



## **HARDHOLDER – MARCH 2013**

### **BUFFALO CREEK GUN CLUB, INC.**

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#### **PRESIDENTS CORNER**

Greetings,

We have officially started the shooting season. We held a one day Long Range Appleseed event and followed that up with the first match, of 3, of the Soviet Rifle Championship.

Both events went well. The best part is we had a work day on Sunday after the Soviet match and we had 14 people show up!!!

We moved lots of dirt via bucket and wheelbarrow. The long range received the majority of our attention. The south end of the pits got a mini face lift. Then we moved to the short range. I asked the members and paying guests if we could break in and clean up, down range, behind the railroad ties on the hundred yard impact berm. I said we would be in and out in 30 minutes, and while it took us 40 minutes, we scooped out all the dirt that has eroded down into the backstop area. This helps us catch the lead and debris a little easier, as well as allowing target frames to be put in much easier. One of the paying quest said we were like an "airstrike", 14 guys attacking the dirt and moving it around, dressing the place up! That was great feedback. Thanks to all that helped.

We will be doing more workdays as the year goes on. So, volunteer early and often.

Other news, we will be opening to the public a little later this year. We will still be in compliance with the Forest Service, the later start allows us to concentrate our gatekeepers into a shorter period, and will hopefully get us better coverage.

I would encourage everyone to attend a board meeting. We have had a marked increase in attendance at the meetings and this is very encouraging. Come and listen and join in.

I hope to see everyone at the range this year.

Thanks,

Gavin

## **BCGC NOTICES**

### **1. New Member Orientation**

- Frank McKeon is available for new member orientations at the range. New members should contact Frank at 303-838-4026 to make an appointment.

**Visit the BCGC website at [WWW.BCGC.COM](http://WWW.BCGC.COM) for an up to date list of all Camp Fickes and BCGC club events and notices.**

## **BUFFALO CREEK GUN CLUB MEETING MINUTES March 19, 2013**

1. The monthly board meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

- Prior Months Meeting Minutes-- no issues to discuss from last month's meeting
- Prior Months Newsletter? nothing
- Any changes, corrections? none
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by Mike Brazell to accept the Minutes.

### **2. MAIL CALL**

- No Mail Call
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by Jim Madere to accept the Mail Call report as presented.

### **3. TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Balance Sheets were distributed to the Board by Sam Morris. Comments: "Most comprehensive balance sheet we've ever had."
- Current Balance: \$10,912.54
- Our current revenue is almost all from renewals, with \$400-500 carried forward from last year.
- \$600 was transferred to the Camp Fickes account.
- Gavin suggested we think about starting a Revenue-Generating committee. No motion was made.
- Targets and reloading supplies should be purchased from American Target (do we have a contract with them?), so that we pay no sales tax and get a discount.
- Pete would like to see Camp Fickes financials.
- Appleseed is currently scheduled for four events – the first on April 6-7.
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by Barrett Benson to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

### **4. MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Owen Maddox**

- 5 new members:

Dan Bassett

Franny Bassett

Steve Knight - could not make the meeting -- he will be at the next meeting.

Bernie Kowalski

Greg Randall

After a brief intro from each, they were voted in by the Board (during Old Business).

- 15 people are still outstanding on Dues

- 9 are unpaid on Range Access Pass (RAP) fees
- We are currently at 178 Club members, with 8 provisional, and 5 leaving the club.
- Dave Schneider made a presentation regarding his displeasure with efforts to obtain dues from delinquent members. Dave pointed out the By-Laws call for dismissal of a member once he is 1 year in arrears, and the warning email requiring payment by March 1 was viewed as an ultimatum.

A rather lively discussion ensued.

- A motion was made by Mike Brazell and seconded by Jeff Monroe to accept the Membership report as presented.

**5. NEWSLETTER REPORT**

- Accounts and email addresses are set up – with a few exceptions. Mike M is soliciting those few.
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by Jim Mc to accept the Newsletter Report as presented.

**6. ARMORER'S REPORT**

- All .22 cal rifles are in the safe – 4 H&Ks and 5 Kimbers.
- Sam met with a founding member (Kline) who has cool old BCGC stuff.
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by John to accept the Armorer's Report as presented.

**7. CLINIC REPORT – Pete Jend**

- Pete stated that the clinics had been scheduled and are posted on the Club's website.
- We will offer a \$10 discount to Club members if they participate in the clinics.
- The first events of the years are:

Appleseed 1 day long range shoot	April 6
Soviet Match long range	April 7
M9 pistol clinic short range	April 21
600 yard Any long range	April 28

Check the website for further details and other clinic/match dates

- A motion was made by John and seconded by Jeff Monroe to accept the Clinic Report as presented.

**8. HIGH POWER REPORT – Greg Hawke**

- Greg couldn't make it. All matches are looking good at this point.
- A motion was made by John and seconded by Jeff to accept the High Power Report as presented.

## 9. JUNIORS REPORT – Mike Brazell

- We start shooting in April:- 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays starting at 5pm.
- Ammunition is a concern – we have <800 rounds of .22 cal. CMP order has been placed for .22, but that looks like a minimum of 120 days.
- Open question: should the Juniors start shooting high power?
- The suggestion was made that Juniors start fund-raising. Many fund-raising approaches were suggested. A Juniors sub-committee will be formed to address funding and to share the load currently carried by Mike B.
- A motion was made by Sam and seconded by Jeff to accept the Juniors Report as presented.

## 10. RANGE OFFICER’S REPORT – Denny Conlon (RO) and Jerry Fischer (Asst RO)

- Denny reported that there are no new instances of vandalism occurring.
- The gate locks will change on April 1.
- A motion was made by Jeff Monroe and seconded by John to accept the Range Officer’s Report as presented.

## 11. OLD BUSINESS

- Dabney is waiting on a return call from the USFS regarding possible dates from them to cut timber/sunlight on our road.
- We still need help at the range to put up signs, to perform road work, we need match and clinic directors. Denny has the pipe to put up the signs. Please contact a board member if you can help in any of these areas.
- Owen: We need Board approval on a “berm decision.” The NRA check expired Jan. 31. It has been returned, and we expect a replacement soon. The NRA currently expects a final report in August 2013, and everything completed by December 2013.
- Mike B: We need an environmental impact statement on the Short Range.
- Mike Brazell makes motion to approve the first Raffle with expected costs of \$1000, and expected return of \$5000. Mike M seconded. Motion passes
- Dabney talked about the Range Safety Officer (RSO) training.
  - Dabney will be attending the Range Operations and Development Seminar 4/7-4/11.
  - Dabney proposed an organizational meeting for Saturday, 4/20, from 10-5 in the basement of the Bailey library.
  - 2 classes are suggested, with 5 instructors each. The first could be 5/18 from 10-5.
  - Dabney: we need an SOP for the training.
  - Dabney informed the NFS that the Camp Fickes public season will start on Memorial Day.

A motion was made by John and seconded by Jeff to accept the High Power Report as presented.

## 12. ASSIGNMENTS

### Open Issues Assigned prior to 4/2012

- The issuance of stock certificates still needs to be done.

**March status:** Julie Jacks was introduced. She is a paralegal who will be assisting the club with legal matters. Julie advised that a not-for-profit (BCGC) cannot issue stock, but Camp Fickes can. It must be a “closed entity” with no public sales.

- We need to ensure we are operating as a completely legal corporation:
  - Is our insurance up to date?
  - Is Camp Fickes delinquent in filing state reports?
- Julie: the “notice to Cure Delinquency” can be found on the Sec of State site.
- Mike B took the action item to contact Brian Wilson (lawyer) and re-engage him.
- John W: motion to compensate Julie Jacks, Paralegal, with a Season Range Pass once her legal work is completed. Seconded by Dabney. Motion carries.

### **Open Issue Assigned prior to 7/2012**

- Gavin said we needed a new form for tracking AR’s, the new and old 22’s. Gavin is waiting to hear from Brian, our lawyer  
**No Status:** A new Lease Agreement form was created and will be routed to Board Members for review.

### **13. NEW BUSINESS**

- Mike McCabe is going to contact other ranges and clubs to see what their protocol is with regard to background checks and new members. The unanimous recommendation is to not do it. Current BCGC documents have us covered.
- The By-Laws are under review and suggested specific changes will be presented to the Board/Membership. In addition to typos and grammatical corrections, language will be added regarding:
  - Mind-altering drugs
  - Members can’t use range for personal profit
  - Include dues late dates & drop-dead date e.g. “due Jan 1; paid by Feb 1”
- This is an item we still need to discuss:  
We discussed a policy of limiting guests to no more that 3 visits to the range before they have to pay for a daily guest pass. **This is still an actionable item that will need further discussion.**
- Dabney is working on the Standard Operating Procedures for the Club, this is in preparation for presenting Range Safety Officer training to interested club members.
- We intend to sell all of the Club adult sized .22 rifles.
- Mike B: We need a long-term plan for the development of the BCGC, not just because it’s required of us, but because it’s a good idea. Gavin: a 5-year Operational Plan is required by the USFS. A sub-committee will be formed to begin drafting a 5-yr plan – Gavin, should the Exec Officer be driving this bus? Moved by Sam, seconded by Jeff, passes.
- Gavin: we need to setup a Work Day to dig out the 100-yd, rake the Short Range, extend a berm, etc.
- Expressed thanks to our guests.

A motion was made by John, seconded by Owen and passed to adjourn at 8:24pm.

**The next regular BCGC BOD meeting will be held on Tuesday April, 16, 2013 at the Golden Community Center, 1470 10th Street, Golden, CO 80401 (303) 384-8100 from 6:00 to 8:00pm.**

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