## Rockford Sportsman's Club



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#### RSC November Newsletter

The website was discussed by the board and a meeting is scheduled with Kyle VanLeuuen to upgrade three items—1. Work hour posting 2. Newsletter availability 3. New member application form. It has been reported that we should see some of this in the next few weeks.

With the deer gun hunting season about to begin RSC is having their annual public site in days Saturday and Sunday the first two weekends in November. Over 200 reminder cards are being sent to previous shooters. If you have a friend or neighbor who needs to sight in their firearm, let them know about our program. Rockford supplies all the targets, spotting scopes and benches for only a \$5 per gun donation. Start time is 10 AM each day. THE SIGN IN WILL BE IN THE SHOOT BUILDING ON NOVEMBER 7, DUE TO A WEDDING RENTAL THAT DAY.

The special 8 event skeet shoot is ending October 27. A drawing was held for the participants of each day to win free lines of skeet. There was a lot of activity involving members and non members and accomplished the objective of more shooting in October.

Larry Pierson finished painting the front and side of the skeet house on field two. If we have any more nice weather days the small control house on field one still needs a coat of paint. Also the fascia board on the barn that was replaced with the new roof needs paint.

Cowboy town continues to have a facelift with some excavating and moving the water tower. The IDPA target storage was also constructed with a western motif (used barn wood) Thank you to all who have done much of the lawn mowing on the archery area, front entrance, skeet and five stand fields. The mower has had a good workout as well as the members who volunteered their time.

Congratulations to the members who presented the fish and hunt pictures for awards at the October meeting. The next quarterly judging will be at the January 2014 meeting which may include some hard water fish for those who brave the ice.

The Cookies and Cocoa with Santa chairman want to remind mom's, dad's, grandparents, etc. to bring the kids to the event on Sunday December 8 between 1 and 3 pm. See Santa for no charge, bring your own camera, and participate in cookie decorating, fun projects and story telling.

The best to all as our holiday season approaches. George Mayhak

#### Rockford Sportsman's Club Regular Meeting Minutes October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. Invocation was given by Tim Hall

Introduction of Guests: Chad Coyle & Troy Ziel Approval of August minutes with no corrections

President's Report: George Mayhak

Barbara Blough was standing in for George. There will be a pistol range planning meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday October 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all those who helped with the roof on the barn.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Total Income: \$14,237.12 Total Expense: \$17,733.82, Net Income: -\$3,496.70.

Secretary's Report: Marti Scrivener

The news letter is still being worked on. I would love to know your name if you are a 50/50 raffle winner, I don't always see who are.

Sergeant-At-Arms Report: Dan Vincent

#### **Chairman's Report:**

Anyone interested in filling a Board position, let us know. We have one nomination, Bill Skallos as a Trustee.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Membership** Mike Roche made a motion to accept the following as new members: Alicia & Troy Ziel, Chad & Heather Coyle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Vincent. Motion carried. Motion to accept Andrew P. Bouwman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill, motion carried. Welcome.

**NSSA** Shoot on the 12th

Trap/Skeet Sunday, Mon. & Thurs.

Pistol

Bench Rifle Last event Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup>. Will start again 2014 in April.

**IDPA** October 9<sup>th</sup>, last shoot, 6 p.m. start......

**Archery** JOAD Saturday mornings, Sun. & Wed... The winter Archery League will start January 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 9:00P.M.

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#### **Regular Meeting Minutes - cont..**

It will run for 8 weeks. Cost is \$5.00. Open to everyone.

**CMP** Steve Gardner says the Summer league finished, and members of the Laitila family took top positions. Fall League is to start October 19<sup>th</sup> 10 to 2p.m.

Hunter Safety Had 79 students, 69 regular students and 10 0n-line field day students, another big class.

Sunshine Carol Stuart recovering

Food and Beverage

Gun Raffle

**Building and Grounds** 

Sportsmen Against Hunger

**Fish/Turkey/Deer Contest** George had a 15 ½ "small mouth bass; Bill Plumbeck had a 26" Coho salmon, 24 ¾ "brown trout. John Cords 25" northern pike, 9 3/4" blue gill, and 13 ½" crappie. Thank you for your pictures and entries.

#### **Safety Rule Review**

#### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

Halloween Party is October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 6 to 10 p.m. Linda Hamilton is heading it up, you can contact her at 616-

#### **Open Forum**

The appeal of the property tax is still being worked on. Group of Legislators are working on the State Treasurer would like to make a ruling, (introduce legislation) excluding 501 C 3's, from paying property taxes.

50/50 raffle winners: \$40.00 to Judy Thomas, and Rudy Rios

Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Marti Scrivener

#### RSC Board Meeting Minutes October 15,2013

Present: Blough, Laitila, Skallos, Pickerd, Devries, Hankinson, Vincent, Roche, Gardner, Hall, Mayhak

- B. Blough started meeting at 7 pm with Tim Hall invocation
- G. Mayhak—1. Discuss rental to Relay for Life on Saturday March 15 2014. Motion was made by Len Laitila to rent at the regular rate and provide a \$200 donation to Relay for Life for our community involvement. Motion passed. 2. Budget Board meeting Nov. 19 at 6 PM. Almost all committees have submitted budget requests. 3. Gordon Pickerd will host the membership meeting while George is on authorized leave of absence for back surgery.

- G. Pickerd—1. Cowboy berms are nearly 70% completed by Jim Ludwick and expect completion within two weeks. 2. Pistol Range meeting of Oct. 10 with a list of items generated for discussion of future action. Next meeting on Oct. 28 and is still open for ideas. The preliminary list is attached for reference. 3. The barrier free ramp to be 5 feet wide per Bill Skallos. 4. D. Devries suggested a space between the wall and berm. 5. Reported on Liam Smith, a 10 year old archer with the JOAD program who took 2 gold medals at the world shoot.
- L. Laitila—1. Treasurer's report read and appeared in line with current activities. 2. Len made a motion and seconded by Gordon to publish former policy regarding board approval and expense prior to being incurred. This policy will be presented at the Nov. general membership meeting. Board passed the motion unanimously. 3. Len also made a motion to define usual and ordinary expenses. Second by Bill Skallos. This will be policy after presented at the November meeting. Passed unanimously. These motions are attached.
- B. Skallos—1. Noted 69 persons and September Hunter Safety program and it was another successful program
- S. Gardner—1. Starting winter CMP and discuss safety items for this shoot, which will be reviewed at the beginning of each shoot. 2. Website needs to be more reactive to scheduled events.
- D. Hankinson—1. Audit report sent to state for raffle. 2. Looking for banner for site in days.
- 3. Needs info for site in targets.
- T. Stuart—1.Suggested update for new member orientation ready to upload by January if the board is interested. 2. Cowboy action requesting two day set up in advance of 2 day shoot. Need to allow for skeet on Thursday at 5 PM. Terry to check schedule.
- M. Roche—1. Basic pistol class is on the calendar and will be confirmed by Terry as time gets closer. 2. Steve Mitchell is logging the number of hits and the number of newsletters read and emails read to determine the effectiveness of this distribution.
- D. Vincent—1. Motion to adjourn at 8:50 PM passed. Submitted by G. Mayhak for M. Scrivener who is having foot surgery.

#### Additional board meeting discussion:

Handicap Walk-Gordon Pickerd, Walk along south side of range-Gordon Pickerd, Lower 50yd range 3 to 4 ft (approx. cost \$1000), use lower targets 2 foot high inseatd of 4 foot tagets (approx. cost \$500) Enclose part of range for winter shooting. Chuck Deminck and Dan Dixon, Enclose bottom of east wall for winter shooting Terry King, Eye brow Terry Stuart, Test pull back targets (not feasible), Larger target storage Steve Haynes, Move 4 turn targets to the north, Improve lights for Night shooting Bob Hann,

- 1) Safety
- 2) Handicap
- 3) Efficiency

Thank you Steve Haynes

#### As approved October 15, 2013

#### Motion to reaffirm Board of Trustee's policy.

I move that the Board of Trustees (Board) affirm its long standing cash control policy. The policy is in keeping with the Board's authority and duty to control the expenditures from the treasury and to control and govern those programs and projects Rockford Sportsman's Club funds. Specifically, the policy simply states that all expenditures of funds, with the exception of regular charges such as utility bills, taxes and similar obligations, that total \$300.00 or more, shall be submitted to the Board at a regular Board meeting. All expenses that may reasonably be anticipated shall be included with the submission to the Board. That shall include all additional expenses directly related to the primary expense whether from the same or another vendor and include such things as shipping, additional material, spare parts and/or labor charges. The Board may exercise its authority approve or disapprove the submitted expenditures.

To facilitate this long standing policy I further move that the Treasurer be directed that no bill or combination of bills, totaling \$300.00 or more (except as provided above) shall be paid unless or until approved by the Board.

I also request that this policy be read at the next regular membership meeting and attached to the master copy of Club By-laws for future reference.

#### As approved October 15, 2013

#### Motion to define usual and ordinary -v- unusual and extraordinary expenses.

I move that the Rockford Sportsman's Club (Club) Treasurer be authorized to pay bills presented for such usual and ordinary expenses as are incurred in the normal day to day operation and maintenance of the Club and those normal and usual expenses that are budgeted. Payment of expenses incurred shall be in accord with the Board's policy regarding expenses of \$300.00 or more. The Club Treasurer shall further be directed that no bill for expenses of an unusual or extraordinary nature, regardless of amount shall be paid unless the Board authorizes such payment. Unusual and extraordinary expenses shall be defined as; (1) such expenses that are not budgeted, (2) such expenses that are not directly related to the normal day to day operation and maintenance of the Club facilities and (3) such expenses that are not directly related to or necessary for the conduct of usual and customary Club activities or any other activity as directed by the Board.

Any member presenting a bill for such an unusual or extraordinary expense shall be informed that the Treasurer cannot pay the bill until it is presented at a regular meeting of the Board and approved by the Board.

I also move that this policy be read at the next regular membership meeting and attached to the master copy of Club by-laws for future reference.

## RSC Annual Sight-In Days PUBLIC WELCOME

Saturday, Nov. 2nd — Sunday, Nov. 3rd Saturday, Nov. 9th — Sunday, Nov.10th 10 a.m. ~ 3:00 p.m.

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John Cordes Bluegill 9 ¾ Crappie 13 ½
John Cordes Northern Pike 27 ½



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#### 2013 Calendar.

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