

LASC BOARC MEETING MINUTES

JULY 10, 2008

Current Year Calendar and Important Dates:

The full calendar of events and training opportunities are in the current Bulletin and on the LASC web page: <http://www.la-sc.org/>

Remember to wear your Club ID badge whenever on the LASC premises.

Board Members Present:

Twelve Board members attended this meeting. They were Marv Alme, Skip Anderson, Ed Bush, Angie Chipera, Howard Hall, Jung Hong, Ken Laintz, Dick Martin, Sarah Maynard, Toran Maynard, Dale Melton, Mell Smithour.

Other Persons Present: Leslie Melton

Dick Martin was the Pledge of Allegiance leader.

New Member Orientation Schedule:

For now it was decided to reduce the number of orientations from three to two, now the second Sunday and the third Saturday.

July 13 (Sun at 12 noon) Howard

July 19 (Sat at 8 am) Jung

As a reminder, the LASC Range Safety Manual should be discussed during orientation sessions. The handbook is available via our web site. Also, orientation leaders should feel free to call a range cease-fire for five minutes or so (as necessary) to conduct a part of the orientation briefing pertaining to that particular range.

Officer's Reports:

President (Ken Laintz): Presided over the meeting. Ken is looking for an original signed copy of the LASC license to our property (an agreement with the DOE) for which we pay a fee each year.

Vice President (Howard Hall): Howard gave an update on the Benefit to Wounded War Veterans pistol match. It was a success. He also spoke about the work LASC will do to support the BSA Shotgun Merit Badge on the trap range. (They need to hit 14 of 25 to qualify.) On another topic, Howard discussed progress on the new Range Use Agreement (see below). Finally, Howard will be discussing the DVC concept and providing pointers for pistol shooters in the July and future issues of the Bulletin.

Treasurer (Angie Chipera): Angie presented a comprehensive review of Club finances, including ordinary income and expenses, as well as total assets and liabilities for the period January 1, 2008 through July 10, 2008. She provided detailed handouts summarizing the figures. For more information, contact Angie or Ken.

Recording Secretary (Dick Martin): (Reminder) Dick will help review the by-laws for needed changes and check for our policy on free memberships, if any.

Membership Secretary (Jung Hong): Jung said that there are now 425 memberships with about 1

or 2 resulting from each orientation session. He will send out a hard copy of the August Bulletin to all members and will include some raffle tickets for the Gun Show.

At Large Officers: On land/DOE, Mel reported that LA County is looking at the cost of bringing services down into Rendija canyon.

Old and New Business:

Camp Perry Support: This Junior ROTC activity was discussed and support was approved by the Board. We can loan AR-15 rifles from our stock.

Friends of the NRA Banquet Update: DONE

The date for this event is September 13 at 6 pm (1800 hours) at the Lodge at Santa Fe (across from the National Cemetery on the north side of town). The cost will be \$35 per person, and \$65 for couples. Rich Morley is heading this up. There will be a standard package of items for sale and a gun auction to raise money. We will try to get businesses to sponsor guns for auction. The funds raised will go 50% to the State Chapter for state grants and 50% to the NRA for national level grants to ranges or law enforcement.

Pistol Match: This was a success (see Howard's report above).

Scouts, BSA Training, Merit Badges: DONE

Howard Hall is covering this with help from the shotgun instructors. (See Howard's report above.)

Range Use Agreement:

This topic generated considerable discussion. It was decided that if someone (like John Farnam) is earning money using Club facilities, it is not a club activity. In cases like this, our fee schedule should apply to everyone. Also, for profit activities are not covered by the LASC NRA insurance policy. It is required that all Match Coordinators and Range Safety Officers (RSOs) will have basic first aid and CPR. If anyone desires to train using a "hot" range, this will be done "by exception" via a request letter to the Club President (Ken).

LASC Training Form and Waiver:

Repeating from last month, Howard Hall has produced a straw man version of a standard training form. It covers background, rules for using the facilities, safety manual, hazards, "hold harmless," etc. The form is geared to covering what happens if we have a problem and indicates that if you use the facilities, you must abide by the Club rules. This good faith forethought and effort form will be reviewed by the Club attorney, Shay Burns Kendrick. Student waivers will be used by all instructors using the facilities. Ken wants this topic ironed out by the end of July.

New Proposed Pistol Discipline: This could be interpreted as do we need or want to initiate a new Pistol Sub-Section for practice and/or non-competitive shooting? Ken's comments on this subject, in short, were two questions and a statement: (1) who heads up this sub-section, (2) what day and time, and (3) this would have to fit under the existing Pistol Section currently headed by Toran Maynard. Skip Anderson (Range Safety) reminded members that all members are allowed two guests per visit, and that this works well for practice sessions and safety.

Corporate Memberships: (Reminder)

These include the LAPD, Park Service, Mounted Patrol, Game and Fish (pending), Sheriff's Dept, and Senior Olympics.

Capital Improvements and Revision of Clubhouse Layout:

The big roll-up door has arrived and is awaiting installation in the clubhouse. Plans are to paint the clubhouse floor with a durable epoxy-based paint. Ken has looked at 5-6 interesting products available at Home Depot including a product called DuraCoat. Ken said that he thinks things look good and has received lots of positive comments.

E-Mail Lists: (Reminder)

Marv is working with Jim Jewell on fixing the list. The old Yahoo list has been scrapped. We don't want to "spam" members, but to use this list for official Club communications only. Ken will moderate the list.

Work Credit Program: (Reminder)

Marv Alme is the coordinator of this program and details can be found at <http://www.la-sc.org/workcredit/index.shtml>. Note that a current list of volunteer work opportunities, as well as the mechanics of how to get credit, and other relevant topics will be maintained and posted at this web site. Marv will be logging credit for members for the time being. Mell suggested that we visit the Work Credit Program prior to the spring and fall clean-ups.

Section Reports:

(Reminder) As always, the Club needs Section Heads to maintain a list of things that need to be done to support their section. It is presumed that this list should be e-mailed to Ken and Marv.

Pistol (Toran Maynard): Things look great. Toran handed out storage container keys to Ken and Howard.

Rifle (Mell Smithour): The gong at 200 yards fell off, but will be replaced.

Shotgun (Ed Bush): The section is working on setting up delivery of the next load of birds, namely, 24 pallets. The cost for the shipment is \$14,500. Last month (June), 85 cases of birds were shot (or wasted).

Archery (Dale Melton): With hunt drawings taking place, activities are picking up. The 3-Ds have been set up and are being shot at. Volunteers are doing some mowing and this is really appreciated.

House and Grounds (Dale Melton): In general things are in pretty good shape. There has been a lot of shooting activity inside the clubhouse. Shooting activity in the pistol pits also has been very active. Dale will be looking to fix a water leak in the clubhouse roof. The leaking fixture on the east side has been repaired.

Range Safety (Skip Anderson): Some issues associated with Airsoft, Paintball, and Reality-Based Training were discussed. Ken's position on Airsoft and Paintball is that it's okay, except that all the standard safety rules must be followed. With regard to Reality-Based Training, this will probably not be allowed on Club live fire ranges as it is not consistent with NRA practice and safety.

Bulletin (Sarah Maynard): (Reminders) Sarah is always seeking pictures of Club people and goings on to publish in the bulletin. Remember to bring your camera to activities and send your snapshots to Sarah to share with the membership.

Range Safety (Skip Anderson): Skip is updating the LASC Safety Handbook this month. He will

include a section on Emergency Medical Plan, and will provide guidelines on use of the range when classes are being conducted.

Shooters in the indoor range should not shoot closer than 7 yards from the backstop for safety. (Three yards back from the backstop is too close. NOTE: To accomplish target shooting at 3 yards, for whatever purpose, one can move target stands back 7 yards from the backstop and then stand 3 yards back from the targets on the stands.) Also, less than 12 yards from the steel outdoor pistol targets is not allowed for the same reason. Hearing and eye protection is always mandatory.

Respectfully submitted,

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