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January Newsletter Article

We hope everyone had a nice holiday period and wishing all a Happy and Prosperous New Year. As announced in December the January membership meeting has been moved to Tuesday January 8 to avoid the New Year's Day festivities. The January meeting will bring us the judging of all the fish and game entries for the past year. Bring your entries to the meeting. The current format is pictures of fish with a length measurement in the photo; deer antlers and turkey beards with spurs.

The coming year the fish and game entries will be segmented into seasons. We will need a coordinator for the event to help develop and issue the guidelines and accept entries. The details are coming but will be something of the order of ice fishing for the first quarter, turkey entries in the second quarter, game fish in the third quarter, the deer the last quarter which can also include fall turkeys. Please advise if you would like to head up this activity with credit toward volunteer hours.

The last meeting we were looking for someone to make a frame for the "Conservation Pledge" and Jim Devereaux volunteered for the job. Thank you Jim and we look forward to the completion of the frame.

Also at the last meeting, Fran Kazmierski has volunteered to head up the "Sunshine Responsibilities. Fran will have cards or flowers sent to members of the Sportsman's club family when appropriate. As members, we will need to advise her when someone needs a little "Sunshine".

The Silent Auction that was experimental for meeting nights was a nice success so it will be continued. Bring anything you want to sell to the meeting. Note a minimum price on the bidding form. When it sells to the highest bidder, the seller will donate 10% of his proceeds to the club. If it does not sell, seller takes it home. The seller can bring it back another month and try and sell it again. Some of the items previously offered were, circular saw, custom knives, used reloader, ammunition, camera and a new 22 rifle. The sale is between the owner and the buyer. The club representative will help with the logistics.

There are several more members that are needed to monitor and coordinate the inside of the building to assure proper cleaning prior to rentals and events in the main room, bathrooms and kitchen. Let a board member know if you like to be the advocate for this responsibility.

The "Fly Shoot" is back on the calendar for July 13. Jim Lund and Kurt Becker are bringing the event back after skipping this past year. There will be some new twists to the fun and a challenging day.

Toward the end of the year it is appropriate to recognize some behind the scenes folks that are not usually in the lime light of the regular meeting. Scott Fries does a professional job on one of the best web sites in the sports club world and Ron Parker, our club photographer has taken thousands of photos that appear on the web site. The newsletter team headed by Mike Roche also work diligently to produce an issue each month. A huge thank you to all these folks and many others who work many hours maintaining, servicing and developing the organization.

Welcome to all the new members. During the first year we have plastic sleeves that will hold your membership card and can be used as a temporary name badge. Also note that permanent name tags for all eligible members are available at each meeting at the sign-in table.

Looking forward to our new year and connection with all the RSC family. George

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Regular Meeting Minutes
December 4th, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. Invocation was given by Tim Hall
Motion made by Dan Sisson to approve the November minutes, second by Jim, motion carried.
Introduction of new member: Doug Herschleb, Bob VanGemert, David Krupp, and John Chirco

President's Report: George Mayhak

.Trying the Silent Auction tonight, we will have this at each membership meeting. There is a minimum bid, and a donation of 10% of the sale from the item goes to the club. There will be a new event here called Scholastic Shooting trap/skeet for 12yr olds to collegiate level. There is also a youth pistol program, state and national teams would like RSC to sponsor his 1 team. Keith Foster who is heading up this national program is a certified Coach. He would like to expand adult coach and kids interested. A frame for the Conservation pledge is needed the old one is broke.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

Bob Hann, George, and Gordy met with the MI Sports Commission for the MI games in June. We will have rifle, trap and skeet. Marketing for this will be different so we can get some shooters. We would like to invite the 4-H group also. Burm in the cowboy area is still a work in progress.

At this time the new Board members are: President: George Mayhak Vice President: Gordon Pickerd, Secretary: Marti Scrivener, Treasurer: Len Laitila, Sgt at Arms: Dan Vincent, Trustee: Dave DeVries, Steve Gardner, Mike Roche.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

December closes the books for 2012. In November for sight in days, Tom Christman brought in \$2,066. The appeal on the property tax was denied. Winter taxes have also come in for RSC. We are withholding the budgeted \$ 1000 for Algoma Township. Instead Second Harvest Gleaners thru North Kent Services Center, by a motion from Gordy to receive the money 2nd by Phil Harrison, motion carried. We also approved a budget at the Board meeting, For the budgeted Sunshine budget of \$120.00 there was a motion made by Dan to use this and donate to Hope Network in the name of Eileen Pickerd 2nd by Terry King, motion carried. I need signatures of those that would be authorized to purchase at White Creek lumber. Looking for a volunteer, for the Sunshine Chairman.

Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener

Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Terry Eicholtz fixed the barn door lock. There is press board in the barn. Use only ½ sheets on lower range.

Chairman's Report:

Anyone wanting to talk about anything please contact me.

Committee Reports

NSSA Shoot on 12/7

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Archery JOAD on Saturdays first class is for our experienced and tournament bound shooters: 8:30 to 10:00 and the second class is from 10:30 to 12:00 for beginners or those that love to shoot archery all member or not are welcomed, 10 to 20 yrs old. Look for the winter archery starting January 10th, 7 to 9 p.m. all ages and member or not are welcomed!

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CMP The 2nd shoot of 6, had 12 shooters Tim and Paul had great finishes. 12/12 is the next shoot, 10 to 1 p.m. We also have a new sign..... CMP club affiliate.

Hunter Safety April 2013 is on the calendar

Bench Rifle April 3rd, 2013, May 1st league starts, 22 rifles

IDPA January 19th at 10 a.m.

Apparel Need someone to head this up we have nothing left.....

Sunshine

Food and Beverage

Building and Grounds

Sportsmen Against Hunger Remember to take it to Barb's on 10 mile and mention RSC

Fish/Turkey/Deer Contest Terry Eicholtz to manage this Jan 2013

Safety Rule Review

Old Business

New Business

New Board Officers: President: George Mayhak, Vice President: Gordon Pickerd, Treasurer: Len Laitila, Secretary: Marti Scrivener, Trustee: Dave DeVries, Steve Gardner, Mike Roche. Thank you to Pauline Vincent who replaced Peter Kretzfeldt after his resignation.

Mike Roche made a motion to accept the following as new members: Tim & Kim Watts, John & Nancy Krupp, Robert & Marne VanGemert, Doug & Heidi Herschleb 2nd by Dave DeVries, motion carried. The newsletter is available by electronic email, if interested, please see Mike. It will save the club \$\$\$\$.

George went over the passed budget for 2013, a few things such as charity offerings, agencies using the club for free will be looked at. George made a motion to accept the 2013 budget, Dan Dixon 2nd the motion, motion passed.

Open Forum

50/50 raffle \$39.00 each to Bill Glenbeck and Phil Harrison

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marti Scrivener

Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes December 18th, 2012

Attendance: **Board Members:** Mike Roche, George Mayhak, Barbara Blough, Dan Hankinson, Len Laitila, Bill Skallous, Tim Hall, Dan Vincent, Pauline Vincent, Dave DeVries, Marti Scrivener, Gordon Pickerd.

Guest Members: Jim Lund, Steve Gardner.

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Invocation was given by Tim Hall.

Officer Reports

• **President's Report: George Mayhak** Jim Devereaux has offered to do the frame for the Conservation pledge. Under the lights league ended, we have the following shooters placing: 1st place high score, Dan Hankinson, Average score: Bob Middlebrook, and Lucky Draw score goes to George Mayhak. Winter league starts the 1st Sunday in January (6th) 2013, at 10 a.m. The Wild Game contest that we have had in the past, is looking for some revision, dividng it up thru the year (hunting appropriate game) we are looking for a Chairman to head this up, George Mayhak made a motion to revamp the contest, 2nd by Dan Vincent, motion carried. There was a kitchen purchase made, a new pot, RSC has been painted on it, seems that when there is a rental, we have things missing. The 1st Silent Auction took place at the December Membership meeting, and it was a success. Look for the next one in January 2013, at the membership meeting. Fran Kazmierski has volunteered to be RSC's Sunshine Chairman. George Mayhak made a motion to have Fran, as RSC's Sunshine Chairman, Marti Scrivener 2nd the motion, motion carried. Fran will be the contact person for the members to go to, and purchase of flowers in the limit of \$50.00.

- **Vice-President's Report: Gordon Pickerd:** Work continuous on the burn in the cowboy area. Each venue has been asked to have a representative to come to the Board, make sure your group has one. We are in need of one person to head up a group (s) to see that the club house is always clean. See Gordon Pickerd. We are looking to design an eyebrow at the 100 yard, Bill Skallos has got some ideas he will share.

- **Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila** As of today, our Total Assets are \$105,443.63, Total Liabilities & Equity \$105,443.63. Total Income \$2,210.80 and Total Expense: \$6,542.05, Net Income -\$4,331.25. Only those members signed up to make a purchase at White Creek Lumber will be authorized to. A purchase of \$300 or more needs the BOARDS approval before making the expenditure EACH time. If an answer is needed immediately, George Mayhak will be the go-to person. Steve Dertein asked what was budgeted for IDPA, looking for 1 steel target for 2012. Dan Hankinson made a motion to purchase 1 steel target, Gordy 2nd the motion, motion carried.

- **Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener.**

- **Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent:** JOAD on Saturday's need to put the targets away if there is a rental, if not; make sure the exit door on the south end is cleared. Looking for someone to head up rentals of the club house.

- **Chairman's Report: .**

- **Trustee Reports**

Mike Roche: Mike made a motion to accept the following as new members: Jeff & Kristen VanVuuren, and Mike & Diane Queen, 2nd by Gordy Pickerd, motion passed. Had a request from a member to waive meeting requirements, motion 2nd by Dave DeVries, motion carried. Need to add an 8th week for Archery League, no conflicts on Feb. 28th, 6:30 to 9:30. Old Coot dates that were pending have been approved .

Tim Hall: Would like to welcome Steve Gardner....There is a CMP shoot this weekend from 10 to 1 p.m.

Bill Skallos: September Hunter Safety class stands as is in 2013 on the calendar. Keith Foster who is heading up the Scholastic Pistol program, is paying for all range fees, all other expenses he has covered. No dates yet, members would like to watch, need dates for the calendar.

Other Items

Len Laitila asked the Board to grant a Military Honorary Membership to his Grandson, Tyler Harrington, which recently graduated from Marine Basic Training. The vote was unanimous, YES.

Jim Lund asked the Board to approve the Fly Hunt for Saturday July 13th 2013, there is a rental but it still can take place. George made a motion to approve the fly hunt 10 to 5 p.m., 2nd by Mike Roche, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m. by Dan Vincent

Respectfully submitted,
Marti Scrivener

WINTER ARCHERY LEAGUE

The Rockford Sportsmans Club will host their Winter Archery League on Thursday evenings starting January 10 and goes for eight weeks; January 17, 24, 31 and February 7, 14, 21 and 28th.

This is an informal league and open to all levels of shooters. If you want to try a league and learn about competitive shooting this is a good place to start. If you are a bowhunter this is a good chance to keep up your skills. For people without equipment recurve bows and arrows are available for use without charge. If you have kids interested in archery let them give it a try.

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.

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.

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.

2012-2013 RSC "MILITARY RIFLE" LEAGUE

Time : Saturdays 10:00A – 1:00P

Dates: Oct-20, Nov 24, Dec 22, Jan 26, Feb 23, March 23

Open to the Public. This is not a CMP/NRA "registered" shoot.

\$25.00 for the league, which covers all six shoots for one class (Semi-Auto or Bolt). A league entry for a second class is \$10.00. The single match cost is \$5.00 per match (\$3.00 for a second rifle).

The entry fee includes a CMP Membership Card and Qualification Letter, which entitles the holder to purchase firearms, parts, and ammo directly from CMP.

Standard "**As Issued**" military rifles with iron or peep sights (no optics) (e.g. Garands, M-1 Carbines, SKS, AK-47, AR-15, Springfields, Mausers, Enfields, Nagants, Krag, etc). Rifles can be made available for use with advance notice, and ammo or chamber flags will be available for purchase.

The Course of Fire will be a 30 round match at 100 yards including:

(5) Sighters

(10) Rounds, Slow Fire, Prone, 15 Min for sighting & prone slow

(10) Rounds, Rapid, Prone from Standing, 80 Seconds

(10) Rounds, Slow, Standing, 10 Min

make entries in both classes. A league shooter may fire both Semi-Auto

2012-2013 RSC "MILITARY RIFLE" LEAGUE CONTINUED

Classes will include Semi-Auto and Bolt Action. League shooters may make entries in both classes. A league shooter may fire both Semi-Auto and Bolt firearms under one league entry, but must compete in Semi-Auto class. Awards will be made in each class, with the number of awards based on the number of shooters in each class.

Scores will be recorded, with the best five (5) scores used to determine winners. Ties will be decided by a ten (10) round Slow, Standing shoot-off, or other determinate as agreed by the parties.



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2012 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 Scott Fries scott@rockfordsportsmansclub.com

Tue Jan 1, 2013 - New Year's Day

Wed Jan 2, 2013 – NSSA, 9am - 3pm Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm - 9pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu Jan 3, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Sat Jan 5, 2013 All day Rental Open, 8am - 4pm Cowboy Action Shooting, 8am - 12pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Sun Jan 6, 2013 - All day Winter League 2013 10-330, 10am - 2pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon Jan 7, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Tue Jan 8, 2013 - 7pm - 8pm General Membership Meeting, 7pm - 8pm RSC Safety Meeting

Wed Jan 9, 2013 - EGRPS night shoot, 9am - 3pm Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol 6pm - 9pm JOAD-Junior Olympic ArcheryBldg.

Thu Jan 10, 2013 - EGRPS night shoot, 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 6:30pm - 9pm Archery-Main

Sat Jan 12, 2013 - All day Rental Open, 8am - 12pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Sun Jan 13, 2013 - Winter League 2013 10-330, 10am - 2pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon Jan 14, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Tue Jan 15, 2013 - MSP Training Main Building 10-5, MSP North pistol & rifle ranges 10-5, 7pm - 8pm RSC Board Meeting

Wed Jan 16, 2013 - 8:30am - 2pm Old Coot Shoot, 9am - 3pm Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm - 9pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu Jan 17, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 6:30pm - 9pm Archery-Main Bldg.

Sat Jan 19, 2013 - Ferguson Wedding 5:30pm – 7pm, 8am - 12pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery, 10am - 1pm Defensive Pistol-Cowboy Bowls

Sun Jan 20, 2013 - Winter League 2013 10-330, 10am - 2pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public

Mon Jan 21, 2013 - Martin Luther King, Jr's Day, 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Wed Jan 23, 2013 - 9am - 3pm Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm - 9pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery

Thu Jan 24, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public, 6:30pm - 9pm Archery-Main Bldg.

Sat Jan 26, 2013 - 8am - 12pm JOAD-Junior Olympic Archery, 10am - 1pm Military Rifle League, 5pm - 10pm Algoma Fire Dept. Annual Dinner

Sun Jan 27, 2013 - Winter League 2013 10-330, 10am - 2pm Trap & Skeet Open to Public,

Mon Jan 28, 2013 - 6pm - 9pm Trap & Skeet open to public

Wed Jan 30, 2013 - 9am - 3pm Range Maintenance - Cowboy Bowl/Rifle/Pistol, 6pm - 9pm JOAD - Archery

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