



## Shongum Sportsmen's Association

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#### Black Powder:

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### Phone Numbers

Message Center: 908-637-4991

**President Rich Gajda** started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. **Rich** asked to pause and remember / pray for all our US Military personnel in harms way.

**Rich Gajda** reminded all in attendance about the meeting rules for the membership.

The minutes, as they are posted in the Website were (motioned to accept by **Tom**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by **Chuck**) accepted and approved by the membership.

**Treasurer's Report:** **Mike Fortunato** read the Treasurer's Report aloud:

Bank Balance (as of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018): \$101,155.43

Receipts: \$12,361.77

Disbursements: \$6,491.11

Excess Receipts Over Disbursements : \$6,481.66

Bank Balance (as of April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018): \$107,637.09

Money Market Fund:

Available for use: \$20,777.93

Restricted for Contingencies: \$67,351.00

Balance as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018: \$88,128.93

**George Rutkowski** Fund Balance as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018: \$2,583.19

**Imre** motioned to accept the report, **Dan** 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. A vote by the membership accepted and approved.

### Officers & Committee Reports:

**VP John Gumann** — There is a need for an emergency contact list to be posed in The Clubhouse. Assembling the list of roofing, plumbing, electrical, and grounds contractors contact numbers is in process.

**Shotgun** – No Report.

**Rifle** — **Jack Bowden** mentioned that the next scheduled for Sunday 4/22 and will be the beginning of the season for Hi-Power matches. The Hi-Power course of fire is Slow Fire, standing - 10 rounds in 10 minutes; Rapid Fire, sitting or kneeling - 10 rounds in 60 seconds; Rapid Fire, 10 rounds prone in 70 seconds; and finally Slow Fire, 20 rounds prone in 20 minutes.

**Pistol** — **Jim Owings** announced that the Pistol League shoots every Tuesday night. We are presently shooting International Standard Pistol. Please, always go the website for details on updates to what is scheduled to shoot.

**Range Safety** – No Report.

**Events** — **Robert Miranda** announced that several special events are coming up, including a Vintage Shoot (VE Day) on Saturday 4/28 and another Vintage Shoot (Memorial Day) on Saturday 5/26. **Bob** asked that everyone should check the website calendar for the latest event information and range closures. For example, the indoor range is closed today and tomorrow, and also on 5/9.

**Building & Grounds** – No Report.

**Hunting** – No Report.

**NRA Training** — **Bob Ross** reported:

On March 17, 2018; we conducted the **NRA Range Safety Officer Course**. The class was a great success and we added an additional 9 RSO's to our instructor corps. I want to thank **Rich Gajda**, **Mark Napolitano**, **Ron Gumann** and **Mark Crowley** for their support.

On April 14, 2018 we conducted the **NRA Basic Pistol Instructor Lead Course**. We had 7 students for this course. Thank you to **Mark Rosenbach**, **Henry Jeanette**, and **Paul Spergel** for their support for this program.

Unfortunately we had to cancel the upcoming **USPSA course**, scheduled for **April 28, 2018** due to lack of registration. We will consider running this class again next year.

Finally, the **NRA First Steps Shotgun Class** is scheduled for **May 26, 2018**. Please check with the Shongum website for other planned classes.

**Legislation** — **President Rich Gajda** mentioned that recent legislation has disallowed the NJ Non-Resident Concealed Carry NH permit in PA. No reciprocity, is the term.

**Cowboy Action** – No Report.

**USPSA** – **Ron Gumann** did not report on the last match. The next match will be 5/5. Please check the website for the latest information.

**Woman's League** – **Elizabeth Mackee** reported that the last event evening entertained 21 participants. The next meeting is always the fourth Wednesday of the month. The evening typically starts at about 6:00 pm or so, with a Pot Luck Dinner and range safety instruction is held about 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm for any new women shooters. Anyone interested, is encouraged to attend, the phone number is listed in the minutes, and the E Mail address is [womensleague@shongum.org](mailto:womensleague@shongum.org).

**Juniors** — No Report.

**Black Powder** — **Steve Serna** submitted the following via E Mail: Please note - there was no April Black Powder League as it was Easter Sunday. The month of May the BP League will resume as usual.

**Membership** – **Vince Martino** reported the following:

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Applicants**

Lou Feliciano, Gregg Forsbrey, Robert Granadillo, Micah Lay, Ryan Leonard, Bradley Meece, Matthew O'Mara, Candy Repsher

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Attended Safety Orientation**

Joseph Albiez, Karl Biemer, Kevin Campbell, Nicholas DeSantis, Diane Dewar, Daniel Feltyberger, Oliver Guzman, Justin Hill, Bruce Kenny, Elizabeth Papp, David Thompson

**March – Anniversary Year Pins**

**5 Years**

Antonio Carrion, Loren Hamblin, Steven Kilponen, Edward Pisarchuk, Robert Miranda, Scott Siegmeister

**10 Years**

Jon Filosa, Stanley Klimek, David Wink

**15 Years**

Paul Bowlby, Edward Cassella, John Lefand, John Seal, David Steinert, William Voll

**20 Years**

William Breda, Stephen Codignotto, Fred Werner

**March – Special Anniversaries**

**28th Anniversary**

Paul Couvrette

**Old Business:**

**Range Rules**— There is work being conducted on updating the 2018 Range Rules. There are several members volunteered already, please refer to the Web Site for the list. If you wish to be involved, contact Chairperson **Jim Ownings**.

**By-Laws**—There is work being conducted on updating the By-Laws for 2018. If you wish to be involved, contact Chairperson **Pete Hefferan**.

**Grants**— Our association has a grant program underway for 2018. Please submit proposals or applications.

**New Business:**

**Indoor Range Update**—The Indoor Range will be closed at the moment, as the new cameras are being installed. Work is to be completed by 4/19.

**Good & Welfare** –

**Will Jones** mentioned several gun shows coming up, **Will** provides a complete list for anyone interested. **Will** also reminded the member-ship that he can field almost any reloading question they may have. **Will** attends most General Membership meetings. **Will** stays after the meeting ends, so please, don't be shy, come as ask your questions.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:00 PM

Minutes Recorded by **Vice President John Gumann**

Submitted by **George Wagner - Secretary**

## **Calendar of Regular Events**

Club Meeting- Third Wednesday of each month, begins at 7:30 PM.

CMP Rifle Match- Fourth Sunday of each month, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, First shot @ 10:00 AM.

Cowboy Action Shoot (CAS)- Third Sunday of each month, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Executive Committee Meeting- First Monday of each month, begins at 7:00 PM.

USPSA- First Saturday of each month, January through December, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Junior League- Friday evenings (indoor range), refer to Web Site calendar, 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

Pistol League- Every Tuesday evening, 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

Trap Program - Every Sunday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Unless noted on the Web Site)

- Every Tuesday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- Friday Nights 7:00 PM to 10: 00 PM (Through the middle of October).

Women's League - Final Wednesday of each month, 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

Black Powder- First Sunday of each month, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. In the colder months, start time moves forward to 11:00 AM.