

Membership Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2025

Call to order at 8 pm

With 21 members present, and YES/NO guests present.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Minutes of prior meeting: Were approved as posted

Roll Call of Officers: all are present unless as noted

President:	Mike Kuga	
Vice President:	Tom Runovitz	Excused
Treasurer:	Peggy Kohler	Excused
Secretary:	Kelsey Cade-Bosse	
Membership Sec:	Mark Bombara	
Combat Exec:	Chris Perry	Excused
Pistol Exec:	Anita Alberti	
Rifle Exec:	Ed Duplantis	Excused
Trap Exec:	Jack Budacki	
Jr. Rifle Exec:	Kevin Foltz	

New Member Applications: *Mark* – Presented the names of 11 New adult members, no new Jr Members, and no Life Member(s). All candidates are NRA members. All members present voted in favor of these new members – Motion by Chris Lemon and second by Anita Alberti to accept the new members – motion **PASSED**

Correspondence: *Kelsey* -

Sent: - None

Received – Old Economy Village – Civil War reenactment on Saturday May 17, for a donation of \$70 we will receive 2 free tickets to attend – no takers

Executive Board report: *Mike*

- We are looking into getting an Air Rifle Demo from Crosman Air Rifle
- Swap Meet for this year tentative date of September 6
 - Will have food on site
 - Possibly also a Chinese auction
 - Will have a final meeting and time hopefully by next meeting
- Target Frames – We are going through target frames at an alarming rate, they are being purposely damaged.
 - There was discussion on how to solve this problem, some included:
 - Building frames and selling them to the members and they bring it with them every time they come to the range
 - Raising our dues to cover the rising cost of the wood to keep rebuilding the frames – which the executive board does not want to suggest
 - Send out an email explaining all this, where to put your targets on the frames so you are shooting on the cardboard and not the wooden frame themselves, reiterate the rules of the class 3 firearms and where on the range they can shoot them – Email will be sent out
 - Quit making frames all together
 - Initiate a added \$1 range target fee
 - The NRA does give us a commission on every member that renews or joins from our website. However, that cost is only a small fraction of what the wood costs now to build the frames plus the donated time from members that make the frames for the other members of the club.
- The approved indoor range retrieval system will be ordered and installed to be tested

April Gun Raffle: 218 of the 250 possible tickets were sold. The club brought in \$2,180 and after expenses grossed around \$600. Winners were notified and have claimed their prizes. Daylight number and winner: 899 – Garrett Morgan / Evening number and winner: 716 – M. Bosse

Executive Reports:

Membership Secretary: *Mark*

Reported membership is **871** Regular members, **12** junior members, **101** Life members, for a total **984** members. Including the **11** new members approved of earlier.

Rifle Exec: *Ed – Anita did the report*

High Power Matches – Rifle Range – 0700-1300 – 3rd Sunday of the Month (Matches start at 0900 with signup at 0815)– **May 18**, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19

Remember to pick up your brass we have brass buckets, and brooms on the ranges

Do not purposely shoot up the target frame – has been a big issue on the Rifle Range

Cowboy: *Chris Perry - Mike*

Cowboy shoots – Training Range, Bays 3 & 4 – 0700-1600 – 4th Sunday of the Month – March 16, **April 27**, May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 23

Last wild bunch match was a dud – only 3 shooters came out – reported that they had bad weather that day

Steel Challenge: *Mark*

Steel Challenge Matches on Ranges Bay 4, Training Range, and Bay 5 from 0700-1600 – 2nd Saturday of the Month – January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, **May 10**, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13. –

24 guns, grossed \$360, match went well, had 1 pre-teen shooter

3-Gun: *Doug Mikec - Mark*

Will be using Bays 1,3,4,5, and the Rifle Range. Registration starts at 8am, safety brief at 8:45am, with shooting starting at 9am. Dates: March 29, **April 26**, May 25, June 29, July 26, August 23, September 27, October 18, November 28/29

Test match conducted on March 29 went great – had 13 shooters 10 Participants with 3 staff members, already have 10 shooters signed up for the April 26th match.

Pistol: *Anita*

Training Range Rental hours and Profit: 23 hours for a profit of \$143.75

First Shots Handgun Classes: (cost is \$50 – 3 hours) March 7th with f/u classes on March 13 & 27; June 5th with f/u classes on June 19; July 11th with f/u classes on July 17 & 31; August 8th with f/u on August 14 & 28

The March class grossed \$950 with 8 shooters – Thanked the members that came out to help with her class – Chris Lemon, Kevin Foltz, Bob Bahaus

First Steps Pistol Orientation Classes: (\$139 – 6 hours) April 5th with f/u classes on April 10 & 24; October 25th

Women on Target Class: (\$86 – 5-6 hours) May 17th with f/u class on May 22nd; September 20 with f/u session on Sept 25.

Additional Follow Up sessions: January 16, 30; February 13, 27; May 8; June 5; September 11; November 6, 20; December 4, 18

IDPA: *Anita/Chris Lemon*

2nd Sundays of every month starting in March - March 9, April 13, **May 11**, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12

38 Total participants, 28 paying shooters, 9 staff – made deposit of \$420

Combat: *Chris Perry - Mike*

Start outdoors on Wednesday nights on April 23rd on the Combat Range – New people are coming out which is good to see – opened up a new PCC class on a trial period.

Appleseed: *Mike Jehle (Pronunciation: yaley)/ Anita*

Beginners Rifle Class from 8am-5pm on June 21st and 22nd on the Training Range

200 Yard Rimfire Match October 4th and 5th, using the Combat range on the 4th and the 5th using the rifle range

Trap: *Jack*

Season starts May 1st – Expecting 40-50 shooters – the 1st match of the season will be here. They are still shooting on Saturday morning and Wednesdays at 1pm for at least another month.

Jr. Rifle: *Kevin*

- Kids are finishing up the indoor season and transiting out outdoor .22 season – we have 17 kids. – Any interested Jrs are encouraged to reach out to Kevin or Kelsey for dates and times
- The Jr Team will be having a Month-Long gun ticket going off in August / a gun or gun related item to go off every day in the month of August. 2 numbers on each ticket based

off the PA pick 3 lottery 7pm drawing no wild ball. 500 total tickets and will cost \$50. Funds from this will go toward the JR Team for Equipment replacement and things like that. Tickets should be in at the next meeting. If you'd like to help sell tickets or would like to purchase a ticket reach out to Kevin or Kelsey.

Legislative Reports: Lee

Legislative & FOAC Reports:

GOA Sues the ATF to Lift Gag Order: *by John Camp:* On March 12, 2025, lawyers for GOA filed a motion to lift a protective order that has been in place since September 18, 2023. The order was put into place after GOA filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the ATF in 2021, "seeking records about a secret government surveillance program which unlawfully and unconstitutionally monitors and records the firearms." The ATF finally relented and handed over the documents, but instead of giving the redacted documents, the Bureau supplied the documents with without redactions. The ATF tried to "claw back" the documents by demanding that all documents be returned and copies be destroyed. GOA refused to give in to the ATF's demands. In January 2025, the D.C. Circuit Court ruled unanimously in Human Rights Defense Center v. U.S. Park Police that federal agencies lack the power to "claw back" FOIA responses. This case is in the same Circuit as the case mentioned earlier. There is no reason to believe that the D.C. Circuit Court would reach a different conclusion since both cases deal with an agency trying to "claw back" an unredacted FOIA response. The ATF continues to ask the court to maintain the protective order. There are certain times when the plaintiffs could block information, but GOA points out that none of those reasons apply in this case. One reason is that the information could be classified because of national security. The plaintiffs claim that the unseen information isn't classified, and the defendants never argue that it is a matter of national security.

Judge Rules NRA Fraud Case Can Proceed: What Gun Owners Need to Know: *by Dean Weingarten:* On August 6, 2019, David Dell'Aquila and others filed a civil class action lawsuit against Wayne LaPierre, the NRA Foundation, and the Brewer law firm for fraud by soliciting donations for specific purposes and then for other purposes, specifically benefiting LaPierre and others. Over the next five years, the complaint was amended twice. In its latest form, the defendants are the NRA and Wayne LaPierre. The NRA Foundation's advertising agency Ackerman McQueen is accused of fraud. The plaintiffs class are those who donated to the NRA from 2015 to the present. CEO LaPierre is accused of being at the center of the fraudulent scheme. A number of alleged improper personal expenditures are specified in the amended complaint. On March 26, 2025, Judge William L. Cambell, Jr., Chief Judge for the United States M.D. Tennessee issues an opinion ruling for the plaintiffs. After five and a half years of legal maneuvering, the judge ruled the third amended complaint was legally viable; the case could move forward and would not be dismissed by the court. It is likely that discovery in the case will be granted reasonably soon, as a motion to stay discovery pending the motion to dismiss was rendered moot by the opinion for the plaintiffs.

Pennsylvania Supreme Court Tosses Liability Case Against Springfield Armony: *by Jake Fogleman:* A major gunmaker cannot be held liable for the accidental shooting death of a Pennsylvania juvenile, the state's high court ruled on Monday. The Pennsylvania Supreme Court unanimously dismissed a liability lawsuit against Springfield Armony over the negligent shooting of one young teenager by another. The court determined that the federal Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act (PLCAA), which generally prohibits lawsuits against the gun industry for harms caused by third parties, is a valid exercise of Congressional authority and bars such suits from proceeding.

*If you wish to read the full articles, they are posted on the bulletin board.

County League Report: *Lee/Rich Wall*

Beaver County Sportsmen's Conservation League Club Presidents meeting held on 3-25-25 meeting minutes are posted on the board – 24 organizations from Beaver and surrounding counties were represented. The purpose of the annual meeting is to discuss interests and issues the organization has in common. This year the special emphasis was on programs introducing youth to the outdoor sports and programs giving them opportunity to participate in outdoor sports.

Beaver County Sportsmen's Conservation League Meeting held on 4-3-25 – minutes are posted on the board.

*All Flyers are posted on the Bulletin Board with additional information on how to register or volunteer to help - all of these events are looking for volunteers to help

Unfinished Business – None

New Business –

- Rich Wall will be our new Primary Delegate at the County League meetings and Lee Gower will be our secondary delegate.

Good of the Order:

- Executive Board would like to recognize Dale Garen, Chris Lemon, Lorin Meeder, Bob Bahaus and John Brewer for all their hard work and time that they put into this club helping to keep it maintained and assisting with repairs. They do these things on their own time and a lot of time with their own fund. Your work that you guys do does not go

un-noticed by this Executive Board we would like to thank you for all your work that you guys have done and continue to do.

- Discussion on the Berm between the 4th and 5th Bays

Next Meeting: May 12, 2025 8pm

Motion to Adjourn: Mark Bombara/Dennis Tabay @ 9:04pm