# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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#### **Presidents Article**

We're well into winter and have been very fortunate so far. Winter is finally come, and it looks like its here to stay. I hope everyone enjoys shoveling. Ice is finally becoming safe in our area so it's time to get back out fishing.

We are back to operating in our normal fashion. We are conduction business as always and all ranges are open. We will be having meeting as normally scheduled. Our February membership meeting is still on for Tuesday February 2nd at 7:00 PM. We will just be spread out and continue to practice social distancing.

There has been a lot of shooting at RSC over the month. Skeet and trap is seeing an exceptionally high volume of shooting as many other clubs are not hosting winter leagues this year. There is still plenty of time to come out and join the league for those that are interested. The rifle and pistol ranges are also seeing a lot of action as there are more new gun owners in the last six months than ever before. As we all know this has made ammo impossible to find. If you have been fortunate enough to find ammo and come out and shoot, please remember to pick up your brass or hulls. Our volunteers here are not a cleaning crew.

With the increased volume of shooting we have run into a problem with our actual shooters and the range fees. Over the last month the 25/50 and 100/200yd range has brought in \$262. The south pistol range brought in \$26. This is our most used range as people can drive into it and do not need to shovel. This range is used 7 days a week by multiple parties. If you're going to use the ranges don't forget to pay your range fees. \$2 for members; \$2/hour for guests. Remember, this is what pays the bills and helps us maintain our facility.

Many personal items have been left behind on the ranges lately. If you happen to find something another member has left behind, please drop it off in the shoot building with a note as to when and where you found it and Dan will do his best to return it to its owner. That being said, we have collected a large box of goods over the last couple months. If you are missing something, please reach out to Dan Vincent or stop by the February membership meeting and check out the lost and found.

Stay Safe and Have Fun,

Ryan Cordes

## Board Meeting Minutes January 19, 2021 Call to order at 7:00 PM

**Attendees**: Steven Lomonaco, Ryan Cordes, Dan Vincent, Jim Hughes, Steve Mitchell, John Cordes, George Mayhak, Bill Skallos, Tim Hall, Ron, Kevin Kubiszewski, Karen Kronberg, Len Laitila, Dan Hankinson

**Guests:** Gordon P., the endowment had a big boost this past year just short of \$90,000, Porterfield (Midway USA) family is matching what is put in the endowment. Having a new shooter meeting February 1, 2021, SCTP nationals will be held in Ohio. Hillsdale College will be hosting the national team. Chris ended up in 3rd place down in Florida. Looking to add a red light for international skeet.

#### Invocation was given by Tim Hall

#### President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- Been a quite month, almost back to normal
- Due to Covid concerns the club house is only open to membership and board meetings.

#### Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

- Dan H. will be working with Gordon to get an idea of what projects Gordon is working on
- Wife is doing better

#### Secretary's Report: Steven Lomonaco

• No Report

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

- Last membership meeting we had 9 members show up with 1 no show
- Getting positive feedback on the meetings

#### Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

- Really no change from the membership meeting
- Going to finalize the books before getting taxes done
- Waiting on numbers from the STPC

#### Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Got \$262 in range fees, funds not coming out of the south range
- On the upper ranges, cigarettes butts are laying all over the place especially on the 100/200 range and not cleaning up after themselves.
- Lost and found, we need to encourage members to turn in items that are left on the range with date, time and who found it on what range so the items can get back to the right owner. We do have some real honest people in this club.
- Skeet and trap is going better than expected, having a steady group trap house has been refilled within two weeks.
- We may have to purchase a new batter for the tractor. Will start when a charger is connected. Motion to possibly get a new battery was

#### **Steve Mitchell**

- Policy handbooks should be handed off to new members
- Website was updated with the results of the election
- Resigning from scholarship, investments and long term planning

#### **Board Meeting Minutes Continued**

#### **John Cordes**

No report

#### Tim Hall

No Report

#### Sportsman's Against Hunger

- 939 deer was processed almost 100 deer more
- 80 deer were donated to sportsmen against hunter
- State 91,000 pounds of meat were donated in 2020
- Red Flannel Rod & Drings Gun Club (Cedar Springs) 1015lbs of meat donated
- Sparta Sportsman's Club 1060lbs of meat donated
- Rockford sportsman's club 1105lbs of meat donated
- Goes to City Impact, Cedar Creek, North Kent connect, and directly to families
- Over \$700 was collected, and 6 big boxes of food was donated

#### **George Mayhak**

Is staying on as chairman of the board.

#### **Bill Skallos**

- Bill has been in touch with Lansing, with no word on when we can have classes.
- Keep the dates for hunter safety, hoping to have rules figured out soon
- Temporary hunter safety is good until the end of June
- 3 people signed up for the field day in April

#### Len Laitila

- CMP is having the fun shoot this Saturday
- NRA high power shoot

#### Jim Thomson

No Report

#### **Karan Kronberg**

• Well armed woman, not doing to bad getting good response with some advertising on Facebook

#### Meeting adjourned 7:53pm

Respectfully Submitted,

#### **Steven Lomonaco Secretary**

# Membership Meeting Minutes January 5th, 2021 Call to order at 7:18pm

#### Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

Motion to approve the minutes from November was made by Ryan Cordes and seconded by

**President's Report:** Ryan Cordes

- Think about where you are shooting, where your bullets are going.
- Trash is beginning to become an issue, clean up after yourselves
- Smoke and vap free building, as this is becoming an issue
- New door was replaced by Jeremy Taylor

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

- No Report
- Thank you for your yrs on the board

#### Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

• No Report

**Secretary's Report:** Steven Lomonaco Got a nice Christmas card from the Kent District Library Krause Branch (Rockford Branch)

### Membership Secretary's report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- 8 new members to be voted in are:
  - Andrew Hayes
  - Joshua Lewis
  - Robert Lewis
  - Thomas Luehrs
  - Mark Piersma
  - Damian Rutka
- Motion to approve new members was made by Kevin Kubiszewski and seconded by John G.

## Treasurer's Report: Jim Hughes

- Total Income \$117,922.84
- Total Expense \$104,762.58
- Net Ordinary Income \$13,160.26

#### Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Please shovel the snow before bringing your guns up to the range
- Please empty the trash cans when they are full

#### Membership Meeting Minutes Cont.

#### **Committee Reports**

- Skeet and Trap- NSSA starts tomorrow night, winter trap and skeet league has started.
- **SCTP** will be having a meeting with the new members in a few weeks, starting with practice in February. This is the 5th year for the program at RSC. Have had nice growth over the years with the kids.
- **CMP** runs monthly, just finished the last league, have a fun shoot coming up. Looking to try and make this as close to a NRA match. 4 position match with 50 rounds shot. It is a timed shoot.
- Rimfire Bench Rest- Back in the spring.
- **Well-armed women** like to equip and educate women about using a firearm. Latest class is about encountering
- **Hunter Safety** still waiting for word on when we can hold in person hunter ed classes. Instructors were email on December 17th, 2020 for instructor renewal of the cards. New renewal date will now be at the end of the year every 3 yrs.
- Defensive pistol- no report
- **MUCC** has not meet in person in over a year. Next meeting is coming with new suggestions on new rules.
- **22 Reactive Target Competition** Next shoot is planned for January 12th, 2021. Always looking for new shooters. RSC is now part of the PRS (Precision rifle series)
- **Rimfire challenge** annual challenge shooting at steel targets, designed for new shooters, with different classes, with a lot of door prizes, May 8th, 2021 for the next match.
- Sportman's Against Hunter- no report

#### Sunshine-

- Kim K, wife had open heart sugary.
- Dan H, wife had a stroke, making great progress, will be in for the next 4-6 weeks going through rehab. His brother is also in the hospital with Covid

Food and Beverage-no report

**Building and Grounds**- pick up trash

**Apparel**- no report

Marketing- newsletter will be coming out soon.

**Safety Updates**- just make sure of where you are shooting; please wait til all shooters are done shooting before going down range to put up targets, please use the racks for long guns.

#### Membership Meeting Minutes Cont.

## Deer/Fish/Turkey

John Cordes fish – pike, 1st place @ \$15 & perch, 1st place @ \$10

Bob Houtman buck – 1st place @ \$25 Don Boezwinkle buck – 2nd place @ \$15 Phil Harrison buck – 3rd place @ \$10

#### Old business-

**New business**- the gate is being left open, swing through the lots to make sure no one else is around and then close the gate, don't need unexpected visitors shooting. Just waiting til spring to put up the gate. Congratulations to all of those who were elected to the Board.

President	Vice President	Treasure	Secretary	
Ryan Cordes	Dan Hankinson	Jim Hughes	Steven Lomonaco	
Membership Secretary	Sergeant of Arms	Trustee 2 year Term	Trustee 2 year Term	
Kevin Kubiszewski	Dan Vincent	Len Latila	Karen Kronberg	
Trustee 2 year Term	Trustee 1 year Term			
John Cordes	Jim Thomson			

**50/50 Raffle-** Kevin K and Don B.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted Steven Lomonaco Secretary

# Calendar

Please check website for latest changes http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/ For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

The Rockford Sportsman's	Club				Feb 2021	(Eastern Time - New York)
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Karen Kronberg (	SCTP Meeting main	7pm - Membership	NSSA	Winter League 4-		
Winter League 10-	Winter League 4-			5pm - Trap & Skeet		
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet					
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Adam Peter	Winter League 4-	22 RTC Set up 5:30		Winter League 4-		
Winter League 10-	5pm - Trap & Skeet	Membership		5pm - Trap & Skeet		
10am - Trap & Skeet						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Winter League 10-	Winter League 4-	7pm - RSC Board		Winter League 4-		CPM 100/200 yard
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet			5pm - Trap & Skeet		NSSA Rockford 4x50
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Well Armed Woman	Winter League 4-			Winter League 4-		
Winter League 10- 10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet			5pm - Trap & Skeet		
28	1	2	3	4	5	6
SCTP practice 3-	Winter League 4-	7pm - Membership	NSSA	Winter League 4-	5	б
Winter League 10-		7 pin - Membership	HOOM	5pm - Trap & Skeet		
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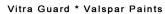


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