



1-21-09 IMA Meeting Don's Clubhouse

Attendees: Jeff Caddy, Dan Wells, Jamie Gould, Don Hyde, Gary King, Mike Murray, and Cal Gillis.

Jamie, Annual Meeting 28th of February at 10:00 AM, Don will check to see if we can use the Hunter Ed building.

Send out a mailer with renewal of membership dues, Jamie asked for comment. Jamie would like to contact members that we have never met and have never attended meetings. IMA currently has 24 members and we would like to retain the existing members

Treasurer's report, Gilbert phoned in report.

David, Spectra has a booth for us for Sportsman's Show, in March. David would like us to do some seminars, a 30 minute presentation to the public, then ten minutes for Q&A. Jamie suggested that we use the presentation to give people a good general information session, such as we did at Sportsman's Warehouse. Question from Dan W, are we about muzzleloaders in general or hunting, Jamie answered both.

Jamie discussed how in the past we have lobbied for additional muzzleloader hunting opportunities and been successful. IMA has worked with Fish & Game personnel and Commissioners. Jamie also discussed how difficult the task was for F&G to manage the Game out there and balance the hunting opportunities with the different weapons.

Jamie discussed how muzzleloader hunting was originally established to give people the opportunity to use the traditional weapons that our forefathers used. The sport is evolving and part of IMA's aim has been to follow the evolution of muzzleloaders and lobby to keep the tradition in muzzleloading.

Jamie asked for volunteers to do the presentations at the Sportsman Show. Two presentations per day.

Mike indicated that the presentations should be simple and to the point. Have an inline and a traditional rifle. Show ammunition, how to work up a load, types of powder, tools you need to shoot the gun.

Gary indicated he would do one presentation if we have an outline and someone to help him do the presentation. Mike thought that Gilbert would do a presentation.

Mike indicated that Gilbert suggested getting a gas BBQ for a raffle item. Jamie talked about us missing out by not having a raffle at last years SS.

Jamie was asked by Spectra to contact the Lottery Commission to fill out the paper work for a raffle. Jamie met with Lynette Craven at the Idaho Lottery Commission, to discuss the legality of IMA hosting the raffle. Jamie informed the Lottery about what the IMA did and she indicated that IMA probably does not need to fill out the paperwork as we put back into the community.

Jamie asked if we were a tax exempt. The By Laws indicated we were a nonprofit. Dan indicated that tax exempt was not the same as non-profit.

Mike talked about having two prizes, a gun and a BBQ. Jamie indicated that if Intermountain Gas Company donated the BBQ they would want a sign or plack in the booth. There were no objections to a sign if they donated a prize.

We discussed that it may be more difficult to sell tickets the way the economy is. Mike suggested that we set a number of tickets to pay for the prize and make some money. Don indicated that the Hunter Ed instructors raffled off a rifle and they set a number of tickets or a date. It was decided to do so.

Jamie talked about giving away a haversack that a club member made. Mike indicated he would donate a haversack. Mike suggested a tool kit for 50 or 54. Jamie will see about getting a gift certificate for Sportsman's Warehouse.

It was decided to purchase a muzzleloader for a prize. Jamie will purchase a rifle, 50 or 54 caliber and will try to get one at cost. It was moved and seconded to allow up to \$350 dollars for Jamie and Gilbert to purchase a rifle for the raffle, the motion passed.

It was suggested that a picture of last years winner be in the booth at the Sports Show.

Mike said it was imperative that some information be disseminated to the members to keep them interested. Dan suggested that members be given a call to attend the Annual Meeting.

Mike asked if anyone knew anything about the red dot for visually impaired. Jamie indicated it would be a hard sell to the Commission. Jamie indicated that Idaho allows visually impaired to have a guide to assist them. Mike indicated that Idaho F&G Commission has indicated there will be no magnification in Idaho. Mike and Jamie both

indicated that people who cannot see what they are shooting at should not be out there. If you cannot see well enough to sight your rifle it is time to take up steelhead fishing.

Jeff went through a presentation to have a website. There would be 100 email per member with the website. The price for the domain name is 9.99 per year. The basic plan would be \$153 for three years.