



Shooting Sports Minutes, March 2, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Don O'Dell, Chair, at 6:23 pm at the Visalia Trap Club. The Flag Salute and 4-H Pledge were led by Scott Scheer, Vice-Chair. Introductions were made by those present: Jody Scheer, Ducor 4-H; Scott Scheer, Ducor 4-H; Megan Scheer, Ducor 4-H youth; Keith Whitney, Exeter 4-H; Justin George, guest St. Aloysius 4-H SPIN; Karla Dowdy, Pleasant View 4-H; Eric Withrow, Pleasant View 4-H; Corey Gill, Springville 4-H; Jason Gill, Springville 4-H; Don O'Dell, Elbow Creek 4-H; and Rochelle Mederos, Staff.

A motion was made by and seconded by Keith Whitney to approve the [Minutes from 12/8/22 Meeting](#); motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Rochelle discussed the 2022-2023 4-H Enrollment process and reminded everyone to be sure that youth participating in their shooting sports project meetings are enrolled and marked "approved" in 4-H Online. If they are not marked "approved" then they are not covered by 4-H secondary insurance and if there was an accident/injury, not only would the county, club and project be scrutinized, but the entire shooting sports project in California.

The [CA 4-H Certified Shooting Sports Volunteer List](#) was reviewed, a leader must be on the list in order to lead the shooting sports discipline.

CA 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Documents were reviewed and passed out for signatures so that Rochelle can update the Tulare County 4-H Office's electronic files of the documents. The [CA 4-H Shooting Sports Program Code of Ethics](#) is required once by each shooting sports leader. The [CA 4-H Shooting Sports Project Leader Position Description](#) is required annually. The [Club 4-H Shooting Sports Risk Management Plan](#) required once and Rochelle will work with the clubs that still need to complete the document.

The Shooting Sports Trainings are listed under the Events tab, [Shooting Sports Events](#) of the [California 4-H website](#). The [CA 4-H Shooting Sports Program Training Request and Registration Form, 7/2019](#) must be completed and signed by County 4-H Staff and given to the instructor or registrar prior to training course. After completion of the course the participant must complete the [CA 4-H Shooting Sports Program Application for Certification as a Shooting Sports Adult Volunteer, 7/2021](#) AND turn it into the 4-H County Office.

Please complete the [Shooting Sports Workshop Request](#) survey to request a specific training, it will be used to identify and prioritize training needs throughout the state. There are currently no rifle or shotgun trainings on the schedule. There is an Archery Training on Saturday, March 11, 2023, which is a Hybrid format. We do have two new volunteers from Springville 4-H signed up to attend the training.

Tulare County 4-H Shooting Sports Events:

The [Mail-in Match](#) for Rifle, Shotgun, and Pistol (not Archery) targets/scorecards were handed out at the meeting. It was discussed and it was decided that the fired targets/scorecards would be due on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, instead of the original March 31st date due to weather.

The [TC 4-H Archery In-person Match](#) will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 9:00 am at Springville Archery Club Range, and entries are due Monday, April 3rd; \$5 entry fee and Springville Archery Club Wavier is required. Ribbons will be given for 1st – 3rd place in each category and age division and a belt buckle will be given to the top overall shooter in Sighted, Un-sighted, and Release categories.

The [Dale Wimp Rifle and Pistol Match](#) will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 8:00 am at the Dale Wimp Range. The T-shirt design entries were due tonight and Megan Sheer's design "Ready, Aim, Fire, Repeat" was chosen as the winner, Megan will receive a free shirt. Elbow Creek 4-H Club will have a food booth at the event. The entry deadline has been extended to Wednesday, March 22, 2023, there is no entry fee, and the \$20 shirt is optional. An email will be sent out with sign-ups for duties of volunteers needed at the match. There will be a range workday on Friday, March 21st starting at 3 pm.

The TC 4-H Trap & Skeet Match will be held Saturday, June 3, 2023, registration packet will be sent out. Help with scoring will be needed.

Other 4-H Shooting Sports Events:

The [Porterville Fair Archery Match](#) is Saturday, May 6, 2023, and entries due by 4 pm 4/12/23 from Club Leaders. Jody stated that she is not sure yet if the Indoor/Shooting entries will be completed online like Livestock entries or by paper.

The [Porterville Fair Rifle Match](#) is Saturday, May 13, 2023, and entries due by 4 pm 4/12/23 from Club Leaders. Jody stated that she is not sure yet if the Indoor/Shooting entries will be completed online like Livestock entries or by paper.

The [CA 4-H Statewide Mail-in Match](#) entries are due to Tulare County 4-H Office by Monday, March 6th.

The [CA 4-H Statewide Archery Match](#) has the option of in-person or mail-in and entries are due to Tulare County 4-H Office by Monday, March 13th with Club check payable to Tulare County 4-H Leader's Council (TC 4-H LC).

New Business

The Tulare County 4-H Office has Shooting Sports items available to clubs on loan from the county or other clubs. Items include compound bows, recurve bows, quiver bags, arrows, arm guards, a small tool box, a larger range box, 3 large foam target backs, shooting mats, 2 battery operated trap throwers that carry about 60 clays, and other items. Contact Rochelle to make arrangements to pick up items.

Tulare County 4-H is hosting the [2023 Tulare County 4-H Project Showcase](#) on April 1, 2023, at the Tulare County Fairgrounds, Jockey Club. This event is open to all 4-H members and each member is encouraged to enter something for each of the projects in which they are enrolled. The event also includes the annual Presentation Day and Fashion Revue (which has

categories open to all members regardless of project enrollment). [Pre-registration](#) is due Wednesday, March 22nd.

Other Items/Announcements

The Springville Archery Club will be having a Fun Day on Saturday, April 1st that will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids. Contact Corey and Jason Gill for more information.

The Tulare County Foundation for Ag Education & Youth will be having their annual fundraiser on March 25th and are looking for help from 4-H clubs and/or projects. If at least two auction items are donated by a club/project, the foundation will give the club the proceeds from one of the items. They are looking for more ways to help youth in Tulare County that are involved in Ag Education. They have been awarding project grants to 4-H and FFA members in the past and would like to broaden their scope of involvement.

The next Leader's Council Meeting is May 30, 2023, at 6 pm.

Don O'Dell and the Visalia Trap Club were thanked for hosting the meeting and shooting opportunity tonight.

Next Shooting Sports Meeting

The next Shooting Sports meeting will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of September, Wednesday, September 18, 2023, at 6:00 pm to start off the new program year.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.