

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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Newsletter Article May 2013

Many members have participated in the tree give away that happens every May. Vans Pines makes the trees available and volunteers from the club along with other people help with the distribution. This year the date is May 11 and details will be available at the membership meeting. If you have a place to plant pine trees this is a good source at no cost for the trees. All members are welcome to obtain any trees they can plant. Many of the large trees around the club area originated from Vans Pines.

On Thursday evening, June 6 we will be hosting a youth group sponsored by Pheasants Forever to shoot trap and skeet and five stand. Pheasants Forever has a youth event each year and asked us if the could visit our club. We are always encouraged and happy to assist in providing opportunities for young people in the outdoor adventures. There is a 4-H group that meets in the shoot building on Thursdays every other week and participates in trap and skeet to prepare for their competition at the state level. Of course one of our biggest events for young (and any age) people in the Hunter's Safety Program three times a year.

There are many more events encouraging the younger generation. The Scholastic Pistol Program and Cowboy Action have youth participants. The Rockford Sportsman's Club National Skeet shooting event on April 13 had three 10/11 year old shooters. They were exceptional kids with strong parental support. They each shot two events (each 200 shells total) and did very well.

The Ruger shoot is May 18 and we need some more volunteers to set up on Friday afternoon the 17th and Saturday the 18th for the shoot. New members are encouraged to take part. We have experienced members who will guide new individuals. Steve Gardner is the chairman shc2010@att.net. 866-3043

The new member introduction is working well as they pick up their membership package in the shoot building on Monday or Thursday from 6 pm to 8 pm or Sunday from 10 am to 2 pm. To use the facilities new members must have their membership packages.

The web site continues to be developed. We are addressing the concerns that have come up and plan a work session the week of April 23.

The crushed concrete to improve the driveway should be completed before the May meeting. Several members have been grading and will push the crush concrete around as soon as it is delivered.

Another project is underway to build block retaining walls. We were fortunate to obtain 6 pallets of landscape blocks at about half price. It is great to see all of the improvements and the members who are making it happen.

Enjoy the weather change as soon as it comes. It should happen soon.

George.

RSC Membership Meeting Minutes April 2,2013

Meeting called to order at 7:15

Pledge of allegiance and Conservation Pledge recited

Invocation by Gordon Pickerd

Welcomed five guests

Minutes from March meeting approved.

Vice President's report by Gordon Pickerd--Lots of work has been done already on the grounds and buildings, there is always work to do if you see something that needs to be done let Gordon know. This is your club and we all need to work together to keep it looking nice. The gardens will need to be maintained again. Sportsmen Against Hunger collected 8500 pounds of food and \$765 at the Ultimate Hunting and Fishing show. Rockford club was credited with collecting the most food. They also got a call from Tony Gates this morning that someone has donated another \$1000.

Treasurer's report by Len Laitila—budget was read and approved unanimously.
Net income-\$7,616.35 Land Acquisition Fund- Gain of \$1,814.19 Bob Bond Fund Gain-\$231.31

Sergeant at Arms---Dan Vincent be sure to put tables and chairs away after event and make sure the doors are locked when you leave. If you put food in the refrigerator mark the date on the food item. Any food without a date will be thrown away. If you need to borrow tables or chairs for your home graduation party . Advise Dan Vincent and use the older chairs and tables in the pavilion. Please return back inside same building.

NSSA—There is a shoot Wednesday April 3 from 5-9 and a shoot April 13 and 14 at RSC.
Trap and Skeet—new event during shoot, there is a green target mixed in the orange and if you break the green target your name goes in a jar for a drawing at the end of the league and winner gets \$100. The winter league shoot banquet is April 17.
Cowboys—there were 8 shooters in the Old Coot shoot last weekend and there is a shoot coming up on Saturday April 6.

Pistol—Spring league begins on April 15 and goes for 8 weeks and the cost is \$20 to join the league. Tina Chase is organizing this. Shooting is every Monday and begins at 5:30. They will not shoot on Memorial day. The banquet will be on June 17.

Archery—Open archery will continue on Thursday evenings at 7 and will continue for the next couple of weeks inside. Everyone is welcome.

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CMP—completed 6 month cycle with 27 shooters. Presented awards to Andy Laitila, Paul Austin, Len Laitila and Mia Laitila. Next CMP league begins Saturday April 20.

Bench and Rifle—Starts May 9 and is held the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Bob Hann is the coordinator.

IDPA—check calendar for dates

Gun Shows—Next gun show is April 27 and 28 at Studio 28. If your event has information that they can use at the gun show for passing out, be sure to get it to Jim Jones and he will distribute.

Ruger Rim Fire Challenge—Held weekend of May 18. Steve Gardener is coordinator and can use more volunteers to help run the show.

Hunters Safety—there are 80 sign up for the class in April, we need more volunteers Sat April 27. There will be classes again in August and September. To volunteer contact Bill Skallos

MUCC—Tree give away is May 11 in West Olive, they will check to see if we can pick up some trees ahead and have a distribution closer to Rockford.

Sunshine—Paul Kazmierski has had pneumonia and he is doing better.

New members Ron and Amy Christensen, Matt Hutchison, John & Dianne Strauss, Dave & Shelley Klynglip, Chris & Emily Swank were voted into the club.

Building and Grounds--thank you went out to all who are working on projects

Shoot Safety—discussion was on proper use of ranges to be sure bullets are striking the berm.

New member walk through will be conducted as people join the club so they are aware of safety concerns and rules.

Greg Nowak presented the first quarter cash awards for the largest Bluegills. Next quarter ends at the July meeting. Send entries to Greg at “nowak176@msn.com” or bring to the July meeting.

Sportsmen’s Night—will be held September 14 with food, auction and raffles. Mark your calendars Now.

Archery Instructor Class by Jeff DeRegnacourt—will be held April 14 at the club.

CCW—Basic Pistol class will be April 28. Contact Glen Vanorman. “gvanorman@charter.net

50/50 raffle was won by Jim Jones and Mike Corpe, new member.

Minutes: Judy Mayhak Substituting for Marti Scrivener. Financial Figures added by Marti Scrivener.

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting Minutes
April 16th, 2013

Attendance: **Board Members:** Barbara Blough, George Mayhak, Mike Roche, Tim Hall, Steve Gardner, Bill Skallos, Dave DeVries, Dan Vincent, Gordon Pickerd, Marti Scrivener, Dan Hankinson. **Guest Members:** Shawn Blough, Ron Dryer, Robert Drury.

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Tim Hall gave the invocation

Officer Reports

- **President's Report: George Mayhak.** Pheasants Forever group will be at the club June 6th. Bring kids up to shoot, kids will be charged \$2.00 and adults will pay per line \$4.50. George said he's not sure Terry Stuart will still do rentals, so for now he will continue. There are still some bugs in the website, Mike will call Kyle and together with George and Gordy they will get things perfected. The new membership program is in place. Still have a few that will need to come up to the club for their orientation.
- **Vice-President's Report: Gordon Pickerd:** The first eyebrow to start on the 100 yard line to start. The 50 yard eyebrow needs work. A quote from Rockford hardware, for cement blocks has turned out to be the less expensive so far. Looking for some blanket seed to put down.
- **Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila** Gordy went over the financial report, Len was not present. Total Income: \$1,685.00 Total Expenses: \$756.42, Net Income: \$928.58
- **Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener.**
- **Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent.** Ordered plugs for the Skeet field. NSSA was over the weekend around 13 people. Brought in \$1391, after expenses, \$900 was turned over to RSC.
- **Chairman's Report: Barbara Blough.** Been away due to Shawn's mother being in poor health.
- **Trustee Reports**
 - **Bill Skallos:** Hunter Safety class will start April 24th, have 86 people signed up for the class, we always need volunteers. Thursday still will have open Archery to anyone interested thru the end of April.

- **Steve Gardner: & Tim Hall:** CMP fee structure change for members and non members. George made a motion to accept the fee changes, Dan Vincent 2nd the motion, motion passed. New dates are requested for 2014, Dan Vincent made a motion to approve the dates, 2nd by Gordy, motion passed. New dates are on the calendar. The Ruger Rimfire Challenge is off to a slow start. We NEED VOLUNTEERS. Please check your calendar and contact Steve Gardner if you can donate some of your time. It is on the calendar for May 17th (set up) and May 18th.
- **Mike Roche:** Made a motion to accept the following new members: Ed & Margaret Duba, Matthew & Tammy Wilson, 2nd by Gordy, motion carried. Charlie Holmstead was reinstated as a regular member by a motion made by Mike 2nd by Dan Hankinson, motion passed.
- **Dan Hankinson:** Still looking for someone to take over the road cleanup project, Mark does not have the time anymore. It is done 3x a year. Please consider, contact any Board member. Tree give away will be May 11th; confirmation on this will be announced. Have started the process for the license for the banquet this fall. John Stoutz has crushed concrete for the club, for the driveway.

Other Items

Robert Drury addressed the Board on the raffle, requesting \$380.00 for the Loader, MEC Graber, receiving it from Dan Hankinson, for the raffle scheduled the first weekend of June, Gordy made an approval motion, supported by Dan Vincent, motion carried.

Barb made a motion to adjourn at 8:33p.m.

Next Board Meeting will be May 21st, 2013

Respectfully submitted,
Marti Scrivener

A Request from the Editor: Need your Submissions!

Still looking for more articles or flyers for your events for the Newsletter. I am however requesting you make the flyer in a Microsoft Office, Wordperfect, etc. It takes a long time to cut and paste line by line from an email as it will not convert over in a format I can use by trying to cut the whole article. If you have something that is in need of submission by a certain date please include that also so that I can prioritize them.

Please continue to check out the Website, Kyle is continually updating it with more great stuff daily.

Constructive feedback is encouraged!

NEED YOUR HELP!!

RSC THIRD ANNUAL RUGER RIMFIRE CHALLENGE

Saturday, MAY 18 (Friday, May 17 setup & worker's shoot)

NEED ABOUT 20 PEOPLE, INCLUDING:

- **6-7 RANGE OFFICERS (RO)** - Responsible for firing line safety, timing, shooter guidance. Prior competitive shooting experience and/or Range Officer training (NRA, SASS, etc) needed. (Fri/Sat)
- **7-8 RO ASSISTANTS** - Support Range Officer(s), help maintain firing line safety, etc. Prior competitive shooting experience helpful. (Fri/Sat)
- **2-3 SHOOTER REGISTRATION** - Responsible to sign up shooters, and organize shooters groups (Sat Only)
- **3-4 KITCHEN HELP** - Prepare and serve shooter's lunch, clean-up following. (Sat. Only)
- **OTHER HELP NEEDED** COULD INCLUDE PROMOTION, PRIZES, ACCTG/ FINANCES, OTHER

An organizational meeting will be planned for a later date.

Please call or email **Steve Gardner** (shc2010@att.net or [616 745-7800](tel:6167457800)) with questions or to confirm your wiliness to help

PROCEEDS FROM THE SHOOT WILL BE DIVIDED 50/50 BETWEEN
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2013 Calendar.

Please check website for latest changes <http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/>
Calendar Changes Dan Vincent, Terry Stuart, Barbara Blough or Mike Roche
Calendar and Web design by Kyle Van Leuven kyle@appicstudios.com

Wed May 1, 2013 - All day NSSA 50s, 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 4pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu May 2, 2013 - All day Spring league, 6pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 7pm Open Archery

Sat May 4, 2013 - All day Rental Open, 8am Cowboy Action Shooting, 9am JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Sun May 5, 2013 - All day Spring league, 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon May 6, 2013 - All day EGRPS north pistol range troy brown 10-4, 5:30pm Pistol League, 6pm Trap & Skeet

Tue May 7, 2013 - 7:15pm General Membership Meeting

Wed May 8, 2013 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 4pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery, 6pm RSC Defensive Pistol Shoot

Thu May 9, 2013 - All day Spring league, 5pm 22-LR Rifle Shoot-N.Pistol Range, 6pm Trap & Skeet

Sat May 11, 2013 - All day Rental Open, 9am JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Sun May 12, 2013 - All day Spring league, 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon May 13, 2013 - 5:30pm Pistol League, 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Wed May 15, 2013 - 8:30am Old Coot Shoot, 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 4pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu May 16, 2013 - All day ES Team Tpr. Isserstedt 100 Yard range 10-2pm, All day Spring league, 6pm Trap & Skeet

Fri May 17, 2013 - All day Ruger Rimfire Challenge 2013 All ranges closed All buildings reserved

Sat May 18, 2013 - All day Ruger Rimfire Challenge 2013 All ranges closed All buildings reserved, 7:30am MCPL BOD Approved, 9am JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery (Outdoors)

Sun May 19, 2013 - All day Spring league, 8am CPL Class-Main Bldg, 10am Trap & Skeet

Mon May 20, 2013 - 10am US Probations (pending), 5:30pm Pistol League, 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Tue May 21, 2013 - 10am US Probations (pending), 7pm RSC Board Meeting

Wed May 22, 2013 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 4pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery, 5pm CMP- Rifle League

Thu May 23, 2013 - All day Spring league, 5pm 22-LR Rifle Shoot-N.Pistol Range, 6pm Trap & Skeet

Sat May 25, 2013 - All day Rental Open, 9am JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery, 9am RSC Defensive Pistol Shoot

Sun May 26, 2013 - 10am Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon May 27, 2013 - 6pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Wed May 29, 2013 - 9am Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 4pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu May 30, 2013 - All day Spring league, All day Two Day Cowboy Shoot Range Set-up, 6pm Trap & Skeet

Fri May 31, 2013 - All day Two Day Cowboy Shoot Range Set-up

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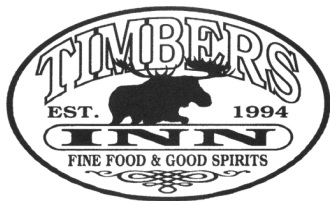
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