

11.12.25 DBFG Membership Meeting minutes

Pledge 7:00 PM – Sam President called the meeting to order

Motion to accepted the minutes – 1st Jon O 2nd Paul, all in favor unanimous

The continuation of the Annual Business Meeting: These are the committees:

Bld ground Don

Events Sam and Dennis

Finance and budget Sam, Jon, Cecile, Scott, Dennis ,John B Scott

Membership Dennis

Treasurer Report – Motion accept John B made motion 1st john 2nd nick

Balance as of 10/31/25

Check 108,500.35

Debit 4,911.79

Members – 663 Active – total

123 people inactive on Joinit. Frank can log in but cannot do anything at this time. Starting in Jan all membership due by Jan 31, 2026 and then if not renewed will be removed from Joinit.

Archery – Pat Beland

Gary Wood is a new member. Pat would like to get 3 target stands. Hframe 5 -50 “ 15 - 32” units . Would like to get 20 target stands at \$ 1153.00. Do not exceed the \$1500 limit. (Its pipe inside of pipe w rerod.) Pat made motion 2nd jon O unanimous vote

Go to Capital Land shoot, we are in and just need to come up w dates, we will do it. Gary said this is a premier range. ASA - Archery Shooters Association. Marked yardage shoot. One shoot at Hudson Falls they got 90 shooters to participate.

Talking about an indoor league , the range is adequate, but a few changes do need to come. Hudson falls does a Tues and Fri night league. Gary proposes a 45 league (meaning 45 arrows) on Thur evening. Beginning at 6 next event at 8. This would be an 8 week league which is Jan 8, thur sign up. The charge for league is (Hudson falls \$60). Considering \$40 ind and \$60 family for the league. Non members pay more \$10 more so 50/70. Only nonmembers would have to sign a release form and this is a club event so our insurance is cov'd.

Gary stated no crossbow on 3D targets at Hudson falls.

Pat made motion Thur Jan 8th starting archery League 40/60 non members 50/70. Youth that are chaperoned 12-17yrs \$15. This is sign up and practise. And the league begins the following week. So between the sign up and a make up night it is 10wks. 2nd jon o. Unanimous

Jon O found staircases galore on marketplace to replace the one we got rid of. go to State Archery range on exit 15 to see the setup that must be to be in compliance. Demand for 50 to 70 meter shoot. Need to be cautious about what we show on our website. Dennis will check w insurance agent to determine if we can replace.

John B is finalizing his USA certification Safe Sport, John would like to have a class for adults. USA Archery would pay for ins and there would be minimal charge for the class.

Building and Grounds – Don

Some of the activities he was doing some of the new guys are now doing. Which is a nice to see.

Should we change to LED bulbs. Will need to take a look to see the cost of replacing full light to LED. Sam will do some research.

EVENTS

2 Gun – Sam C

23 shooters and Cecile has the monies, Last one for the year. Sam will do a shoot in Feb. on a Sun . Waiting to pick a date.

Action Pistol - Jon Ordway

Jon is working weekends and will not have any time off till May.

Running Deer shoot Dennis

9 people and \$ 160. Thinking every other mth for the new year.

Archery

Steel – Sam & Shane – No Report

Maintenance at this time. John B got the silhouette target and it is in the shed. It will be used by club and 4H.

Shotgun/Clay Sam and Shane

9 people showed . It is opening weekend for Northern Zone. Will wait for April to start back up.

She-Shooters – Melissa Stark -

No Report

Smokeless Range – Sam /Steve

Conservation Council – Dan, John and Dennis are part of this

Dennis said they are doing family wilderness evenings. Waiting for Mar flea market and fishing derby in April.

Interesting to see what numbers will be for crossbow harvesting. Very slow in legislation right now.

Jon stated that GF Civic Center may be inputting a machine that will detect guns on someones person.

CA states background check is unconstitutional for ammo. NY says its legal for background on ammo sales. Vampire law no longer in effect in NYS . Only cannot carry in govt buildings, schools, court houses , hosp.

Youth John B

Youth had archery and 7 kids came, Air rifle is in Dec and 3rd Sun of month about 7 kids for Archery that are getting ready for States, and 5-7 kids for rifle. 1st and 3rd sun are meetings.

Bylaws

Sam is working on bylaws and will send to John and Kathy for review and corrections. Should be ready for Dec

Old Business

Sam is still working and waiting to hear from the builder. Hoping for end of Nov.

Kathy is checking on equip

Finished drainage on pistol berm . All is connected and pistol bay should no longer be flooding.

Talking about building up berm on 200 yard. Looking for budget.

Pat said may want to consider building a picnic shelter on premises . Need to add to site plan when they come out .

Road should be filled in prior to March. At least get the ruts filled in. Consider doing the berm work and road work at the same time, If done in winter, will not produce ruts and issues.

Plowing contract is in place, they will come every Thur for ice/ snow fall . \$ 650 /mth for all work. Will need to advise plow guy to go into building and set cease fire .

Will need a pass key for Duffy Bros, the winter plow guy.

Tractor lessons went well and really have the ability to do more with the tractor.

New Business

Ran class for RSO at Holiday Inn with 20 people 14 members; 1 new and 4 no shows- with a wait list Graduated 14 people;. It was a good class. As far as insurance , there is a problem and he is almost there with us as his add'l insured for classes.

Dennis advised that Jenni is working on the website. Shane is going to get drone shots soon.

Jon is working on AED info. wiith Queensbury EMS help.

Jon is working with Cabelas to see if we can have a table outside of the store and we would have to buy some gift cards to raffle . Sam is working with Dave, gun store owner, who runs some gun shows. Sam will work the gun shows for 3 days . He enjoys this time.

Sportsman dinner , we should have a presence there as well.

Motion to adjourn – 1st John R 2nd John B 853 pm