

General Meeting Mar 27, 2024

- 1. In-person meeting called to order at 7:00PM with 27 members in attendance.
- 2. Matt Zazula opened the meeting and introduced the executive committee members.
- 3. He also gave a recap on The horn scoring evening, with about 45 people attending, 16 horns were scored with 5 qualifying for the Alberta Record Book.
- 4. Mark Anderson briefed on the outcome of the Kids Can Catch Ice Fishing event, with approximately 250 people attending, some fish were caught, and a moose trotting through the ice was surely a highlight. A really great day in general.
- 5. Mark Anderson, one of the 3 delegates sent to the AWF Annual Conference in Medicine Hat, gave a briefing on how it went. The others will also share their reports in the upcoming meetings. Mark Anderson's highlights were:
 - a) The venue
 - b) New member roster management system was implemented (Clubhouse) with added benefits including a membership in Perkopolis for discounts at partnering businesses.
 - c) An information section was held and it was divided into subjects (hunting, fishing...). He found very interesting what was shared regarding the Walleye stocking program taking place mainly at some lakes in Southern Alberta. Very exciting despite survival rates being pretty small (100:1).
 - d) Nice Banquet, silent auctions, club donated a cooler
 - e) New logo was unveiled
 - f) Couple of clubs suggested a senior's fishing license. The paid one was rejected. A free seniors license was approved for data generation only and to promote adherence to the regulations.
 - g) A morning dove season was discussed with widespread support

- h) A chase only cougar extended season was discussed and rejected
- i) No hunting Sundays in southern zones was disputed. The dispute was rejected and no hunting Sundays are likely to continue for those zones.
- 6. Matt Zazula announced that tonight Banquet tickets will be available for members to purchase. For members only for the first few days. Up to 10 tickets per household. Full tables can be booked and tables will be pre arranged.
- 7. Matt Zazula reminded us about our 50/50 raffle. July 9 is the draw date. Books of 10 are available for members to sell.
- 8. Starting today youth camp applications are open to youth aged 12 to 17. Applicants must send an essay up to 1000 words. Deadline April 26.
- 9. The Sportsman garage sale event is coming up on Saturday April 27. Open to the public. Glenn suggested paying attention to how we will name it, as it can potentially become a big event. Mark asked if he could donate things and the sales revenues go to the club and a table will be made available for the sale of donated items.
- 10. Matt briefed about the new AWF membership portal Clubhouse with benefits through Perkopolis
- 11. Member Contact cards will be ordered for members to use as business cards, to ask permission to access private land, and so on. \$18 for 50, \$24 for 100.
- 12. AWF Zone 2 meeting coming up on April 21 at Bass Pro Shop. Room for 3 voting delegates plus unlimited observers. People to demonstrate interest in attending via email. Clubs usually sponsor the lunch (~\$300).
- 13. Mark Williams raised a motion for the club to sponsor the lunch at this event and Mark Anderson seconded it. It was approved unanimously.
- 14. Sportfishing updates. There is a delay in the release of the new year fishing regulations, 2023 regulations still apply. Walleye draw will be opened April 2-18.
- 15. The general meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm. Giving the stage for the presentation.
- 16. The members Jaren Baranyay and Glenn Matheson gave a Presentation on Introduction to Rifle Ammunition Reloading, which was sponsored by Hornady Reloading. A good number of merchandise material was given as door prizes, and hats were given for every attendee.
- 17. Matt invited any uniquely skilled member to volunteer to share their knowledge through a presentation in future meetings.