

# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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May 2017 Presidents Report

## May Newsletter

The month of April brings turkey hunting season. Remember to save the beard and spurs for the July meeting (second quarter) to award the hunters that bagged the bird with the longest beard plus spur length. Also fishing season will be in full swing, so remember to take a camera and a yard stick to record your catches. As a reminder the categories are: Bluegills, perch and crappies, largemouth bass, small mouth bass, , salmon,(Coho or kings), N. Pike, catfish\bullheads, lake trout ( lakers, browns or steelheads) stream trout (brookies, rainbows) and muskies. To qualify fish must be legal size caught in waters covered by Michigan fishing licenses.

The club is taking on the spring look with many of the members working on the gardens and landscaping. As announced at the last meeting Jon Stotz ( Turfs r us) will deliver any bark needed for garden areas. Lots of leaves have been removed from around the buildings and the 25/50 range. The sides of the drive have been filled with stone to reduce washout and provide a smooth surface.

All of the shooting leagues are in progress and members are using the ranges on a daily basis. It's a great place to keep the skills sharp and enjoy the outdoors.

The past month on a club rental , not only was a reception held but also the wedding. This made it convenient to avoid travelling from and coordinating a church. The pastor came to the club

A slight change has been made in the second annual zucchini growing contest. The end date has been changed to the August meeting rather than September. Some members pointed out the zucchini might not last until September and last year's end date was August. Good luck to those gardeners that want to let one of their plants go way beyond the ideal eating size of a zucchini.

The Trap/Skeet North Kent Round Robin has started with the first event at the Belding Sportsman's Club. Rockford had some very good scores and some average with a good time for all. Still time to join and shoot at some of the 5 clubs remaining on the schedule

We still have large bags of pop cans and bottles for return. If someone would like to provide a return service and the deposit refund to a board member or Len Laitila the treasurer.

Until next newsletter, see you at the club and remember to welcome any new faces you may encounter.

George

**Rockford Sportsman's Club**  
**Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**April 4, 2017**  
**Call to order at 7:15 P.M.**

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickerd.

Introduction of Guests. Chris is attending meeting to check out membership. Claire Guisfredi, North Kent Community Services.

Minutes are accepted as published.

**President's Report: George Mayhak**

Garden area's still need volunteers for this year. Sign-up sheet passed around.

Thank you John for setting up chairs for meetings.

Rental rates were changed at last board meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> annual Zucchini growing contest. Ending September meeting.

Need help to return pop cans. Give money to Len. Suggestion to donate to charity, will discuss with board.

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

SCTP donations and matching grants will be \$10,000, 5% return to the fund.

**Chairman's Report: Lee J. Christensen**

No report.

**Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough**

No report.

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

Mike made motion to accept new members Daniel and Jennelle Bergsma, Randy and Bonnie Warner, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila**

Total Income \$8,721.14. Total Expense \$6,681.77. Net Income \$2,049.37.

**Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**

Reminders, take backer boards to trash bins. Shingles were replaced from the storms. If anyone has any problems with the facilities please let Dan know.

**Guest -** Claire Guisfredi, North Kent Community Services. Thank you for the donation from the Rockford Sportsman's Club. Discussed how funds are used to help people in our community. Next area of concentration is helping people with job searches, resume writing. If you are interested in volunteering you can contact her at North Kent Community Services.

**Committee Reports**

Spring League has started. NSSA Shoot tomorrow night and this weekend.

Cowboys, 30 shooters Saturday, and next shoot is next Wednesday.

Pistol league is first and third Monday's. Free shoot on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

CMP. Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

NSSF. 45 early sign ups. Six weeks away. Meeting for volunteers after May Member meeting.

Bench Rifle, starts May 11<sup>th</sup> through September 28<sup>th</sup>. Second and fourth Thursdays. Free shoot on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Defensive Pistol starts April 15<sup>th</sup> and will go until October

Centerfire Bench Rest started March 14<sup>th</sup>. Had 12 shooters.

## Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

Hunter Safety. Next class is April 24, 26, 29. Please see Bill to sign up or to volunteer.  
Bob Anaya, Boater's Safety Class, May 20<sup>th</sup>. ORV May 27<sup>th</sup>.  
MUCC. George has Camp entry forms, see him if you need one.  
Fish Contest, tonight and in three months.  
Safety Review. New signs on Skeet/Trap on rules. Winners were announced.

### New Business

Bill Skalloos, the West Michigan Archery Center will have a bow hunting class at the end of July.  
Tree Giveaway, don't have any information yet.

By Law revision, requires two out of three membership meetings to pass. This is first meeting, the changes are to retired members, dues are accessed at 50% of regular membership and may be offset with volunteering and service hour credits. Age change to 65. Anyone that has already attained retired status will keep this status, but will still be accessed dues. Dues are increasing by \$20. Questions and discussion included dues are supposed to cover normal expenses; projects fund capital improvements, donations, etc. Motion was made by Gary Dredge, supported by Ed Mienko, motion carried.

Legislation on tax assessment. Have to start over in the process.

Raffle: 50/50. \$62, Ed Mienko, Steve Vandermey.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted

Rockford Sportsman's Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
September 20, 2016  
Call to order at 7:03 P.M.

Attendees: George Mayhak, Dan Vincent, Dan Hankinson, Ryan Cordes, Steve Mitchell, Steve Gardner, Mike Roche, Bob Drury, Len Laitilla, Bill Skalloos, Lee J Christensen  
Members/Guests: Frank Thompson, Ken Bell, Tim Hall, Dave Hemmerly

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

### President's Report: George Mayhak

Garden clean up going well, still need a couple areas taken care of.

The rocks by the skeet and trap field

The Dividing berm between the rifle range and trap field.

Zucchini season has changed to end at the August membership meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> place \$10, Second place \$5

Dave Hemmerly brings up club communication and the possibility of a forum page on club web page. Dave to talk with Jim Ruder and Steve Mitchell on possibilities. Is there interest? Cost? Maintenance?

Frank Thompson has asked the board for an exception on work hours due to physical handicap.

Motion to accept by George Mayhak, Second by Dan Vincent.

### Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

Absent.

**Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough**

Absent

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

New Member Applications

Ken & Karen Kronberg

Dharmesh & Cassie Patel

Scott & Kim Kemp

Motion to accept new members by Mike Roche, Second by Dan Vincent.

**Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila**

March Gross Profit \$8731.14

March Expenses \$6681.77

March Net Income \$2049.37

Defensive Pistol asks board for \$500 for annual target supply. Motion to approve request by Dan Vincent, Second by Steve Mitchell.

**Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**

There has been 223 Brass found on the south pistol range, there are to be no centerfire rifles on the south range.

Turning targets on 25 yd range are being worked on. Dan Vincent has been working with Terry King on this. Still need repair.

Targets in pavilion are being used by shooters other than pistol and bench rifle leagues. These targets are for league only.

Motion to have room rekeyed by Dan Vincent, Second by George Mayhak

**Trustee Reports**

**Bob Drury**

11 Shooters at old coot shoot

Next shoot first Saturday in May. (May 6)

**Steve Gardner**

Next CMP Shoot 4/22

NSSF Rimfire challenge has 62 registered shooters. There will be a cap of 96 shooters plus volunteers shooting Friday prior to event.

**Dan Hankinson**

Tree Giveaway will be 5/13

Vans Pines 9:00 am – 12:00 Pm

Algoma Township Hall 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Year to date brass sales are \$250

Thank you to Doug Grimes for taking the time to sort and count.

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**Please Note**

Shooting in Cowboy Area is not permitted. Only special events

First one at Club leaves Gate Open, Last one out Locks it

Only Full Members can bring Guests, All events are open to public

**Steve Mitchell**  
No report.

**Ryan Cordes**  
No Report

**Bill Skallos**  
Hunters Safety starts 4/24, 52 students signed up. Expecting more to come at start of class.



## MICHIGAN BOATER SAFETY

### A COURSE ON RESPONSIBLE BOATING

The boater safety course includes a wide variety of information including;

- General information concerning boats and maintenance

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Information to make your boating experience safer and more comfortable

Tips on how to be a more courteous boat operator

Boating laws and regulations to which you must adhere

The course consists of 4 hours of instruction, including a 60 question multiple choice exam. Students must get 45 correct in order to successfully complete the course and receive their Boater Safety Certificate.

The course is taught by Deputy Roberto Anaya of the Kent County Sheriff's Office, Marine Unit. Students are asked to bring a #2 pencil; all other course materials are supplied by the Kent County Sheriff's Office.

Location: Rockford Sportsman's Club Saturday May 20  
9am-2pm, @Shoot BLDG



## MICHIGAN OFF-ROAD VEHICLE SAFETY A COURSE ON RESPONSIBLE OFF-ROAD VEHICLE OPERATION

Included in the course is a wide variety of information including;

- Information on the safe operation of ORV's and recovery  
1\ equipment  
General information on survival skills  
Laws that apply to ORV operation.

This course consists of 4 hours of instruction including a 50 question true/false and multiple choice exam. Students must get 38 correct in order to successfully complete the course and receive their Off Road Vehicle Certificate.

The course is taught by Deputy Roberto Anaya of the Kent County Sheriff's Office, Marine Unit. Students are asked to bring a #2 pencil; all other course materials are supplied by the Kent County Sheriff's Office.

Location: Rockford Sportsman's Club Saturday May 27  
9am-2pm, @Shoot BLDG



## 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

May 2017 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 Ram Nitro Skeet and Spring League 2017 10am - Trap & Skeet	1 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	2 7:15pm - General	3 NSSA 8am - Range	4 RR@ Madison 4pm Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	5 Gordy Pickerd (	6 Cowboy action shoot
7 Ram Nitro Skeet RR@ Madison 10- Spring League 2017 Tim Frey old tables 10am - Trap & Skeet	8 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	9 200 Yard Bench Rest	10 DPS Setup @ 430-6 8am - Range	11 MSP ES Team 100yd Spring League 2017 4pm - 22LR Bench 5pm - Trap & Skeet	12 NSSF Shoot 8am -4	13 NSSF 8am - 4pm
14 Spring League 2017 10am - Trap & Skeet	15 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	16 DHS north Pistol 7pm - RSC Board	17 Old coot shoot 8-1 B 8am - Range	18 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	19	20 CMP 8am - 4pm 9am - Boater Safety
21 Spring League 2017 10am - Trap & Skeet	22 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	23 200 Yard Bench Rest	24 8am - Range	25 Spring League 2017 4pm - 22LR Bench 5pm - Trap & Skeet	26 Cloester set up 2pm	27 DPS Setup @830-10 9am - ORV Class.. 12pm - Cloesser
28 Ram Nitro Skeet and Spring League 2017 10am - Trap & Skeet	29 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	30	31 8am - Range	1 Spring League 2017 5pm - Trap & Skeet	2 Cowboy Setup	3 Cowboy Yearly

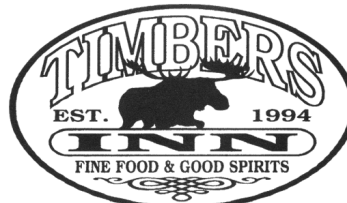


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