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Monthly Business Meeting Minutes and Newsletter

President Don Cople Sr. welcomed all those in attendance. He called the annual business meeting of the Southern Indiana Rifle & Pistol Club to order at 8:30 PM on January 14, 2023, at the Indian Creek Shooting Center in Georgetown, IN.

Attending the meeting were:

Donnie & Linda Abbott, Ron Bekebrede, James Burgess, Eric & Chelsey Chavez, Tim & Renee Cople, Don Sr. & Terry Cople, Don Jr & Lisa Cople, Devon Cople, Amber Bolen, Dane Cople, Mike, Crystal & Katie Korff, Bill Balda, Bob & Pat Crecco, Charlie Davis, Dave Dean, Mike Diehl, George Eberhardt, Ron Faulkner, Wayne Hall, Eric & Logan Hall, David Harrison, Greg Hertzsch, Ed & Diane Hisle, Jonathan Hook, Larry Klosterman, Mike Kummer, Jim Laurenza, John LeMay, Bruce & Judy Lowe, Dave & Sue McIntyre, Jamie & Leighann McKown, Tom Nikitas, Barb Rahn, Chris Stem, Andrew Rudd, Jim & Donna Schlise, Steve Schneck, Bill Smith, Mike Smith, Bob Sobotka, Bill & Terry Thomas, Brad Tracy, Bill Tracy, Alan & Tricia Whitlow, Steven Zhang, Ted Malone, Bill Penrod.

ATTENTION: Please don't drive through the fields. The roads have a hard bottom even with standing water. Please read your newsletter and/or check the website to avoid going to the Range when a match is scheduled. Please take your trash home. When entering and leaving the Outdoor Range, lock the chain behind you. Wear your membership card on your clothing or equipment while at the Outdoor Range. Every member is allowed to ask you for proof of membership.

CHECK OUT THE CLUBS UPDATED WEBSITE!! Member David Harrison has graciously volunteered to assist with updating the club's website. He has added new features and reorganized the site making it much more user friendly. The website is the best place to keep up to date with everything going on with the club.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Secretary Ron Bekebrede needs your renewals for **2023**. Please send your payment with a copy of your NRA card to his attention at 107 Wickfield Drive, Louisville, KY 40245-4055. Keep in mind that a current NRA membership is required for renewal. If you are a NRA Life Member, please ignore this request. Dues for 2023 are as follows: Individual \$75.00, Family \$100.00, Senior - Age 60 and over \$45.00, Senior Family - \$70.00, Junior \$25.00. Make your check out to the SIR&PC. Ron's phone number is 502-649-5507. His email address is gippbeke1@gmail.com. New members if your current card shows 2022, you don't have to renew till December 2023.

MINUTES: President Don Cople Sr. asked if there were any questions or comments pertaining to the minutes of the December 7, 2022 meeting. There were no comments and/or revisions. President Cople declared the minutes approved as is.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tom Clark reported that the club had a successful year. The club brought in \$33,000.00 through Dues/Initiation fees, \$7,400.00 in Match Fees, and \$1,480.00 of misc. revenue providing \$41,880.00 in total revenue. The club's major expenses were \$11,000.00 in range expenses for both indoor and outdoor ranges, \$6,100.00 in rent for the indoor range, \$1,600.00 for utilities, \$3,400.00 for insurance, and \$2,105.00 in misc. expenses totaling \$24,205.00 for the year leaving a profit of \$17,676.00. The ending balance in the operating account is \$36,744.00.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: First reading: No First Readings. Second reading and membership approved: Jonathon Hook, Eric & Chelsey Chavez..

OLD BUSINESS: President Cople reported that the annual audit was held in December and no discrepancies were found. He thanked Tom Clark for doing a fantastic job. He also commented that there were no nominations received for club officers for 2023.

NEW BUSINESS: Secretary Ron Bekebrede will accept your renewals for calendar year 2023. The dues will remain the same. President Cople asked for a motion from the floor to reinstate the existing Officers for 2023. The motion was made, seconded, and passed. **The Officers are: Don Cople Sr.-President, Donnie Abbott-Vice President, Charlie Davis-Executive Officer, Tom Clark-Treasurer, Ron Bekebrede-Secretary.**

President Cople re-appointed the following directors: George Eberhardt - High Power Rifle, Dwayne Draggoo - F-Class, Ted Malone - Air Gun, Ted Carr - Small Bore, George Eberhardt - CMP/M1 matches, Dave Richardson - Conventional Pistol and Jamie McKown & Mike Smith - Youth Program. If any Director has a conflict or is unable to fulfill their obligations please call Don Cople. Donnie Abbott talked about the growth of the junior program and equipment needs that are arising as a result of the growth, namely a high pressure air compressor for refilling the air cylinders on the sporter and precision air rifles. Donnie collected

donations from the F-class shooters as well as the CMP Vintage and Highpower shooters collecting over \$2,200.00 for the club plus \$500.00 from the Quail Forever organization at the request of member, Jerry St. John totaling over \$2,700.00 to help grow the junior programs at SIRPAC. Jamie made a formal request of the club to purchase two additional precision .22 rifles. The motion was approved and two new rifles will be purchased at a later date. It should be noted that Junior coach Ted Malone has previously donated two precision .22 rifles to the program.

Jamie McKown provided the following formal statement after the meeting requesting that it be included in the minutes.

2022 Recap:

January found us in the middle of our competitive season. Our Jr's shot against American Legion Posts from Versailles and Jasper competing well against the other posts. Our team competed at the ISRPA state match, with most shooters turning in a respectable performance. We also shot qualifying posts for the CMP Regional match to be held later in the year. Chris Jennings and Logan Hall qualified to shoot the Regional match. In February we further competed with AL posts in both Precision Air and Sporter classes, finishing well and enjoying the shoulder to shoulder competition. March was wrapping our indoor season. We travelled to the Indiana State Match for the American Legion. Most shooters shot to their ability and Logan Hall was the match winner. Logan received a scholarship for his efforts. Several Junior competed in the matches at the outdoor range. Disciplines included CMP Modern Military, M1 Garand, and High Power. All of the shooters enjoyed themselves as they competed and learned the intricacies of shooting outdoors. Logan Hall travelled to Camp Perry for his Regional match. As summer drew to a close, Jr program alumni Chris Jennings and John Hamilton started their Division 1 college shooting careers. Jennings at West Point and Hamilton at The Ohio State University. Our Fall season started with a full range and many new shooters as well as an additional coach. Longtime club member and accomplished shooter, Ted Malone, has joined the team as a coach. The new shooters were brought up to speed and the precision shooters were joined by several other precision shooters. 2022 saw several achievements and changes for our program. All appear to be good for us. Most notably is likely the dramatic increase in Precision/ Smallbore shooters. With Ted coaching, we are excited to see where this competitive team goes. I'm sure when we look back from the future, we will see 2022 as a transformative year that set the stage for growth and success.

The juniors hope to continue recruiting for all disciplines. Anyone under 18 that is interested, please contact us at sirpcymp@gmail.com. We offer quality equipment, extensive shooting opportunities and a good time. Also, we are always looking for club members with shooting experience to share their knowledge with the kids. Anyone interested, contact us at the above email. Information is also available in the club web page as well as Facebook under SIRPC youth marksmanship program.

ANNUAL TROPHIES: President Copple and Charlie Davis announced the following Annual Trophy winners:

The small bore Varmint matches were not fired this year.

Club M1 Garand Aggregate: Mike Korff

Vintage 3-Gun Aggregate: Paul Jackson

Small Bore Aggregate: Ted Carr,

Benchrest Light Barrel Varmint Match: Dave McIntyre

Benchrest Heavy Barrel Varmint Match: Donnie Abbott

Benchrest Extreme Rifle Varmint Match: Paul Jackson

Centerfire Unmagnified Pistol Varmint: Paul Jackson

Centerfire Magnified Pistol Varmint Match: David McIntyre.

30 Caliber Aggregate: Andrew Rudd

High Power Long Range Match: Mike Diehl,

High Power Senator Martin Match: Kevin McDonald,

Bulls Eye Pistol Ray Wright Match: Devon Copple,

Bulls Eye Pistol Scholl Handicap Match: Don Copple,

Top Gun Trophy: Paul Jackson

F-Class Open: Dan Barlow, **F-Class FTR:** Todd Sanders.

The other matches were not fired. Congratulations to all! All winners were presented with a so-called "keeper trophy". Please note that you have 2 months to pick up your keeper trophy from the Indoor Range. Afterwards we will recycle them. The annual club trophies have the name of the winner engraved on the plate and must be kept in the trophy case in the meeting room.

MATCH RESULTS: Reported by Charlie Davis. **Club Indoor Bulls Eye Pistol; 22 NMC:** Expert: John Lemay 831-14 Sharpshooter: Devon Copple 762-5 Marksman: Terry Copple 586-1 *NES Pro Marksman: Drew Rudd 678-3*NES **Centerfire NMC:** Expert: Lenny Chopovsky 790-12 *NES, **NMC Grand Agg:** Expert Lenny Chopovsky 1617-25 *NES

Center fire Handicap Match: George Eberhardt 170. **Revolver Handicap Match:**

22 Rifle Slow Fire Off Hand Open Sights: Drew Rudd 97.

22 Rifle Slow Fire Off Hand Telescopic Sights: Drew Rudd 95.

Carry Gun Match: 3-1/2inch barrel & over 87, 3-1/2" barrel and under:

***NES=Not Enough shooters to make an award**

UPCOMING MATCHES:

SIR&PC Outdoor 500 yard Practice Match: January 11, 18, 25. Contact Dwayne Draggoo at 502-759-0541 or dwaynedraggoo@yahoo.com. The Outdoor Range will be closed to other shooting from 2:00 PM till 8:00 PM on practice days.

SIR&PC Indoor Small Bore Rifle Match: January 14. Contact Ted Carr at 859-608-8539 or maccarr13@yahoo.com

SIR&PC Indoor 1800 Pistol Match: January 21. Contact Dave Richardson at 270-766-7815 or taxmanky@comcast.net.

For a Basic Pistol Course or Seminar on Legal Concepts for Concealed Carry and Self Defense with a Firearm by O2 Gun Group: Contact Doris Ooley at 812-786-4188 or via email at info@o2gunngroup.com for more information.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday February 1, 2023 at 7 PM in the SIRPC meeting room of the Indoor Range located at the Indian Creek Shooting Center in Georgetown, IN.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM. Minutes of the January 14, 2023 meeting recorded and transcribed by Drew Rudd and submitted by Ron Bekebrede.