

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes – January 4, 2005

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **Important Announcement: If you use the trap or skeet ranges during the week - you must (1) Sign In at the shoot building, (2) Pay for the lines shot and put the money in the safe behind the counter. There has been a problem with this and if these rules are not adhered to the locks on the houses will be changed and the key will be removed from the shoot building. The only trap and skeet lines that will be available will be during regular shoot hours.**
- **New Members introduced: Charles and Chari DeMinck, Andrew and Shelley Weisman, and Lawrence and Phyllis Flater - motion by Mike Roche to accept as new members supported by Bob Anaya - approved**
- **Dave Crysler thanked all the members for their support and prayers during his recent illness.**
- **New membership cards are available at the meetings.**
- **Next Board Meeting is January 18 - all members are welcome**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- Our Lady of Consolation School has sent thank you notes from the students for the Tracks magazines.
- Fish Contest pictures are due by the February 1st meeting. John Cordes is in charge.
- The annual dinner is January 22. Contact George Mayhak if you have not signed up yet.(616)874-9226
- For snacks for the February 1st meeting - Terry Stuart, Dave Crysler, and Donna Bowyer will bring cookies

Vice-President's Report: Brad Mullen:

- Thanks to everyone who purchased or sold a gun raffle subscription. There are still around 30 subscriptions available. This is an important part of our budget and we need to sell (purchase) all of them.

➤ Motion by Bernie Sobie and supported by Earl Hull to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Gander Gift Cards for \$10 off a purchase of \$50 or more are available. We will get these each quarter.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$68,807.00. Income for 2004 - \$82,632.61 and expenses of \$101,833.92. The budget for 2003 was in the black to the tune of around \$25,000 so we are still in good shape. However, fund raisers including shooting and raffles are important for the financial health of the club.
- All interest and payments for the land purchase were made this month. The main focus this year will be the building addition.
- Work Day will be Saturday, January 8th from 8-12 Noon.

Committee Reports:

Shoots:

- Gun Raffle - The winner of the \$100 was Jim Rink with ticket #79.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- Next gun show at the Delta Plex is January 22nd and 23rd. We will have a display table. Club members needed to sign up to work this event. Please call Peter Kreutzfeldt to volunteer to sit at the club table during these two days. (616-249-0125)
- Winter League begins January 9th. Times are as follows; Sunday 10-3 P.M. and Thursdays 6-9 P.M. Open shooting also occurs on Monday evenings from 6-9 PM.
- The first NSSA Registered Targets event will be held on February 2nd. This is the first Wednesday of the month.
- The New Year's Day Cowboy shoot was well attended (44shooters) and again an excellent lunch provided by Fran and Paul Kazmerski, Carol Stuart, Pat Green and Sue Barksdale. Patsy Green did an excellent job recording scores, handling registrations, and printing certificates. Thanks to all who make these shoots so successful especially Mike Green and Luke Barksdale who write the scenarios and put up the targets.
- There will be a special two day Cowboy Shoot on April 30 and May 1st of this year as a special fund raiser for the club. Help will be needed to coordinate these activities as well as man the chuckwagon (kitchen). Special events will be held during this two day event.

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↳ **Sunshine:**

- Ruth Plambeck is on her way to the Mayo Clinic for a knee replacement and Donna Briggs will undergo eye surgery on January 19th. Dave Crysler has recovered and we welcome him back.

↳ **Publicity/Marketing:** No Report.

↳ **Food and Beverage:** No Report

↳ **Apparel:** Bernie has excellent cook books for sale and is always taking orders for RSC shirts etc.

↳ **Building and Grounds:** . **From now on use the new driveway entrance.** Combo is the same as on old gate. Work day is Saturday, January 8th from 8-12 A.M.

↳ **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.

↳ **Hunter Safety:** On December 12 a special Hunter Safety course was given to Boy Scouts from Comstock Park who are working toward a proposed new merit badge in Hunting of which the Hunter Safety Class is one component.

↳ **Light Needed:** We need to get power to the barn by the drive so that we can illuminate the sign to make it easier to find the drive at night. Approximate cost: \$2.000 for both projects. Curt Becker is in charge of getting estimates for this project.

Old Business:

1. Maryly Skallos was awarded a carved shore bird by our own Jim Denison for her many hours of Hunter Safety coordination at the club. Well deserved!
2. The insurance for Board Members was discussed and is being looked into by Gordon Pickerd.
3. The Waiver of Responsibility is being handled by Bob Matthews and will be considered at a future meeting.

New Business:

1. The RSC Board of Directors was introduced to the membership by President George Mayhak.

Open Forum:

Candy donations would be appreciated for Easter Baskets for children who might not otherwise receive one. Mike Green will take care of all donations. Please bring these to the February meeting.
59 members were in attendance at tonight's meeting!

- Drawing for T-Shirt - Terry Eicholtz (every time you come to a meeting you are automatically entered in this contest)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Brian Scott and Dorinda Tidswell

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –January 18, 2005

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-president Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt.-At-Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Mike Green, Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Ron Parker.

Guests: Bill Blain and Scott Dienes

Opened By President George Mayhak at 7:00 PM

Invocation by Chaplain Tim Hall

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New members - Steve Bartz, Richard and Cindy Dosenberry, John and Sandra Fearson, Joshua and Tiffany Harrison, and Rick and Heather Raymond (Mike Roche/Mike Green) approved.
2. President-elect George Mayhak is interested in setting up a program whereby each member will clearly identify areas of interest. In addition, each month one or two Board members will be asked to submit an article for our newsletter. All members may do this and are encouraged to do so. Board members submitting articles for February are Lisa Harbison and Terry Stuart.
3. Deceased member's names will be put on our memorial soon. Tim Hall and Dave Crysler will take care of this.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Requested range use on Feb. 10 for CCW class. Approved.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$75,333.06 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$5,802.75 and expenses of \$13,662.86. All interest paid for investors in land purchase.
2. Sponsors for youth shooters - 1 on 1 instruction with signed waiver of responsibility.
3. On the 19th of March the Rockford Chamber of Commerce is holding an expo with tables available for \$120.00. Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Terry Stuart to spend this money on a table. Funds to come from marketing budget.
4. Estimated costs on new building for trusses, roofing, shingles and insulation about \$24,000. The wall cost will be in the \$13,000 range. No estimated costs yet on heat ducts or furnace.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. Mike looked into the problem Linwood-Bay Sportsman's Club is having with their township and a local golf course over range improvements at their club. The golf course wants to buy them out and the township has stopped them from completing improvements to their pistol range. After discussion it was decided to pass the hat at the next regular meeting and send our donation for their legal defense fund.
2. There will be a two-day Cowboy Shoot planned for 2005. The Board approved the April 30 - May 1 date for this event.
3. The next Cowboy shoot at the club will be February 5th.
4. The first Saturday in September is Range War so the cowboy shoot normally scheduled for that date has been moved to September 10th.

Member Scott Dienes:

1. Scott has been working on a form for a waiver of liability. It consists of three major parts:
 - a. Introduction of the activities that may pose either a threat or liability
 - b. Representations of the Club and the member
 - c. Waiver language
2. After much discussion it was decided to move forward and adopt a liability waiver. Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Terry Stuart.
The motion was amended to be required and used for the student youth shoot mentioned above. Amendment proposed by Mike Green and supported by Terry Eicholtz.
 - Amendment was approved by voice vote and main motion was also approved.

Trustee Brad Mullen:

1. Brad mentioned that there were still about 20 unsold raffle subscriptions. He gave several to Terry Stuart to take to the gun show this Saturday.

Trustee Tim Hall:

1. Tim inquired about the building construction and hunter safety. The April hunter safety will be ok.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa attended Leadership Training at Higgins Lake and had several suggestions that we might consider as a club. One was a program to recruit, retain, and mentor members. She also suggested that we advertise our club for a possible endowment or as a part of an estate plan for members or others to leave something to the club in their wills.

Sunshine Report:

1. Dave Crysler is doing very well after his recent heart problems. We are very happy everything turned out positive for him.
2. Ruth Plambeck recently had a knee replacement. She is doing very well and looking forward to a complete recovery.
3. Dan Vincent is scheduled for hernia surgery. We wish him well.

The Winter Shoot begins on January 9th and will be held on Sundays from 10-3 and Thursday evenings from 6-9 PM. Shooting will also continue every Monday evening from 6-9 PM. Registration forms have been printed with the following shoot costs.

Registration \$50.00

First event \$35.00

Additional events \$25.00 each.

Juniors 16 and under same \$50.00 registration and event cost of \$25.00, 1st event and \$15.00, 2nd event

Events will be Trap, 12 Ga Skeet and 20GA Skeet

Partners Trap and Partners Skeet.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes – February 1, 2005

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **Important Announcement: If you use the trap or skeet ranges during the week - you must (1) Sign In at the shoot building, (2) Pay for the lines shot and put the money in the safe behind the counter. There has been a problem with this and if these rules are not adhered to the locks on the houses will be changed and the key will be removed from the shoot building. The only trap and skeet lines that will be available will be during regular shoot hours.**
- **New Members introduced: Jim and Marty Emmons - motion by Mike Roche to accept as new members supported by Dave Crysler - approved**
- **Guests: David Hartley and Paul Ladar**
- **New Fun Program: Card Night (Ladies Started This) Monday evenings - shoot building - cribbage and euchre.**
- **Next Board Meeting is February 15 - all members are welcome**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- February 22nd - Tuesday - Organizational meeting for fund raisers for the club.
- The annual dinner January 22 was a success. Everyone had a good time and drawing prizes were fun and well done. Thanks Judy and George! Largest Deer Trophy went to Darrel Phillips with 2nd place to Tom Boman and third place to Tim Hall. Congratulations!
- For snacks for the March 1st meeting - Gerry Pettersch, Bob Drury, Dan Vincent will bring cookies

Vice-President's Report: Brad Mullen:

- Thanks to everyone who purchased or sold a gun raffle subscription. There are still around 10 subscriptions available. This is an important part of our budget and we need to sell (purchase) all of them.

➤ Motion by Bernie Sobie and supported by Dan Vincent to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Gander Gift Cards for \$10 off a purchase of \$50 or more are available. We will get these each quarter.
- Letters to the club read from the Kent Library and North Kent Service Center thanking us for our donations.
- Notes received thanking the club from Ruth Plambeck and Dan Vincent - recovering from their surgeries.
- Advanced Carry Class offered by member Ken Ray was discussed. Cost \$150 and 600+ rounds of ammunition needed. Class size limited to ten with date for class to be later this spring. (9 members signed up already - if more members wish to take a class such as this an additional class will be planned.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$78,291.62. Income so far for 2005 - \$11,942.63 and expenses of \$16,944.65. Fund raisers including shooting and raffles are important for the financial health of the club. Most of the expenses listed above were for payment of promissory notes due in January.
- All interest and payments for the land purchase were made this month. The main focus this year will be the building addition.
- Work Day will be Saturday, February 12th from 8-12 Noon. The club is looking for a replacement Building and Grounds Chairperson. If interested please contact a Board member or come to the next Board meeting - February 15th. The lights at the gate are waiting on Consumers to run a line to the building. This should happen soon.

Committee Reports:

↳ **Shoots:**

- Gun Raffle - The winner of the Henry Golden Boy 22 was Dave Crysler with ticket #277.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- The annual Sportsmen Against Hunger banquet is scheduled for February 9 at the Sparta Hunting and Fishing Club.

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- At the Sport and RV show in March, volunteers will be needed to help collect groceries from folks who are bringing their donations in exchange for free tickets to this event. We did real well last year!
- Next gun show at the Delta Plex is March 5th and 6th... We will have a display table. Club members needed to sign up to work this event. Please call Peter Kreutzfeldt to volunteer to sit at the club table during these two days. (616-249-0125)
- Winter League continues. Times are as follows; Sunday 10-3 P.M. and Thursdays 6-9 P.M. Open shooting also occurs on Monday evenings from 6-9 PM.
- The first NSSA Registered Targets event will be held February 2nd. This is the first Wednesday of the month.
- The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for February 5th. All are invited.
- There will be a special two day Cowboy Shoot on April 30 and May 1st of this year as a special fund raiser for the club. Help will be needed to coordinate these activities as well as man the chuckwagon (kitchen). Special events will be held during this two day event. If you would like to help please contact Mike Green - 363-2827.

Sunshine:

- Willis Bradley has been laid up for the past few weeks. We wish him well. Jim Collis' brother is seriously ill. Are thoughts and prayers are with both families.

Publicity/Marketing: No Report.

Food and Beverage: No Report

Apparel: Bernie has excellent cook books for sale and reported that the shirt and jacket order will be here soon..

Building and Grounds: .Work day is Saturday, February 12th from 8-12 A.M.

Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.

Hunter Safety: The next class will be held April 18th, 20th, and 23rd. Helpers are always needed on those days especially Saturday April 23rd.

Range Use: The US Marshalls are scheduled for Friday, February 11th from 10-3 PM.

Camp: Chairman Glen Bradley - (616) 364-7954. Last MUCC magazine had all the info on the back cover. For regular member RSC will pay the whole fee after parent pays 50% up front and the child completes camp. For a new member the club will pay 75% of the fee (\$175 up front and reimburse \$87.50) For grand children of a regular member the club pays \$175. Dates will be posted at the club - ages 9 through 15 with different age ranges at different times.

Pistol League: The Spring Pistol League for 2005 will start on Monday, April 11th and continues each Monday evening from 6:30-8:30 PM. This is a bullseye style competition fired on a 25-yard range. One line consists of 10 rounds slow-fire, 10 round timed fire and 10 rounds rapid fire. Eight lines completes the league. The league ends on June 6th with a banquet and fun shoot on Monday, June 13th. There are separate divisions for men, women, junior boys and junior girls. More information is available on our web site.

Old Business:

1. The insurance for Board Members was discussed and is being looked into by Gordon Pickerd.
2. The Waiver of Responsibility is being handled by Bob Matthews and will be considered at a future meeting.

New Business:

1. The Chamber of Commerce Expo will be held in Mrch at the Rockford High School. Volunteers are needed to man our table..

Open Forum:

Earl Hull has tickets to the Sport Show. He is looking for a member to handle advance ticket sales. For each ticket sold - \$2.00 is returned to the club.

February 18 is the annual Boy Scout banquet with Earl Hull, Brad Mullen and Dan Hankinson attending to represent the club. This is a thank-you for RSC hosting the annual Boy/Cub Scout shoot.

District 5 Sporting Clays shoot to be held April 30 - May 1st. If interested contact Chris Harbison who is putting the teams together for the club.

- Drawing for T-Shirt - Jim Jones (every time you come to a meeting you are automatically entered in this contest)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Dan Hankinson and Ed Yoskovich

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

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Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –February 15, 2005

Board Members Present: Vice-president Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt.-At-Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Mike Green, Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Ron Parker.

Guests: Bill Blain, Gary DeGraaf, Tom Smith – Scholarship Chairman, Rick and Maureen Schmock, and Jim VanderPloeg

Opened By Vice-president Brad Mullen at 7:00 PM

Invocation by Chaplain Tim Hall

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New members – Rick and Maureen Schmock, Jim and Patricia VanderPloeg (Mike Roche/Gordon Pickerd) approved.
2. Scholarship Chairman, Tom Smith, announced that there are two scholarships (\$250) available this year. The recipients must be taking a course of study that would be law enforcement or outdoor environmental related.
3. Deceased member's names will be put on our memorial soon. Tim Hall and Dave Crysler will take care of this.
4. Ellen VanKammen (long time member) is now residing at Richter Place Apts. in Rockford. Her telephone number is 616-866-2268)

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Discussed member and guest waivers.
 - Motion to make these official and required of all members and guests who intend to shoot. (Gordon Pickerd/Ron Parker) approved **Samples provided in your packet – you may sign yours this evening. Have a regular member sign the bottom and turn in on the pool table before leaving. This will be voted on at the March meeting by the membership.**

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$85,318.15 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$17,207.39 and expenses of \$17,412.21. The Rockford Regulators (cowboys) have turned over \$1,000 so far and Trap/Skeet continues to do well with about 100 lines each week being shot. Congratulations to all for participating!
2. Sponsors for youth shooters - 1 on 1 instruction with signed waiver of responsibility. So far seven Rockford students are participating. Hopefully this will lead to an inter-school competition. They are shooting on Wednesday evenings every other week.
3. On the 19th of March the Rockford Chamber of Commerce is holding an expo with tables available for \$120.00. Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Terry Stuart to spend this money on a table. Funds to come from marketing budget.
4. Liability insurance for officers and directors was discussed. Three bids were obtained.
 - Motion made to accept Young Insurance's bid of \$800.00 per year with a \$1,000 deductible. (Mike Green/Scott Fries) approved
5. Gordon prepared a mock up of the proposed building addition with the existing building. Much time and discussion centered on the best way to proceed. Gary DeGraaf presented his ideas on modules for construction which centers on dividing up this project into smaller parcels.
 - After this discussion a motion was made to have Gary prepare these modules for our members to sign in the areas that they are interested. (Mike Green/Lisa Harbison) approved. **See samples in your packet.**
 - Motion made to appoint Gordon Pickerd Project Manager for the addition. (Mike Green/Terry Eicholtz) approved

Trustee Mike Green:

1. **Once again the Rockford Sportsman's Club was victorious in the campaign of Sportsmen Against Hunger. We won the big trophy for the second year in a row with a total cash and**

labor donation of 56,000 pounds of food. The total for all clubs was 78,910 pound of food. Fantastic!

2. There will be a two-day Cowboy Shoot planned for 2005. The Board approved the April 30 - May 1 date for this event.
3. The next Cowboy shoot at the club will be March 5th.
4. The first Saturday in September is Range War so the cowboy shoot normally scheduled for that date has been moved to September 10th.
5. The club has allowed the Wolverine Rangers to obtain a raffle license for range war for 2005.

Vice-president Brad Mullen:

1. Brad announced that we are continuing to have a table for the March 5th and 6th gun show.
 - A motion was made to have a table for the April 23rd and 24th show as well. (Gordon Pickerd/Terry Stuart) approved.
2. Due to being out of town more than expected with his job, Board member Keith Rose has resigned. Suggestions to be made for a replacement at the next regular meeting with confirmation at the March Board Meeting. Also we need to find a Building and Grounds Chairperson.

Trustee Tim Hall:

1. Tim inquired about the building construction and hunter safety. The April hunter safety will be ok.

The Winter Shoot begins continues on Sundays from 10-3 and Thursday evenings from 6-9 PM. Shooting will also continue every Monday evening from 6-9 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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Regular Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2005



7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **New Members introduced: Jim VanderPloeg**
- **Next Board Meeting is March 15 - all members are welcome**
- **March 19 – Breakfast 9-10 AM – Cost \$4 and Children's Easter Party starting at 12:00 Noon**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- For snacks for the March 1st meeting – Lisa Harbison, Tim Hall, Andy Wiseman will bring cookies

Vice-President's Report: Brad Mullen:

- Thanks to everyone who purchased or sold a gun raffle subscription. There are only 2 subscriptions available. This is an important part of our budget and we need to sell (purchase) all of them. Cost \$40.
- Motion by Jennie Betz and supported by Mike Green to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Letters to the club read from Geri Jackson regarding \$100 donation to hunter safety in memory of Levin Rial.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$83,284.83. Income so far for 2005 - \$18,158.39 and expenses of \$17,865.33. Half of the income so far comes from trap/skeet lines and Cowboy shooting. Fund raisers including shooting and raffles are important for the financial health of the club. Most of the expenses listed above were for payment of promissory notes due in January.
- Work Day will be Saturday, March 12th from 8-12 Noon. The club is looking for a replacement Building and Grounds Chairperson. If interested please contact a Board member or come to the next Board meeting - February 15th. The electricity has been connected in the pole barn. The lines will be run soon to provide light at the gate. Bird delivery on March 7 and help is needed.

Committee Reports:

↳ **Shoots:**

- Gun Raffle - The winner of the \$50 was Steve Case with ticket #33.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- Rockford won the trophy for the most food donated in 2004 to God's Kitchen. Great job Mike Green and club members.
- At the Sport and RV show on March 17th, volunteers will be needed to help collect groceries from folks who are bringing their donations in exchange for free tickets to this event. We did real well last year! As much time as you are able to help starting at 8:00 AM until 9:00 PM. Dress warmly.
- Winter League ends on April 2nd with a banquet at the club.
- NSSA Registered Targets event will be held March 2nd. This is the first Wednesday of the month.
- The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for March 5th. All are invited.
- There will be a special two day Cowboy Shoot on April 30 and May 1st of this year as a special fundraiser for the club. Help will be needed to coordinate these activities as well as man the chuckwagon (kitchen). Special events will be held during this two-day event. If you would like to help please contact Mike Green - 363-2827. Additional help will be needed to time side matches, scoring, general help, first aid, and kitchen.
- The trap/skeet class for Rockford Community Ed begins on April 13th. This class runs for 6 consecutive Wednesday nights followed by a beginners pistol class for the next 6 weeks. Questions – call Terry Stuart 887-9917.

↳ **Sunshine:**

- Our prayers go out to the Art Hamilton family whose father passed away recently.

↳ **Publicity/Marketing:** March 19th a table has been reserved for the Chamber of Commerce expo at Rockford High School.

↳ **Food and Beverage:** No Report

↳ **Apparel:** Bernie reported that the shirt and jacket order was here..

↳ **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is Saturday, March 12th from 8-12 A.M.

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- ⌋ **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- ⌋ **Hunter Safety:** The next class will be held April 18th, 20th, and 23rd. Helpers are always needed on those days especially Saturday April 23rd. Club members wishing to sign up their child should call Bill Skallos at 866-0096.
- ⌋ **Range Use:** Terry Stuart will use the pistol range for a small hunter safety class on April 9th from 10-2:30.
- ⌋ **Camp:** Chairman Glen Bradley - (616) 364-7954. Last MUCC magazine had all the info on the back cover. For regular member RSC will pay the whole fee after parent pays 50% up front and the child completes camp. For a new member the club will pay 75% of the fee (\$175 up front and reimburse \$87.50) For grand children of a regular member the club pays \$175. Dates will be posted at the club - ages 9 through 15 with different age ranges at different times.
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Old Business:

1. The insurance for Board Members has been paid.
2. The Waiver of Responsibility was discussed by the membership and postponed for consideration at a future meeting. Motion by Gordon Pickerd/supported by Bernie Sobie. Approved.
3. August 20th is the Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For The Cure field day at the club. Goal is \$5,000 this year. Volunteers (50 or so) will be needed.

New Business:

1. Bob Drury and Jeff Harvey have volunteered to complete the Board term of Keith Rose who had to resign due to business concerns. This will be taken up at the next board meeting.
2. Work modules were presented to the club concerning the new building addition. Gordon Pickerd is the project chairman for the new addition.

Open Forum:

District 5 Sporting Clays shoot to be held April 30 - May 1st. If interested contact Chris Harbison who is putting the teams together for the club.

Tom Smith reported on the state of the scholarship and presented the guidelines for new members.

- Drawing for T-shirt – Jim Irvine (every time you come to a meeting you are automatically entered in this contest)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Tom Smith and Earl Hull

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –March 15, 2005

Board Members Present: Board Chairman Bob Matthews, President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Trustees: Mike Green, Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Ron Parker.

Guests: Tom Smith – Scholarship Chairman, Bob Drury, and Jim Irvine

Opened By Chairman Bob Matthews at 7:00 PM

Invocation by Chaplain Tim Hall

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New members – Bill Jonckheere (Gordon Pickerd/Bob Matthews) approved.
2. Lisa Harbison – “I joined the club because of the warmth, friendliness, and closeness of all the members.” **Please keep that in mind when you meet or greet people who are members, potential members, or just people you run into when discussing our club.**

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Read a letter from the Algoma Township Fire Department thanking us for our donation and offering to bring equipment up to the club when we have a field day.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$74,541.44 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$19,637.64 and expenses of \$23,603.51. Trap/Skeet continues to do well with almost 45,000 targets thrown so far this year with income of \$5,817.00 so far this year. The Sunday – Monday – Thursday shooting continues to be very successful.
2. Building Report: 1700 square feet of wood ceiling panel has been donated for the new addition. The building committee will be meeting soon and welcomes any interested members. So far Tim Hall, George Mayhak, Terry Stuart from the Board and Tom Smith, member, have volunteered to serve.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. There will be a two-day Cowboy Shoot planned for 2005. The Board approved the April 30 - May 1 date for this event. On the Friday before this shoot (April 29th) a special Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot will be held.
2. The next Cowboy shoot at the club will be April 2nd.
3. Volunteers are needed for the Thursday Sport and RV Show to collect food from people and give out free tickets. Mike Green and Gordon Pickerd said they would be there.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Scott announced that we have some new members who have volunteered to act as hosts for the law enforcement people. Thanks to Bill Blain and Willis Bradley for all of their efforts over the years.
 - A motion was made to have a table for the June, August, September, October, and December gun show as well. (Scott Fries/Terry Stuart) approved.
2. Due to being out of town more than expected with his job, Board member Keith Rose has resigned.
 - A motion was made by George Mayhak and supported by Lisa Harbison to appoint Bob Drury as Keith's replacement. Approved.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa suggested additional fund raisers such as a garage sale and/or craft show. She also mentioned that members Carol and Ford Alison compete in Bar-B-Que competitions and have expressed interest in participating in something like that for the club. Thank you!

Trustee Tim Hall:

1. Tim reminded the Board that we need to be a bit more careful with our language when working at a club activity.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Mike announced that we have 183 members now.

Member Tom Smith:

1. Tom brought the printed guidelines for the scholarship fund. After some discussion it was thought that the guidelines needed to be expanded a bit so that member's children and grandchildren might take advantage of the scholarship even though they may not be going into conservation education. More discussion will follow on this idea.
 - Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Gordon Pickerd to continue with Dave Parker as a scholarship recipient. Approved

Board Chairman Bob Matthews:

1. Bob is working with the chairperson of the Start of Summer Celebration on June 10th-12th to have activities at the club in conjunction with this celebration. More information to come.

President George Mayhak:

1. George took a pole of the Board of Directors to see if we should continue with the Waiver of Responsibility. The Board indicated that it should not be pursued at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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Rockford Sportsman's Club
Regular meeting Minutes: April 5, 2005

The meeting was opened by President George Mayhak with pledges given and an invocation by Dave Ronan.

Membership chairman, Mike Roche introduced and made a motion to accept Shawn Wiers and Steven Veldkamp for membership. Jennifer Betz seconded. Carried.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Board Chmn: Absent

Vice Pres: Absent/Vacation

Secretary: Jennifer Betz made a motion to accept the unread minutes of the last meeting with Terry King seconding. Motion carried.

Treasurers: Total inflow: \$23,315.19

Total outflow: \$28,390.07

Overall Total: \$-5074.88

George thanked the members for the treats for meeting snacks. Next month Floyd Abbott and Steve Veldkamp and Rich Schmock will bring snacks.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SHOOTS:

- Dan Vincent: Spring League has begun:
NSSA on Wed. April 6; A 3-day shoot on April 15,16,17. Dave Crysler will have an instruction class on pulling, Saturday April 7th. Pullers are needed for this event as well as other help.
- Scott Fries: Pistol league starts April 11 and will be open to the public. Banquet on June 6th.
- US Customs will practice at the club on April 14th.
- Mike Green: Cowboy shoots: 74 shooters attended the April shootout. April 29th, 30th, May 1 and May 7th next cowboy shoot. Expecting at least 70 to 100 shooters will need help with computer, scoring and kitchen.
- Chris Harbison: Sporting Clay Shoot, April 30th and May 1st. Call him if any questions.
- Terry Eicholz: Round Robin Shoots: first one; Madison Square Club April 6/10. Next one is hosted by RSC. One line of Skeet and Trap.
- Pete Kreutzfeldt: Gun show at the Delta Plex: April 23 & 24th. Need help. Pete only gets a limited amount of admission tickets, so please check ahead with him before the show.

HUNTERS SAFETY: Bill Skallos: Next session is April 18, 20 and 23rd. Members asked to help. First 2 days start at 6:30-8:30 Pm on Saturday, April 23 help is needed and the help need to arrive by 8 AM. It is usually finished by 5:30 PM. Lunch help is also needed. Bill advised the instructors that the new format will not be available until later

this year. The \$100 donation received by Geraldine Jackson has been used to purchase a 22 rifle. A plaque with her name and donation will be made with a photo copy given to her.

MUCC CAMP: Glenn Bradley is the contact person; club members and grandchildren are invited to attend. Get in on early signup.

SUNSHINE; Karen Mcallister, former member and wife of Marc passed away due to cancer. Chris Schewe was in the hospital and is now home.

KITCHEN & BEVERAGE: No report

GUN RAFFLE: All tickets have been sold!! Winner of a Remington 700 VLS .204 Ruger was Andy Stoner, ticket #206

BLDG & GROUNDS: New chairman is Bob Drury; many spring projects to get done before the spring shoots. Posted list on club board. Calcium chloride will be ordered from Rockford Hardware for the dusty driveway.(George checked after the meeting and Rockford hardware does not carry calcium chloride in the summer. Next work day is April 9 from 8-12.

PUBLICITY & MARKETING: Press will come to do an article May 25 for pictures and response to our pistol class..

NEWSLETTER: Need a publisher. Will check with Dave Betz??? President George will tackle getting one out for April. Mike Roche has volunteered.

APPAREL: No report

SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER; Mike Green: March 17 Sport & RV show netted 50,000 lbs of food. Area clubs helped throughout the day. Mike urges us to remember this ongoing project in order for us to keep the trophy.

OLD BUSINESS

EASTER PARTY: Jennifer Betz reported low turnout due to bad weather, with only 9 children and a total of 25 people. She stayed within budget and thanked all who helped.

HUNTERS SAFETY: Gary DeGraf donated a full body harness

ROCKFORD CUB SCOUTS: Dan Hankinson states maybe a smaller group will come on May 14th from 12-4. More info later.

NEW BUSINESS

CHILDREN'S PARTIES: Halloween party is October 22 from 5-8 pm. Jenny would like to expand the party with donated costumes for adults as well as kids. Get the

grounds decorated for a scary hayride. Christmas party is December 17 from 2-5 pm decorations are welcome.

ROAD CLEAN UP: m-dot project dates are July 27 @ 6 PM and Sept. 29th @ 5:30 PM Contact Mark DeGeest for questions. Gordon Pickerd reported that the Grand Valley Metro Council for road projects plans on a 5 lane road widening between 13 and 14 mile roads proposed for 2006 FYI

SPARTA CLUB: will host a benefit for Donna and Dave Crittenden on April 10. This is an elimination 50/50 shoot. Door prizes and more. Call Sparta for info or Marilyn Knight 866-2536 or Sue- 887-1771

HUNT FOR THE CURE: August 20—will need help also need a chairman to help with the field day here at the club; Need chairman for the Ball, Banquet and Raffle. Gordy is on the executive committee and he is urging our club to the standout presentation we show last year again this year. \$300 profit was given to the Cystic Fibrosis Society last year.

50/50 DRAWINGS for \$41 each went to Nan Crysler and Art Hamilton. Membership T-shirt to Mark Kazmierski.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Anne Bradley, club member

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –April 19, 2005

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Mike Green, Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Bob Drury.

Opened by Chaplain Tim Hall at 7:00 PM with invocation.

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New full member – Cynthia Ferguson (Mike Roche/Gordon Pickerd)approved.
2. Special thank-you to Scott Fries and Mike Roche for temporarily taking over the newsletter.
3. Dan Hankinson's mother passed away. Our prayers go out to the family in their time of sorrow.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Reported that the beginning trap/skeet class got off to a good start with 20 students at the first class. Class continues every Wednesday evening for the next 5 weeks.

Trustee Bob Drury: (Building and Grounds Chairman)

1. Reported that a lot of clean up projects were accomplished at the last work day. Projects for this month include; enclosing the dumpster with fence material, rebuild the boards for targets on the 50 and 100 yard ranges, and run wire from the pole building to the light by the gate.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Handed out an information sheet on the proposed Kid's Conservation Corner project headed by our own Jennie Betz. After discussion a motion was made by Terry Stuart, supported by Lisa Harbison to support this project. Approved (information will be in the newsletter and at the regular meeting)

2.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. There will be a two-day Cowboy Shoot on April 30 - May 1. Mike expects over a hundred participants.
2. The next regular Cowboy shoot at the club will be May 7th.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$75,264.09 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$23,469.19 and expenses of \$34,243.61.
2. Building Report: Shingles have been purchased for the new addition at a very good price. They need to be covered with plywood so the sun doesn't make them all stick together. The windows for the new addition will be picked up this week.
3. The building committee will be meeting May 10th in the clubhouse at 7:00 P.M. and welcomes any interested members.
4. The club Case tractor is in need of repair. If anyone is interested in this project please contact Gordon.
5. Gordon had a person check our property to see if some timber would be worth removing. He got an estimate of around \$4,000 and most of this timber would come from the north side of the property. There is an old logging road that they could use for this. The board was unanimous in supporting this idea.
6. Gordon mentioned that the brass needs to be picked up on the pistol range. Terry suggested that the hunter safety students will help with this on Saturday.

A chairperson for the August 20th Cystic Fibrosis field day is urgently needed. Please step forward if you can help organize the workers and get our club ready for this event.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Scott reminded the Board of the gun show on April 22nd and 23rd. Please contact Peter Kreutzfeldt to help with this project.

Trustee Tim Hall:

1. Tim has reserved the ranges on August 30th for a special shoot by members of his church. Bill Plambeck, Gordon Pickerd, and Terry Stuart have volunteered to help.

Motion by Lisa Harbison and supported by Mike Green to adjourn. Approved

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **New Members introduced: Tom and Julie VanderMeulen, Gary and Barbara Green, Brian and Sherri Matthews (motion by Mike Roche and supported by Mike Green – approved.**
- **Next Board Meeting is May 17 - all members are welcome**
- **Stacy Olmand – voted in as regular member (Gordon Pickerd/Peter Kreutzfeldt) approved**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- For snacks for the June 7th meeting – Craig/Stacey volunteered.
- Motion by Bill Blain and supported by Gordon Pickerd to accept minutes as printed with the addition of Brad Mullen attending the Board meeting.. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Letters to the club read from the Krause Library thanking us for the donation and from the Hankinson family for the many cards, and planter from the club.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$73,437.14. Income so far for 2005 - \$30,492.03 and expenses of \$40,562.20. The recent two day cowboy shoot brought in over \$2,700 and the last NSSA shoot brought in around \$2,900.
- Work Day will be Saturday, May 14th from 8-12 Noon. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year.

Committee Reports:

↳ Shoots:

- Gun Raffle - The winner of the Anschutz 15/17 rifle was Len Moerler with ticket #167.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- NSSA Registered Targets event will be held May 4th. This is the first Wednesday of the month. Trap and skeet shooting continues to be a success with over 34 cases of targets being shot each week. This is an important source of income for the club.
- The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for May 7th. All are invited.
- There was a special two day Cowboy Shoot on April 30 and May 1st with 69 participants. Great job Steve Stevenson, Mike Green, Luke Barksdale for a well planned shoot, and to Mike Reeb and Ron Parker for the excellent photos, Mark Kazmerski and Pat Green for registration and scoring, and to Fran and Paul Kazmerski, Sue Barksdale, Carol Stuart, Dora Jones for the excellent meals. There were many others who helped as well – Jim Jones, and Peter Kreutzfeldt for Posse leader duties as well as all of the brass pickers and others who helped in many ways.
- The trap/skeet class for Rockford Community Ed continues with a break this week. This class will run for three more consecutive Wednesday nights followed by a beginners pistol class for the next 6 weeks. Questions or if you can assist please call Terry Stuart 887-9917.
- **Sunshine. :** No report
- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report

- **Food and Beverage:** No Report
- **Apparel:** No Report
- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is Saturday, May 14th from 8-12 A.M. Cub Scouts are coming that afternoon. If you can help give Dan Hankinson a call.
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Hunter Safety:** The last class had 65 kids who cooperated well and there were 3 perfect scores on the test. Great job all Hunter Safety Instructors! Great job planning this – Bill and Maryly Skallos!!!
- **Camp:** No report
- **Pistol League:** The Spring Pistol League for 2005 continues each Monday evening from 6:30-8:30 PM. This is a bullseye style competition fired on a 25-yard range. One line consists of 10 rounds slow-fire, 10 round timed fire and 10 rounds rapid fire. Eight lines completes the league. The league ends on June 6th with a banquet and fun shoot on Monday, June 13th. There are separate divisions for men, women, junior boys and junior girls. More information is available on our web site.
- **Gun Show:** Peter Kreutzfeldt was the only volunteer at the last gun show. We need help for the June 4th and 5th gun show as Peter will not be able to attend. Please let George Mayhak or Peter know if you can help with this project.
- **Congratulations to Lisa Harbison – high lady sporting clays shooter at the district sporting clays event.**
- David Crysler mentioned that targets may be harder to get as the pitch that Remington uses in their construction is getting harder to find. He suggested that we order targets early for the August NSSA shoot. George Mayhak will take care of this.
- District 5 shoot is July 15th, 16th, and 17th and will be held at Tri Town this year.
- **Scholarship:** Tom Smith announced that he had another candidate and will bring this persons name to the next Board meeting. This person is from Rockford High School.
- **MUCC:** Wendy Briggs announced that there will be a tree give-away at Van's Pines on May 14th from 9 AM till 2 PM. Each club may select up to 300 trees.
- **Road Clean-Up:** The first clean-up project this year will be Thursday May 5th from 6 PM till the job is finished. The club is responsible for road clean-up from 13 mile to 14 mile road. Help would be appreciated.

Old Business:

1. August 20th is the Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For The Cure field day at the club. Goal is \$5,000 this year.
Volunteers (50 or so) will be needed. **Lisa Harbison has volunteered to head up this project.**

New Business:

1. George and Gordon discussed with club members the possibility of an additional promissory note project to help fund the new addition. The Board will consider this at the next Board meeting. Please call Gordon at 866-9055 if you are interested. The note amounts will likely be in \$500 and \$1000 dollar amounts at 6% interest. Gordon is looking into a bank line of credit to provide the cash to finish the building addition.
2. The Board will be looking into changing our IRS status from a 501 C3 to a 501 C7 which will allow for tax deductible donations.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Christian Chardoul – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Terry Stuart and Pat Green

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –May 17, 2005

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Mike Green, Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Bob Drury.

Guests: Tom Smith

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New full member – Dave and Marti Scrivener (Mike Roche/Mike Green)approved.
2. Special thank-you to Ron Stevens for the donation of a great computer!!!!
3. Congratulations Round Robin Shooters – RSC is currently in first place by 1 bird!!!
4. Another BIG THANK YOU to Rhonda McCollough for planting all the flowers by the upper shoot house.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

Reported that the beginning trap/skeet class will end on May 25th. The beginning pistol class begins on May 25th and runs through June 29th. Class time is from 6-8 PM and helpers are welcome.

Trustee Bob Drury: (Building and Grounds Chairman)

1. Reported that a lot of clean up projects were accomplished at the last work day. Projects for this month include; enclosing the dumpster with fence material, rebuild the boards for targets on the 50 yard range. This Thursday and Friday cement will be delivered for several projects around the club. Next work day is June 11th. Watch for a list of projects that completed at any time in the next newsletter.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa mentioned that plans are in the works for our field day for cystic fibrosis. Everyone's help will be needed on August 20th so mark your calendars now.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. Mike reported on the two-day Cowboy Shoot that was held on April 30 - May 1. We had 67 shooters and turned over \$2,700 in profit to the club. Next year's shoot is already in the works. Very positive response from all participants.
2. The next regular Cowboy shoot at the club will be June 4th.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$78,402.24 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$37,677.73 and expenses of \$42,098.42.
2. The next building committee will be meeting May 24th in the clubhouse at 7:00 P.M. and welcomes any interested members.
3. Gordon suggested two plans for financing our new addition:

Proposal A – Up to 150 promissory notes (at \$500 each) could be issued having staggered payment dates. This would raise \$75,000. The payback plan is over 5 years at 6% interest.

Proposal B – A line of credit through Bank One for \$100,00. If less than \$50,000 is used the payback plan is 84 months with a current interest rate of 6.85% which would amount to \$751.11 a month. Interest adjustable every 5 years. If more than \$50,000 is used the payback plan is still 6.85% for 15 years which would amount to \$623.55 per month. There is a \$540.00 start up charge for this line of credit.

- **After much discussion the motion was made by Gordon Pickerd and supported by George Mayhak to go with proposal A. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. The property on the north side of the club is for sale again. It would be in the best interest of the

club to pursue its purchase. Creative ideas are being explored.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Scott reported that there were 23 event shooters for the spring pistol league and he has turned in \$350.00 from this fun event. The summer pistol league begins June 20th.

Trustee Ron Parker:

1. Ron reported that the cub scout shoot pictures are available on PBase. Good fun!

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry will be issuing new keys at the June and July meeting. The locks will be changed after the July meeting.
2. Terry went to the MUCC meeting dealing with ranges and lead and reported his findings to the Board. Paper work needs to be filled out and eventually MUCC will visit our ranges and make suggestions.

President George Mayhak:

1. The skeet league will be extended one week to end on June 2nd. The shoot committee is looking for 4 more volunteers to man the club on Sunday's during the summer. Each two person crew will be responsible for two Sundays. There will be open Trap/Skeet on Sunday, Monday, and Thursdays through out the summer. Starting June 5th the summer trap/skeet league begins. This league ends on the last Thursday in August.
2. The shoot committee is looking into plans for a five stand. More details to follow.

Board Chairman Bob Matthews:

1. Bob discussed the Rockford Start of Summer Celebration and the possible participation of our club. More will be known by the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **New Members introduced: Richard and Sherry Betz, Richard and Karen Prefontaine, Michael and Virginia Ryan, and Bob and Connie Green (Motion by Mike Roche and supported by Peter Kreutzfeldt to accept as members – approved)**
- **Next Board Meeting is June 21st - all members are welcome**
- **Big thank you to Dave Crysler, Chris and Lisa Harbison, Stacey Omland, John Damoth, Darrell Phillips, and Jim Jones for helping with the beginning trap and skeet class.**
- **A second big thank you to Mike Tisdale, Brad Mullen, Jim Jones, and Tom VanderMeulen for their assistance with the beginning pistol class.**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- For snacks for the July 2nd meeting – Nancy Hull and Floyd Abbott.
- Motion by Dan Vincent and supported by Jennie Betz to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Letters to the club read from the Cub Scouts thanking us for having the boys up for a shoot. Another thank you to Dan Hankinson and Tom Smith and all who helped with this project.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$72,518.46. Income so far for 2005 - \$40,235.29 and expenses of \$50,244.85. The Promissory Notes for the building addition are in the works. They will be available to members in amounts of \$500 and up and will pay 6% interest over 5 years. The payment months will be staggered so that not all are due on the same month.
- Work Day will be Saturday, June 11th from 8-12 Noon. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year.

Committee Reports:

- **Shoots:**
- Gun Raffle - The winner of the \$50 was Dan Hankinson with ticket #229.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- NSSA Registered Targets event will be held July 6th. This is the first Wednesday of the month. Trap and skeet shooting continues to be a success with over 34 cases of targets being shot each week. This is an important source of income for the club. The summer league begins the week of June 13th. All are invited. This is a laid back easy going shoot.
- The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for July 2nd. All are invited.
- The June 4th Cowboy shoot was a huge success. There were 86 participants (the largest number for any shoot in Michigan except for the end of year event in Port Huron) and the kitchen served well over 100 delicious lunches. Thanks again to Carol Stuart, Sue Barksdale, Dora Jones, Pat Green, and Luke Barksdale, Mike Green, and Steve Stevens for putting on an incredible shoot.
- The beginning trap and skeet class has ended with 20 participants. This represented around \$1200 in income for the club. Again thanks to all who helped make this a success.
- The beginning pistol class is going well. Many first time shooters who have caught on very quickly. The third week saw these students shooting their first NRA course of fire with .22 pistols and several did very well. The ladies out scored the men. No real surprise there. Top score was 251. Also the group was able to fire .38's for a bit of a change of pace.
- **Sunshine.:** No report
- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report
- **Food and Beverage:** No Report
- **Apparel:** Denim shirts are available – either long or short sleeved. See Bernie Sobie. Price – around \$28.
- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is Saturday, June 4th from 8:00 AM – 12:00 noon..
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Hunter Safety:** The next class will be held August 8th, 10th, and 13th. Help is needed especially on Saturday the 13th.
- **Camp:** No report

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes – June 7, 2005

- **Pistol League:** The Spring Pistol League for 2005 ended June 6th. The summer league starts on June 20th and will run each Monday evening from 6:30-8:30 PM. This is a bullseye style competition fired on a 25-yard range. One line consists of 10 rounds slow-fire, 10 round timed fire and 10 rounds rapid fire. Eight lines completes the league. This league will be run by Glen Bradley. No shooting on July 4th. There are separate divisions for men, women, junior boys and junior girls. More information is available on our web site.
- **Gun Show:** Peter Kreutzfeldt and Earl Hull took care of this project for the last show. Please let Peter know if you can help in the future.
- **Kid's Corner:** Stay tuned for more information. This activity is scheduled to begin in August. Jennie Betz is in charge.
- District 5 shoot is July 15th, 16th, and 17th and will be held at Tri Town this year.
- **Scholarship:** Tom Smith introduced Ben Zoppa – our scholarship winner for this year.
- **MUCC:** Wendy Briggs announced that the will be a tree give-away at Van's Pines was very successful with 97 clubs taking advantage of the free trees.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report

Old Business:

1. August 20th is the Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For The Cure field day at the club. Goal is \$5,000 this year. Volunteers (50 or so) will be needed. **Lisa Harbison has volunteered to head up this project. Sign ups will continue at each meeting.**

New Business:

1. Start of Summer Celebration June 10th-12th will feature a booth run by our club. We will be selling baked potatoes with all the fixings for a fund raiser as well as handing out information about our club. Bob Matthews is in charge.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Bernie Sobie – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Bob Drury and Gordon Pickerd
- Building Committee Meeting scheduled for June 14th at 7:00 at the club house.
- **The annual "Fly Hunt" is scheduled for July 30th. Former winners – Terry Stuart and Terry Eicholtz will be back to meet all challengers. Curt Becker is chairman of this event.**
- Curt Becker announced that his son has joined the Marine Corps and will be reporting soon. A big congratulations and we will be thinking of you as you serve our country and keep us safe.
- Earl Hull suggested a program to introduce new members to our ranges – discussion of safety rules etc. This will be looked into.
- Thanks to Anne Bradley for her efforts with Tracks magazines for our local schools. 10 area schools will receive subscriptions to enhance the natural science program for 5th graders. All together 511 subscription at a cost of \$1,768.50. This is an annual donation, one that we can be proud to say we are encouraging youngsters to be aware of their natural surroundings.

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –June 21, 2005

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, and Bob Drury. **Absent:** Trustees: Mike Green, Tim Hall, Ron Parker, Board Chairman Bob Matthews

Guests: Jim VanderPloeg, Robert Bigelow

Membership Approvals by Board Vote (Maker of motion and support in brackets)

1. New full member – Jim and Patricia VanderPloeg, and Chuck and Beverly Houck (Mike Roche/Gordon Pickerd) Approved.
2. We welcome new members: Robert Bigelow, Edward and Penny Klunejko III, Robert Nowack, and Gene and Jennifer Maxson (Gordon Pickerd/Lisa Harbison) Approved
3. We will miss these members who have decided not to rejoin: Kurt Behrendt, Jon Wallace, and Steve Kazmerski
4. Another BIG THANK YOU to Rhonda McCollough for planting all the flowers by the upper shoot house.
5. **NEEDED – DINING CANOPIES – ANY SIZE – FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS FIELD DAY – CONTACT LISA HARBISON – NEEDED AUG. 19TH AND 20TH**

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Reported that the beginning pistol class ends on June 29th. These new shooters are doing very well. Special thanks to Jim Jones, Brad Mullen, Mike Tidswell, and Tom VanderMeulen for assisting with this class.
2. The next regular Cowboy shoot at the club will be June 4th.

Trustee Bob Drury: (Building and Grounds Chairman)

1. Reported that a lot of clean up projects were accomplished at the last work day. Projects for this month include; enclosing the dumpster with fence material, rebuild the boards for targets on the 50 yard range. Next work day is July 9th. Watch for a list of projects that completed at any time in the next newsletter. **The building addition project continues almost every Saturday.**

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa mentioned that plans are in the works for our field day for cystic fibrosis. Everyone's help will be needed on August 20th so mark your calendars now. Helpers needed in all areas.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$73,652.95 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$42,670.17 and expenses of \$51,700.69.
2. Up to 150 promissory notes (at \$500 each) will be issued having staggered payment dates. This would raise \$75,000. The payback plan is over 5 years at 6% interest. Letters have been sent to members informing them of this opportunity.
3. The property on the north side of the club is for sale again. It would be in the best interest of the club to pursue its purchase. Wendy Briggs is looking into this and creative ideas are being explored to finance its purchase.
4. The timber on our property (63 trees) will be harvested bringing at least \$3,800 into our club treasury.
 - Motion by Terry Stuart and supported by Terry Eicholtz to go ahead with this plan to harvest trees on our property. Approved
5. While the weather did not cooperate for selling many potatoes at the Start of Summer Celebration a special thank you to Bob Matthews for organizing this event and to all who worked the booth. We made contact with quite a few people interested in the club. Total cost to the club was \$44.09. It was a worthwhile event and we will look into perhaps a different approach next year.

Vice President Brad Mullen:

1. Brad suggested that we look into an article or advertisement in the Rockford Magazine. After some discussion it was tabled.
2. Brad suggested an earlier start on next year's gun raffle. List of guns is complete and tickets will be put together soon. Terry S. suggested raising the \$50 prize to \$100 to generate more interest.

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry will be issuing new keys at the June and July meeting. The locks will be changed after the July meeting.
2. Terry went to the MUCC meeting dealing with ranges and lead and reported his findings to the Board. A long range planning committee for range improvement and maintenance needs to be formed.

President George Mayhak:

1. The shoot committee is looking into plans for a five stand. Dan Vincent has checked out prices for building a five stand on field one. (Oldest skeet field) It will cost in the area of \$10,000 to set up. We will look at ways to fund and pay for such a field.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall

- **New Members introduced: Robert Nowack, and Gene and Jennifer Maxson**
- **Next Board Meeting is July 19th - all members are welcome (Building Addition Meeting to begin at 6:00 P.M.)**
- **Guest: Jim Miller**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

- For snacks for the August 2nd meeting – Bring toppings for sundaes.
- Motion by Nancy Hull and supported by Bill Lane to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Note read from MUCC thanking the club for participating in the Wildlife Discoveries program for middle school children.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$79,941.76. Income so far for 2005 - \$44,865.37 and expenses of \$53,281.40. The Promissory Notes for the building addition have sold well (\$42,000). They will be available to members in amounts of \$500 and up and will pay 6% interest over 5 years. The payment months will be staggered so that not all are due on the same month. With only \$8,000 left there is not much time to purchase one.
- Work Day will be Saturday, July 9th from 8-12 Noon. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year.

Committee Reports:

- **Shoots:**
 - Gun Raffle – There were 3 rim fire rifles raffled – winner #1 was Len Moeller with ticket #166 who won a Marlin 17. Winner #2 (a Ruger 10/22 anniversary edition) was Chris Schewee with ticket #185. The winner of the Chipmunk .22 was Mike Roche with ticket #167.
 - **SPECIAL NOTE ON THE 2006 GUN RAFFLE. TICKETS ARE ALREADY BEING PREPARED WITH ONLY 300 BOOKLETS FOR 12 MONTHLY RAFFLES AT THE INCREDIBLE PRICE OF \$50.00. THERE WILL BE 3 MONTHLY CASH WINNERS WITH A PRIZE OF \$100. PLAN TO BUY ONE FOR YOURSELF AND GIVE ONE AS A GIFT.**
 - Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
 - The MUCC trap/skeet shoot will be held July 15th, 16th, and 17th. There are 5 Rockford teams entered with room for a few more shooters. The club pays for half the entrance fee.
 - The summer pistol league continues on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30 P.M. There are six weeks left (plenty of time to shoot the required 8 registered rounds) and all are welcome. Cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members.
 - MUCC – Donna reported that the convention went well and presented the club with a booklet of resolutions passed and not passed. This is available at the club for all who are interested.
 - NSSA Registered Targets event will be held July 6th. This is the first Wednesday of the month. Trap and skeet shooting continues to be a success with over 34 cases of targets being shot each week.
 - The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for August 2nd. All are invited.
 - The July 2nd Cowboy shoot was a huge success. There were 76 participants and the kitchen served well over 100 delicious lunches. Thanks again to Carol Stuart, Sue Barksdale, Dora Jones, Pat Green, and Luke Barksdale, Mike Green, and Steve Stevens for putting on an incredible shoot.
 - The beginning pistol class has ended with 11 participants. This represented around \$600 in income for the club. Again thanks to all who helped make this a success.
- **Sunshine.** : Jim Vanderploeg is out of the hospital and Sharon Parker has been ill. Peter Kreutzfeldt recently lost his mother. Our prayers are with him.
- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report
- **Food and Beverage:** No Report
- **Apparel:** Denim shirts are available – either long or short sleeved. See Bernie Sobie. Price – around \$28.
- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is Saturday, July 9th from 8:00 AM – 12:00 noon..

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Regular Meeting Minutes – July 5, 2005

- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Hunter Safety:** The next class will be held August 8th, 10th, and 13th. Help is needed especially on Saturday the 13th.
- **Camp:** No report
- **Gun Show:** No report
- **Kid's Corner:** Stay tuned for more information. This activity is scheduled to begin in August. Jennie Betz is in charge. We were told that the first activity day will be August 3rd a Wednesday. Stay tuned.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report

Old Business:

1. August 20th is the Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For The Cure field day at the club. Goal is \$5,000 this year. Volunteers (50 or so) will be needed. **Lisa Harbison has volunteered to head up this project. Sign ups will continue at each meeting. Lisa requests that anyone who can loan a dining canopy for this event please let her know. These will be needed August 19th and 20th.**
2. Wendy Briggs is investigating the property on the North side of the club. So far the owners have not returned his calls. He will continue to check on this.
3. Anne Bradley reported that the Tracks subscriptions for area schools have been ordered. That is 511 subscriptions for a total of \$1,788.50.

New Business:

1. The cement will be poured Saturday, July 9th starting at 7 A.M. for the building addition. Help is needed.
2. The timber on our property will be harvested soon. We stand to earn around \$3,800 from this.
3. The new keys have been given out at the last two meetings. The locks will be changed on Thursday, July 7th. There will also be a new gate combo. See a board member for this number or come to a meeting.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Anne Bradley – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Sherry Betz and Chris Lindeboom
- Building Committee Meeting scheduled for July 19th one hour prior to the board meeting.
- **The annual “Fly Hunt” is scheduled for July 30th. Former winners – Terry Stuart and Terry Eicholtz will be back to meet all challengers. Curt Becker is chairman of this event. Bait buckets available from Curt Becker. Bait placement from 10-12 on Saturday with shooting from 1-3 P.M.**
- The U.S. Probation department gave us about \$200 worth of scrap .40 caliber and .38 caliber brass. Save all brass for recycling. Put empty shells in the bucket provided on the range.

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –July 19, 2005

Board Members Present: Board Chairman Bob Matthews, President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Lisa Harbison, and Ron Parker **Absent:** Trustees: Mike Green, Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Bob Drury and Vice-President Brad Mullen

Guests: Mike DeGeest and Willie Bradley

1. **NEEDED – DINING CANOPIES – ANY SIZE – FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS FIELD DAY – CONTACT LISA HARBISON – 458-6851 - NEEDED AUG. 19TH AND 20TH**
2. If you haven't volunteered for this important event please call Lisa Harbison to help out. It will be much appreciated.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Letters received thanking the club for sending them to camp (posted on board) from Angela and Lisa Counts. Sounds as if they both had a great time!
2. The next regular Cowboy shoot at the club will be August 6th.

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project will continue July 30th with the intent of putting up the walls.** Help is needed. The goal is to have the roof completed by the end of August.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa mentioned that plans are in the works for our field day for cystic fibrosis. Everyone's help will be needed on August 20th so mark your calendars now. Helpers needed in all areas.
2. Lisa put an advertisement in the September MUCC magazine about the Hunt For The Cure on August 20. This magazine comes out the second week of August.
3. Many thanks to Jackson Products for their donation of 100 pairs of safety glasses and ear plugs.
4. A site map will be prepared for the August 20th event to help people find the activities they are interested in.

Mark DeGeest requested the use of the clubhouse and ranges for the West Cannon Baptist Church. Date to be determined. Approved

Mark also announced that the Road Clean-Up will be July 27th, Wednesday for all who can help.

- A motion was made by Gordon Pickerd with George Mayhak supporting to give Key's cement a \$300 gift certificate to Logan's Road House for the 5 workers who brought their own cement finishing tools and helped with the new addition. Approved.
- After much discussion a motion was made by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Terry Stuart that names for the memorial be brought to the board to be considered. Nominations are to be in written form indicating how the person helped the club or in what way they participated in its growth. Approved.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$78,032.60 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$52,605.37 (with \$6,000 received from promissory notes) and expenses of \$58,178.12.
2. The property on the north side of the club is for sale again. It would be in the best interest of the club to pursue its purchase. Wendy Briggs is looking into this and creative ideas are being explored to finance its purchase. (carry over from the June meeting)

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry has been issuing new keys as the locks have been changed.

President George Mayhak:

1. Much of the meeting revolved around discussion on how to use the new building addition to generate revenue. Suggestions included rentals (fee to be determined), non-smoking bingo (requires a core of willing workers to make this work), more dinners (perhaps every month at the regular meeting), Indoor archery and air rifle, or other activities that would bring in revenue. Suggestions are welcome.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Mike Roche will be wrapping up the newsletter this week.
2. We need to address picking up the brass on the pistol range. Several ideas were exchanged. More information to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:10 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Ron Parker

- **New Members introduced: Herman and Jan Dehaan**
- **Next Board Meeting is August 16th - all members are welcome**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**

Special Note for Members who have children ages 5-12. There is a new program for children called Kid's Corner which meets on the night of the regular membership meeting. Jennie Betz is in charge of the program. (874-9877) Environmental activities and fun games and stories are a part of this new exciting program. Other dates will be announced at the regular meetings. Bring your children and let them enjoy this program. Helpers would be appreciated also.

President's Report: George Mayhak:

The meeting was held outdoors as it was a beautiful evening and the main building is being prepared for the new addition.

➤ Motion was made to accept minutes as printed. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Note read from the Eicholtz family thanking the club for the plants that were sent on the passing of Terry's father. Our prayers are with them during this time.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$101,760.25. Income so far for 2005 - \$80,530.02 and expenses of \$62,375.12. The Promissory Notes for the building addition have sold well with all \$55,000 being spoken for and over half of that already collected.
- Shoots (Cowboy and Trap/Skeet) doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening.
- Thanks to Terry Stuart and his many able helpers who raised over \$2,000 for the building fund with the beginning trap and skeet class and the beginning pistol class.
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year.

Committee Reports:

- **Shoots:**
- **NSSA – August 26th, 27th and 28th. Contact George Mayhak or Dan Vincent and let them know you will be able to help.**
- Gun Raffle – Gordon Pickerd was the winner of the \$50 raffle with ticket #175.
- **SPECIAL NOTE ON THE 2006 GUN RAFFLE. TICKETS ARE ALREADY BEING PREPARED WITH ONLY 300 BOOKLETS FOR 12 MONTHLY RAFFLES AT THE INCREDIBLE PRICE OF \$50.00. THERE WILL BE 3 MONTHLY CASH WINNERS WITH A PRIZE OF \$100. PLAN TO BUY ONE FOR YOURSELF AND GIVE ONE AS A GIFT.**
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- MUCC – Donna announced the next Board meeting will be held in the U.P. on August 13th.
- NSSA Registered Targets event will be held August 3rd. This is the first Wednesday of the month.
- The next Cowboy shoot is scheduled for August 2nd. All are invited.
- **Sunshine. :** As mentioned above Terry Eicholtz recently lost his father. Our thoughts are with him.
- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report

- **Food and Beverage:** No Report
- **Apparel:** Interested in a new Rockford hat? Let Bernie Sobie know as he needs 12 orders from members. Cost will be in the \$8-10 range.
- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is every Saturday.
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Hunter Safety:** The next class will be held August 8th, 10th, and 13th. Help is needed especially on Saturday the 13th.
- **Camp:** No report
- **Gun Show:** No report
- **Kid's Corner:** Every month during the regular meeting. Jennie Betz is in charge. Bring your children for this exciting new program.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report

Old Business:

1. August 20th is the Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For The Cure field day at the club. Goal is \$5,000 this year.
Volunteers (50 or so) will be needed. **Lisa Harbison has volunteered to head up this project. Sign ups will continue at each meeting. Lisa requests that anyone who can loan a dining canopy for this event please let her know. These will be needed August 19th and 20th.**
2. Wendy Briggs is investigating the property on the North side of the club. He has made contact with the owner. He will continue to check on this.

New Business:

1. The walls for the new addition are pretty much up. The goal is to have the roof on and be buttoned up by October.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Floyd Abbot – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: None tonight
- **The annual “Fly Hunt” is over for this year. Seven teams had a great time. Big winner – Mike Tidsdale’s team.**

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –August 16, 2005

Board Members Present:, President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Mike Green, Mike Roche, Bob Drury and Ron Parker **Absent:** Board Chairman Bob Matthews Trustees: Lisa Harbison, Tim Hall, and

1. New members Tim and Debbie Gratto, and Jon Riese – motion by Mike Roche supported by Gordon Pickerd to accept these new members. Approved
2. Member Ron Stevens recently passed away. Our prayers are with his family.
3. **Please remember your \$1.00 deposit each time you use the pistol range. Only \$18 collected for July. Place your dollar in the white tube designated for this purpose.**

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project will continue every Saturday.** On August 23rd the roof rafters will be put in place. This is the date that we have the use of a crane. Help is needed.

Gordon and Scott:

1. Plans are made for our field day for cystic fibrosis. Everyone's help will be needed on August 20th.
2. Gander Mountain donated 20 Orange hats for workers for this event. Thank you!

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$105,644.68 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$90,063.53 (with \$37,000 received from promissory notes) and expenses of \$68,578.12.

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry has been issuing new keys as the locks have been changed.
2. Terry noted that only \$18 had been deposited in the range box. For members it is \$1 each time you use the range and for guests it is \$1 per hour.

President George Mayhak:

1. George suggested a club championship "Top Gun" event for October. This will take place on October 15th (Saturday) and suggestions include trap, skeet, rifle, pistol, cowboy, archery events. More details later. Come to the September meeting to help plan this event.

Member Dan Vincent:

1. Dan has approached several members of the Board about a five stand built on skeet field one. Dan brought his proposal to this meeting and much discussion from all the board members present occurred. This would cost approximately \$11,000 and at \$5 per line would pay for itself in about two years. Two of the existing 3 Western Skeet machines would be utilized as well as 3 Ranger 8, 400 bird carousel with tilting base @\$6,750, and 1 Rabbit 300 bird carousel at \$2,790.00 would need to be purchased. In addition 2 small houses for the Western skeet guns and 1 larger house for scoring and controls would be built at an approximate cost of \$450.00. **This would still allow the skeet field to be used for skeet. In no way would it alter this field's use. 5 Stand would be shot on a different designated day than our current Sunday, Monday, and Thursday. Attached is a plan of what this field would look like. This proposal is for the 2006 budget. Work would begin in the spring of 2006 if approved by the membership.**
 - After much discussion Terry Stuart made the motion supported by Terry Eicholtz to approve this project. Motion carried.
 - This proposal will be presented at the September regular meeting for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members Harry and Sue DeBoer, Mike and Lisa Grinzinger, Larry and Jodi VanderWeg (Motion to accept by Mike Roche, supported by Dan Vincent) approved**
- **New Members moved to Regular Member Status – Richard and Maureen Schmock and Carol and Ford Allison (Motion to change status by Mike Roche, supported by Gordon Pickerd) approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is September 20th - all members are welcome**
- **Attention Members – memberships expire on October 1st. Yes, it is DUES TIME again.**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**

Special Note for Members who have children ages 5-12. There is a new program for children called Kid's Corner which meets on the night of the regular membership meeting. Jennie Betz is in charge of the program. (874-9877) Environmental activities and fun games and stories are a part of this new exciting program. Other dates will be announced at the regular meetings. Bring your children and let them enjoy this program. Helpers would be appreciated also.

President's Report: George Mayhak:

The October meeting will feature a Chili Dinner beginning at 5:30. Ten members are needed to bring a crock pot of Chili – so far Donna Briggs, Roxanne Buhl, Terry Eicholtz, Judy Mayhak, Lisa Harbison, and Carol Stuart have volunteered.

The Children's Halloween Party is set for October 22nd. Sign up to bring items or help with this. Sheet at the club. Jenny Betz is in charge.

- Motion was made to accept minutes as printed by Terry Eicholtz and supported by Bill Lane. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Terry distributed two forms; one for the children's Halloween Party and one for MUCC camp needs.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$109,751.38. Income so far for 2005 - \$95,606.53 and expenses of \$70,009.42.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots (Cowboy and Trap/Skeet) doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening.
- Thanks to Mike and Pat Green for their outstanding work on Range War held in Port Huron over Labor Day. Very well organized and a lot of fun.
- The next Cowboy shoot is September 10th with the Safety Meeting at 9:30 and shooting starting at 10:00. All are welcome. Eye protection and hearing protection are required.

- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year.
- The summer pistol league is finished with 8 participants. Next pistol league will be in the Spring.
- The last NSSA shoot saw 21 shooters competing over a two day shoot. The last Rockford 100 will be September 7th starting at 6:00.
- State MUCC Shoot will be held in Detroit on September 16th, 17th, and 18th. Contact George Mayhak if interested.
- The Fall Trap and Skeet league will start on September 12th and continue until November 10th. Cost is \$10 registration and \$30 per event. Shooting will be on Sunday from 11-3 and Monday and Thursday from 6-9.
- Hunter Safety Class will be held on Monday and Wednesday, Sept. 19th and 21st from 6-8:30 and Saturday, Sept. 24th from 9-4. Extra help is always welcome.
- Gun Raffle – Glen Gomery was the winner of the Thompson Center Omega Stainless Muzzle Loader with ticket #246.
- **SPECIAL NOTE ON THE 2006 GUN RAFFLE. TICKETS ARE ALREADY BEING PREPARED WITH ONLY 300 BOOKLETS FOR 12 MONTHLY RAFFLES AT THE INCREDIBLE PRICE OF \$50.00. THERE WILL BE 3 MONTHLY CASH WINNERS WITH A PRIZE OF \$100. PLAN TO BUY ONE FOR YOURSELF AND GIVE ONE AS A GIFT.**
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- MUCC – Donna and Wendy Briggs attended the last Board meeting held in the U.P. on August 13th.
- A BIG THANK YOU to Rick Schmock for the new maple tree planted just outside the shoot building.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
 - **Sunshine.** : George Mayhak is recovering from hand surgery.
 - **Publicity/Marketing:** Please get items to be advertised to Roxanne Buhl as soon as possible.
 - **Food and Beverage:** No Report
 - **Apparel:** Interested in a new Rockford hat? New hats are in. See Bernie Sobie if interested.
 - **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is every Saturday.
 - **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
 - **Camp:** No report
 - **Gun Show:** Peter Kreutzfeldt is asking for help with the next gun show. Call him if able to help.
 - **Road Clean-Up:** No report

Old Business:

1. The Cystic Fibrosis “Hunt For The Cure” field day at the club was a huge success. We reached our goal of \$5,000 this year. Many thanks to Lisa Harbison for heading up this project and to all members who participated and helped.
2. Wendy Briggs is investigating the property on the North side of the club. He has made contact with the owner. He will continue to check on this.

New Business:

1. The walls and roof for the new addition are pretty much up. The goal is to have the roof on and be buttoned up by October.
2. There will be a Club Championship shot held at the club on Saturday, October 15. All shooting ranges will be utilized. Watch your newsletter for more details.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Tom Mullens – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Greg Bowers and Terry Stuart
- The Michigan State Police are sponsoring an Explorers Club for High School Students interested in Law Enforcement. This to begin in October.

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –September 20, 2005

Board Members Present:, President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Mike Green, Mike Roche, Bob Drury and Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison, and Tim Hall **Absent:** Board Chairman Bob Matthews
Guests: Greg VerVeer, and Roy Pleger

1. New member Scott Holzgen – motion by Mike Roche supported by Gordon Pickerd to accept these new members. Approved
2. **Please remember your \$1.00 deposit each time you use the pistol range. Place your dollar in the white tube designated for this purpose.**

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project will continue every Saturday.** New addition is coming along quite well. It is time for the shingles on the existing building to be removed. Help is needed.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$87,505.73 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$99,954.78 (with \$37,000 received from promissory notes) and expenses of \$96,639.83.

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry has been issuing new keys as the locks have been changed.

President George Mayhak:

1. George suggested a club championship “Top Gun” event for October. This will take place on October 15th (Saturday) and suggestions include trap, skeet, rifle, pistol, cowboy, archery events. More details later. Come to the October meeting to help plan this event. The cowboy event will consist of one stage with firearms provided for those who do not own such guns. Cowboy shooters may bring their own.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Mike suggested a change to make the new membership easier to understand. Replacing wording in the bylaws (Addendum A, Associate Member, Section 2-B) with wording that states: Plan B - \$50 with a commitment of 20 service hours. *As it stands now a new member pays \$50 works 20 hours in the first 6 months, or pays \$150 at the end of this six month period. Then the new member has to earn an additional 20 hours before his year is up. This is very confusing to new members. This proposal makes the requirements the same for all members.* New members must also meet the (4) Regular Meetings requirement during their first year.
 - After discussion a motion by Gordon Pickerd supported by Terry Stuart to approve this change. Motion carried.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Scott has prepared a 6 minute video presentation on activities of the Rockford Sportsman's Club that may be used to show prospective members what activities we are involved in. He used Ron Parkers' pictures for this presentation.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. The date for the field day for Cystic Fibrosis “Hunt For A Cure” is set for August 12, 2006.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. We are continuing to have the Friday night shoots and other activities to support Sportsmen Against Hunger. The numbers and names of the deer processors will be listed in this month's newsletter.
 - **Special Note: Get requests for special dates for 2006 Calendar to Scott Fries ASAP. You snooze you lose.**

Vice President Brad Mullen:

1. Brad will continue to work on our 501 C3 status. More information later.

- Elections are in December for Officers and Trustees. Nominations for these positions will be taken at the October, November, and December meeting. If interested in any of these positions please make your wishes known to George Mayhak or any Board Member or Trustee.
- Trustees whose term expires: Scott Fries, Tim Hall, Ron Parker, and Bob Drury.
- Officers whose term expires: President George Mayhak, Vice President Brad Mullen, Sgt.-At-Arms Terry Eicholtz, Secretary Terry Stuart, and Treasurer Gordon Pickerd. Bob Matthews term also expires as Board Chairman and this office will be filled by the new Board of Directors.

Secretary Terry Stuart

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7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members Harry and – Mark Strickfaden, Andy Watson, Roger and Deborah Tews, James and Kimberly Mueller, David and Ashley Howlett, Shawn and Brigid Klodzinski, Douglas and Beth Harms. (Motion to accept by Mike Roche, supported by David Briggs) approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is October 18th - all members are welcome**
- **Attention Members – memberships expired on October 1st. Yes, it is DUES TIME again.**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

The October meeting featured a Chili Dinner beginning at 5:30. The dinner was enjoyed by all. Due to the building construction project the dinner and meeting was held out of doors.

The Children's Halloween Party is set for October 22nd. Sign up to bring items or help with this. Sheet at the club. Jenny Betz is in charge.

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Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

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Committee Reports:

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Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt – Ron Parker – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
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Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak.

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members Harry and – Mark Strickfaden, Andy Watson, Roger and Deborah Tews, James and Kimberly Mueller, David and Ashley Howlett, Shawn and Brigid Klodzinski, Douglas and Beth Harms. (Motion to accept by Mike Roche, supported by David Briggs) approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is October 18th - all members are welcome**
- **Attention Members – memberships expired on October 1st. Yes, it is DUES TIME again.**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**

President's Report: George Mayhak:

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Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by Vice-President Brad Mullen.

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members – Edwin and Sandy Ammerman (Motion – Gordon Pickerd/Terry Stuart) approved**
- **Members who have completed hours of service and meeting requirement moved to regular member status – Richard and Sherry Betz, Wendell and Nita Broome, and David and Sharon Ronan. (Motion – Gordon Pickerd/Terry Stuart) approved.**
- **Next Board Meeting is November 22 – NOTE CHANGE OF DATE - all members are welcome**
- **Children's Christmas Party – December 17th from 2-5 P.M. Call Jennie Betz to register your child or offer to help. 874-9877. Call soon!**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**

➤ Motion was made to accept minutes as printed by Lloyd Abbot and supported by Bill Blain. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Terry distributed a sign-up sheet (posted in clubhouse) for the sight-in day event coming up November 5th and 6th, and 12th and 13th. Please sign up or let George Mayhak know if you can help in the AM or PM or all day.
- Thank you noted received from the Grand Rogue Encampment thanking us for our contribution.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- All assets - \$94,367.0925. Income so far for 2005 - \$115,464.83 (\$38,000 from promissory notes) and expenses of \$105,298.29.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots (Cowboy and Trap/Skeet) doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening.
- The next Cowboy shoot is December 3rd with the Safety Meeting at 9:30 and shooting starting at 10:00. All are welcome. Eye protection and hearing protection are required. The October shoot had 50 participants and everyone had a good time.
- Member Harry DeBoer (293-5346) has volunteered to work on indoor ranges for air rifle/pistol and archery.
- Sight-In Days and Work Day on November 5th. All are invited to come and help. Donation of \$5 per gun. Terry and Floyd will handle registration the first weekend.
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds. Bob Drury is Building and Grounds Chair for the year. Work is continuing on the club every day. Help when you can.
- The Fall Trap and Skeet league will continue until November 10th. Shooting will be on Sunday from 11-3 and Monday and Thursday from 6-9.
- Gun Raffle – Mark Kazmerski was the winner of the Browning BAR 30-06 with ticket #242..
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- MUCC – Wendy reported on the District 5 meeting held in Fenville. He brought back blood test kits for our deer hunters in Kent County. More kits are available at West Walker Sportsman's Club. Wendy discussed the need for funds to raise awareness of voters to keep Dove hunting in Michigan. He also discussed the potential problem of wasting disease in our deer herd especially with the number of "deer ranches" in Michigan.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
- **Sunshine. :** Long time member Kim Quist lost his daughter-in-law to cancer recently. Our prayers are with his son Greg and members of the family.
- **Publicity/Marketing:** Please get items to be advertised to Roxanne Buhl as soon as possible.

- **Food and Beverage:** Lisa asked that if you need any kitchen items to notify her and she will purchase same.
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- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is every Saturday. Actually every day lately has been a work day. Help if you are able. I know this is repeated...but we do need more help!
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report
- **Kids Corner:** Jennie Betz announced that this project will be put on hold until there is more interest.
- **Halloween Party:** Jennie thanked members of the club for making sure the clubhouse was ready for the Halloween party. The children had a great time and many thanks to all the volunteers who made this event possible. More details in the newsletter.
- **Christmas Party:** Once again our own Jennie Betz is taking on this responsibility. Please call her at 874-9877 to volunteer or to register your child. The Christmas party for children will be held on December 17th from 2-5 pm. Volunteers are needed to provide a dozen or so home made cookies. She is looking for 5 or 6 people to do this.

Old Business:

1. Wendy Briggs is investigating the property on the North side of the club. He has made contact with the owner. The price is now under \$20,000. We may make an offer on this property in the area of \$5,000. More details later.

New Business:

1. Work continues on the club. A lot has been accomplished. Windows are in the new addition and the door has been installed. Work is continuing on the old structure with stud walls being installed.
2. Nominations were taken for 2006 trustees and officers. This will continue in December when the vote will be taken. Nominated for trustee: Tim Hall, Bob Drury, Ron Parker, Rick Schmock, Peter Kreutzfeldt, Dave Ronan and Stacey Omland. Nominated for President – George Mayhak, Vice-President – Brad Mullens, Treasurer – Gordon Pickerd, Secretary – Terry Stuart, Sgt. At. Arms – Terry Eicholtz. Nominations closed by motion (Bernie Sobie/Dan Vincent) Approved.
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NOTE: You may tell prospective members that the requirements for membership are \$50 dues and \$50 initiation fee, 4 regular meetings attended in a year and 20 work hours completed. OR...A person may pay \$250 and have no meeting or work hour requirements.

Open Forum:

- Glen Bradley thanked the club for the use of the range for his cadet group.
 - Nan Crysler will be making lunch for the workers at sight-in days the first weekend.
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- Drawing for T-shirt – Dave Crysler – you are automatically entered in this contest when you attend a meeting)
 - 25/25 Drawing Winners: Dan Hankinson and Bob Drury!

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –November 22, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Mike Roche, Mike Green, and Ron Parker. and
Absent: Board Chairman Bob Matthews, Trustees Bob Drury, Tim Hall, and Lisa Harbison.

1. **Please remember your \$1.00 deposit each time you use the pistol range. Place your dollar in the white tube designated for this purpose. Guests deposit \$5.00.**
2. Michigan Leadership Training Conference – January 13-15.
3. **Building Dedication and Annual Dinner – Saturday, April 8th. (6-10 P.M.) Cost to be determined.**

Most of the evening was devoted to building and discussing the 2006 budget. Knowing that some changes may need to be made as we go along the budget was approved. It will now go to the membership for final approval.

- Motion by Scott Fries and supported by Ron Parker to approve the budget for 2006. Approved.
- Discussion about the possibility of adjusting regular member dues to \$60 for the 2007 year. No action taken, information only at this point.

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project will continue every Saturday.** New addition is coming along quite well. Work goes on every day. Help is needed.
2. Work Day scheduled for Saturday, December 3rd.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$90,273.43 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$122,287.13 and expenses of \$115,678.51. Trap and Skeet for the year – income of \$28,984.83 and Cowboy income of \$8,200.

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. Terry will be looking into a floor scrubber/water pick-up used machine for the club.

President George Mayhak:

1. Winter League will begin the second Sunday in January. Shooting 10-3 on Sunday and 6-9 on Monday and Thursday.

Trustee Scott Fries:

1. Scott will not be running for trustee for 2006 but will continue to schedule police use of the ranges and take care of the website. Many thanks for all of his efforts! Greatly appreciated.
2. Scott presented the suggested budget for Hunter Safety for 2006 which included a cost break down per student and a suggested capital outlay of \$1,072 for 2006. Budgeted for this was \$1,100 by the Board. A suggestion was made to increase from \$3 to \$4 the lunch charge for each student
- 3.

Trustee Ron Parker:

1. Ron printed out 100 business cards to hand out at sight-in days. Thanks Ron!

Vice-President Brad Mullen:

1. Still working on 501c3 status.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Terry presented two proposals for the Board to consider concerning advertising the rental of our clubhouse with the new addition and a proposed fee schedule. This will be discussed at the December Board Meeting for final approval.
- 2.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

SPECIAL REMINDER – WORK HOUR SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PAVILLION AND THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE SHOOT BUILDING. IT IS THE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO FILL THESE OUT ON A REGULAR AND TIMELY BASIS.

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members – Mark and Carol Helsel, and David and Robbin Sheasley (Motion – Mike Roche/Dan Vincent to accept) approved**
- **Motion by Mike Roche/Terry Stuart to change Regular Member Status to Retired Member for Dan and Pauline Vincent - approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is December 20th - all members are welcome**
- **Children's Christmas Party – December 17th from 2-4:30 P.M. Call Jennie Betz to register your child or offer to help. 874-9877. Call soon!**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition, mowing, stocking targets in skeet houses etc.**
- **Big Thank You to Dan Vincent and Mike Roche for all their efforts on the new building and the clean-up and set-up of the club for Cowboy Shoots and meetings.**

➤ Motion was made to accept minutes as printed by Bill Blain and supported by Richard Betz. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

- Announced the Board decision to use the 50/50 profit from tonight's meeting for the Rockford After Grad Party Contribution. (\$77.50 was given to this group)

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- As Gordon was on vacation, Pauline Vincent was handling the reimbursements this evening.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots (Cowboy and Trap/Skeet) doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening starting at 6 P.M..
- The last Cowboy shoot was December 3rd with 42 shooters present. Many thanks to Paul and Fran Kazmerski and Carol Stuart for their wonderful lunch. The next shoot is January 7th. All are welcome. Eye protection and hearing protection are required. Safety meeting at 9:30 and shooting begins at 10 A.M..
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds.
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- **MUCC** – Wendy reported on the application for Leadership Training on January 13-15. He also discussed possible changes to the bottle bill. An idea being discussed is to increase recycling of water bottles etc. with a small charge \$.01 being added to the point of sale to pay for such recycling. He also indicated that he wanted to get started on the acquisition of the property on the North Side of the Club. Donna also reminded the club that the membership dues must be paid before May 18th. Anyone not receiving the MUCC magazine should contact membership chairman Mike Roche. If you have joined the club recently your subscription will probably begin in the late spring when we update our membership list.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
- **Sunshine.** : No news tonight
- **Publicity/Marketing:** Roxanne Buhl has sent out bills for advertising in our newsletter. If you are interested in advertising your business please give her a call.
- **Food and Beverage:** No report this evening.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –December 6, 2005

- **Apparel:** New hats are here. Cost is \$14.00. See Bernie Sobie if interested. Sweatshirts will be ordered soon with the Rockford logo – medium weight will be around \$15 and heavy weight around \$20.
- **Building and Grounds:** .Work day is every Saturday. Actually every day lately has been a work day. Help if you are able. I know this is repeated...but we do need more help!
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report
- **Hunter Safety:** The April class will be moved to May with dates to follow. Lots of activity in April including NSSA and our building dedication and open house followed by the annual banquet.
- **Halloween Party:** Jennie has a special note attached to this thanking folks for their help over the year.
- **Christmas Party:** Once again our own Jennie Betz is taking on this responsibility. Please call her at 874-9877 to volunteer or to register your child. The Christmas party for children will be held on December 17th from 2-5 pm. Volunteers are needed to provide a dozen or so home made cookies. She is looking for 5 or 6 people to do this.
- **Gun Show:** Peter Krutzfeldt announced that he had helpers for the gun show on December 10th but was looking for help on December 11th. Some interest was shown. Peter asked for trap/skeet shooters to help with the booth to help explain their sport.

Old Business:

1. Wendy Briggs is investigating the property on the North side of the club. As mentioned above he is anxious to start working on the purchase of this property.

New Business:

1. Elections of off officers and board members took place. Officers for 2006 are: George Mayhak – President, Brad Mullen – Vice-president, Treasurer – Gordon Pickerd, Secretary – Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms – Terry Eicholtz and 2006-2007 Board Members elected were Tim Hall, Ron Parker, Rick Schmock, Stacy Omland joining the existing Board Members of Mike Green, Lisa Harbison, and Mike Roche. Congratulations to all who ran and to those members giving of their time and talents to make our club successful and a fun place to be. Lots of work ahead for all of these folks. They will be looking forward to your participation to make next year the best year ever!
2. Old and new Board Members are invited to the December 20th Board Meeting.
3. After discussion Wendy Briggs moved that the 2006 budget be approved with Mike Green supporting the motion. Approved. Budgets to be printed and passed out at the January meeting.

Open Forum:

- At the January meeting the Fish, Deer, and Turkey contests will be decided.
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- Drawing for T-shirt – (sorry I missed the name of the winner)
 - 25/25 Drawing Winners:

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –December 20, 2005

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Scott Fries, Mike Roche, Mike Green, and Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison, Bob Drury and Trustee elect: Stacey Omland and Rick Schmock

Absent: Vice-President Brad Mullen. Trustees Bob Drury and Tim Hall

Guests: Dan Vincent, Richard and Sherry Betz and Wendy Briggs

Meeting opened at 7:05 by President George Mayhak with an invocation by Trustee Ron Parker.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Building Dedication and Annual Dinner – Saturday, April 8th. (6-10 P.M.) Cost to be determined. Committee being formed to plan this event. Sign-up to help at tonight's meeting.2. Motion to accept new members Sean and Mary Burns and Daren and Kristi Caine. (Mike Roche/Gordon Pickerd) approved. |
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- Mention was made of the necessity of providing 2006 budgets to members attending the January meeting. Gordon will take care of this.

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project is on temporary hold until the electrical system is installed. The old part of the building will be finished first before working on the new addition. Work will begin again in a couple of weeks. Heating ducts and cold air returns are installed and what insulation can be installed has been. As soon as the electrical system has been inspected the rest of the work can continue.**

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$86,422.27 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$126,627.27 and expenses of \$124,690.53.
2. Gordon noticed an increase in the electric bill. Suggested that a photo eye be added to the light by the gate.

President George Mayhak:

1. Winter League will begin the second Sunday in January. Shooting 10-3 on Sunday and 6-9 on Monday and Thursday.
2. An audit was recently completed by the Gaming Commission of our yearly gun raffle and we passed with flying colors. This audit will be added to the record book kept by the Secretary for future reference.
3. Leadership Training will be attended by Terry Eicholtz and possibly Tim Hall on January 13th – 15th.

Trustee Scott Fries:

- Scott was nominated as Chairman of the Board for 2006 by Terry Stuart with Terry Eicholtz supporting. Motion carried.
1. Scott has published the calendar for 2006. It is available through our website.
 2. Scott made the motion with support from Terry Stuart to continue the gun show participation. Gordon amended the motion with Mike Green supporting to continue this for the next three shows. These shows occur once every 6 weeks and the cost to the club is \$45.00 per show. Jim Jones submitted a letter asking for additional participation in working the gun shows in the future. It would be helpful to have members who participate in archery, hunter safety, trap/skeet, or other activities share their knowledge at these shows.

Trustee Ron Parker:

1. Ron took pictures at the children's Christmas party and will be posting them on the web site in the next day or so. Thanks Ron!

Vice-President Brad Mullen: Absent but:

1. Still working on 501c3 status.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Terry presented two proposals for the Board to consider concerning advertising the rental of our clubhouse with the new addition and a proposed fee schedule. After discussion it was moved by Mike Green and supported by Lisa Harbison for Terry to continue to pursue this for the club. The proposal was approved with suggestions on closing times and rental agreement suggestions.
2. Terry suggested that all new members be assigned to the building committee their first year of membership. This will give them a project and help the new members get acquainted with other members. The Board to consider this. Their projects would include monthly clean-ups and possibly dinner preparation for meetings as well as set up for rentals etc.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. The 1st and 3rd Friday night fun shoots will continue next year with proceeds donated to Sportsmen Against Hunger. It appears with all of the donations given including 26 deer and \$1600 to 2nd Harvest Gleaners that Rockford will once again win the coveted trophy for the most donations. A Big thank you to Mike Green and all others who helped with this project. **An important note: Last year the Rockford North Kent Services had 2,800 families requesting assistance. This year the number of families requesting assistance is over 10,713.**

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa will be the chairperson for the 2006 Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For the Cure field day at our club. More information to follow.

Member Dan Vincent:

1. Dan brought the Board up to date with progress on the new addition. We are temporarily in a holding pattern until the electrical system is redone.
2. Dan has already started working on the new 5 Stand that will be in place this spring. He has built a controller for this. Thanks Dan for all you do!

Member Wendy Briggs:

1. Wendy talked about the importance of acquiring the property North of the club. There is a possibility of getting our investment back through a Conservation Easement with the township or the county. The club would control the property with the provision that no building be done on the property and erosion control would be in place. He suggested a \$5,000 offer and the possibility of a life membership for the owner.
 - Motion by Gordon Pickerd with support from Terry Eicholtz to look into the purchase of said property. Motion approved. Wendy indicated that he would front the money for the purchase and that the club could pay him back. An agreement will be worked out with Gordon Pickerd for this.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

SPECIAL REMINDER – WORK HOUR SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PAVILLION AND THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE SHOOT BUILDING OR ONLINE FORM AT OUR WEBSITE UNDER MEMBERSHIP - WORK HOUR FORMS. IT IS THE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO FILL THESE OUT ON A REGULAR AND TIMELY BASIS.