

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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Presidents Article

Once again summer has passed in what seems like a blink of an eye. It's the time many of us sportsman come to life as cooler weather is finally here (hopefully). Some hunting seasons have started and fishing is starting to turn back on. Once again it's a great time to get outside and enjoy everything our area has to offer.

Mark your calendars for our annual Rockford Sportsman's Club banquet Saturday September 21st. Tickets are available in the shoot building, at the membership meeting or at Dan's Sport and Ammo. Tickets are \$30 and include a catered dinner, gun and door prize tickets. Feel free to bring friends, family neighbors or anyone interested in the outdoors or shooting sports. Doors open at 6:00pm Dinner is at 7:00pm.

RSC will be hosting our local chapter of Quality Deer Management Association for their September meeting Thursday September 12th. This is a great opportunity to sit down and listen to a speaker from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources discuss the status of our deer herd across the state.

RSC will also be hosting the district 5 MUCC meeting Thursday September 19th. George Mayhak will be providing dinner at 6:30 followed by the meeting. I encourage anyone who has free time to attend and find out what is going on around our area with other clubs and MUCC On the Ground Projects.

We continue to maintain and make improvements around the grounds. The new sign has been installed along with driveway and parking lot lights. Thank you to the motivated team that has taken on cleaning and staining the main club house. Thank you to Kevin Kubiszewski, John Cordes, Gordon Pickerd, Tim Higgins, Mackenzie Davis, Doug Herschleb, Larry Pierson, Reese Vanderplow, Jim Kovach, Dan Vernier, Tracy Smith, Chris Camden, Bruce and Nancy for donating your Saturday to help clean up on our quarterly workday.

As the year is coming to an end we need to start thinking about 2020. We hold our annual budget meeting in November so event coordinators please turn in your 2020 event budgets to Jim Hughes or Steve Mitchell. Please get with Dan Vincent to reserve your shoot dates for 2020. As we bring on more events the calendar continues to fill rapidly.

September 10th will be the kick off our Precision Rimfire event. We will be running a practice session on the 10th. Setup will begin around 4:30 and Shooting will start around 6:00. This will give anyone interested the chance to shoot off multiple barriers at steel targets at distances from 25 to 200 yards with their 22 LR. If you are interested in trying this please contact Scott Stanley.

We are heading into a very busy season at Rockford Sportsman's Club so please check the calendar for updated events and times.

Happy Fall,

Ryan Cordes

Membership Meeting Minutes

August 6th, 2019

Call to order at 7:14 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given Gordon

Motion to approve the July minutes was carried.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

Officially closed on the adjoining property.

Joe Vandyke has power washed half the building and now we need volunteers to stain.

Sight in Days are September 3rd, 9th and 10th.

Please make sure the lights are off and gate is locked if you are last out.

The 15th September will be a rogue river clean up.

Another day will be planned for a cleanup.

Tim Baker called from Tamarack Creek Sports Club and indicated they are being denied non-profit status.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

We will be widening the drive to the club and cleaning up the shrubs.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

. Old sign is being sold for \$75 but we are looking for the letters as well.

Secretary's Report: Scott Stanley

Two nice thank you letters were received from KDL Krause Memorial Library. They indicated the donations from RSC helped students learn valuable information and think critically about their impact on the environment.

Stay tuned for details on the new NRL 22 league to be coming soon. This is a steel shoot from varying field positions which should be fun and challenging.

Membership Secretary's Report: Mike Roche

A motion to accept Aric and Megan Davis and new associate members was made by Mike Roche. Seconded by George. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: An abbreviated report was provided by Jim Thompson

Total assets up from \$204,069 to \$208,803.

For July revenue was net \$6,584.

Jan 1st to August 6th total expenses \$44,617, total income \$72,473 for a net income \$27,856.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Please make sure things are returned to where they are borrowed from.

Keys will be available at the October Membership meeting.

The cement pads for the door and dumpster have been poured as well as the columns for the light poles.

Sign will start to go in Thursday afternoon.

Committee Reports

Skeet and trap - NSSA event tomorrow night, first Wednesday of the month. Summertime open is August 24th and 25th. Looking for volunteers.

SCTP – RSC had 4 shooters in the nationals and did well. The sporting clays were tough. There was an Annie Oakley style shoot with a thousand kids. Matt earned number two in the nation. Thanks for the continued support of the team as this is an expensive sport.

CMP – Next match will start Aug 17th at 10am and start the fall winter league.

Center fire bench raffle – No report.

Rimfire Bench Rest - Terry King won the spring league. Summer league starting soon.

Well-armed woman – Next meeting is August 21st. There will be training on blood stopping. Karen was introduced who will be a part of the leadership team. National conference next week.

Member Meeting Minutes Continued

Hunter Safety- July class had 45 students. Next class will be the last week in September starting the 23rd. Expecting a bigger group for this session.

Defensive pistol – Most of the shoot have had 40 plus shooters.

MUCC- Monthly meeting coming up Sept 17th here at RSC at 7pm.

Precision Smallbore -.

Rimfire challenge – No report.

Sunshine

Neil Schafer's mother in law just passed away. Please keep his family in your thoughts.

Food and Beverage

No Report

Building and Grounds

Staining the building is top priority since it is already stripped.

Apparel

No Report.

Marketing

There will be a meeting 8/21 at 7pm regarding future marketing.

Safety Updates

Please remember not to shoot at the 25-yard targets. If you want to shoot closer please use the 50 yard targets.

New Business

Found a rain kit and tourniquet kit.

Bill mentioned the recent shootings and mentioned the manifesto from the shooter was informative.

It was asked when the check will be taken to the veteran's home.

Raffle: 50/50. \$42 to Mark and Kim Quist.

RSC raffle over 1700 tickets sold for a total of \$7200 winners follow:

Shotgun – Gordon

Leupold Binoculars – Tim Clay

Leupold Range Finder – Mike Kelly

Set of Knives – Rockford City Manager

Bushnell Binoculars - McKenzie

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Stanley

RSC SHOOT CARD

FREE EVENT



This card entitles the holder to participate in one of the Rockford Sportsman's Club Activities listed on the back of the card free of event fees.

Limit: One per Person

☐ Round of Trap or Skeet

☐ CMP Military Rifle

☐ 22LR Rifle League

☐ 22LR Reactive Target Competition

☐ Centerfire Benchrest Rifle

Name: _____

BOARD APPROVED RSC SHOOT CARD

The Board, in an effort to encourage members to try out the Club's regular events, has approved the inclusion of a shoot card which waives the event fees for the listed events. All new and renewal memberships will receive the new shoot card.

To take advantage of this opportunity, all you need is a firearm and ammo. (Some of the event directors have even suggested they would make those available for your trial event!!)

Board Meeting Minutes

August 20th, 2019

Call to order at 6:58 P.M.

Attendees: Ryan Cordes, John Cordes, Jim Thomson, Tim Hall, Steve Mitchell, Gordon Pickerd, Dan Vincent, George Mayhak, Tim Hall, Bill Skalloos

Guest: Kevin Kubiszewski

Invocation given by Tim Hall

Presidents Report – Ryan Cordes

Mike Roche will be stepping down as Member Secretary. Ryan Cordes made a motion to appoint Kevin Kubiszewski as his replacement to complete this year, seconded, Motion approved.

Wheeling Hunters will utilize the range 9/14 12-3.

Ryan has been approached several times about letting Kent join the round robin tournament. RSC was not necessarily proposed but there would be a bigger impact for smaller clubs so input is being sought from them.

Vice President Report – Gordon Pickerd

Cleaned out some of the drive. Open to another clean up day if it could be organized.

Thanks to Doug Herschleb and George Nichols for all the help with painting.

Bill Skalloos

Turned in checks for hunter's safety.

43 people signed up for last week of September.

Jim Hughes

Financials have not moved much since membership meeting.

Total current assets decreased from \$94,893 to \$94,014 since June 30th

SCTP account has increased from \$4,800 to \$7,000

Total assets up from \$204,000 to \$208,000.

Scott Stanley

Neil no longer wishes to be associated with the new 22LR Reactive Target league project. Scott will run with this and will pick the brains of defense pistol and CMP organizers for helpful ideas. There will be a practice shoot on August 27th with the first match to follow September 10th.

Dan Vincent

The lights are now up thanks to Gordy, Steve, Bill and Dan. They are very bright.

Two new cameras were installed that cover the entrance and the pistol range.

NSSA this weekend starting at 9am on Saturday.

Need to get with all the events for the 2020 year to provide the dates.

Looking to reside the skeet houses as the current siding is rotting. We are expecting a cost of around \$2,800.

We need to re-evaluate the heating and cooling of the clubhouse to make the unit comfortable for rentals.

The kitchen faucets and drains need to be re-done.

We also need a new refrigerator to replace the small one in the clubhouse. The door is broken.

Steve Mitchell

In July John Johnson requested retro approval for waiver on his 20 hours as his knees are bad. This was not approved as it is believed there are available physical tasks that could qualify.

There was a discussion on how to pay for Zenfolio and the website. Jim Hughes will follow up.

The RSC shoot card has started being included in the renewals.

No update on the range officer training. Dan V will follow up with Steve again.

Discussion item on club improvement. Steve mentioned that the full financials are never made available to the board and the membership meeting shares the same information. Steve suggested we visual the financial status as corporation. He suggested at the membership meeting we share only the years operational information. It was also recommended that we report on how the financials (rentals, leagues etc.) perform as compared to expectations. It was suggested that going through a full financial at every month might be unnecessary. A full financial report might be more appropriate to the board on an annual basis. This was largely supported by the board discussion with the discussion.

There are currently 313 members. Of those only 27.5% are full members.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Dan Hankinson

Start inviting everyone to the banquet. Only 19 tickets sold so far.

John Cordes

Asked if we will be removing the trees over the lines. It was discussed this has been considered but there is not a specific plan in place yet.

Suggested organizing bi-monthly work days for next year.

Tim Hall

Quality Care Management will be here on September 12th at 6:15pm and is open to the public. This will be a presentation on conservation issues.

MUCC region 5 is at RSC at the club September 19th. Dinner is usually at approximately 6pm. It would be great to have strong club representation.

The meetings for MUCC have improved with the addition of new blood.

Noticed more smacks on the bullet shields over the lights every time he runs CMP.

Lots of 22lr casings are being left at the 50 yard range.

The check to the Grand Rapids Veteran's Home was delivered.

Meeting adjourned 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Stanley



22LR REACTIVE TARGET COMPETITION EVENT

During June, July & August the league leaders and have tested different courses of fire to find the best variations for this practical shooting competition. The competition is now **open to all shooters, club members and the general public!**

Matches are scheduled for 6:30 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

A match shall consist of stages contained within in a course of fire. A course of fire will have multiple stages containing segments. (Different shooting positions at the same steel reactive targets) Each segment will contain up to 3 shooting positions and require 10 scoring rounds fired. (Maximum 30 per segment)

Fees: \$ 5.00 per match

Hardware: Bolt or semi-automatic 22 long rifles are welcome. Any 'Optic' may be used.

Rules:

- 1) We will operate as a 'cold' range, only the active shooter is hot.
- 2) All rifles must be visibly safe with a chamber flag. (Empty chamber indicator)

Course Variations: Shooting steel reactive targets from improvised positions. (Barricade, sawhorse, ladder, seated, prone, offhand and more). Accommodations for us old types with different challenges are always available.....come and shoot!

For more details contact:

Scott Stanley: Email stanley908@hotmail.com or Phone 616.914.1711



Public Welcome

Dinner Menu

Garden Salads, Home Style Swiss Steak,
Seasoned Roast Chicken, Garlic Redskin
Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread and
Rolls.

for Tickets:

Dan Hankinson

(616) 784-6811

Or

**Pickup at the Shoot Building
during Skeet & Trap hours**

Or

**They will be available at the Members
Meeting**



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2019 Fall Gun Gala & Raffle

September 21, 2019

Dinner Ticket and Raffle

Package-\$30/Person

**(includes dinner plus \$20 of Gun & Door
Prize Tickets)**

Happy Hour 6:00-6:45 PM



Tentative Gun List

Remington 700SS Pkg Rifle 270 Win

Ruger American .308 Win

Ruger Precision Rifle 22LR

Rossi .410 Single Shot

T/C Venture Pkg Rifle 30-06

CVA Hunter .450 BM

Ruger American .450 BM

Remington Model 7 .243 Win

Canik TP9SA 9mm

Sig Sauer P365 9mm

Ruger Mark IV 22/45 Lite 22LR

Springfield Armory XD 9mm

Bersa Thunder .380 ACP

Ruger EC9s 9mm

**Firearms will be added to the Chi-
nese Raffle as ticket sales in-**

Calendar

Please check website for latest changes <http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/>

For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

The Rockford Sportsman's Club

Sep 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10am - Trap & Skeet	2 5pm - Trap & Skeet	3 HSI Karl Vlietstra 7pm - Membership	4 NSSA	5 5pm - Trap & Skeet	6 Taylor (Hall set up 9am - Cowboy	7 Jessica Taylor Rental
8 10am - Trap & Skeet	9 5pm - Trap & Skeet	10 22 LR League	11 DPS 100/200 yard	12 Quality Deer 4pm - Bench rifle 5pm - Trap & Skeet	13	14 10am - Wheelen'
15 10am - Trap & Skeet	16 5pm - Trap & Skeet	17 7pm - RSC Board	18 Well Armed Woman	19 MUCC meeting and 5pm - Trap & Skeet	20	21 DPS 100/200 yard Rockford Annual
22 10am - Trap & Skeet	23 5pm - Trap & Skeet 6pm - Hunter	24 CMP-Military rifle	25 6pm - Hunter	26 4pm - Bench rifle 5pm - Trap & Skeet	27	28 Hunter Safety-
29 10am - Trap & Skeet	30 5pm - Trap & Skeet	1 7pm - Membership	2 NSSA	3 5pm - Trap & Skeet	4 Johnson set up 5- 9am - Cowboy	5 Cowboy Action Gary Dredge CPL Norma Johnson

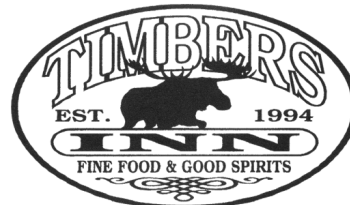


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