Rockford Sportsman's Club



11115 Northland Drive PO BOX 624 Rockford, MI 49341 (616) 866-4273

rockfordsportsmansclub.com

March 2016 Newsletter

Most of you probably experienced the howling wind on February 19 along with our club house roof. A 20 foot by 8 foot area of shingles lifted off the west side. Members who witnessed the flying of shingles everywhere were wondering what was going to happen next. Thanks to Mike Roche and Dan Vincent securing the tar paper for the Saturday rental event. The insurance company has been contacted and repair work is being determined.

There was a Sport Person's wild game dinner on February 20 sponsored by area churches at Bella Vista Church. Hundreds of people attended and RSC hosted one of the dozen vendor tables. One of our members, Mark DeGeest, was the grand prize winner of a Matthews compound bow. Congratulations Mark.

With all of the things going on around us in this everyday world it is a pretty good idea to recognize some safety tips that may be useful in case an emergency situation arises. Bill Skallos forwarded the following that was written by a police officer.

In daylight hours, refresh yourself of these things to do in an emergency situation...This if for you, and for you to share with your wife, your children and everyone you know. It never hurts to be careful in this crazy world we live in.

- 1. Tip for Tae Kwon Do: the elbow is the strongest point on your body. If you are close enough to use it, do!
- Learned this from a tourist guide. If a robber asks for your wallet and/or purse, DO NOT HAND IT TO HIM. Toss it away from you...Chances are that he is more interested in your wallet and/or purse than you. RUN LIKE MAD IN THE OTHER DIRECTION.
- 3. If you are ever thrown in the trunk of a car, Kick out the back tail lights and stick your arm out the hole and start waving like crazy...The driver won't see you, but everyone else will. This has saved lives.
- 4. Women have a tendency to get into their cars after shopping, eating, working, etc and just sit (doing their checkbook or making a list, etc. DON'T DO THIS The predator will be watching you, and this is the perfect opportunity for him to get in on the passenger side, put a gun to your head, And tell you where to go. As soon as you get into your car LOCK THE DOORS AND LEAVE. If someone is in the car with a gun to you head DO NOT DRIVE OFF, INSTEAD GUN THE ENGINE AND SPEED INTO ANYTHING WRECKING THE CAR! The air bag will save you. If the person is in the back seat They will get the worst of it. As soon as the car crashes bail out and run. It is better than having them find your body in a remote location.

Continued from Page 1

- 5. A few notes about getting into your car in a parking lot or garage. A. Be aware, look around you, look in your car at the passenger side floor and in the back seat. B. If you are parked next to a big van, Enter your car from the passenger door. Most serial killers attack their victims By pulling them into their vans while women are attempting to get into their cars. C. Look at the car parked on the driver's side of your vehicle, and the passenger side.. If a male is sitting alone In the seat nearest your car, you may want to walk back into the mall, or work and get a Guard/Policeman to walk you back out. It is always better to be safe than sorry. And better paranoid than dead.
- 6. Always take the elevator instead of the stairs. Stairwells are horrible places to be alone and the perfect crime spot. This is especially true at night.
- 7. If the predator has a gun and you are not under his control, Always run! The predator will only hit you. (A running target) 4 in 100 times and even then will most likely will not be a vital organ. Run Preferably in a zigzag pattern.
- 8. As women are always trying to be sympathetic: STOP It may get you raped or killed. Ted Bundy, the serial killer was a good looking, well educated man, who always played on the sympathies of unsuspecting women. He walked with a cane, or a limp and often asked for help into his vehicle or with his vehicle, which is when he abducted his next victim.
- 9. Someone just told me that her friend her a crying baby on her porch, She called the police because it was late and she thought it was weird. The police told her DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR! The lady then said that it sounded like the baby crawled near a window and she was worried it would crawl to the street and get run over. A serial killer uses this hoax to coax women out of their homes.
- 10. Water Scam!! If you wake the middle of the night to hear all your taps running outside or what you think is a burst pipe, DO NOT GO OUT TO INVESTIGATE! A serial killer is waiting for you to investigate.
- We hope that no one will need to act on these tips but they may help someone be more aware of taking care of themselves.
- Please note that there is going to be a **Terry Stuart memorial** gun and accessories sale in the near future. You will be notified by newsletter and email. It is tentatively set for a Saturday (date to be set) in the club house. This is a significant sale with many many items. Jim Jones is helping Carol with the details.

Best to all, George February 2, 2016

Call to order by president at 7:15

Opening pledges and invocation (Tim Hall)

Reminder about the Fish entries due at April Meeting

Early information regarding RSC hosting 22 rifle and handgun events in March, April and May on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Sign up on AMMARKSMAN.com.

Do not shoot target on ground (evidence of South Pistol Range using clay targets)

Safety reminder—Make sure the gate to the 100 yard range is wide open when using the cowboy area. This alerts anyone wanting to use the 100/200 range that there is someone down range. (or park your vehicle to be visible on the range)

New Member approved—Phil Piirala

MUCC meeting Feb 25—if interested contact Tim Hall

CMP Poker shoot Feb. 20

25/25 was won by Bill Lane and Denise Fedko

Adjourned at 7:45

Meeting notes by George for Barb who could not attend.

Board Meeting Minutes February 16, 2016 Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Ron Dreyer, George Mayhak, Gordon Pickerd, Barbara Blough, Len Laitila, Mike Roche, Steve Gardner, Dan Vincent, Tim Hall, Bob Drury, Bill Skallos, Dan Hankinson. Absent: Steve Mitchell

Invocation was given by Tim Hall.

President's Report: George Mayhak

- Request from Tri County Music Department, requesting donation of archery items or range time. Tim has attended this event. Gordon made motion to donate one line of trap and skeet, supported by Tim, discussion, motion carried.
- Sportsman's Estate Sale for Terry Stuart, Saturday probably in April. See newsletter for more information as it gets set up.

American Marksman Program, March – May, Tuesdays and Fridays, have some volunteers should have some more, looking for chairman. They will host people who sign up to shoot.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

13 kids shooting the winter league in trap/skeet. Will be getting more quotes for paving the driveway.

> Board Meeting Minutes Continued Next Page

Board Meeting Minutes Continued from last page

Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough

No Report.

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

Mike made motion to accept new members Jeanne and Michael Crall, Anthony Septrion, supported by Gordon, motion carried.

Archery items in barn need to be cleared out. Discussed options.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Total Income \$5,691.00. Total Expense \$1,315.56. Net Income \$4,375.44.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Lights on Trap field are now high intensity lights. Reminder to put range fee money in canisters.

Trustee Reports

Bob Drury

21 shooters at the monthly shoot. Shoot tomorrow.

Steve Gardner

CMP fun shoot this Saturday. NSSF, May 14.

Dan Hankinson

\$175 for brass and used shells.

Tim Hall

MUCC report, testing for CWD. Found five cases out of 4,200 tested.

Bill Skallos

21 people signed up for Hunter's Safety.

Meeting adjourned 7:50pm.

CMP POKER SHOOT



Bob Drury, long-time RSC member and Cowboy has offered to hold a new member demonstration/clinic/orientation for members who would like to experience the fast paced shooting experience unique to our club – called Cowboy Action Shoot.

New members (who joined 1/1/15 to present) are welcome to participate (free of charge) at the event beginning at 1:00 pm on Saturday April 2, 2016 at Cowboy Action Bowls located between 100 and 200 yard targets. Bob will provide guns and ammunition to participants.

As always, the Cowboys meet on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am to hold Cowboy Action Shoots. Those events are open to all - **members and the general public** - for viewing.

New members interested in the orientation shoot later in the day, should show up early and watch the morning shoot. See you then!

Eye/Hearing protection required

CMP POKER SHOOT

We had mild weather for our CMP POKER SHOOT last Saturday. Twelve shooters fired 36 eight-shot strings. Jim Lund, Terry King, Ed Meinko, and Len Laitila divided \$60.00 in prize money, and Terry and Len won twice! (Bad News, Guys - you just lost your amateur status - no Olympic Bi-athalon for you!)

Seriously, a good time was had by all, but playing cards are REALLY SMALL at 200yds!

Our next CMP Match will be SATURDAY, 19-March, FROM 10:00A-2:00P. This match will be open to the public, and will utilize military-style rifles. See the attached flyer for more information, or call me at 616 745-7800 if there are further questions.

Best Regards, Steve Gardner

Also see Ron Parker's photos from last Saturday's match at the link below! Thanks, Ron! http://www.rockfordsc.zenfolio.com/

Rockford Sportsman's Club (RSC) will again host it's annual NSSF Rimfire Challenge Michigan State Championship match on Saturday, 14-May -2016.

"The NSSF Rimfire Challenge is a .22 rifle and pistol program created to introduce new people to the shooting sports and provide a pathway to shooting competition. The NSSF Rimfire Challenge can provide individuals or families with a fun and exciting first-time competitive-shooting experience. The National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) Match schedules, and rules can be found at (<u>www.nssf.org/Rimfire/</u>)

INFORMATION ON THIS YEAR'S MATCH IS BELOW:

2016 NSSF Rimfire Challenge Michigan State Championship – Saturday, May 14, 2016

Rockford Sportsman's Club (RSC) – 11115 Northland Drive NE, Rockford, MI 49341

The RSC match includes 8 Stages – 2 Pistol Only, 2 Rifle Only, 2 Combined Rifle/ Pistol. All Steel Targets, 200 Rounds (Minimum) "22 Rimfire Only". Classes are Open and Limited, and Special Recognition Award categories include Adult Ladies, Senior Men (65+), Senior Ladies (65+), Juniors (13-16), Youth (12 and under), and Cowboy/ Cowgirl.

Door prizes will be awarded by random drawing, and will include several firearms and many other shooting related items. Plaques will be awarded for the top three finishers in Open and Limited Divisions and the top finisher in each Special Recognition category with at least three shooters.

Entry fees are: Adults \$45, Senior \$25, Junior and Youth \$15. Lunch (hamburgs, hot dogs) is included in the shoot fee, and will be served from 11:30-12:30. Special Needs shooters will be accommodated to the degree possible. Please indicate on the entry form if you have special needs.

<u>The Match is limited to the first 96 registrants.</u> Match volunteer workers who pay the full entry fee may also participate in the match and receive awards or prizes.

Limited quantities of .22 rimfire ammo will be available for sale to participants on the day of the match. Pricing will be as favorable as possible. Please advise below or on electronic form if you need or are interested in purchasing ammo. Priority will be given to those who need to buy ammo to shoot the match.

A portion of the match proceeds will be donated to one or more U.S. Veteran's group(s), such as Honored American Veterans Afield (HAVA), Grand Rapids Veteran's Home, and/or others.

Additional signup information may be found at <u>http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/activities/nssf-rimfire-challenge/</u>

Calendar

Please check website for latest changes http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/ Calendar and website Changes Dan Vincent, Steve Mitchell or Mike Roche Web Design—Jim Ruder

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed		Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	1	_	2	3	4	5
Winter League	Winter League) 1pm - AmMarksman	NSSA		Nat.Wild Turkey-	Nat.Wild Turkey-	Cowboy action Bare
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet	7:15pm - General	8am - Range		Winter League	1pm - AmMarksman	
					5pm - Trap & Skeet		
6	7	8		9	10	11	1
Winter League	Winter League) 10am - DHS N Pistol	8am - Range		Winter League	1pm - AmMarksman	9am - Skeet/Trap/5
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman			5pm - Trap & Skeet		
13	14	15		16	17	18	1
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet	1 pm - AmMarksman	8am - Old Coot		10am - MSP ES	10am - DHS N pistol	9am - CMP - 100/20
		7pm - RSC Board	8am - Range		5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman	11:30am - Relay for
20	21		_	23	24	25	2
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman	8am - Range		5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman	NBC TIM hall N
27	28			30	31	1	
IOam - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman	8am - Range		5pm - Trap & Skeet	1pm - AmMarksman	Cowboy Action
			4pm - Winter				1pm - Gary Dredge



Rockford Sportsman's Club

11115 Northland Dr.P.O. Box 624Rockford, Michigan 49341

