Rockford Sportsman's Club



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Newsletter March 2018

Ice Fishing may be short lived this year. Checking the ice on Friday (51 degrees) it was still 6 inches thick two feet from shore. There was water all along the edge. I guess looking further North will be in order next week.

The winter has been very cold for shooting earlier this month and due to nice days/nights a lot of activity has been noticed with the Cowboys, CMP, Skeet and Trap. The scholastic high school team has started the regular practice sessions on Sunday afternoons. Most of the team is also shooting extra targets on Monday and Thursday evenings. The members who are very dedicated for the formation and coaching of the school team are as follows and we give them a big thank you. They are Kevin Forman, Gordon Pickerd, Rick Averill and Kim Quist plus others who have chipped in with coaching and assistance.

There was some negative feedback to the Ramm-Tec presentation, also received positive comments. Some thoughts were a very poor sales pitch, however there was the knowledge of this type of range available. They did give away \$50 discount certificates. Two people, Mitch Waite and Tom Meeusen, who won these missed them after the meeting. The certificates for these members will be at the March meeting. I may have one extra \$50 discount certificate that will go to the first-come person who would see me at the meeting.

There is another month until the first quarter ends for the wildlife and fishing contest. Be sure to bring your entries. If you need one, ask for a copy of the guidelines for this quarterly event.

As a reminder to new members, you must receive your letter to come to the shoot building for range info, building combo, gate combo and safety tour. The safety tour is a must before using the range unless you are with a regular established member. The shoot building is always open on Sunday, Monday and Thursday nights. Safety tours can be done other times when a regular member is available.

Please note that shooting times begin precisely not before 10 AM and end at 9:30 PM. Event planning must request any deviation in this policy to the board.

Hopefully Spring will soon pop up in all its splendor. We would like to have the garden volunteers sign up at the March meeting. If you had a certain garden area last year please advise me, if you also want it this year. The club looked good with lots of compliments as last year's crew did a good job.

Rockford Sportsman's Club Membership Meeting Minutes February 6, 2016 Call to order at 7:13 P.M.

Introduction of guests.

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickard

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

President's Report: George Mayhak

Thank you to whomever shoveled the sidewalks around the clubhouse prior to the meeting.

Tonight's auction Items are donated to club from an estate, John Cordes priced Items for auction. All proceeds go to Rockford Sportsman's Club.

March meeting sign up for garden maintenance.

March meeting there will be a presentation from The Well-Armed Woman. (Women's firearm education & Shooting group)

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

MUCC Meeting contact Tim hall if you would like to go. Mark Degeest, had blood clots in his legs settling in his lungs. He is currently in the hospital. Please keep in your thoughts

Chairman's Report: Barb Blough (Absent)

No report.

Secretary's Report: Ryan Cordes

Thank you from the Charles Olmstead Family Passing of Nila,

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

New membership application from Michael and Kerry Newhouse. Motion to accept as new members by Mike Roche, second Tom Wachter. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

 Income
 \$13,232.25

 Expenses
 \$2,765.45

 Net
 \$10,466.77

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

NSSA starts Feb. – NSSA shoots the first Wednesday of every month. Shots taken at light shields on 100/200. When the club finds out who's doing it the board will take action. Paper targets only on 100/200 yard Range Club rentals for graduation filling up fast. Get reservations to Dan Vincent soon

Committee Reports

NSSA -7/7 first shoot

Skeet/Trap/5 Stand- Winter league under way

SCTP- 15 High School Shooters. National Guard Give \$1500 Sponsorship. There have also beeon 2 \$500 sponsorships from individuals. Average cost is \$800/student. Try to get one team to nationals in July. Cowboy –No Report

Pistol-Free Shoot in April, Monday Nights.

CMP-Next match 2/24 Fun Shoot.

NSSF Now called Rim fire Challenge shooting Association. 5/12. Sanctioned match. Will use practice-score for scoring.

Bench Rifle-3/12 Centerfire. 200 yds. second and fourth Mondays.

Defensive Pistol. - No Report

Hunter Safety – April Class 4/23 4/25 4/28. New Members. Always looking for volunteers. No certification needed.

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

Sportsman against Hunger donated 750 Deer. Rockford Sportsman club donated 675 lbs. Rockford American Legion. Cabin fever 2018 Saturday 2/10 \$20 including meal.

New Business Ramtac Presentation.

Raffle: 50/50. \$39, Gordon Pickerd, Paul Kazmierski

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted Ryan Cordes

Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes February 20, 2018 Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Ryan Cordes, Steve Mitchel, Gordon Pickerd, Len Laitila, Mike Roche, Dan Vincent, Barbara Blough, Bill Skallos, Bob Drury, Ryan Wheeler, Tim Hall. Invocation was given by Tim Hall

President's Report: George Mayhak(Absent)

Wheeling hunters sept 8, 2018 Saturday site in 12-3.

Ultimate sport show, March 15 7:00 am to 6:00 pm volunteers needed for sportsman against hunger.

Equest center requests auction item for annual fundraiser. Bill Skallos made a motion to give a membership voucher. Second by Steve Mitchell, all in favor, motion carried.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

17 youth shooter Youth practice has started Sunday afternoons. Tree giveaway is in May. Dates and Time to come.

Secretary's Report:

Thank you from Midway USA for the donation to the youth shooting program.

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

New Membership Application

Russell & Wissana Bushong

Jackson Gilmore

Motion to accept as new members by Mike Roche, Second by Steve Mitchell all in favor, Motion carried.

Jeremy Taylor donates 4x8s backer boards. Mike Roche made the motion to continue full membership and waive dues in place of donation. Second by Gordon Pickerd, All in favor, Motion Carried.

Brian Dionne has asked to wave the meeting requirement under the hardship clause. Mike Roche made motion to wave Brian Dionne meeting requirements, Second by Steve Mitchell, All in Favor, Motion Carried.

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

have come for the safety meeting and tour with someone from the membership committee.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Gross Profit \$5919.00 Total Expenses \$2651.89 Net Income \$3267.11

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Make sure all doors are closed when you leave. Side door to main building, left open. If you are the last one to leave please close and lock the gate. Gate has been left open Please do not bring unwanted goods to Rockford sportsman's club for disposal.

Trustee Reports

Bob Drury

Cowboy shoot. Wednesday had not been plowed.

Steve Mitchell

February Ramtac presentation turned into a sales pitch.

Should be segregated

The Well Armed Women next month. 10 Min. add to newsletter for advertisement.

In the future the board needs to use better discretion in giving an outside party time during the general membership meeting.

Dan Hankinson (absent)

Steve Gardner (absent)

Bill Skallos

6 kids hunter safety April class. April 23, 25, 28.

Ryan Wheeler

No Report

Tim Hall-

Steve Gardner absent- CMP Saturday 2/24 MUCC meeting Saturday 2/24 11:00 am South Kent Sportsman's Club QDMA banquette Saturday 2/24 Rockford Sportsman's Club MUCC convention Claire MI June 24, 2018 Dawl Levvy new MUCC district president wants Saturday meetings.

Please Note

Shooting in Cowboy Area is not permitted. Only special events

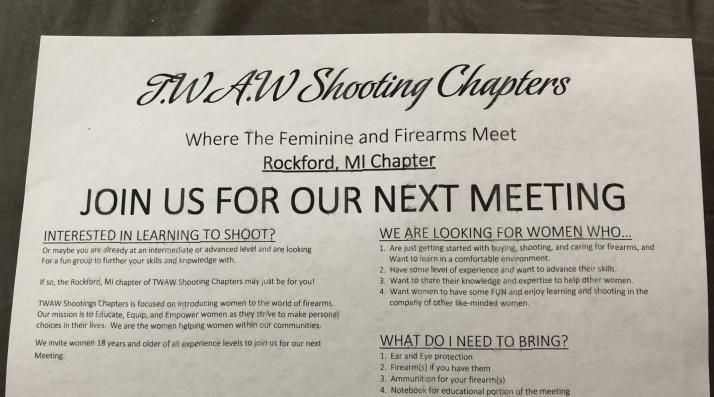
First one at Club leaves Gate Open, Last one out Locks it

BIG PROBLEM—as per photo evidence, some person or persons shot multiple times at the light shield plates on the 100 and 200 yard range. This is serious safety problem and property destruction. The security cameras will be checked to see who has been using the range the past few weeks. Persons responsible will face board action. No outside group has been using the range this month.



The Well Armed Woman

A short presentation at the March Members meeting!!



- 5. Business cards if you want to network
- 6. A friend

MEETING LOCATION Rockford Sportsman's Club 11115 Northland Dr. NE Rockford, MI 49341 <u>DAY/TIME</u> 3rd Wednesday 6-8 pm

<u>CONTACT INFORMATION</u> Jennifer Griffin 616-274-7236 Rockford-MI-TWAW@comcast.net



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP!!!

High school seniors are searching in earnest for assistance with their continuing education. The Bob Bond Scholarship fund has for years supported those students. Specifically those that are interested in careers in either environmental conservation or law enforcement.

This year, for the 1st time, the scholarship is twice as valuable. The Board decided to increase the amount from \$500 to \$1,000 in recognition of the rising cost of education.. If you are aware of any deserving student interested in either of those fields that lives in Kent county, let them know about the scholarship and the May 1st deadline.

Additional information and the application form are available on the RSC web site under the 'About RSC' tab. The information also available directly by following this link.

http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/about-rsc/scholarship/

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

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