

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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New Year Resolutions!! How many times have you heard that I don't make them or I make so many bound to keep some of them. By the looks of the advertisers in the paper and on the radio and TV they believe a lot of people want to get in shape, eat better or lose weight. It is probably as good a time as any to kick start anything you have been thinking about. You can even keep it a secret but will more likely succeed if your close friends and family are involved. To the members who read this newsletter page, we wish you a 2018 New Year that will be a wonderful time in your life and the Rockford Sportsman's club will be all that you expect for your enjoyment and pursuit of shooting events.

The January meeting is the quarterly wildlife and fish contest. Remember your fall turkey, deer and fish entries. Looks like we may not get on the ice very many times before January but the river fishing is going strong. Please be on the safe side for adequate ice thickness before venturing out.

Winter time shooting events are forming with trap and skeet kicking off on January 7. Follow the RSC calendar for other shoots. Speaking of trap and skeet we could use some regular volunteers on Sunday from 10-1 and Monday and Thursday from 5-8. Cold weather clothes are all you need and the training is minimal. It is nice to have extra help to take breaks during real cold times.

With the snow season we also need volunteers to shovel the walks where the snowplow doesn't cover. When you come up to use the range grab a shovel and do a few feet of sidewalk or just stop in when you have the time and clean a larger area. It is very much appreciated. The club is rented on some weekends so the walks need to be cleaned by Thursday on most occasions.

Ryan Wheeler attended the December board meeting after being elected a trustee for the 2018 year. A big welcome to Ryan and his involvement with the returning members of 2018 Board of Directors. There are several big projects for the coming year which will keep us busy but not too busy to enjoy shooting times.

Hope everyone had a nice Christmas and New Year's Holiday

George

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Membership Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2017
Call to order at 7:15 P.M.

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

George Mayhak made motion to approve minutes, supported by all, motion carried.

President's Report: George Mayhak

Any members who are veterans that were not present for the November meeting, please contact George Mayhak to get your name on the flag display.

January Meeting will have the 4th quarter Deer/Turkey/Fish Contest

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

We need to vote for a One year trustee seat on the board to replace Ryan Cordes

Round tables in main building need repair. Please see Gordon Pickard

SCTP is selling raffle tickets for SKB overunder. Drawing will be at January Membership Meeting

Chairman's Report: Lee J Chistensen

No report.

Secretary's Report: Ryan Cordes

We received a thank you from Paul Kasmierski for our Sunshine Service.

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

New Members:

Jacob & Aubrey Meikle

Nicholas & Amy Anderson

Ken Kargenian

Motion by Mike Roche , Second by Dan Hankinson

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

\$7151.74 total income; \$3274.83 total expenses; \$3876.91 Net income.

Len Presented 2018 Budget

2018 Projected Income \$115,435; Projected Expenses \$91,168.50; 2018 Net Income \$24,266.50

Motion to approve budget –Mike Roche

Second by Terry King

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent (Absent)

New lighting on the 200 yard range has been shot.

25/50 Shoot stand has been shot

These are not accidents, Only shoot targets on the backer boards

Please check calendar for events, if your event is not listed please contact Dan to get it on the calendar.

Bob Middlebrook is fixing the hydraulic pistol stand.

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports

NSSA – next shoot 12/6;12/9

Trap and Skeet-Winter league starts 1/7 . Fivestand Sunday only

Cowboy-No Report

Pistol- Starts in April, Needs New Chairman

CMP- Last Match 12/9; Makeup date 12/12; Start after the first of the year. 2 Fun Shoots January & February.

Bench Rifle- No Report

Defensive Pistol- No Report

Bench Rifle Center Fire- Next shoot 5/9 Second and Fourth Tuesday start at 4pm, 445 530 615

Hunter Safety- Normal August Class will be moved to July

SCTP- Season Starts in January

NSSF 5/13 83 Shooters,. Volunteers shoot Friday 5/12

Mucc- Next Meeting in January. If interested contact Tim Hall

Sunshine- Steve Gardners Brother Passed Away. Tom Christman is recovering well.

Food and Bev-

Building and grounds-

Marketing-

News Letter-

Apparrel-Need New Chairman

Old Business

New Business

Vote for Officers & Trustees

President-George Mayhak

Vice President- Gordon Pickerd

Chairman of the Board- Lee J Christensen

Secretary- Ryan Cordes

Membership secretary- Mike Roche

Treasurer- Len Laitila

Sgt at arms – Dan Vincent

Trustee- Steve Mitchell

Trustee- Bill Skallos

Trustee- Dan Hankinson

Ryan Wheeler to Replace Ryan Cordes Seat as Trustee for 1 year term.

Motion to approve Officers and Trustees by Gordon Pickerd; Second by John Olinger.

Raffle: 50/50. \$53, Al Gunther; Gary Dredge

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted

Ryan Cordes

**Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2017
Call to order at 7:00 P.M.**

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

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickerd.

President's Report: George Mayhak

Next meeting need to appoint Chairman of the Board.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

Tractor needed to be rebuilt, total \$2,076.00. Dan H. made motion to pay for the repairs, supported by Mike, motion carried.

Kim Quist's letter applying for Retired Membership. Gordon made motion to accept Kim Quist as a Retired, supported by Mike, motion carried.

SCTP - sent in \$4,000 from the raffle. Still have more raffle tickets to sell. Received another \$500 from a member. The endowment should have around \$45,000 by the end of the year. Need to check locks on restrooms in club house.

Secretary's Report: Barbara Blough

No report.

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

Mike made motion to accept new members Carl and Carol Erickson, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried. Mike made motion to accept Charles Olmstead, supported by Dan, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

December Total Income \$5,205.50. Total Expense \$27,397.58. Net Income (\$22,192.08).

Reviewed trash monthly rates and container size, Dan H. made motion to change vendors to Red Creek Waste for trash service, supported by Ryan, motion carried.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Refrigerator in club house was looked at, invoice was given to Len.

New mower and backpack leaf blower were purchased.

Shipment of birds was received. Cost is increasing and will be looking at raising line fees.

Security cameras were installed. System was donated.

Need to find someone to keep sidewalks clear.

Quotes for preparing lot for paving, and for paving were reviewed. Bill made motion to proceed the with the paving project as recommended by Dan Vincent and fund it as recommended by Len Laitila, supported by Steve Mitchell, motion carried.

Trustee Reports

Please Note

Shooting in Cowboy Area is not permitted. Only special events

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

Board Meeting Minutes
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Ryan Cordes

No report.

Steve Mitchell

Scholarship fund has \$1,000. This will be for one scholarship.

Send Steve updates to website for shooting events.

Reviewed financial policy, nothing that states a maximum amount to move to Investments from Savings. Steve made recommendation to update the policy to place that responsibility to a board member.

Dan Hankinson

No report.

Steve Gardner

January 20th is next CMP. Thank you to club for plant in memory of brother.

May 12th is NSSF shoot.

Bill Skallos

Hunter's Safety dates are in the calendar for 2018.

Next meeting, January 16th, 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Blough



Gun Safety Rules

you never fool around or play with guns. Guns are dangerous when they are not handled or used properly and can easily injure or kill you, and those around you. There are no second chances with a gun and the rules for safe gun handling must always be followed to avoid accidents.

The 12 Golden rules for Safe Gun Handling

1. Always treat the gun as loaded.
2. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
3. Always keep your finger straight and off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
4. Always keep the gun unloaded until you are ready to use it.
5. Never point the gun at anything you don't intend to destroy.
6. Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.
7. Learn the mechanical and handling characteristics of the gun you are using.
8. Always use proper Ammunition.
9. Be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions before loading and shooting.
10. If your gun fails to fire when the trigger is pulled, hold your shooting position for several seconds; then with the muzzle pointed in a safe direction, carefully unload the gun.
11. Don't rely on the gun's safety to keep it from firing.
12. Be aware of your surroundings when handling guns so you don't trip or lose your balance and accidentally point and/or fire the gun at anyone or anything.

Range Safety

1. Follow the 12 golden rules.
2. Know and follow all the rules of the Shooting Range.
3. Listen and do what the Range Master tells you to do.
4. Uncase and case your gun at the shooting bench, never behind the safety line.
5. Always keep the barrel pointed down range.
6. Always keep the gun on safe until you intend to shoot.
7. Always wear eye and ear protection when shooting.
8. Never shoot at water or hard surfaces.

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 2018 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 10am - Trap & Skeet	1 5pm - Trap & Skeet	2 MEMBERSHIP	3 NSSA 8am - Range	4 5pm - Trap & Skeet	5	6 Cowboy Action
7 10am - Trap & Skeet	8 5pm - Trap & Skeet	9 Free Style Small	10	11 5pm - Trap & Skeet	12	13
14 10am - Trap & Skeet	15 5pm - Trap & Skeet	16 7pm - RSC Board	17 Old Coot shoot B	18 MSP ES Team 10-1 5pm - Trap & Skeet	19 Gordy Pickerd (20 CMP (Fun match)
21 10am - Trap & Skeet	22 5pm - Trap & Skeet	23 Free Style Small	24	25 5pm - Trap & Skeet	26	27
28 10am - Trap & Skeet	29 5pm - Trap & Skeet	30	31 Range maintenance	1 5pm - Trap & Skeet	2	3 Cowboy Action

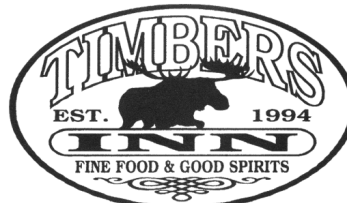


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