



Regular Meeting February 18, 2020

Meeting held at the United Church in Okotoks and called to order at 7:05 p.m. 7 members in attendance

1. The Horn Scoring Night at Hubtown Brewing on 2020-02-13 went well with many members attending and 7 racks (white-tail, mule-deer, elk) to score. We sold a membership and some of the 50/50 raffle tickets.
2. Four members headed out to Spray Lakes for Ice Fishing on 2020-02-15. The weather was warm but windy. We were fishing for lake trout in 55 feet of water and had a few bites but never landed one. Some discussion during the meeting to try smaller jigs and look harder for the deepest part of the old channel (80ft).
3. Our Wild Game Dinner is scheduled for Saturday March 7th at 6pm at the Crystal Shores Beach house in Okotoks. Please RSVP to Siegfried at honseks@platinum.ca indicating the number of guests and what food you can bring to the potluck. The dinner is free for members and \$25 for adult guests (>12 years old)
4. We reviewed the resolutions for the 2020 AFGA conference and discussed a few of the more contentious topics like landowner mule deer tags and limiting archery tags. The 2020 AFGA Conference runs from Feb 20 to 22 in Sherwood Park. Mark, Matt, and Dan are attending.
5. ODFGA raffle tickets are now available for a 50/50 draw to fundraise for the club. Please help out by selling a couple book of tickets for \$10 each ticket. The draw date is in mid-April 2020.
6. Shawn gave a summary the last Okotoks Deer Task Force meeting. The committee is looking at other municipalities to see how they manage urban deer populations. They did two deer counts last year and counted 113 and 108 deer in town.
7. Brett Boukkal the southern region senior wildlife biologist will be scheduled to meet with Calgary and area clubs in late April 2020, providing an update on local

game management strategies and seeking our feedback. Watch for a separate notice on the exact time and place.

8. We went around the room sharing hunting and fishing stories from 2019. Matt won the fishing award for his experience rescuing an elderly lady stranded on Pine Coulee Reservoir and Darren won the hunting award for his very productive season last year.

We've updated our blog with some recent events, so take a look here:

<http://okotoksfishandgame.com/index.php/gallery>

Our next regular meeting will be on April 21, 2020 at the Okotoks United Church.