

PINE BLUFF GUN CLUB MINUTES JUNE 11, 2023

Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM.

Opened with a prayer by Mike Walls and pledge lead by Roy Whitaker.

Financial report given by Mike Walls. Dollar amounts gone over. A suggestion was made to look at better paying CD interest rates which will be done.

Membership report also by Mike Walls with 196 members currently. Dues are \$60.00 per year. Must be an NRA member. If needed, you may renew via the club.

Defensive Pistol Match report by Mike Walls. Is the 2nd Saturday each month starting at 9:00 AM. Fee is \$5.00. Open to the public. Lot of fun and get some good trigger time in. Did buy some new steel action targets that up the game.

Bowling Pin Match report by Mark Blackwood. Is the 3rd Saturday of the month February through October starting at 10:00 AM. Fee is \$5.00 for the first centerfire weapon and \$3.00 for any additional ones. Usual match done with 4 rimfire pins and then go to 5 centerfire pins before finishing with the plate rack. March, June and September are the Bang and Clang matches with 5 rimfire pins and then 18 to 25 pieces of steel to shoot with centerfire weapon. Get out and have some fun.

Old business next addressed as follows:

The Don Smith Memorial Match needs to take place next year. Due to the many weather challenges, it was not feasible to do it this year. Be thinking about what type of match you feel would be best – pistol, long gun, etc. - so can make a final decision at the next meeting in January. Have the funds for it.

Looking to see if any specific range improvements need done. If there is something you would like to see, please let us know.

The steel frames and hanging steel to be completed this year. Held up due to weather and illnesses in the workers.

Cameras are up and operational at the range. One covering the entry and one the covered rifle/pistol range.

Special Olympics Arkansas raffle is now up and running as of this date. Will sell 200 tickets at \$20.00 each. Need the club members to help us move these out. If paid by check it needs to be made out to Special Olympics Arkansas. Drawing when all 200 tickets are sold or on September 30th 2023 – whichever comes first. The prize is a custom-built AR-10 in 308 with 15 boxes of Black Hills 175 grain match ammo.

New business as follows:

As we are all aware, there was a severe ice storm earlier this year. At the range over 60 trees of varying sizes were down. Mike Walls and Paul Davis started the cleanup but it was overwhelming. At that time volunteers added to this were Mike Holland, Bryan King, Mike Monk, Sean Patterson, Leann Patterson, Rodney Reed, Roy Whitaker and Dickey Yaney. Fortunately, none of the structures were hit – no gate, building, awning, etc.

The Board had a discussion regarding some action steel targets and IDPA type supplies that Jefferson County Gun Club has not used in years as they no longer have that style match. At the last meeting of the Jefferson County Gun Club, it was brought up about a possible purchase. The decision at that time was for us to get a written proposal together for them to vote on. If they do approve it, we will purchase the items. In that event, our club should not have to buy any further props in the foreseeable future. If they decline it, we will return the drop turner borrowed from them for use at Special Olympic Arkansas functions and will not make future offers.

A request had been made to use the range for a group of new shooters unrelated to the club. We had informed them that due to liability issues that was not currently feasible. We will investigate any other avenue open to help groups like this out with the insurer.

This is the time we do the yearly election of officers and trustees. A motion to reelect the current slate of officers and trustees was made and approved.

January 21, 2024 was decided on for the next club meeting to again be held at the White Hall Community Center starting at 2:00 PM.

Dues are payable by the end of this month.

The Board of the Pine Bluff Gun Club appreciates all the members and their trust in us. We will continue to strive to do whatever is best for the club. At any time if you have suggestions or problems contact us. pbgunclub.org is the website and has contact information, club updates, match information, etc.

Please do not shoot up the target stands and barrels in the bays as those are needed for the matches. Clean up after yourself. Make sure all rounds impact the berm and not the ground.

Come try out some of the matches. Are very laid back. The participants truly want you to do well and will help you out in any way possible. If there are questions on the needed items to compete call one of us. You can also come out and watch one – just bring eye and ear protection.

Submitted by the Pine Bluff Gun Club Board.

