

Villages Archery Club

Meeting Minutes

Date: 8-8-11

1. The meeting was called to order by President Blair Peterson at 6:02 PM. Three (3) officers attended this meeting. Four (4) officers, fourteen (14) members and two () guests attended this meeting.
2. John Ferris gave the Treasurer's Report.
 - Last month's balance was \$3,523.62 (this was incorrectly reported in last month's Minutes as \$3,525.62)
 - This month's balance is \$2,727.56 after adjustments for income (\$165.00) and expenses (\$901.06)
3. Old Business
 - Work on the shade cover began on 3 August and the range will be CLOSED during the construction period. The work should be completed sometime during the week of 22 August. An "all members" e-mail will be sent out when the range re-opens.

It was asked if the vertical supports will be wood or metal (some members complained that the metal uprights at the Newberry range echoed when hit). The supports will be wood. The base will be a rubber-resin composite material like that used for outdoor tracks. The shooting line will be indicated by black numbered rectangular inserts for lanes 1 through 18.
 - The 3 new target matts that were ordered months ago still have not arrived. It is still unknown as to when they will be received.

The Paradise Recreation Center had ordered six (6) new fiberglass bows, but they were returned to Lancaster Archery because their 30 lb. draw weight was judged to be too "heavy". Six (6) 20 lb. fiberglass bows have been ordered instead.

Six (6) dozen new arrows and about 20 long arm guards that Paradise ordered are in the workroom under the work bench. They will be used only when we have Clinics or Camp Villages.
 - The Paradise Recreation Center is having new yardage and target number signs made for the range.
 - Speaking of the range and the equipment that the Paradise Recreation Center loans out, there will soon be new procedures for the use of loaned equipment. Villagers and guests who loan equipment from the Recreation Center will be supervised while at the range by someone (from the Recreation Center). There are two reasons for doing this.
 - ~ It will minimize the damage done to the arrows (there will also be a charge for lost or damaged arrows)
 - ~ It will improve the safety at the range (it was noted that a similar procedure is employed at the air pistol range)
 - The last Camp Villages Clinic on 28 July. Blair thanked all of the Club member volunteers who made these sessions (all of which were full) a success. Especially those who "hung" in there for the second session on the 28th. The heat and humidity were oppressive.

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3. Old Business (continued)

- Dick Armstrong is the Range Meister for this month (what luck, the range is closed !). The Range Meisters for the next four (4) months are:
 - ✓ September Bob Mathews
 - ✓ October John Gauger
 - ✓ November Charlie Zelonis
 - ✓ December Jeff Wiseman

4. New Business

- After much discussion it was decided that the ½ FITA Tournament scheduled for 3 September will be CANCELLED. Two factors, the construction of the shade cover and the work needed to be done to return the range to Tournament condition, were the major considerations in this decision.

- The Work Party scheduled for the Thursday before the ½ FITA Tournament has NOT be cancelled.

So, mark your calendars. There will be a Work Party on Thursday, 1 September starting at 8:00 AM. Please be there if you can help. The targets need a lot of “help” and the range markers need to be checked because the shooting line location is likely to be different.

- We have a Classic 600 Round Tournament scheduled for Saturday, 1 October. This is a Tournament that we have never held on our range. It is similar to the 600 Round Monday Morning Shoot, except that the targets are smaller and the distances are “reversed” (first 40 yards, then 50 yards and then 60 yards). The “smaller” 92 cm targets that are used for this Tournament are in the target room.

Mary Ann Hartman and Lamar Hobbs have volunteered to manage the registration duties and Ralph Goldsworthy has agreed to run the line. Additional details will be discussed at the next meeting (12 September).

A work party has been scheduled for Thursday, 30 September, at 8:00 AM to prepare the range for this Tournament.

- Blair passed on some “house keeping” reminders.
 - ~ Targets #1 thru #5 are to be set at 60 yards. Targets #6 thru #10 are to be set at 50 yards. Targets #11 thru #15 are to be set at 40 yards. Targets #16 thru #18 are to be set “up close”. If you move the targets from these distances, it is **YOUR** responsibility to return them to the above distances after you are finished
 - ~ Hang the bows up in the work room by their approximate length. Right handed bows towards the left side of the wall, left handed bows on the far right side.
 - ~ Please keep the arrows grouped by length and put the rubber bands back on them before you return them to the arrow boxes.
 - ~ Arrows that need repair should not be put back in the arrow boxes. These arrows are to be placed in the “Repair Arrow” container on the left side of the work bench
 - ~ Keep the work and target rooms clean and organized. Return tools where you found them and sweep the floor.

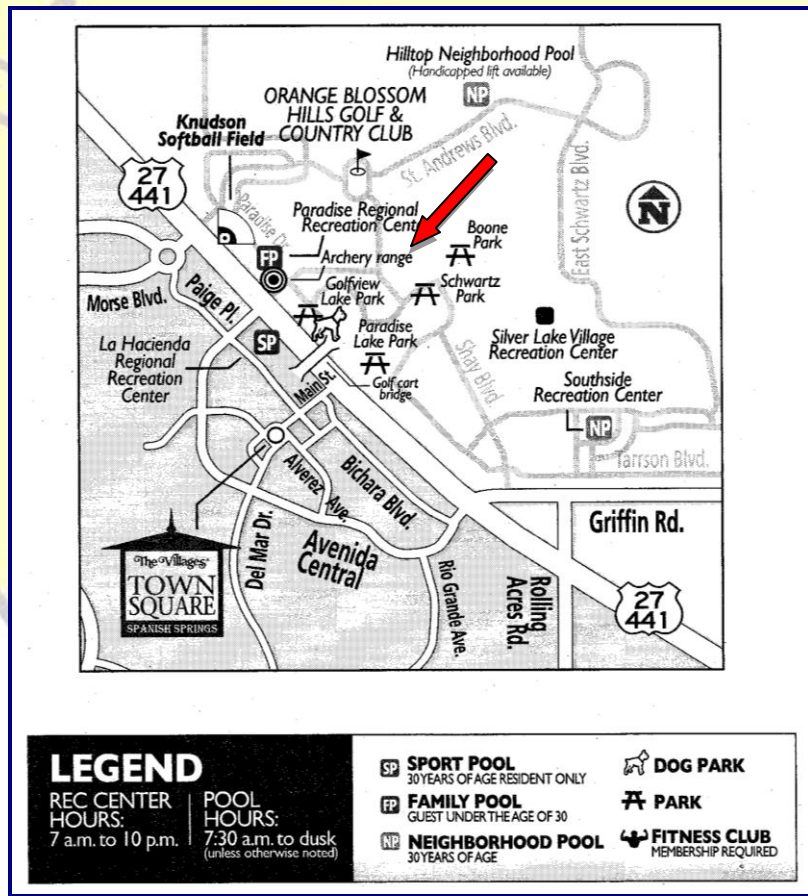
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4. New Business (continued)

- When the range reopens, Mary Ann Hartman asked for some help with the New Members Clinic. The next class is to cover the use and adjustment of sights (like many of us have on our compound bows). If you would like to help with this class contact Mary Ann.
- Blair reminded everyone that he will be out of town from 18 August until 16 September. Dick Armstrong will act in his place during Blair's absence.
- Everyone was reminded that the Club has a new website thanks to the efforts of Charlie Campney. The link (URL) appears in the "footer" of these Meeting Minutes.
- We are now on the map ! The Recreation News (it is in the Thursday Daily Sun) has been updated thanks to the efforts of a few Club members to show the location of the Archery Range. Here's what the map looks like.



- Blair adjourned the meeting at 7:05 P.M.
- The next meeting will be held on September 12, 2011 at 6:00 PM at Tierra del Sol.

Respectively submitted,

Michael H. Kennedy
The Villages Archery Club Secretary