

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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November 2019

Presidents Article

Fall is in full swing along with many hunting and fishing seasons. The fall colors are at peak season and its great time to get outside and enjoy our great outdoors. Don't forget to bring your trophies to the January membership meeting for our Deer/Fish/Turkey Competition. Entries will be judged and checks will be mailed the following week. Antlers, Beards and Spurs must be brought to the meeting to qualify.

The November Board meeting is our annual budget meeting. If you are the leader for any event or league throughout the year please have your income and expense budget ready and turned into Jim Hughes by Friday November 15th. This is crucial to our annual planning and a major part of our operation at RSC.

Thank you to those that have dedicated their time into the improvements of our club and grounds. Many members have given up their free time to help out with the projects and ground. Most of our outdoor work will be on pause till spring as winter is rapidly approaching. We will continue to replace florescent lights with LED's through the winter.

Year End brings Officer and trustee elections for RSC all officers and three trustee seats are up for election. Gordon Pickerd is currently working on the ballot. If you would like to become more involved please contact Gordon to have your name added to the ballot. We will take nominations through the November board meeting and elections will be held at the December membership meeting.

Sight In Days are here so grab your family, friends and neighbors and come out November 2nd & 3rd, 9th & 10th and sight in your guns for deer season. Ranges will be open to the public 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. The cost is a \$5.00 donation per gun. We will supply targets, spotting scopes and spotters for all shooters. For members looking for volunteer hours this is a great opportunity to come out and get your hours and help people from our community prepare for deer season.

We are looking for a new chairperson for Cookies and Coco with Santa tentatively scheduled for Dec 1, 2019. Judy Mayhak is no longer able to chair this up and needs a replacement after many years of dedicated leadership. If this is something you could take ownership of please contact an Officer or Board member to get things started.

Good Luck out There,

Ryan Cordes

Membership Meeting Minutes

October 1st, 2019

Call to order at 7:15 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickerd

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

No guests present.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- October 3rd, 9th and 10th will be site in days. -
- Budgets and schedules need to get Dan V and Jim H.
- We have had several complaints about shooting after hours which does not come from RSC members. There is someone else shooting in the neighborhood, but RSC gets blamed. Please consider limiting the shooting of larger caliber (loud) firearms to before 8pm. The official hours are until 9:30pm.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

- Want to take care of a few things before winter so there will be another workday this Saturday at 8:30am. This will include removing brush and cleaning up grounds and flower beds.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

- No Report

Secretary's Report: Scott Stanley

- A reminder that the 22lr steel shoots are up and running and have been very fun. These are casual but challenging shoots, and all are welcome. The course of fire for each are clearly explained and ran through each time. We have had several new shooters at some of the shoots and they had a lot of fun. These shoots are scheduled for the **second and fourth Tuesday of every month. The start time is 6:30** but the set up allows for late commers to jump in and join so feel free to come even if you can't arrive right at 6:30pm.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- Two membership applications.
Brian and Melissa Gifford – Former members moved to California and back now. Welcome back!
Timothy Orlfbeck
Motion by Kevin K to approve for associate membership. Seconded by Steve Mitchell. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

- Fund raising income is \$5000 short of budget.
- Overall revenues exceed expenses by \$12,000.
- We are on track to end the year with more revenue then expenses.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

1. New keys will be coming out in November meeting. There will be a key for key exchange. The locks are expected to be changed that day.
2. Make sure you take down all your paper targets.
3. Please don't shoot high power firearms after 8-8:30 out of respect for the neighbors.
4. Range officer class has been cancelled due to cost.

Member Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports

Skeet and trap - NSSA October the 6th. Volunteers would be welcome.

SCTP – Part of the money from the rifle has gone to the endowment and had a 1:1 match from Michigan and the Nationals. The endowment is now over \$60,000 which provides \$3500 for next year. Someone donated \$1000 to take some kids to the shoot. This donation was from **Burger Shack** in Rockford. Our gratitude goes out to them. The team got many compliments how well they represented the club.

CMP – Next match will be Saturday the 12th of October.

Rimfire Bench Rest – Season is completed. Winner was Bob G.

Well-armed woman – No Report

Hunter Safety- Hunter safety just finished the last class. It was a light year. Classes of 25, 40 and 73.

Defensive pistol – Last shoot is Wednesday the 9th. This is a low light shoot and only open to shooters who have done a shoot in the past.

MUCC- District 5 meeting was held at RSC. There was DNR biologist here.

22 Reactive Target Competition – Next shoot November 5th. Please come out if you like to shoot 22lr from fun and challenging positions at steel targets.

Sunshine

- Thomas Stoecker passed. Memorial service was held at RSC last Friday.
- Rick A went in for heart catheterization and now is scheduled for open heart surgery.
- Tim Hall and his wife were in an accident and are recovering.

Building and Grounds— Thanks to those that have participated in club clean up days.

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

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

No Reports: Rimfire challenge, Food and Beverage, Apparel

New Business

Annual Office Election: Nominations for officers for next year are being accepted.

President – Ryan Cordes

Vice President – Gordon Pickerd, Scott Stanley

Secretary – Scott Stanley

Treasurer – Jim Hughes

Sergeant at Arms – Dan Vincent

Chaplin – Tim Hall

Membership Secretary – Kevin Kubiszewski

Trustees (3 positions, 2 year terms) – Dan Hankinson, Bill Skallos, Steve Mitchell

Leagues: All are suspended through November 15th to allow members to prepare for hunting.

Banquet: A success with 132 people and was profitable. We will have an early bird special next year.

Raffle: 50/50. \$34 to Terry King and Bob Nowak.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Stanley

Board Meeting Minutes

October 17th, 2019

Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Scott Stanley, Jim Thomson, Jim Hughes, George Mayhak, Kevin Kubiszewski, Ryan Cordes, Dan Vincent, Gordon Pickerd, Dan Hankinson, Steve Mitchell, Len Laitila, Andy Laitila

Karen Kronberg-Bunn

Needs a range to teach evening classes on the South range for CPL to keep her certification. This is required for her to be a co-leader for Well-Armed Woman. Proper insurance coverage was also discussed.

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

Presidents Report – Ryan Cordes

- Sight in days November 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th. This will be added to the sign. The banner will be put out by Ryan.
- Please add open to public for Skeet and Trap on the sign and web page.

Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

Presidents Report – Ryan Cordes

- Please pick up your brass. It was reported that some are instructing shooters to leave brass.
- Steve Gardner will no longer be able run the Rimfire challenge after the 2020 match. Looking for a new director for 2021. Steve will try to make recommendations.
- More Club documents should be kept in a fire safe. The question was raised if the current safe is functional.
- Ryan investigated joining the Rockford Chamber of Commerce. This would be \$100 year. Motion was made to join the chamber by Ryan C, seconded by Steve M. Motion carried.
- A request was made to run a swap meet to coincide with the Sight in Days. It was determined it is too late for this year but will consider next year.

Vice President's Report – Gordon Pickerd

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Bill Skalloos— September class is busy with 92 people signed up.

Jim Hughes

- Literature was received for insurance from Hobson Insurance. It was agreed current insurance adequate
- An invoice was received from Jarosch Heating and Cooling to install two thermostats. Approved for payment.
- We have an increase in the book value of assists for \$570. The banquet netted \$1,400.
- Budgets will be next month. It has been determined SCTP is part of RSC and cannot be completely separated.

Scott Stanley—22 RTC league is going well and the shoots have been enjoyable but looking for new shooters. Will consider taking some extra steps to get the word out.

Dan Vincent

- We need dates for all activities to get them on the schedule.
- Start looking at dates for rentals if needed. The calendar is filling up.
- Last weekend a renter's checklist was developed. Renters must complete and sign prior to return of deposit.
- Sight in days for 2020 have been scheduled.
- Modernistic was contacted about carpet cleaning and can clean for \$350 and scotch guard treatment for \$99. Dry time is 6 hours. Motion was made by Len L to schedule. Seconded by Ryan C. Motion carried.
- Locks will be changed around the 15th of October. New keys will be available at the November meeting.
- A P-trap was installed by Dan V in the main sink in the clubhouse.

Kevin Kubiszewski

- Tony Gates has been a member for some time and has received waivers in the past for his broadcast of the Sportsman's Against Hunger food drive. It was agreed to credit him volunteer hours the same as last year.
 - New membership applications for: Sam & Kerri Southwick, Robbie Augustin
- A motion was made to accept these members by Kevin K, Seconded by Steve M. Motion carried.

Jim Thompson

- Indicted he was surprised by the number of people and traffic he has observed at the club lately and asked why with all this use we can't get nonprofit status.

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.

Steve Mitchell

- We are exceeding our investment return goal of 8% and are earning 10%.
 - A motion for up to \$400 to upgrade the kitchen to LED lights made by Steve, 2nd by Ryan C. Motion carried.
 - A motion authorizing up to \$2000 to replace the current refrigerator by Steve, 2nd by Kevin K. Motion carried.
 - A draft letter to applicants that submit an application without a dues check was discussed and approved.
- Catastrophic failure on South range camera. Lorex warranty repair but needs the account info from Mike R.
- The issue of a Club credit card came up again as there are bills that can only be paid by credit card. Motion by Jim H to get 2 cards one for the Treasurer and Sergeant of Arms. Seconded by Dan H. Motion carried.

Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

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

Andy L— Proposed same snow removal contract as last year. Motion to approve by Len L, second by Kevin K. Motion carried.

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

The Rockford Sportsman's Club					Nov 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 10am - Trap & Skeet	28 5pm - Trap & Skeet	29	30	31 5pm - Trap & Skeet	1 9am - Cowboy	2 Public Sight In Days
3 Public Sight In Days 10am - Trap & Skeet	4 5pm - Trap & Skeet	5 7pm - Membership	6 NSSA	7 5pm - Trap & Skeet	8	9 Public Sight In Days
10 Public Sight In Days 10am - Trap & Skeet	11 5pm - Trap & Skeet	12 22 LR League	13	14 5pm - Trap & Skeet	15 Johnson reception	16 Scharenbroch/Johns
17 10am - Trap & Skeet	18 5pm - Trap & Skeet	19 7pm - RSC Board	20 Well Armed Woman	21 5pm - Trap & Skeet	22	23 CMP-Military rifle
24 10am - Trap & Skeet	25 5pm - Trap & Skeet	26 HSI 100/200 Yd	27 Cowboy black friday Ignasiak rental (28 Ken bell rental 5pm - Trap & Skeet	29 Black Friday shoot	30 Steve Washington

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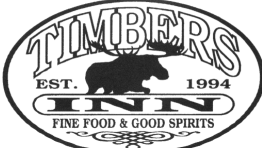
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