



CATAWBA VALLEY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB

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The August 2016 monthly meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by president Sam Birchfield. The July 2016 meeting minutes were read and approved. The treasurer's report was read and accepted as follows: The balance brought forward was \$38,809.41, deposits were \$834.00 and disbursements for the month totaled \$1,692.81. Ending balance was \$37,950.60. The treasurer also provided a detailed monthly expense report for 2015, along with a budgetary projection for 2016. Guests this month were Art Thorsen, 2nd meeting, Dorney LaPierre, 3rd meeting and Larry Ball, 1st meeting. Approval of Dorney LaPierre as a member was delayed pending his acquiring either the required background check statement or a CCW permit.

Old Business

- The minutes of the July Executive Committee Meeting were read and explained, with a recommendation made to modify CVRP range rule #5 (as 5a) described below. The rule change was unanimously accepted after brief discussion on what constituted an acceptable pocket holster.
 - " 5. All guns must be unloaded and actions opened in a safe condition and tabled when a cease fire is called before anyone is permitted in front of the firing line, and while anyone remains in front of the firing line.

 - a) However, open- holstered or holstered concealed handguns carried by licensed concealed carry permit holders are allowed on the range property at all times, unless specifically prohibited by a match director during a match. As noted above in rules 2 and 3, all un-holstered weapons must be cased or tabled with an "empty chamber indicator" in place whenever people are down range."*
- Sam advised the membership that Bryan Miller has been extremely helpful and fast reacting to requests for fixing various landscaping problems such as a recent ditch repair. All members are asked to thank Bryan for his help.
- Bob Metts reported there was no significant progress so far on proposed range road changes. This subject has been tabled for now.
- Sam brought up the subject of restroom remodeling and proposed that he get three bids from either club members or contractors on complete refurbishment of those facilities. This was approved and will be presented at the next meeting.
- Bob Metts reported that he had discussed the subject of air conditioning/ heating of the club meeting room with Barry Brittain, and had received an informal estimate of approximately \$5000 for three "motel style" units, totaling about 6 tons, installed, but without inclusion of electrical connections. This will be discussed further after prioritizing 2016 annual budgetary expenses.
- There has been no progress on the 100 yard line roof repair.
- Randy Clark reported that the club break-in attributed to Randy Lee Mosier is still on the court docket with no trial date set yet.



New Business

- Tim Drum reminded the membership that if a member damages club property it should be reported and an attempt made to fix it. Failure to do so is cause for suspension or dismissal from the club. Recent examples are broken steel disks on the .22 caliber dueling tree, the finding of a .38 caliber HP bullet embedded in the indoor range steel backstop, new bullet holes in the 50 yard roof cover, and the near-use of a 300-blackout rifle indoors. After all the recent re-training that has taken place, Tim is frustrated by this and advised that it is each member's responsibility to challenge anyone that is seen doing damage and to get that person's name or license tag number for further action by the EC.
- Riverview Sports has generously offered to donate a used soda machine to the club, but currently the membership is satisfied with the "honor system" being used to pay for drinks kept in the refrigerator donated and stocked by Gary Houser. Thanks Gary!
- Neil Sipe reported that the skeet machine in the High House is now breaking most of the birds being launched, and maintenance support for the machine is non-existent. Neil will attempt to get a bid for new machines by the next meeting. It was generally felt that this expense item will rank near the top in budget priority since it has a serious impact on many club members.
- Sam requested that the membership consider the idea of replacing (or possibly supplementing) the existing tractor with alternate heavy-duty mowing machines, such as a "belly mower" with a scraper blade attachment or perhaps a commercial-style zero-turn type mower. The cost of \$6K to \$8K was thought to be a reasonable estimate if used equipment could be found. Sam will investigate further.
- Once all estimates have been gathered for the above mentioned high-cost items, priorities will be set, with the bathrooms and skeet machines likely to be near the top of the recommendations list.
- Club member and owner of "A Triggered Response", Keith Harper, submitted his updated Instructor Certification list, current \$1,000,000 insurance coverage statement and current CCW instructor credentials from the NC Criminal Justice Standards Division. Keith offers a substantial discount to club members for courses taught using our facilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lonnie Hagadorn, for Steve Roe