

# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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January 2021

## Presidents Article

As we ring in 2021 we can look back and say “what a year” 2020 brought us many challenges and new experiences we hope to never see again. We are all hoping 2021 brings us closer to normal and be able to resume life like we use to.

Unfortunately it looks like winter is here to stay at this point. We will need volunteers to help with snow removal the plow does not get. When you come to the club please take a few extra minutes and shovel some of the sidewalk or shooting areas. If the walks are ice covered throw some salt down. If we can keep up the walks clear its safer for everyone.

In addition to snow removal, Trash needs to be picked up regularly. If you see the range trash cans are full please empty them in the dumpster on the south side of the main building. Multiple times this fall the range cans have been full and trash is blowing around and into the woods. When your are done shooting please take care of your trash and empty the cans if they are full.

In an effort to return to normal we will be proceeding with a January membership meeting. This will be a socially distanced meeting, chairs will be 6 feet apart and masks will be required. The Building will be sanitized prior to the meeting and after the meeting as well. We will also be holding the 2021 trustee and officer elections at the January meeting. We have a lot of new candidates for this years election so please come out and vote for your 2021 leaders.

The January meeting marks the end of the 4th quarter deer, fish, turkey competition. Don't forget to bring your Antlers, Beards & Spurs, and fish pictures to the meeting for cash prizes. Winners will be announced at the meeting and checks will be sent out later in the week.

I would like to say thank you to our new membership team. As many of you already know we have revised our new membership application process to better screen and meet our new applicants to protect the club and its current members. Our new committee has put in a lot of extra hours to get this process up and running smoothly.

Lastly winter leagues are starting up shortly. As shooting sports are growing we are expecting a higher turn out this year than in years past. We welcome shooters of all skill levels to come out and compete with people of equal ability. We would love to see as many new faces as possible. Along with many new shooters we also need volunteers to help keep everything running smooth. We will happily train anyone looking to help out and get their work hours. We shoot Mondays and Thursdays from 5-8 and Sundays 10-1. Its nice to give each other breaks in the cold weather.

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year's Holiday

Ryan

**Board Meeting Minutes  
December 15, 2020  
Call to order at 7:00 PM**

Attendees: Steven Lomonaco, Ryan Cordes, Gordon Pickerd, Dan Vincent, Jim Hughes, Steve Mitchell, John Cordes, George Mayhak, Len Laitila

Invocation was given by Gordon Pickerd

**President's Report: Ryan Cordes**

- Final numbers from sight in days:
  - Shooters 241@\$5 per gun \$1205
  - Donations \$705.48
  - Gross income \$1910.48
  - Expenses \$317.48
  - Net Income \$1592.50

**Vice President's Report: Gordon Pickerd**

- Donation to the library \$500
- North Kent Connect \$2684 plus \$704
- Going to get pictures of presenting the checks into The Rockford Squire
- Need a design on the extension/expansion/remodel of the club house, with replacing the retaining wall behind the club house.
- Possibly pouring a concrete wall to replace the retaining wall.
- Looking at doing this project in phases
- Meeting December 22 nd for SCTP for the upcoming season, 6pm-7pm.
- \$79,000 in the SCTP account, with \$1,500 from Michigan along with money from the national program
- People not shooting in the right direction and not picking up brass

**Secretary's Report: Steven Lomonaco**

- Got a thank you card from Sandy Quist for a flower arrangement for recovering from surgery

**Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski**

- No report

**Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes**

- \$115,300 in income
- \$62,000 from shooting sports
- \$2684 to North Kent Connect plus \$705
- \$500 to the library

**Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**

- Winter league still many go on, Madison not doing a winter league, possibly looking for help with winter league
- Need to raise the fire pit for better air flow
- Rifle and pistol shooters need to learn how to empty the trash cans into the dumpster
- If you see snow on the ground please shovel and salt the sidewalks

## Board Meeting Minutes Continued

### Steve Mitchell

- New gates and poles for the new gate are in the pole barn
- 9 invites 8 only showed up for the last membership meeting
- Looking to have 3-4 invites per meeting, looking at possibly having more than one meeting per month

### John Cordes

- No Report

### Tim Hall

- No report

### George Mayhak

- No Report

### Hunter Safety

- No Report

### Dan H.

- No Report

### Len Laitila

- Shoot this Saturday (December 19, 2020)
- Planning NRA high power shoot to make up for 300yd and 600yd shots, looking at doing this on January 23, 2021

### Jim Thomson

- No Report

### Elections:

Jeremy Taylor is asking to be removed from running for the Board, and Secretary

**President:** Ryan Cordes

**Vice President:** Dan Hankinson

**Secretary:** Steven Lomonaco

**Treasure:** Jim Hughes

**Sergeant of Arms:** Dan Vincent

**Membership Secretary:** Kevin Kubiszewski

**Trustee:** John Cordes

Karen Kronberg

Scott Stanley

Jim Thomson

Len Laitila

Possibly going to be emailing the ballot to the 70 or so voting member  
Spouses will be able to vote as well.

Meeting adjourned 8:26pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Steven Lomonaco acting Secretary



### Unleash Your Potential

Ram Nitro Trap & Skeet is looking for 2021 sponsors to support our competitive shotgun team. We need sponsors to invest in youth outdoors education. Ram Nitro's home range is the Rockford Sportsman's Club. We participate in the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) administered by the Shooting Sports Foundation (SSF). Ram Nitro is a high school club sport. We need advertisers and sponsors for the 2021 shooting season. Team members learn competitive shooting skills, firearm safety, responsibility, discipline, teamwork, and other skills that can help them succeed in competitive shooting and beyond. Team members are also exposed to conservation principles, leadership training, and the history of shooting sports.

Funds raised through advertising & sponsorships are used to offset participation fees and lower financial barriers to participation. Our goal is to enable any youth that is interested in competing the opportunity to participate. Sponsorship funds are used entirely to reduce the cost of participation by offsetting the cost of targets, uniforms, targets, range equipment, and tournament registrations. All team coaches and helpers are volunteers – there are no paid positions associated within the Ram Nitro Shotgun Team.

### PLEASE SELECT YOUR 2021 SPONSORSHIP LEVEL

Each sponsor is recognized with a logo on the team shooting shirts, team banner and Facebook page. A Roosevelt level sponsor logo is larger than others and a Patron level sponsor logo is smaller.

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|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Roosevelt 12-Gauge Sponsorship:</u> | <u>\$1,500 and above</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Leopold 20-Gauge Sponsorship:</u>   | <u>\$800</u>             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Jefferson 28-Gauge Sponsorship:</u> | <u>\$500</u>             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Patron 410 Gauge Sponsorship</u>    | <u>\$300</u>             |

Contact: Mike Wolff or Judd Carroll to coordinate Sponsorship or Donations for the team.

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**Rockford Sportsman's Club is a 501c(3) non-profit organization and donations are tax deductible.**

**---THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND OUTDOOR  
EDUCATION---**

## **Nitro Team Success**

<u>Outcome</u>	<u>Team Size</u>
2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – High School JV Skeet (High School Concurrent) MI State Shoot	7
2018 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – High School Varsity Skeet (High School Concurrent) MI State Shoot	16
2019 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Sporting Clays (High School Concurrent) MI State Shoot	24
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Collegiate Skeet MI State Shoot	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – Intermediate Skeet	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Intermediate Entry Level Sporting Clays	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – High Overall Average for Skeet-Sporting Clays-Trap (High School Concurrent)	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place – JV Trap (High school concurrent) MI State Shoot	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – College Trap MI State Shoot	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place – Intermediate Entry Level Trap MI State Shoot	
2020 Season Interrupted (2 <sup>nd</sup> Place in i-skeet College Concurrent – SCTP Nationals)	32

## **RAM NITRO INDIVIDUAL AWARDS**

Chris Freeman	2018	All State Skeet Team - Captain
	2019	All State Sporting Clay Team (High School)
	2018	SCTP National Team – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place SCTP International Skeet Championship (Colorado Springs)
	2018	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place National – Olympic Bunker SCTP Nationals (Ohio)
	2019	USA Shooting National Shotgun Championship – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place – Juniors Skeet – Named to USA Shooting Development Squad (Colorado Springs)
	2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place i-skeet College Concurrent SCTP Nationals
Matthew Freeman	2018	All State Skeet Team – College
	2019	All State Sporting Clays Team – College
	2019	HOA for skeet/sporting clays/Trap in College concurrent
	2019	All State Trap Team – Collegiate level MI State Shoot
Josh Wittenbach	2019	All State Trap Team – Collegiate Level
Blake Carlson	2020	All State Trap Team
	2020	SSSF All Scholastic Team
Ryley Carroll	2020	All State Trap Team
Mykynna Manor	2019	3 <sup>rd</sup> State JV Trap

**Note:** The Nitro Team started competitive tournaments in 2017 with 7 team members. In 2020, the team had 32 competitive members.

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## Calendar

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

For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

The Rockford Sportsman's Club

Jan 2021 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 10am - Trap & Skeet	28 5pm - Trap & Skeet	29	30	31 1pm - Trap & Skeet	1	2
3 Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	4 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	5 Yes meeting tonight 7pm - Membership	6 NSSA	7 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	8 DHS 100/200 and	9
10 Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	11 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	12 22 RTC Set up 5:30 Membership	13	14 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	15	16
17 Well Armed Woman Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	18 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	19 7pm - RSC Board	20	21 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	22	23 CMP 10am 2 pm
24 Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	25 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	26	27	28 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	29	30
31 Karen Kronberg ( Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	1 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	2 7pm - Membership	3 NSSA	4 Winter League 4- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	5	6

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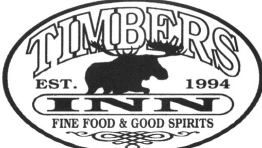
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