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**Notice:** As of 5-25-2017, the power line work is complete and the range is now OPEN for normal use. As always, exercise proper shooting safety/discipline, and implement a "cease-fire" if you see any power line, tree, or farming working anywhere down range. Safety must be our first and most important concern.

## May 25, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by President Ken Danz. There were 17 members present. The minutes from the April 27, 2017, meeting was approved as distributed.

## Treasurers Report

The balance in the treasury as of 4/27/2017, was \$85,063.97. Expenses since then were \$35,755.35, and deposits were \$2,073.00. The balance as of 5/25/2017 is **\$51,381.62**. Expenses were high this month due to progress payments and expenses associated with the new pole building. A motion was made and accepted to file the Treasurer's report for future audit.

## Membership Report

As of 5/25/2017, we have 426 members. There is currently a wait list of approximately 68.

**Club Events** ~ Please check the web for Calendar of Events and to find out up-to-date information about a particular shooting event.

- **Cowboy** – This Month we hosted the Delaware State SASS Cowboy match on May 5-7, 2017. There was a good turn-out with 97 shooters participating, despite some less than hospitable weather. Congrats to DSA's own Debbie Kilby for becoming the Delaware State Ladies' Shooting Champion for this next year. Thanks to all the members and volunteers who helped to make this match a great success. The next local clubmatch is on 6/3.
- **Geezer Guns** – The May Geezer match had 9 shooters. The next match is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in June. Anyone interested in shooting this, the matches are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month and the cost to shoot is \$5. Contact Tracy Kilby for more information.
- **Battle Rifle** – The May match had 19 shooters, shooting 29 guns. The next match is scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup>, and is a practical Battle Rifle Match. Matches are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Cost is \$10 for the 1<sup>st</sup> gun and \$5 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> gun...pistol match at the end is free.
- **ESPS** – USPSA May match had 64 shooters. The next match is scheduled for 6/24/2017.
- **Steel Challenge** – The May match had 27 shooters, shooting 36 guns. The next match is June 18<sup>th</sup>.

- **Project Appleseed Event** - .There was a 200yd. High-powered rifle event scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>. There was no information available at the meeting about the event.
- **Silhouette** – Done until October.

## Old Business

- **Power Lines** – The power line work is now complete and the range is OPEN. Thanks to everyone for your cooperation during the range closures. A special thanks to Wes Grogan and Ken Danz for their diligence in following the work and making sure the range was properly marked, and to Debbie Kilby for keeping our website up to date with all the closing and opening web announcements/postings.
  - **Pole Building** – The building has been erected and looks great!!! The work continues with concrete work, electric work, Doors/locks, and final grading and landscaping. This has been a very long and tough project and we thank all who have worked tirelessly to make this happen in the face of overwhelming county requirements. This will be a nice building when completed.
  - **Spring Clean-up Day** – The Spring clean-up day was a success. Thanks to all who showed up to help and who brought leaf blowers, pressure washers, etc.... It was a great day with a lot of progress made in a short time. The club was looking good for the Delaware SASS matches that took place the following weekend. We will have another clean-up day in the fall, once the leaves have fallen. Be sure to look at the calendar for the date and come out to earn some club work hours.
  - **Clubhouse Floor Replacement** – No new news on this for this month. Please watch the newsletter and website for updates. We have decided on a vinyl material and color for the flooring (thanks to John Merson for doing the leg-work on this so far). Due to the busy spring/summer shooting season, we will look at scheduling this later in the year. We are looking for volunteers to help with the replacement. Please contact Kenny Danz if you can help with this and/or if you are interested in heading up this project. Thanks.
  - **Swap Meet** – We have our first Swap Meet scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup>. This is for any type of outdoor sports items, etc... Tables for selling are for members only, and are \$10/table. Anyone can come as a customer, so invite your friends (Debbie has made some signs that you can print out and post at local shops, etc...), see the website or your email. Set up will start at 8am and the sales hours will be from 9am – 2pm. Contact Wes for details and to reserve a table. There will be a MD licensed FFL (J&J Guns) will be on site to assist buyers and sellers with any type of transfer, should you decide to sell a firearm. Transfer fees will apply to transfers arranged during the swap meet. *Note: DSA takes no responsibility in any sale or transfer of any regulated item. Sales and/or transfers of firearms must be done in compliance with Federal, State, and local laws and regulations and is solely between the buyer and seller and should be completed off of the premises.*
  - **Appleseed Events** – There was an Appleseed event scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>. No information was available at the meeting about the May High-powered rifle event. DSA will host 2 remaining Project Appleseed Events in 2017. The remaining dates and events are: September 9, 2017 – 25yd Pistol event – PR; October 14, 2017 – 200yd Center Fire Rifle event – RR. See the calendar for details and the Appleseed website for more info.
  - **Eas'dern Shore Roundup Cowboy Shoot** – We hosted the Delaware State SASS Cowboy matches again this year. The match was held on May 4-7, 2017. Despite intermittent rain during the event, the match was a huge success this year with 97 shooters and many vendors. Thanks to all who helped make this event a success again this year.
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## New Business

- **Possible Zoning Changes** – It was brought up in the meeting by a member that it may be possible that the area development plan for QA county will be up for review/revision in the next couple of years. With a renewed interest and emphasis by the county for Economic Development of Industrial sites on the upper Eastern Shore of Maryland, we need to be alert about any possible changes to the zoning status of the land surrounding the range. It is imperative that we maintain our current zoning and that the land nearby retain its Agricultural zoning status. Development of lands surrounding the club “could” jeopardize our ability to continue future use. Again, this is only one possible outcome. Nothing has been done at this time. However, we would like all members to remain vigilant and to notify any board member should you hear anything pertaining to development in the area or possible re-zoning.

### **Legislative Updates**

- Please check out the website for updates on pending legislation. The description(s) below of any legislation is our best interpretation of the bill/law, but may not be completely accurate. We encourage you to research these for yourself and to come to an informed opinion.
- Maryland
  - No new information beyond that mentioned as a possibility in the New Business section above. MD legislature is in recess.
- Delaware
  - Nothing new was discussed. Delaware legislature is approaching recess.

**New Member Introductions** – We added one new member this month. We look forward to getting to know you and shooting with each new member. Be safe and have fun! Welcome!!!

The meeting was adjourned approx. 8:10PM. The next meeting will be held June 29, 2017, at 7:30 PM. Please come out and support your club.