

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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January 2014 Newsletter

Year 2014 is on the way. It seems that each year's milestone prompts us to look forward hopefully with more enthusiasm and hope than the year bygone year. We are a lucky group that rings in the New Year with a fantastic new website and a Facebook presence. With these social media tools the membership is better served and new prospects have more access to club information on a timely basis. Last minute updates can be made for event schedule changes or added details by Mike Roche or Steve Mitchell.

Going into the new year we will be trying to provide opportunities for member to establish their volunteer hours commitment however we need member to come forward at the meetings or via e-mail to ask what they can do. There are a lot of long time members who take on cleanup and maintenance projects as they see the need which has been very much appreciated. Currently the club is looking for 3 or 4 members to clean the carpet in the meeting room. The cleaning equipment is donated and the work can be done in approximately 3 or 4 hours.

On another front, the winter trap and skeet league begins January 6. Each Monday and Thursday night from 5:30 to 9 and Sunday from 10 to 3 we need 3 or 4 persons to open/close and pull lines. Husband and wife teams work nice for this event. Training will be provided and is easily comprehended. There is a signup sheet in the shoot building or just email me on the times you can be available.

The rental people are under contract to clean up and leave the building as it was when they entered, this has been going very well. There have been several occasions where our own members have not cleaned up after using the buildings and this is a reminder to take the time to assure we keep our facility in tip-top shape for the next day. I would like to add that 95% of the time members take very good care of the place when it is used. During the winter months the tile floor will need particular attention to wet mop frequently.

Please remember the fish/turkey and deer contest will be judged at the January meeting. Also the monthly silent auctions will continue. If you have anything you may not want to use anymore, bring it to the auction. 10% goes to the club and 90% to the owner who sets the minimum price.

Thanks to members who voted in the December election. I believe the new and re-elected officers are dedicated to representing the membership and RSC again in 2014.

Bless all and see you at the ranges and thanks to the folks keeping the concrete walks clean.

George.

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 3rd, 2013

Introduction of Guests: Tim Quist

Approval of minutes: Gordy made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Joe Schark, motion carried.

President's Report: George Mayhak

.George is still recuperating from his surgery. Our website is being worked on and updated by Jim Ruder.

Make sure that you vote tonight.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

List of things that need to be done in the club: 1.) a couple of lights need fixing; anyone to volunteer for this would be great. 2.) The bathrooms need cleaning 3.) the kitchen needs a little TLC 4.) Carpets need cleaning. The improvements on the 25-50 yard pistol range continues, will need a dollar amount presented to the Board for approval. Anyone shooting needs to remember the honor system when using the ranges. MUCC is working with State Senators on the House Bill #4393. The auction that goes on during our Membership Meeting will continue, we have been bringing in some money, hope to increase this for 2014.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Total Income: \$11,258.45 Total Expense: \$9,041.26 Net Income: \$2,217.19.

Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener

Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Chairman's Report:

Committee Reports

NSSA December 14th.

Trap/Skeet Winter league starts January 5th, 2014 runs for 10 weeks

Cowboys Had 23 shooters on Black Friday, another shoot this Saturday, Dec. 7th.

Pistol League will start in the spring

Archery Winter League starts January 16th, Thursdays' runs for 8 weeks, we have equipment available 26th 2014, volunteers always needed. Contact Bill Skallos

Sunshine Willie was in the hospital, Fran Kazmierski had surgery this am, Pete Kreutzfeldt was in the hospital.

Food and Beverage

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Building and Grounds Pistol range will have some construction

Apparel Paul Zimmerman will have some samples of clothing at the January meeting

Sportsmen Against Hunger

Fish/Turkey/Deer Contest January meeting bring in your antlers, bear claws etc.

Sportsman Banquet September 13th, 2014

Safety Rule Review

Old Business

New Business

Mike Roche from membership, made a motion to accept James & Alesha Kolodziej as new members, Terry King second the motion, motion carried.

Cookies and Cocoa with Santa is Sunday December 8th from 1 to 3 p.m. Volunteers needed.

Len went over the 2014 Budget, A motion was made to change the accounting fees from \$1450.00 to \$3250.00, Terry King second the motion, motion carried. Gordy made a motion to accept the 2014 Budget, Terry Stuart second the motion, motion passed.

Election Results: President: George Mayhak, Vice President: Gordon Pickerd, Secretary: Terry Stuart, Treasurer: Len Laitila Sgt At Arms: Dan Vincent, Trustees: Bill Skallos, Steve Mitchell, Tim Hall, Dan Hankinson

Open Forum

Raffle \$35.00 Phil Harrison and \$35.00 Don Yokom

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marti Scrivener

Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes December 17th, 2013

Attendance: **Board Members:** Barbara Blough, Terry Stuart, Len Laitila, Mike Roche, George Mayhak, Bill Skallos, Dave DeVries, Gordon Pickerd, Dan Hankinson. Excused: Steve Gardner Dan Vincent **Guest Members:** Phil Harrison, Steve Mitchell, Jim Ruder

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Gordon Pickerd gave the invocation

Officer Reports

President's Report: George Mayhak. Welcome new Board members, Terry Stuart and Steve Mitchell. We have brought in \$250 for the year, from the auction at the membership meetings. JOAD is looking to secure the dates of April 12th 7 13th, George approved the dates, Dave Devries second the motion, motion passed. Dan Vincent wanted to know of the archery equipment who owns what. JOAD or WMAC is clearly marked, any of the butts in question will be figured out. Need to appoint a new Chairman of the Board, George asked Barbara if she would like to continue for another term, she said, "yes".

Vice-President's Report: Gordon Pickerd: Several lights need to be on timers or sensors, Ben to take a look at it, give an estimate for 5 to 6 lights. Bathrooms in the club house need cleaning, Tom & Pam Stoker have been working on the kitchen, cupboards need to be repaired and finished the locks, the carpet needs to be cleaned after the first of the year, volunteers needed. We collected 400 names with emails during sight in days we would like to send a thank you to everyone and use as a marketing tool if they so wish. Marti made a motion to go with mail distribution software, supported by Gordon, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila Presented the Board with a printed Budget sheet for 2014. Audit for 2013 is billing us \$3000, more than last year, Len made a motion to approve the spending of \$3000 supported by Gordon, motion carried. Received many thank you's for RSCs contributions for 2013

Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener. Thank you for the opportunity of sitting on the Board, I have enjoyed volunteering my time and have learned a lot.

Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent.

Chairman's Report: Barbara Blough.

Trustee Reports

Mike Roche: Made a motion to accept the following as new members: Karin & Rob Tadych, and Jeff & Bethany Fusee, Dave DeVries second the motion, motion passed.

Dan Hankinson: We need to get volunteers to be up at the club during our open hours that we post.

Other Items

Jim Ruder has been updating our website; there have been some major changes. George made a motion to approve the website cost of \$85.00, supported by Gordon Pickerd, motion passed. Discussion was had on establishing a website committee. George made a motion to appoint a website committee as follows: Jim Ruder (administrator), Mike Roche, and Steve Mitchell as oversight committee, Terry Stuart second the motion, motion passed. The Board will review the Revision Code Of Conduct, January 2014 meeting.

Facebook was discussed and Bill made a motion to establish a Facebook page with Jim Ruder and Steve Dertien as administrators, supported by Terry Stuart, motion passed.

Phil Harrison addressed the Board on a few questions he had concerning range fees that the Law enforcement agencies do not pay; Gordon says it has to do with our community service in regards to our 501 c3 status, helping local govt. agencies is good, and does S.A.F.E. pay the standard rental for the clubhouse? The Board came up with a mutual agreement for their rental of the clubhouse.

Motion to adjourn by Gordon at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hope everyone has a Bright and Prosperous New Year 2014

Marti Scrivener

WINTER ARCHERY LEAGUE

The Rockford Sportsmans Club will host their Winter Archery League on Thursday evenings starting January 16 and will go for eight weeks; January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20 and 27th and March 6th.

Shooting will start at 7:00pm and finish at 9:00pm.

The League is open to the public at the Club's indoor 20 yard range. There will be separate categories for unlimited and hunter compound bows, and traditional bows. A crossbow category will be included if there is sufficient interest. Men, women and Junior shooters are scored separately. This is an informal league and open to all levels of shooters.

Compound bow and crossbow shooters will use 5 spot NFAA targets. Traditional and junior shooters will use single bullseye NFAA targets. Shooters can also use FITA targets if desired.

The Rockford Sportsmans Club is located at 11115 Northland Drive, between 13 Mile Road and 14 Mile Road (M-57).

Cost is \$6.00 per evening for adults, and \$5.00 for junior shooters (17 and under).

Contact Bill Skallos at 616 866-0096 or at wskallos@yahoo.com for more details.

RSC INDOOR ARCHERY RANGE

The indoor archery target butts in the Clubhouse are available for use by full members at any time other activities are not scheduled. Targets, recurve bows, and arrows are also available for use.

It is the responsibility of the members to pull the targets out of the store rooms and replace them after they are done. Cleaning up after yourself is very important because the of the other activities, PARTICULARLY RENTALS, that go on in the Clubhouse. Members are also responsible for damage due to errant arrows.

Cost is \$5.00 per session per shooter, deposit in the white Range Fees tube at the North Pistol Range. Contact Bill Skallos at 616 866-0096 or at wskallos@yahoo.com for details of setting up the range. He will be happy to meet you and get you started.

December Newsletter Article for 2013 Cookies and Cocoa with Santa



We had another successful Sunday with Cookies and Cocoa with Santa. The smiles and laughter filled the air at Rockford Sportsman's Club as the children visited with the best Santa, decorated the most delicious cookies, heard the wonderful holiday stories and enjoyed their craft time making bird feeders and coloring. Thank you to all the volunteers for making this a successful event. We also need to thank the parents and grandparents who brought the children to visit Santa and take part in our holiday party.



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2014 Calendar.

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Calendar Changes Dan Vincent, Terry Stuart, Barbara Blough or Mike Roche
Calendar and Web design by Jim Ruders Jim@Ruders.com

Wed Jan 1, 2014 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol
Thu Jan 2, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public
Sat Jan 4, 2014 - 8am Cowboy Action Shooting, 8am Joad Archery
Sun Jan 5, 2014 - 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 1pm JOAD Archery
Mon Jan 6, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public
Tue Jan 7, 2014 - 7:15pm General Membership Meeting
Wed Jan 8, 2014 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm
JOAD Archery
Thu Jan 9, 2014 - All day ES Team 100yd range 10-2, 6pm Trap & Skeet Open to
Public
Sat Jan 11, 2014 - 8am Joad Archery
Sun Jan 12, 2014 - 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 1pm JOAD Archery
Mon Jan 13, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public
Wed Jan 15, 2014 - All day Old Coot shoot 8-3, 9am Range Maintenance -
Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm JOAD Archery
Thu Jan 16, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 6:30pm Winter Archery
Fri Jan 17, 2014 - All day Ducks Unlimited main building 5-12
Sat Jan 18, 2014 - 8am Joad Archery, 10am Defensive Pistol-Cowboy Bowls
Pending, 6pm Algoma Fire Dept Main Bldg
Sun Jan 19, 2014 - 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 1pm JOAD Archery
Mon Jan 20, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public
Tue Jan 21, 2014 - 7pm RSC Board Meeting, Where: Shoot Building
Wed Jan 22, 2014 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm
JOAD Archery
Thu Jan 23, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 6:30pm Winter Archery
Sat Jan 25, 2014 - 8am Joad Archery, 10am CMP - 100/200 range
Sun Jan 26, 2014 - 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 1pm JOAD Archery
Mon Jan 27, 2014 - 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public

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