Rockford Sportsman's Club



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October 2019

Presidents Article

Fall is finally here and hunting season is in full swing. October brings us many different hunting seasons and other great outdoor activities to enjoy with friends and family.

I'd like to say thank you to all those who came out to our annual banquet. We had a great night of raising funds for the club and gave out a ton of great prizes. If you get a chance thank Dan Hankinson for all he's done to keep this going year after year. I hope everyone had a great time or at least a great meal.

Starting October 15th all rifle and pistol ranges will be closed to rental and league shooting through the start of deer season. This is to give our members time to sight in their weapons for deer season. All normal target shooting may commence.

October 9th marks the end of the defensive pistol season. This is a Wednesday evening shoot. The lights will be fading so this is the time to bring out all of your lights and lasers for one last fun night till springs.

October 19th Rockford Sportsman's Club will be hosting our Fall NSSA 5x50 skeet shoot. If you are in need of more work hours please see Dan Vincent this is a great way to pick up another five to six hours. We will be shooting from 10:00 am till roughly 4:00 pm.

November 2nd and 3rd, 9th and 10th we will be hosting our annual sight in days which are open to the public. We are always looking for volunteers to help out for this event. It's a great way for our club to interact with and serve our community in a safe responsible way. We start shooting at 10:00 am and will work with our guests up and through 3:00pm during this time we ask for a \$5 donation for our services to both guests and members. Please invite as many friends, family members and coworkers as you'd like as this is what helps us fund other projects within our community.

September was the end of the third quarter so don't forget to bring your fish pictures to the October meeting for our quarterly Deer, Fish, Turkey contest. All deer and fall turkeys will be judged after the end of the fourth quarter. Be sure to save your antlers, beards and spurs and bring them to the January 2020 meeting for your chance at a cash prize.

Gordon Pickerd is working on the slate of candidates for the election of 2020 officers and trustees. If you would like to become involved with the club development in the coming years we need members like you. The slate of candidates needs to be completed by the November board meeting deadline. Voting will take place at the December meeting. If you would like to be on the ballot please see Gordon.

Good luck in the woods or on the water.

Ryan Cordes

Membership Meeting Minutes September 3rd, 2019 Call to order at 7:11 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

Motion to approve the minutes from last month was presented. Seconded by Dan. Motion carried.

No guests present.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

Mike Roche has moved out of town and Kevin Kubiszewski is taking over in the interim.

Fish and game closing out soon. Get in your submissions.

Lots of improvements on the grounds. Thanks to those who have helped.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

Thanks to all those who came out for clean up days.

There will be another clean-up date coming in the near future.

Thanks to George and Doug for staining the building which is almost complete.

Tom Stoepker was recently diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.

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

The 22 Reactive Target League has started up and has been a lot of fun. Look for shoots on the non meeting Tuesdays. All are welcome.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

Three applications for membership were presented by Kevin. A motion to approve was made by George, seconded by Terry King. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

Fixed assets have decreased from \$12,750 to \$7,600. This is largely due to the land acquisition fund being spent on the adjoining property

Firearm fund raising are \$19,000 in the black.

Rentals and special events are doing very well.

Operating income is ahead of schedule for the budget.

Through eight months revenues are in excess of spending.

It was asked if the income budget could broken down by year to date to track what the progress was. Jim indicated this might be difficult as this is the first year he is tracking but it will be considered for the future.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

Submit dates for next year ASAP as it will fill up quickly. Defensive Pistol has submitted their dates as has Dan.

The items in the clubhouse are for clubhouse use only.

Please remind any shooter without hearing or eye protection that is required by the club.

Committee Reports

Skeet and trap - NSSA will be first Wednesday of the month at 4.

SCTP – 5 kids from the team have been invited to the bi-annual Rockford education shoot at Kent league. One donor has generously given \$1,000. Others can shoot for a \$200 donation which includes dinner.

CMP - Next shoot is Tuesday September 24th at 4pm.

Rimfire Bench Rest -

Well-armed woman – Next meeting is September 18th practicing concealment and drawing from a holster.

Hunter Safety- Last class of the year starts Monday the 23rd of September. 55 People signed up so far. Should end up a full class. Still looking for volunteers. Feel free to show up as a volunteer even if not signed up.

Member Meeting Minutes Continued

Defensive pistol – Next shoot will be 9/11/19

MUCC- Free educational event 12th including dinner and discussion on CWD with quality deer management. September 19th, free event with dinner, former president of MI conservation club will be here. These events will be approximately 6:45 to 9pm.

22 Reactive Target Competition – Last shoot had several new shooters and was fun and friendly event. Next shoot will be 9/10/11.

Building and Grounds

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

Marketing

Marketing did have their preliminary meeting with a representative to pursue increasing club exposure.

Safety Updates

Bill Skallos reminded us to please be weary of unknown ammo.

No Report: Rimfire challenge, Sunshine, Food and Beverage, Apparel

New Business

Banquet will be September 21st. Tickets are still available.

Please don't leave food in the refrigerator.

Looking for a new refrigerator to replace a dying one at RSC.

Paul Zimmerman will be taking over a gun show representation but is hoping to get some support so he does not have to cover all of the shows solo.

Reminder not to forget to renew CLP. And that now it can be done online through the MSP.

Raffle: 50/50. \$33 to Ed Meinko and Paul Zimmerman.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted Scott Stanley

Board Meeting Minutes September 17th, 2019 Call to order at 7:01 P.M.

Attendees: Scott Stanley, Jim Thomson, Ryan Cordes, Tim Hall, Jim Hughes, Tim Hall, Bill Skallos, Karen Kronberg-Bunn, George Mayhak

Invocation given by Timm Hall

Karen Kronberg-Bunn

Needs a range to teach classes for CPL to keep her certification. This is required for her to be a co-leader for the well-armed woman. This could be a done in the evening. RSC will look at the calendar. It was stated the south range could be utilized. Proper insurance coverage was also discussed. Ryan C will get the

Gordon P made the motion to allow the use of range for this. Seconded by Ryan C. Dan suggested we make sure the range was fee was collected. This motion carried.

Presidents Report - Ryan Cordes

Sight in days November 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th.

Shooter sign in sheets were sent to all chairpersons. This should be included with all shoots besides trap and skeet.

Vice President Report - Gordon Pickerd

Kevin Olson called and stated he can not keep up his membership anymore but would like to continue doing the windows. He would like to donate those service hours to a member that can not meet their hours. This dispersal would be at the discretion of the board. Dan H wondered if this might be a liability issue. It was suggested that one way to handle that would be to fill out a slip as donated hours. There was general agreement this would be acceptable to the club.

It was discussed that George and Dan will be handling the wording on our entry sign. It was suggested the sign should be worded on each sign. Tim stated a few things to keep in mind. People will vandalize the sign so we should pay close attention. In the winter the letters tend to freeze to the background and can break easily. In the summer bugs can get in there so we need to keep the rails clean.

Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

Vice President Report - Gordon Pickerd (continued)

It was stated that elections are coming up. Nominations will be taken at the membership meeting. Steve M, Bills S and Dan H are all up for re-election.

Bill Skallos

September class is busy with 92 people signed up.

Jim Hughes

Discussed that many clubs get their non-profit status through the MUCC.

A full reconciliation was conducted and there is a discrepancy of \$1100 in the checking account. This is being investigated.

We are under budget by 4% as far as dues go. It was discussed this may be off as a bulk of membership fees come in October. We are over budget for the rentals. We have already made it near the shooting budget, so this is anticipated to be above budget.

Jim is looking for an inventory of all the assets at the club. George M stated he may have this. Len indicated this is listed in the casualty insurance file.

It was again asked if we need a credit card. Part of the reason for the need might be to pay renewals on sites like the picture saving site where we might lose data if the card being used which is owned by a member expires. It was discussed it might be preferable to get a debit card.

Scott Stanley

There will be a 22RTC competition 9/24/19 at the 50-yard range. This will be added to the calendar by Dan V. Another shoot is scheduled two weeks after. The shoots so far have been fun and friendly. All are welcome!

Dan Vincent

Range officer class is coming up October 26th but if we do not have 15 people signed up the class will be cancelled. So far, we have 3 signed up.

All the cowboy dates are on the calendar, but they want to shut down all ranges for the entire weekend of their shoot which starts June 21st. A motion was made to allow the 100-200 range be closed during shooting hours only and leave the 50 yard and south range open by Len L. Ryan C seconded.

Carpet in the clubhouse needs to be cleaned. Estimated this will cost \$700-\$800 dollars. It was suggested it might be better to do this after hunter safety on the 28th.

The renter's checklist was discussed. Please make sure everything is put away after any rental or meeting.

We will be marking all the tables and chairs as some have been accidently returned to other rental providers.

It was asked if we can replace the sink faucets and install a trap in the sink.

Motion was made by Gordon to replace the kitchen lighting with LED. This was seconded by Ryan C. Motion carried.

Mike I contacted the club about using the range the third Thursday of every month to qualify their tactical team. This is in the preliminary stages.

Kevin Kubiszewski

Getting oriented to the process. The question was posed where we should address the vote for a retired member. It was stated this should be addressed by board first and then at the membership meeting.

Luke Barksdale meets the requirements for a retired member. A motion made by Kevin to grant, seconded by George M. Motion carried.

Dan Hankinson

Still only 100 or so people signed up for the banquet. All are welcome! Please spread the word.

We could use volunteers to set up Saturday morning. So far no one has signed up. 9am will be the goal time.

Locks will be changed around the 15th of October. New keys will be available at the November meeting.

Tim Hall

This Thursday MUCC will be at RSC discussing wildlife issues in the area.

There were four members at the quality deer management issues.

A request was made to get MUCC welcome put on the sign. Dan stated this could be accomplished.

George has ordered all the food. Aquafina left several cases of water.

Tom Stoepker passed away last week and the service will be on September the 27th from 2-5:30.

Meeting adjourned 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Stanley

Calendar

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

For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

Oct 2019 (Eastern Time - New York) The Rockford Sportsman's Club 10am - Trap & Skeet 5pm - Trap & Skeet 7 pm - Membership NSSA 5pm - Trap & Skeet Johnson set up 5-Cowboy Action 9am - Cowboy Gary Dredge CPI Norma Johnson Birthday Party, (5pm - Trap & Skeet 22 LR League DPS 100/200 yard Ayala wedding Alaya Wedding 10am - Trap & Skeet CMP-Military rifle 19 10am - Trap & Skeet 5pm - Trap & Skeet ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR MEMBERS - NO LEAGUES OR SCHEDULED EVENTS @ ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR David Hemmerly Well Armed Woman 5pm - Trap & Skeet Maggini wedding Nick and Michelle 7 pm - RSC Board NSSA 5x50 25 26 22 ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR MEMBERS - NO LEAGUES OR SCHEDULED EVENTS @ ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR MEMBERS 10am - Trap & Skeet 5pm - Trap & Skeet 5pm - Trap & Skeet ROC main building 2 ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR MEMBERS - NO LEAGUES OR SCHEDULED EVENTS @ ALL RANGES RESERVED FOR MEMBERS 10am - Trap & Skeet 5pm - Trap & Skeet Public Sight In Days





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