

# North Peace Rod & Gun Club

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## GENERAL MEETING

**Date:** June 24, 2013

Called to order at 7:05 pm, adjourned at 8:45 pm.

**Attendance:** Attached

**Chair:** G Lahaye

**Secretary:** Darren Thiel

Guy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### Review of May 27, 2013 Minutes:

Guy inquired as to any changes to the minutes from May 27/13 General Meeting – Motion to Adopt as read Budd Phillips, seconded by Jim Little, Motion carried.

### Old Business Arising from Previous Meetings:

- Dave Bonar is looking at options for tractor. Is currently trying to find a balance between size, attachments and overall cost. Target is to have unit purchased by the fall
- Old Clubhouse Renovations – Wayne has ordered the windows and they should take approx a month to come in. Steve has contacted Rod Hedges and Dan Bridge to come out and provide a quote for the work.
- Dave Bonar to contact PNG to come out and mark gas line.

### New Business

1. Fair Share grant has been approved for approx. \$22k to go towards the purchase of sporting clay machines.
2. Staffing – Caretaker Hiring(s) – All Candidates to date have been interviewed and nobody has been hired. Still looking at options. Still advertising the position. Steve Hewitt has contacted Mckenna staffing as well. Guy Reviewed multiple possible scenarios for caretakers.
3. Moose Symposium – Prince George

### **President's Report: Guy Lahaye**

- Nothing to Report

### **Secretary's Report: Melonie Paddle ( Not in attendance)**

- No Report Given

### **Treasurer's Report: Dezarai Carter ( not in attendance – Balances reported by Guy L.**

- May Bank Balance :
- Balance as of June meeting

## DIRECTOR REPORTS

### **Archery:**

- Vacant -No report

### **Trap:**

- Dave Bonar –everything running good

### **Trap Maintenance:**

- Dave Bonar– Road will be sprayed with Calcium before Oilmen's Shoot this upcoming weekend

### **Rod:**

- Steve Hewitt – Kids learn to fish had two classes of 25 kids per class. Kids had lots of fun and lots of positive feedback. Family Fishing Day had 75 people entered but estimates were as high as 250 people on the lake fishing.

### **Big Bore:**

- Al Phillippe – Nothing to report

### **Pistol:**

#### **IDPA: Indoor/Outdoor range**

- Oz Kehoe – Gongs repaired, shooting Tuesdays 7-9pm

### **IPSC:**

- Chuck Mercanti – report via email – *“The Prince George Qualifiers were held this past weekend. At least 4 people from FSJ completed their Black Badge Course of fire. Over 60 competitors were in attendance at the qualifier in PG and the weather cooperated with sunshine for the entire event. IPSC club match for the end of July is still a go, we will be soliciting help to build the stages prior to the scheduled date of July 27, 2013! If anyone can pitch in to help with this event, please call me at the number below to arrange a quick meeting of the minds and get things rolling.”*

### **Grounds & Building**

- Guy Lahaye, Mike Nielsen – Varen is to move equipment in shortly. Guy texted Mike Nielsen for gravel. Trying to get this done before oilmen's trap shoot
- Al to change hoses on BBQ to try and prevent propane smell

### **Membership**

- Darren Thiel – Nothing to report

### **Sporting Clays and Skeet**

- Jesper Amstrup, - 36 shooters (including 6 juniors and 2 ladies) shot at shoot in fsj. Revenue was \$6655 and expenses were \$4600 for approx \$2065 profit. Approx 460 rounds of targets were shot. Good shoot despite poor weather. Lots of out of towners. The shotgun raffle is sold out. Draw is still to be held.

### **Communications:**

- Gerry Paille, Rick Ekkel – Nothing to Report

### **Community Donation/ Special Events/Fisheries: Steve Hewitt –**

#### **Fundraiser Final Report to Gaming Commission**

- report was submitted at the end of May. No comments or questions back from them yet, so hopefully no news is good news!! I'm not in jail so that is a good sign!

#### **Inga Lake Spawning Channel**

- Spawning channel shut down on June 18. 14 school bus trips (approx. 750 children) made it out to the channel. Huge success and lots of positive comments from parents, teachers, and children. Final report and request for payment to be submitted shortly.

## Peace River Region Wildlife Strategies Working Group

- first meeting was held May 31
- The plan is to look at all species but the Ministry looking for creative input on Bison, Elk, & Moose to start with.
- They are looking for comments on these species and others in our region. Some suggested questions to answer are:
  - From your perspective, what are some of the major priorities for fish and wildlife management in our region?
    - Are there specific wildlife species that you are especially concerned about? If so, what are your concerns?
    - Are there any concerns you have that are species and geographic location specific? For example, related to plains bison at Pink Mountain, moose in the South Peace, etc. Provide as much detail as you can.
    - What are some of the long term trends related to fish and wildlife populations and their habitats, that you feel provide us with relevant information to consider in future management actions?
    - Are there specific projects that you'd really like to see developed and be a partner in? Think about what the objectives might be.
    - Provide any additional thoughts and suggestions that are not covered by the questions above.
- If you would like to comment on any of these, you can direct your answers/comments to me before July 4 and I will compile them and forward to the Ministry.

## BC Hydro Wildlife Compensation Fund

- BC Hydro looking for input on fish and wildlife related projects. They are looking for input via an online survey (see below). Survey deadline is July 2.

<http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/1247409/FWCP-Peace-Survey-of-Public-Priorities>

## **BCWF Management:**

- Gerry Paille – Nothing to report

**Training Courses/Info:**

- Wes Belland – 10 people in each course. Approx 7000 rounds of pistol and 5000 rounds of 223 shot. Four days of shooting on the 12, 13, 14, 15<sup>th</sup>. The other ranges remained open. Good time had

**CFA/Gun Rights Issues:**

- Dave Paddle – Nothing to report

**3 Gun:**

- 3 gun - Guy L. – The range will close Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Set up will be the Friday night. Most of the ranges will be used for the 3gun match. 25-40 shooters are expected. Budd will advertise the shoot on IPSC BC

**Mechanical Maintenance:**

- Steve Kowalski – Quad was sent to short busche auction.

**Allocation/Wildlife Management:**

- Rich Peterson – Nothing to Report

**Special Projects:**

- Jim Little – Club has received a check for its involvement in Site C project review process covering costs.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Jim Little – Spoke on permits to release pheasants. Felt there was some resistance to long term permits but still feels he will get it.

**There being no further business: Next Meeting will be September 30, 2013**