### Rockford Sportsman's Club



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August 2018

It is the middle of the summer and we are into the second half of the year. The Scholastic kids participated in the Nationals in Ohio. Lots of events filled the week with skeet, trap, bunker trap and sporting clays. We don't have the exact results, but heard they shot well. The competition is high with a 15 year old girl shooting a perfect 100 in skeet. A big congratulations and thank you go out to Coach Kevin Freeman and the team.

The grass mowing and upkeep of the area is looking good. We have several events and wedding receptions coming up, if you signed up for a garden maintenance area please keep it going for near future events. This summer we had an outdoor wedding on the skeet field with reception following in the club house. The weather cooperated and the event was very successful according to the wedding party. There is one more outdoor wedding on Sept. 1 on the skeet field. We do shut down shooting for a few hours during the set up and the ceremony but shooting is open for members early and late in the day.

There were a large number of members submitting fish and turkey entries for the wild game awards. The next submission date will be the third quarter entries at the October meeting.

Keep checking the club calendar as there are some extra shooting events with NSSA in August and Round Robin in September.

The August meeting will feature the winners of the Zucchini contest. The largest zucchini will win a cash prize and bragging rights for the next year.

I announced at the July board meeting that we will need a new president for the 2019 election. I will retire at the end of the year after 13 years on the job. Also Len Laitila prepared us for finding a new treasurer beginning in 2019. He is also retiring. His service has been outstanding and a new treasurer will have a challenge filling his shoes. It would be great for the regular members to work together on the elections to continue with a strong board for the future.

Keep flying high to be the best,

George

#### **Membership Meeting Minutes July 3, 2018** Call to order at 7:15 P.M.

#### Scholarship Recipient Presentation by George & Len:

Cynthia Trocinski (Caledonia High School)

Going to Michigan State University for engineering, Sustainable energy.

**Invocation:** was given by Tim Hall

President's Report: George Mayhak - Zucchini contest will be judged at August membership meeting.

**Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd( Absent)** Chairman's Report: Barbara Blough (Absent) Secretary's Report: Ryan Cordes (No Report) Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

> New member applications Andrew and Brittany Karll

Motion to accept as new members by Steve Mitchell, Second by Bill?, All In favor, Motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Gross Income \$18,140.85 Expenses \$43.993.21 Net Income -\$39,705.77

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent( Absent)

#### **Committee Reports**

NSSA-Next NSSA Shoot, August 18th & 19th. Need volunteers.

Trap and Skeet- Summer League is Skrap. Started July 2.

**SCTP State trap shoot**. 7 shooters, JV shot 25, 25, and 24 but did not place due to 3 man team.

Cowboy- Next Shoot August 4th

Pistol- Shooting first and third Mondays of every month

**CMP**-Next CMP Match is August 18th

Bench Rifle center fire- Second and fourth Mondays

Bench Rifle Rimfire. 2nd & 4th Thursday 5:00 pm and 6:00pm if needed July 26th starts summer league. 6 weeks.

**Defensive Pistol-** Next defensive pistol shoot is July, 10th and 28th

Hunter Safety - Next Class Aug last week 20, 22, 25. 30 so far. Looking for help. Last week in Sept. 24, 26, 29. Fish turkey Deer Contest. Turn in for July Meeting

- Largemouth Bass, Don Bozwinkle
- Smallmouth Bass, 1st Terry King, 2nd John Cordes
- Walleye, 1st Terri King, 2nd John Cordes
- Catfish/ Bullhead, John Cordes
- Lake Trout, Tom Mroczkowski
- Brown Trout, John Cordes
- Brook Trout, John Cordes
- Bluegill/ Sunfish, 1st Don Boezwinkle, 2nd George Mayhak
- Crappie, 1st Don Boezwinkel, 2nd Kevin Kubiszwski
- Turkey, Tie Bob Gillesse, Don Boezwinkle

Rimfire challenge 116 Registered, \$1100 to Rockford Sportsman's Club, \$1160 Grand Rapids Home for Veterans. Thank you to all that made this possible

#### **New Business**

- Banquet September 22nd, Cost is \$30, Doors Open at 6:00pm, Dinner is at 6:45
- Next region 5 MUCC meeting is at Rockford September 20th.

#### **Membership Meeting Minutes Continued**

Raffle: 50/50. \$24, Jim Hughes, Bill Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm. Respectfully submitted Ryan Cordes

## Board Meeting Minutes July 17, 2018 Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendees: George Mayhak, Barbara Blough, Ryan Cordes, Mike Roche, Dan Vincent, Steve Mitchell, Dan Hankinson, Steve Gardner, Bill Skallos, Tim Hall

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

#### President's Report: George Mayhak

- Spring League is complete.
- Summer Skrap league has and will run through September.
- George to retire as president. Asking for retirement status. Starting January 2019
- Zucchini measurement august meeting.

#### Treasurer report: Len Laitilla

- Len will not run for treasurer in 2019
- Gross income \$4660.00
- Total Expenses \$2818.57
- Net Income \$1841.43
- Len mad a motion to pay defensive pistol bill of \$464.26 for targets. Support by Steve Mitchell all in favor, motion carried
- Len mad a motion to open new accounts at Independent Bank and removing cash assets from Chase Bank. Second by Dan Hankinson. All in favor, motion carried.

#### Secretary's Report: Ryan Cordes

- 2018 Sight in Days Nov3/4; 10/11
- Round Robin banquette 9/16-Volunteers needed.

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

- New Member Applications
- Andrew & Brittany Karll
- Jason & Kristin Tworek

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

• Randy Warner, transferred to Honolulu. Asking for extension. Motion to extend membership by Mike Roche, second by Steve Mitchell, all in favor, motion carried.

#### Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Check grounds before you leave and lock the gate. Make sure you are not locking anyone inside
- Motor rebuilt for turning target on the 25 yd. range. It is back functioning. Thank you to Bob Middlebrook

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

- Dan Vincent Made a motion to remove the north turning target to protect the hydraulic pump and hardware. Dan will also build a steel shield in front of pump. Second by Dan Hankinson, All in favor, Motion carried.
- Thanks to those that have been moving. Craftsman is back running.
- Trash in ditch has been removed the tenant.

#### Trustee Reports

#### **Bill Skallos**

- Aug 20,22,25 Hunter safety
- Need earplugs for September hunters safety class
- Always need volunteers for hunters safety

#### Steve Gardner

CMP shoots sat 7/21, Tuesday 7/24(makeup), Sat 8/18,

#### Steve Mitchell

- Wi-Fi works everywhere but inside the pole barn.
- \$400 left in budget. Looking for surveillance storage.
- Cell Tower proposal has not come in so we are not the preferred site.
- South Range Access Gate post painted florescent yellow.
- Def pistol Wi-Fi, works well once moved to on top of office. Using shoot and score. Glenn Vanorman says thanks.
- RSC will be hosting another family event in the fall after school starts

#### Dan Hankinson

- Banquette Date is September 22, 2018
- Cost is \$30, Doors Open at 6:00pm, Dinner is at 6:45pm.
- Raffle license ready for fall banquette. .
- Tickets will be ready for the August membership meeting.

#### Tim Hall

- Sept 20<sup>th</sup> MUCC region 5 meeting at RSC Starts at 7:00pm.
- Tim Hall has been asked to attend MUCC meeting in U.P. in 9/22. Will not attend do to prior commitments
- Tim Hall has been asked to be on MUCC Policy committee.

Motion to adjourn by Barb Blough, Second by Dan Vincent

Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm.

Respectfully,

Ryan Cordes

#### Ram Nitro Trap & Skeet Finishes Season

The Ram Nitro Trap & Skeet Team recently wrapped up their 2018 season by attending the SCTP Nationals at the Cardinal Center in Marengo, OH. The National shoot is week-long celebration of 2nd amendment rights centered around a youth shooting competition. During the event, the Cardinal Center is packed with hundreds of campers, RV's, golf carts and ATV's sporting gun racks. There are thousands of youth competitors and the grounds are abuzz with shooting events and kids traveling between their events. As of the writing of this article, the Rams are holding onto a 2nd place finish in Olympic Bunker Trap. There are more scores to post, so we will update the final results in next month's newsletter.

Prior to the National shoot, the Rams competed in the Michigan State SCTP Skeet and Sporting Clays Championship at the Detroit Gun Club on June 16. In the high school division, the Rams varsity skeet squad of Chris Freeman, Jonathan Herron, and Tate Kramer tied for 1st place in the state! The 1st place trophy was decided in a doubles shoot off, and the Bentley Bulldogs ended up breaking one more bird to take the first place award. The Rams finished in 2nd place in the state high school skeet competition. Chris broke his first 100/100 during the state shoot and was named the Michigan SCTP All State Skeet Team Captain. The Sporting Clay squads did well, finishing in 10th place out of 19 full high school squads. For 2019, the team plans to expand the training opportunities available to prepare for the sporting clays competitions.

The team also sent squads to the State Trap shoot in Mason, Michigan. Tate Kramer finished in 10th place out of the 85 varsity entries in the event with a 190/200. Jonathon Heron secured a 16th place finish with a 186/200. The Rams also took several JV shooters to the event and they all gained great experience for next year. Many thanks to team volunteers Kim Quist and Don Boezwinkle for taking the kids to the event.

The Rams now start getting ready for 2019 and are looking forward to another great year breaking targets. There is one final SCTP event at the end of July, and that's the SCTP International Shoot in Colorado Springs. The Rams will have a team member shooting both Olympic Bunker and Skeet during that event.

The team is looking to expand opportunities for Sporting Clays training and International style shooting competition for our high school athletes. The team had an incredibly successful 2018 – not only winning competitions and expanding youth shooting opportunities, but by continuing to train coaches and educate young shooters on the details necessary to be a successful competitive shooter. The team is open to any youth that enjoys the fun of breaking targets, and for those interested in high-level competitive shooting, the sky is the limit. The coaches have been completing NRA shooting instruction courses, and the team also had their first junior shooter become qualified as a level 1 shotgun instructor. The Rams also had the privilege of sending a coach to the Olympic training center for a week of instruction on International Skeet and Bunker Trap. The focus on coach training and education will continue in 2019.



2018-06-23 DEFENSIVE PISTOL



#### Banquet September 22, 6 pm

Dan Hankinson will have Tickets (\$30) at next meeting. Gather @ 6. Meal @ 6:45 Also at his shop on West River 4976 W River Dr NE, Comstock Park, MI 49321

<u>hanks327@yahoo.com</u> (Carols Catering)

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#### **Hunter Safety 2018**

Brought to you by Bill Skallos wskallos@yahoo.com and many volunteers

Only two sessions left August 20, 22 and 25. September 24, 26 and 29

Bill Skallos recommends Members/Family/Friends attend the August class

As always many volunteers are needed and appreciated

This is a great way to get your hours in.

#### One of many Hunter Safety letters

My son Weston and I attended the Hunter Safety Course at the Rockford Sportsman Club in Rockford, Michigan. The course instructor was William Skallos and his wife Maryly was second in command. There were a number of additional team members that helped out with the course, all of which gave 100% with hands on training and education.

Many years ago I attended my first hunter safety course. I did again this time with my 13 year old son Weston. My, how things have changed. My course was taught in the back of a gun shop with no heat, no water and no restrooms. The conditions were rugged to say the least. Weston's course was taught in a spacious, clean, heated facility with both men AND women's restrooms! The chairs were comfortable and there was plenty of seating for all attendees. The staff had a large pot of coffee brewing throughout the course and they fed us a delicious lunch with cookies for dessert. After lunch the trainees shot rifles and shotguns. My son was thrilled.

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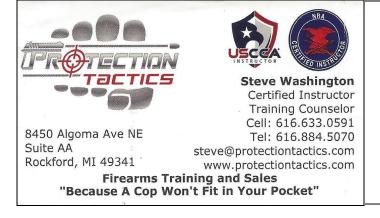
Sincerely,

Capt. Alan D. Hattey

#### 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 Spor   | tsman's Club         |                      | Jul 2018 (Eastern Time - New York) |                      |                 |                        |
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| 10am - Trap & Skeet | Center fire bench    | Free Style Small     | 4:30pm - DPS shoot                 | 4pm - 22LR Bench     |                 | Kevin Kubiszewski (    |
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| Baby Shower (       | Centerfire benchrest | 7pm - RSC Board      | INSSA                              | MSP ES Team 100      |                 | CMP ( Military Rifle ) |
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