

Rockville Fish & Game Club
June 9, 2025 Main Clubhouse
Membership Meeting Minutes

Diana Reid, President

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Diana Reid, President, A Moment of Silence

- Felix DeRosa, life member for 65 years, joined RF&G in 1960

Betty Fonseca, Secretary

- Quorum of executive board not met
- Secretary's report – meeting minutes from May 12, 2025 read
- Motion to accept minutes as read by Greg Thomas; seconded by Myron Senczikowski

Bob Gerardi, Treasurer – Not in attendance

- Treasurer's report for the month ending May, 2025 deferred

Diana Reid, Introduction

- Bruce Raymond, 2nd Vice President, Safety
- Safety meeting - Thursday, June 19, 6:30 at Clubhouse – Safety Meeting

John Collins, Membership – Introductions of 11 New Members

- Applicant/sponsor introduction of new member
- Next orientation June 21, 2025
- 66 invitees, 36 responded
- 350 Veteran club members
- Work hours due at the end of June

Reports

Leonard Martel – Ladies Pistol Night

- Thursday, 5:30 – 7 PM
- Saturday, June 14 – Youth Range Day – Ages 7-17

Kip Jenkins, Facilities

- Gates delivered, posts constructed for gates A, B and C
- Need volunteers for masonry work for 2 weeks in the mornings; need rock donations
- Removing structure behind the clubhouse
- Range upgrades per recommendations in the NRA Range report being reviewed; need volunteers; work dates TBD
- Wayne McGinley donated and installed a window in the Archery clubhouse
- Chris Matarazzo - grounds cleanup/mowing

John DelGiudice, Rifle/Pistol Director

Ben Palizza, R/P Chairman

- June 1, 2025 initiating a \$10 Guest (non-member) fee
 - Does not apply to members of a family membership or participants under the age of 18
- Fee was initiated to generate revenue for range maintenance and supplies, and to encourage membership
- Payments made via lock box on the range with cash or with credit card via the posted QR code
- Guest fee applies to the rifle and pistol ranges for the day

- Committee meeting Friday, June 13 at 6:30 PM
- Work party on June 22nd, 8 AM

Greg Thomas, Programs & Events

- Spring Raffle, \$20 per ticket, 3 prizes, Drawing June 26th
- BBQ event on June 7 was successful in spite of the rainy weather; 113 participants were served
- Thank you to volunteers
- Youth Range Day – June 14th
- Trap & Skeet 5-Stand – June 14, 15 (25 shots per round/ \$6 member; \$8 non-member)
- Member orientation – June 21
- DEEP Hunters Safety Firearms Course – June 28, club reserves spots; take online course first; contact Marv Thomas or Mike Ose to reserve your spot
- New RF&G logo to be introduced; looking for member feedback, date TBD

Mike Ose, Legislative

- **HB7231** - Sunday hunting bill passed. Allows hunting on private land only (10+ acres) with owner's written permission, effective October 1; see DEEP regulations <https://portal.ct.gov/deep>
- CAC meeting/BBQ, Wallingford - June 10 at 6PM
- The Bear bill passed in the Senate however was derailed in the House by Senator Mike Demico. The House is looking to revise the bill to eliminate hunting. Bear sightings in Eastern Connecticut should be reported on the DEEP website.
- Trout stocking (800,000 Trout) is complete throughout Connecticut.
- **HB7052** - AN ACT CONCERNING LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES AND THE SALE OF AMMUNITION
 - Bill passed in Public Safety and failed in the Judiciary committee
- **HB7042** - AN ACT CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FIREARM INDUSTRY RESPONSIBILITY ACT, FIREARMS PERMITS AND ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES AND SELF-DEFENSE.
 - Passed
 - This bill will hold FFL liable for others actions
 - Drive an increase in liability insurance costs
 - NRA is urging members to write Governor Lamont to VETO this bill
- June 28 – Firearm Hunter Safety course
- September 21 – Trapping course – sign-up issues can be referred to Marv Thomas or Mike Ose for assistance

Joy Nowak, Archery

- June 15 – 3D Archery Shoot for member/non-member; \$15; start time 7AM
- June 21 – Youth Archery; 10-12 PM
- June 21 – Saddle Hunting demo all day

Michael Slater, Youth Co-Chair

- June 14 – Youth Range Day; open to member/non-member; ages 7-17; participation from all venues; gates open 8:30 AM; 33 registered participants; volunteers needed

2025 AAFTA National Field Target Championship at Rockville Fish & Game

- October 3rd – 5th, 2025
- <https://www.aafta.org/>
- Leo Gonzalez placed 3rd in the World in Air Gun Competition

Jim Hughes, Director Trap & Skeet

- June 29, next work party
- Open Wednesday 9AM – legal sunset; Saturday/Sunday 9AM -2PM

Floyd Baranello

- CT State Trap Championship at Hartford Gun Club
 - Need score keepers; training provided
 - \$12/hour

Diana Reid, President, For the Good of the Club

- Ed Duell celebrating his 95th birthday; member since the age of 18 – 77 years
- Sara Daigle, 15 years old, Massachusetts State Champion. Sara shot 125 straight; 196 total score.

Greg Thomas motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Myron Senczikowski.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betty Fonseca