

# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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## January 2017 Newsletter

We all have milestones that help us measure progress, set goals or determine what is next in our daily lives. Of course a popular point is the New Year and as we want 2017 to be a better future it depends on each person to contribute their time, talents and energy toward their objectives. This also goes with the club's 2017 budget which was finalized and approved at the December meeting.

We need someone to help with the hand shoveling of two areas after a snow fall. The front door entrance and the handicap ramp to the pistol range. All the other areas are usually done with the snow blower and have been kept up by the persons using the ranges.

The new board of directors will be looking for a Chairman of the Board to take over for Ron Dryer who has served in this capacity for two years. The past president is assigned this position unless reelected, then the board appoints a member to conduct the board meeting and votes only if there is a tie on a motion. Anyone interested in attending board meeting in this capacity please contact a board member at the January meeting.

The time is here for the fourth quarter wild game and fish contest judging at the January meeting. Fish entries are photos with the length measurement in the picture. Deer and turkey need deer antlers or turkey beards and spurs. Entries must be from Michigan Land and waters and legal per DNR regulations.

There are some exciting activities coming in the new year with growth planned in all the shooting sports as well as special events such as the Meijer State Games, Hunter's safety and Sight in Days. The State games will be a National event this year with entries open to individuals who placed in their 2016 events from all over the nation. We have interest in the small bore rifle event from a southern and western state. All Michigan residents are eligible to enter. It would be nice to have a training event sometime prior to the August games. If anyone is interested in setting up such an event all the information is available.

With the year end a big thank you goes out to the officers and members who worked tirelessly to continue progress at our great club. Also congratulations to the 2017 elected officers.

George

**Rockford Sportsman's Club  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
December 6, 2016  
Call to order at 7:15 P.M.**

Invocation was given by Tim Hall.  
Minutes were approved as published.

**President's Report: George Mayhak**  
No Report.

**Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd**

Taxation analysis at House of Representatives, bill was turned down. They were not entirely opposed to the Sportsman's Club tax exemption; they were concerned with how the bill was written. House added one clause to the bill that any clubs organized after this bill would never be able to be exempt. Need to keep working on the tax exemption. Another bill for charitable organizations exists which could affect our club for an exemption.

**Chairman's Report: Ron Dreyer**

No Report. Looking for chairman for 2017, submit names to board.

**Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough**  
No Report.

**Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche**

Mike made motion to accept new members Mike and Marcia James, Tim and Mary Ann Doyle, Aaron and Jen McConnell, Kim and Sandy Quist, Aaron and Debbie Spence, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried. Mike made motion to move Bob and Donna Bowyer to retired status, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila**

Total Income \$9,761.67. Total Expense \$10,439.10. Net Income (\$677.43).

Reviewed proposed budget for 2017. Dan Vincent made a motion to accept budget as presented, supported by John Olinger, motion carried.

**Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**  
No Report.

**Committee Reports**

NSSA Shoot tomorrow night and Saturday, new season starts in February. Winter League starts in January 8, for 10 weeks. Scholastic program is being looked at for students that want to shoot. There is funding available. Still in investigation stage, more information to follow.

Cowboys. 19 shooters last Saturday, Old Coot next Wednesday. Number of shooters has been down this year.

CMP. Saturday December 17, is the final match of winter league. Will have some shoots in January and February.

Defensive Pistol. Finished until spring.

Hunter Safety. Next class is in April. Then next class is end of July, then early September.

MUCC. Next meeting is in February.

Gun Show this weekend.

January meeting will be contest submission.

## **Membership Meeting Minutes Continued**

Safety Review. Members who have children under 18 cannot be up here by themselves, parent must accompany them.

### **Old Business**

Introduced new members.

### **New Business**

#### **Election**

George Mayhak, President. Gordon Pickerd, Vice President. Len Laitila, Treasurer. Barbara Blough, Secretary. Dan Vincent, Sergeant at Arms. Mike Roche, Membership Secretary. Trustees, Bob Drury, Steve Gardner and Ryan Cordes. Since only one person was nominated for each position and only three trustees were nominated, and three needed, only a voice vote is necessary. All voted yes, none for no.

### **Open Forum**

Thank you for volunteers all for sight in days.  
Veterans home could use donation of flashlights.  
Cookies and Cocoa with Santa, 75 children.

Raffle: 50/50. \$44, Rick Zimmerman and John Johnson.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted

## **Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes December 20, 2016 Call to order at 7:00 P.M.**

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

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickerd.

### **President's Report: George Mayhak**

Congratulations to re-elected board members and new board member Ryan Cordes.  
Need to have discussion for new Chairman of the Board.

### **Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd**

Need to keep plans for entry way door for clubhouse going.  
Gordon made motion to open an affiliation with SCTP, supported by George, motion carried.

### **Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough**

No Report.

### **Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche**

Mike made motion to accept new members, Kyle and Lindsay Salay, Bruce and Kathryn Glanville, supported by Gordon, motion carried.  
Mike made motion to retire Bob and Donna Bowyer, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried.  
Discussion regarding retired status, possible updates could be changing the age requirement,

## Meeting Minutes Continued

length of time in club or add a work requirement.  
Gary Dredge needs CPL events added to the calendar, dates approved.

### **Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila (Absent)**

No Report.

### **Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**

Need to have individuals to keep the sidewalks cleaned.

Discussion of Long Range Projects. Lights to back by the 100/200 yard range, Cowboy and Defensive Pistol area should be a higher priority for next year. Bob made motion to get all costs involved in the lighting project reviewed and updated for the next board meeting, supported by Steve Gardner, motion carried.

Looking into squadpullers for the skeet fields, wireless, two sets for \$663. 2016 maintenance budget has funds available. George made motion to purchase, supported by Bob, motion carried.

Fall Challenge is complete, lots of participation for this event.

### **Trustee Reports**

#### **Bob Drury**

No shoot on Wednesday due to weather.

#### **Steve Mitchell**

Review Financial Policy Operating Budget. Steve Mitchell made a motion to increase maximum operating budget for 2017 for \$12,275.00, supported by Gordon, motion carried.

#### **Dan Hankinson**

No Report.

#### **Steve Gardner**

Make up match January 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Working on setting up time to go to Veteran's home.

#### **Bill Skillos**

Web has information regarding Spyder target. Gordon made motion to sell this target, supported by Mike Roche, motion carried. Available for sale at Membership Meeting, minimum \$200, deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Next meeting, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Blough  
Secretary











## 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

The Rockford Sportsman's Club

Jan 2017 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Glen Vanorman club 10am - Trap & Skeet	2 5pm - Trap & Skeet	3 7:15pm - General	4 8am - Range	5 5pm - Trap & Skeet	6	7 Cowboy action 8-5
8 Rental 12-8 10am - Trap & Skeet	9 5pm - Trap & Skeet	10	11 8am - Range	12 5pm - Trap & Skeet	13 Retirement party	14
15 10am - Trap & Skeet	16 5pm - Trap & Skeet	17 7pm - RSC Board	18 Old cool shoot 8-1 B 8am - Range	19 5pm - Trap & Skeet	20	21 CMP 8am - 4pm
22 10am - Trap & Skeet	23 5pm - Trap & Skeet	24	25 8am - Range	26 5pm - Trap & Skeet	27	28
29 10am - Trap & Skeet	30 5pm - Trap & Skeet	31	1 NSSA 8am - Range	2 5pm - Trap & Skeet	3	4 Cowboy action shoot

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