

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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Presidents Article

As the pandemic continues Rockford Sportsman's club tries to continue to keep up with the changing world. With the latest executive order, we will be forced to hold our August meeting outdoors again. Bring your chair and hope its not as hot as our July meeting.

As we use the facility please make sure to check the grounds as your leave. Please pick up your scrap targets and dispose of them properly. If the trash containers are full please take the extra few minutes to empty them. If you are the last one out, please make sure to lock the gate. There have been multiple times in the last month where the gate has been left open at the end of the night.

Don't forget to bring your Zucchini to the August meeting. George will be judging your entry based on length, circumference, and weight. We will be awarding a cash prize for first, second, and third place.

Michigan SCTP had canceled their season this year due to COVID-19 but that has not stopped the youth shooters from practicing and going to Nationals in Ohio. We have had a great group of youth shooters with us all summer preparing for the SCTP National Shoot at the Cardinal Center in Ohio. Gordon and Keven took a handful of shooters down there but we have not heard the results yet.

The Rockford SCTP Shooters and families have donated a set of new International Skeet machines to Rockford Sportsman's Club. The machines have been delivered and Dan Vincent has been working getting them installed on field 3. This donation makes RSC the only sportsman's club in west Michigan to have an International Skeet field. Thank you to all that have made this possible.

There are many opportunities for work hours in the next month. The Rockford NSSA Summertime Open will be August 8th and 9th and the Meijer State Games will be held August 23rd . We will need help pulling lines and scoring for both skeet and trap and the 22LR Event. If you would like to volunteer please reach out to Dan Vincent or George Mayhak.

We will be re-roofing the pavilion in the upcoming weeks for anyone interested in helping. This roof is over 30 years old and will be a two layer tear off. The more helpers we have the easier this will be. Please see Gordon Pickerd if interested in helping with this project.

Keep your distance and stay safe,

Ryan Cordes

Board Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2020

Call to order at 7:00 PM

Attendees: Bill Skallos, Kevin Kubiszewski , Jim Hughes, Steve Mitchell, Gordon Pickerd, John Cordes, Ryan Cordes, Dan Vincent, George Mayhak, Dan Hankinson, Jim Thomson, Tim Hall, Scott Stanley and Ron Dreyer.

- Invocation was given by Tim Hall.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- A member was recently observed covering up the cameras and was asked not to do so again. Please address this at any time you see someone tampering with the cameras. They exist for the protection of the club and should be treated with respect.
- A discussion occurred who will run defensive pistol next year as this is Glenn Vanorman's last year. A replacement is being sought but no individual is identified yet. It was mentioned that this year Glen is collecting money only and he might be asked to do this again next year.
- The Rimfire challenge needs a new chairperson next year as well. It is not known if a replacement has been identified.
- Ian Fitzgerald was in communication with Ryan about the final RSC delegates for MUCC. Ryan Cordes & Gordon Pickerd will fulfill the obligation for this year.
- The August membership meeting will likely be held outdoors.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

- The Rockford team performed well at Nationals. There were some college coaches recruiting at the event. Chris medaled in international skeet. Riley and Blake performed well also.
- Natasha Smith wanted to get some range time in and Gordon will host this.

Secretary's Report: Scott Stanley

- 22lr Reactive Target shooters did not have a scheduled shoot on 7/14 but a few members ran some informal stages. This was a free practice shoot run by Steve Lamonoco and no fees were collected.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- Five new membership applications were presented: Jeffrey Schwander, Crystal Newman and Frank Sebastian, Rob Wollnery, Jeremy Verwys, Mike Long Jr. There was a motion to approve these individuals for associate membership by Kevin Kubiszewski which was seconded by Steve Mitchell. Motion carried.
- Two members are seeking retired status. There was a discussion about the length of membership required to seek retired status. This will be researched by Kevin and he will re-introduce the request if appropriate.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

- Checking is at \$45,000.
- Income of \$56,600 for first six months of 2020. Expenses were \$31,000.
- SCTP is reconciled through June. As of June 30th, the SCTP bank account was at \$13,600. The program took in over \$25,000. SCTP has revenue in excess of expenses by \$10,500.
- The SCTP will put a committee in charge of reviewing the check book as a second check.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- There is a concern regarding the membership status of John Olinger. Steve Mitchell will research if there is a discrepancy in his invoice.
- A member asked for permission to put in a fire pit on the trap and skeet field at his own expense. Gordon suggested this might be best by the flagpole so it could be used by those shooting at the 100 yard line. It was mentioned that this might be nice during sight in days. Ryan mentioned we should be vigilant about ensuring this does not become a dumping ground. John Cordes suggested it might be beneficial to have a cover for the fire.
- NSAA is schedule August 8th and 9th .
- Please talk to anyone who is witnessed shooting before official hours. RSC wants to be a good neighbor and avoid complaints.
- Dan inquired if RSC should consider putting a cap on new memberships.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Sergeant of Arms Report Cont.

- Dan requested his name be taken off the list of people who can provide tours. He indicated most of the requests leave their number too quickly to be discernible. Ron D mentioned it might be desirable to have some form of screening for membership as it has been observed some members might not have vast knowledge of shooting safety.
- The new machines for SCTP arrived.

Tim Hall

- Tim spoke with Ian Fitzgerald and RSC is registered to vote for MUCC. RSC votes will be counted and there is no issue regarding when the MUCC dues are paid in the calendar year.

Steve Mitchell

- Steve re-drafted the range rental agreement amending condition C placing the responsibility for finding a range officer on to the rental party. It also indicates that there must be one RO per five shooters. Steve made a motion to accept the rules as amended. Seconded by Ryan Cordes. Motion carried.
- Steve indicated it might be advisable to update the club archery rules as there is no longer active archery at RSC. Kevin and Ryan mentioned they have observed archery at the 25/50-yard line and desired that to be allowed to continue. Steve suggested we amend the rules to indicate members can use the 25/50 range and you must bring your own target.
- Steve mentioned he will utilize the newsletter to notify of by-law changes.
- The air conditioning group met recently and discussed the modification of the clubhouse. The main elements of discussion are energy efficiency, air quality, and maintainability. The goal for 2020 is to have a design in place for the upgrade. George suggested this project occur as soon as possible and suggested the target be spring.
- Provided the report for RSC investment portfolio. The first quarter the investments lost %20 but gained back %18 in the second.
- The rule binders will be ready for the next month.
- Steve had to replace the camera and switch board on the action range. Steve indicated it might be desirable to replace this with a stationary camera. This was agreed to by the board.
- A project leader was identified for the pavilion re-roofing job. Don Groters believes he can do this for \$1,500 as opposed to the \$4,600 budgeted. Steve indicated this project would be completed with matching shingles. A motion to move forward by Gordon, seconded by Dan Hankinson. Motion carried.

John Cordes

- No Report

Len Laitila

- Not present

Dan Hankinson

- Brass sales and a receipt were provided to Jim Hughes.

Bill Skallos

- July hunter safety was cancelled. The DNR has an opening plan in place but Governor Whitmer has not approved it yet. The September 21st 23rd and 26th class is still being considered for RSC.
- There has only been one request for a refund.
- The DNR is allowing licenses without a field day this fall only.
- Bill wondered if the well-armed woman might offer a beginner class to RSC members.

George Mayhak

- A renter for October wants to cancel and is requesting their money back. It was decided that the deposit will be returned if this weekend can be booked. If the weekend is not booked the deposit will be kept.

Meeting adjourned 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Stanley

Membership Meeting Minutes

July 7th, 2020

Call to order at 7:14 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Kevin Kubiszewski

Motion to approve the minutes from March was made by Ryan Cordes and seconded by Kurt Becker.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- Thanks to everyone that came out to the club clean up day. A lot was accomplished but there is still work to be done. A future clean up date is in the works.
- The round Robin will be at RSC this month Thursday and or Sunday.

Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd

- Thanks to all that showed up the first week in June for cleanup. Will try for a date in August if it is not too hot.
- Please see any board member if you need hours. There are plenty of hours.
- SCTP – one shooter is leaving for Ohio tomorrow morning to compete. There will be nine shooters going to nationals this year which is the most Rockford has ever sent. Shooting starts Wednesday at 8am and will go through Friday. 3,000 shooters expected at the competition. The facility is 1000 acres so there will be plenty of room for social distancing.
- The parents of Rockford shooters donated the money to add two more machines to the skeet field which can throw international clay pigeons. These machines throw the birds approximately 20mph faster than a standard machine which gives our student shooters a leg up in training.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

- The Meijer games will be one day, August 23rd . All volunteers are welcome, and shooters are welcome as well. There will be 12 gauge and 20 gauge events.
- Turn in Zucchini entries at the September meeting.

Secretary's Report: Scott Stanley

- Please feel free to come out and try the 22lr RTC competition. There were 16 shooters at the last match and the group has been having a lot of fun.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- We had many new members voted in while the club was closed for COVID. There is a new process in place for voting when the club is closed.
- Four new membership applications were received by RSC:
 - Paul Young
 - Dustin Arnold
 - Christopher Bergeron
 - Daniel Newberger
- Motion to approve new members by Kevin Kubiszewski, seconded by Dan Vincent. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

- Fundraising from the firearms was \$28,000
- \$22,000 was collected in membership dues.
- Overall, \$56,000 was collected during the COVID shot down.
- Even with the shutdown income was in excess of projections by approximately \$3,000.
- RSC was \$9,000 under budget for the period.
- Algoma increased the taxable value the property to \$369,700.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- The money for the new trap machines was donated to RSC so the machines are owned by RSC and RSC will handle any and all maintenance. The machines have been ordered and should arrive in approximately a week.
- Please be aware of the time you are shooting. There have been a couple of recent complaints, but the cameras indicate shooting was completed by 9:30. If possible, please wrap up shooting a little early to allow for cleanup.

Committee Reports

Skeet and trap - No report

SCTP – No report

CMP – Final shoot of the season will be this Saturday. Make up lines will be run Monday and Tuesday.

Rimfire Bench Rest – No report

Well-armed woman – No report

Hunter Safety- The July class will be cancelled. The DNR does not expect approval from the Governor's office to resume recreational classes by the end of July. The Hunter Safety Class for September 21st, 23rd and 26th is still occurring. Those who have completed the online hunter safety class will be able to purchase their license without a field day. Consider practicing extra safety this season.

Defensive pistol – No report

MUCC- No Report

22 Reactive Target Competition – Still shooting every Second and Fourth Tuesday of the month. New shooters are always welcome.

Rimfire challenge – No report

Sportsman's Against Hunger - No Report

Sunshine

- Patsy Green passed away last month.
- John Stotz mother passed away on the 3rd of July.
- Ryan Cordes' mom was admitted to the hospital recently.

Food and Beverage

- No report

Building and Grounds

- No report

Apparel

- No Report.

Marketing

- No Report

Safety Updates

- No report

New Business

- Be prepared for Main Street to be shut down in Cedar Springs next year.

Deer, Fish, and Turkey Contest				
1st Quarter		1st Place		2nd Place
Pike		George Mayhak	25-1/2"	
Crappie		Joe Schwark	9'	
Bluegill		George Mayhak	9-1/4"	George Mayhak 8-5/8"
Brown Trout		Tom Mroczkowski	14"	Tom Mroczkowski 12"
Steelhead		Tom Mroczkowski	19"	
2nd Quarter		1st Place		2nd Place
Pike		Don Boezwinkle	34"	
Crappie		Don Boezwinkle	11"	Don Boezwinkle 10-1/4"
Largemouth Bass		Don Boezwinkle	20"	George Mayhak 15-1/2"
Bluegill		George Mayhak	9-1/4"	Don Boezwinke 9"
Lake Trout		Tim Mccarthy	31"	Curt Becker 25-1/2"
Steelhead		Tom Mroczkowski	36"	Tom Mroczkowski 28"
2nd Quarter	1st Place		2nd Place	3rd Place
Turkey– Adult	Bob Gillesse	11"	Phil Harrison 10.5"	Tom Owman 10"
Turkey- Youth	Lindsey Taylor	9-3/4"		

Raffle: 50/50. \$25 to Tom Godlewski and Jim Thompson.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Stanley

RSC BYLAW AMENDMENT (Highlighted in BLUE)

In order for the Club to take advantage of the internet the state of Michigan requires that our Bylaw's be amended. For RSC this requires only and addition and results in no other changes.

Section 7.3 Board of Directors Meetings

1. A Regular Board of Directors Meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month. Any exceptions shall be announced at the prior Regular Meeting.
2. Meetings shall be open to all Members in good standing but only Board Members may vote in matters coming before the Board of Directors.
3. The Chairman of the Board may limit debate from non-Board Members in matters before the Board.
4. The December Board meeting shall be attended by both incoming and outgoing members.
5. Special Board of Directors meetings may be called by the President. The President must call a Special Meeting of the Board if requested in writing by any two (2) Board Members. The written request must state the purpose of the Special Board of Directors Meeting.
6. **Electronic board meetings and voting may be allowed on time sensitive or emergency matters when necessary. The electronic voting (E-Mail) process must follow the club 'Ballot Voting Procedure' in compliance with the Club Policies and Regulations documents.**

Calendar

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

For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

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Aug 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 10am - Trap & Skeet	27 5pm - Trap & Skeet	28 22 RTC Set up @ 5:	29 DPS 100/200 yd	30 5pm - Trap & Skeet	31 Grekowski wedding	1 Pam Grekowski
2 Paul Austin 10am - Trap & Skeet	3 5pm - Trap & Skeet	4 7pm - Membership	5 NSSA	6 5pm - Trap & Skeet	7 Amy Harrieson Steve Washington	8 Amy Harrison NSSA summer time
9 NSSA Summer time 10am - Trap & Skeet	10 5pm - Trap & Skeet	11 22 RTC Set up 5:30	12 DPS 100/200 yd	13 5pm - 22LR Bench 5pm - Trap & Skeet	14	15 CMP Match 9-3pm
16 Well Armed Woman 10am - Trap & Skeet	17 5pm - Trap & Skeet	18 7pm - RSC Board	19	20 5pm - Trap & Skeet	21	22 Fun Shoot 3 Gun
23 Meijers Games 10am - Trap & Skeet	24 5pm - Trap & Skeet	25 22 RTC Set up @ 5:	26	27 5pm - 22LR Bench 5pm - Trap & Skeet	28	29 DPS 100/200 yd Steve Washington
30 2020 Coin Show 9-4 Fall Skeet/Trap 10am - Trap & Skeet	31 Fall Skeet/Trap 5pm - Trap & Skeet	1 7pm - Membership	2 NSSA	3 Fall Skeet/Trap 5pm - Trap & Skeet	4	5 Steve Washingto

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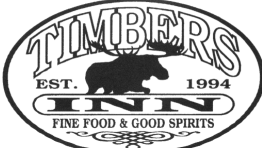
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