU and Bullseye volunteered to help load the 3 pallets.

4.0 Trap

4.1 Lions Club trap fundraiser scheduled for 9/26/26.

Members Appreciation Day Trap and Skeet shoot scheduled for 10/3/26.

Quails Forever trap fundraiser scheduled for 10/24/26. Bob passed out a flier.

Cowboy Church trap fundraiser scheduled for 10/31/26.

Quilts of Valor trap fundraiser scheduled for 3/13/27.

5.0 Sporting Clays / 5 Stand

5.1 Next 5 Stand - 9.5.26

5.2 Next Sporting Clays - 9.19.26

6.0 **Current membership list.** 69 paid members for 2026 (includes 13 Life members).

7.0 Facility Grounds Care

7.1 Recognition was given to Keith, Brock, Karen and Phillip for pulling weeds at the skeet and trap fields.

7.2 Thoughts of a "Range Work Day" were discussed.

8.0 Discussion

8.1 Javier Gomez (landscaper) was able to obtain business insurance. He has revised his quote to \$8,270. I did receive another bid. It was from Jerry Esparza's landscaper, Mr John Saddof. His bid was \$20,000. Preston said he has been trying to get a quote from Mike Mitchell. Preston gave Phil his phone number and he will try to get a 3rd quote for the work. Mike Mitchell declined to quote the work. The City said that BLM needs to be notified and they are letting them know. Gomez will start the work in October 2026.

8.2 Lead Reclamation - A Memorandum Of Understanding was prepared by our council and submitted to the City of Las Cruces Attorneys office for their approval. The City attorney has signed the MOU and has sent it to the City Manager to get their signature. They are expected to sign this week then Phillip will sign on behalf of MVSS and it will become official.

8.3 Our summer hours of operation are:

Wed, Sat and Sun: 8:00am to 11:00am (Winter hours are 9:00 to 12:00)

Summer hours will be in effect from May 1st through September 30th.

8.4 **Advertising** - Jason and Barry have some ideas to advertise MVSS by offering free sporting clays to a select 50 people and or possibly have an open house with free radio advertising. They agreed to meet in the near future and discuss possibilities. Barry said he could not get a meeting set with Jason to discuss in the last month.

8.5 Next target order. Plan for 10/31/26. Phil will order the trailer of targets and the forklift to be delivered Thursday 10/29/26. We will need 2 people from NMSU on Friday 10/30/26 to help off-load the pallets from the trailer. On Saturday 10/31/26 at 8:00am we will need numerous volunteers from NMSU and Bullseye to load the trap and skeet houses. The trap houses have to be done first to have it ready for a 9:00 start for the "Cowboy Church" shoot.

8.6 NMSU trap and skeet has requested permission to access range and shoot trap and or skeet outside of normal operational hours. MVSS agreed this would be ok providing their president, Matthew Nowell, would be the key holder and would be present when they practised. It is possible that another one of their officers could open and monitor the practice if Matthew was not available providing they notified Phillip via text regarding the date and time. Note that no shooting is allowed on Thursdays earlier than 3:00pm (city cleans ranges).

Phillip will give keys to Mathew along with a code to access the main house. Phillip will prepare an agreement that can be signed by MVSS and NMSU.

8.7 NMSU Trap and Skeet requested a 500 token donation from MVSS. They said they would continue to work with MVSS to help keep our range maintained, targets stocked and other labor oriented tasks. Phillip pointed out that this was a substantial request (500 x \$5 per token = \$2,500 donation) and to also consider that the Bullseye 4H club also helps with all MVSS activities. Our past donations to each club was approximately \$1,000 per annum. Phillip motioned to the board members present to vote on providing a 500 token donation to both the NMSU Trap & Skeet club and the Bullseye 4H club. All board members present (Brock, Rick and Phil) voted to approve the donations. The motion is carried and Phillip will distribute the tokens accordingly.

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

See Attached

Next month's meeting will be held on Thursday October 1, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at NMDGF

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm

MVSS SHOOT SCHEDULE

	DATE	NAME	TIME
1		Skeet & Trap - Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.	9:00am - 12:00pm
2		Sporting Clays - 3rd Saturday of every month (excluding Nov, Dec and Jan).	9:00am - 12:00pm
3		5 Stand - First Saturday of every month.	9:00am - 12:00pm
4	05.15.26-05.17.26	Skeet - Memorial Open	
5	5.20.26	4H Southwest District Trap Shoot	
6	07.10.26-07.12.26	Skeet - Firecracker Open	
7	07.31.26-08.01.26	County Fair Shoot	
8	09.26.26	Host Lions Club (21 teams in 2025)	
9	10.3.26	Members Appreciation Day Shoot	9:00am - 12:00pm
10	10.24.26	Quails Forever Trap Fundraiser	
11	10.31.26	Cowboy Church Trap Fundraiser	
12	11.06.26-11.08.26	Skeet - Bag a Bird	
13	2.26.27-2.28.27	NM Clay Target Association, Trap-Skeet-Sporting Clays 108 youth shot in 2026.	
14	3.13.27	Quilts of Valor Fundraiser	