Minutes for JPL Gun Club Meeting, 5 June 2011

In attendance:

Don Cheney

Dwight Geer

Nelson Green

Clayton LaBaw

Scott McGinley

Rick Miseroy, guest

Judy Nelson

Bruce Parham

Raul Perez

Rich Rebele

Carlos Villalpando

Gary Weltz

Tom Wolfe

Absent:

Treasurer on medical leave

CTO 12:04 noon by President Nelson Green.

Treasurer James Wincentsen continues on medical leave but sent in the following report:

Cash and checks on hand: $245

JPLGC account: $3671.42

Total funds: $3916.42

The club received funds of $900 for the ISI Training Class 2. The same amount was paid for the class.

Green stated that the club has approximately $4,000 available in the club account. We therefore have sufficient funds to refurbish rifles in the club inventory. To that extent we have purchased two replacement M1 barrels, and two stock sets from the CMP. The club added $3 to our range fee several years ago to collect the funds to pay for these repairs. Barrel plus stock plus shipping/handling totals approximately $330 for each rifle barrel and stock pair. There will be an additional cost to have a gunsmith affix and fit the new parts to the rifles. Green purchased the barrels and stock using his credit card (approximately $660) and wishes reimbursement from the club.

Old Business

12 members attended the second pistol class. Good review of the class given by Villalpando with additions by others. Discussion about class included remarks regarding amount of individual time and the benefits of professional analysis of one’s shooting skills.

NRA lawyer, Chuck Michel, spoke at the Members Council Meeting in Pasadena. He explained the process by which the NRA brings about lawsuits and described much of the gun control activities in California: push for pink BB guns, etc. Michel emphasized that the NRA lobbyists are the only one protecting gun owners in California.

New Business

Green introduced guest Rick Miseroy, a JPLer.

The next level I pistol class will not be held until the fall. There has been some requests for a level II class, but Mike Dalton, the instructor, does not want to hold a level II class until the level I students have a chance to practice what they learned on their own. Discussion on how we can promote training and how can we arrange shooting drills like Mike Dalton uses. Possibly the club can rent a private range at Angeles or Piru. Note the USPA matches on third Saturdays at Piru. Perhaps Tom Wolfe, pistol chair, could arrange shoots then. July USPA shoots tend to be lightly attended.

Range Safety Office (RSO) Class

Mike Young, past president, and Gary Bivens took a Range Safety Officer Instructor Class and could potentially give an RSO class for club members. Rich Rebele also mentioned that classes are available through allsafedefense.com in Orange County. Classes there are approximately $100 and are given four to six times per year.

Position

The club needs a librarian to catalog what we have. Volunteers welcome.

Upcoming

Wolfe and Nelson reminded the club of the Raahauge Sport Fair this weekend, 3-5 June. They will work the Firearms Training Assoc booth Friday and attend Saturday.

18 June Rifle shoot. Angeles Range is working on a private range for us; Tom Temple RSO is helping. Price structure TBD. Summer hours: range is hot at 8:00 a.m.

August – mid-range range (600 yards) rifle match in Ojai. Can carpool.

August – Mike Dalton’s last Steel Challenge (30th anniversary), 17-20 August (Wednesday thru Saturday). No vendors coming. The Steel Challenge competition is moving to Florida, a more gun friendly state. Visit [www.steechallenge.com](http://www.steechallenge.com) for more info. Site is difficult to navigate.

Fourth Saturday Tom Temple will host a rifle and big bore range at Lopez Canyon organized by the Gopher Flats Rifle Club.

Miscellaneous

UpLULA speed loaders now on sale on the net.

Rafi Some found and purchased Persian ammunition. It is not reloadable, has no steel core, 56 cents per round.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Nelson, Secretary