

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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January 18, 2022 RSC Board Meeting

Attendees: George Mayhak, John Cordes, Dan Vincent, Jim Thompson, Tim Hall, Ryan Cordes, Len Laitila, Dan Hankinson, Steve Lomonaco, Karen Kronberg, Jeremy Taylor

Guests: Gordon Pickard, Scott Vanderplow

Call to Order- 7:00

Invocation Lead by Tim Hall

Scott Vanderplow visiting for SCTP:

- Asked if we would be willing to offer up any more of a sponsorship for the team. Said that other clubs are offering monetary donations in the form of free lines to a certain dollar amount.
- Dan Vincent has suggested that the price we are offering the kids is already discounted given the cost of birds has risen by 20-30%.
- Discussion about why we were sponsoring the team, and what the return was for us as a club. Potential of new shooters staying with the club is very inviting. Helping kids & our community as well.
- Ryan Cordes stated that there is a lot of potential with the team, and made a motion that we donate \$500 worth of line fees. Karen Kronberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gordon Pickard visiting for SCTP:

- Gordon is asking if we can get the lighting updated on the international skeet field.
- Gordon says Midway USA is offering grants to help offset the money if we want to apply for the money. Says the lighting improvements would improve both the international & regular skeet.
- Ryan Cordes & Dan say that the LED lighting is already in the works. Said that we are getting a quote to replace all lighting on all of the fields so the timing is right for the grant.
- Also said that we went for a grant last year, but were turned down. Would be interested in applying again this year if we stood a chance to get some money. Looking for someone with past grant writing experience to help out with writing the application as we would stand a better chance of getting approved if it is done the proper way.
- Suggested that we put the cost of poles & all electrical work into the grant application.
- Dan Hankinson asked for the Grant Application so we can get it filled out & turned in.
- Gordon also suggested that he has done an investigation into the endowment to see what our return looks like. Says that from our original investment of \$2500 we have received over \$16,000 in returns.
- Said Pheasants Forever is sending a firearm for SCTP.

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Officer Reports:

Chairman of the Board: George Mayhak

Meeting called to order

President: Ryan Cordes

- Mentioned the addition of to-do list at the shoot building. If anyone has things needing attention
- Tom Roskowski asked about firearm donation for American Legion. RSC has respectfully declined.
- There is confusion on the calendar listing for new membership committee meeting & membership meeting and how it appears on a mobile phone.
- Need to open the particular day to see what it really says. Suggested changing the title to New Member meeting to alleviate the confusion.
- Asked if Tom Roskowski could still enter his deer, since he missed the membership meeting. The board respectfully declined saying checks had already been issued to the winners.

Vice Presidents: Dan Hankinson

- Asked who is in charge of Defensive pistol so they can look at the metal targets before we sell them.
- Gary Dredge does not intend on doing any CPL classes at RSC. Washington will not be offering them either. Suggested that the Armed Women of America could offer classes in the future.

Secretary: Jeremy Taylor

- No report

Membership Secretary: Kevin Kuibiszewski

- Not in attendance. Home sick
- George stated that Kevin suggested he needed some volunteers for the committee at the last membership meeting. George is asking if 2 different members of the board could help out every month so the same people don't have to always help out.

Treasurer: Jim Hughes

- Not in attendance. Home recovering.
- Dan asked Gordon Pickard for his year-end financials for SCTP.

Sergeant of Arms: Dan Vincent

- Asked if we could get a new Christmas tree. George said the tree was left behind by a rental, and we can get rid of it if it has become a hassle to maintain.

Trustee Reports:

Len Laitila

- CMP fun shoot was last weekend. Had 6 guys come out.
- Having the next one on the 12th of February. This one is the 3 gun event.

Karen Kronberg

- Said gun cleaning event for Armed Women Of America went well last week. Not a big turnout, but discussion was had about future classes, and it was suggested that they have more self-defense classes offered. Sai that the classes might be offered to the club as a whole
- New banners & cards arriving soon. Wondered if they could hang their banner up somewhere in the club.

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Steve Lomonaco

- Steve finished his ORV certificate and is looking to start launching ORV classes in 2023
- Is still looking for 1-2 more volunteers to get certified as ORV instructors.

Tim Hall

- Said we had 9 people present for the MUCC meeting. Several issues were brought up.
- Snowmobiles on CC ski trails.
- Hunter safety & the problems between the DNR and the instructors concerning the guidelines to keep their certifications.
- Hunter Safety instructors wondered if they are allowed to fail students. Steve Lomonaco clarified that they are. Would like the DNR to clarify to everyone what the policy is.
- Once you lose your certification, it is harder to get it back than it was to get it originally.
- Longest discussion was about the antler point restrictions & a small loud group is making all of the rules. All in attendance said that their hunting experience was greatly affected by it.
- On March 12th there will be a policy board meeting at Little Bear East Arena in St. Ignace Michigan, and wondered if anyone from the club would be interested in attending.
- June 24-26 is annual convention this year, and is being held in Lansing. Suggested that the club should sponsor 2 people to attend the meeting and Tim volunteered to go himself.
- MUCC would like to come back here for a meeting in February if we would offer the place up to them.

Jim Thompson

- No report.

John Cordes

- Said he sent out multiple emails about scholarships to local schools, and hasn't heard back from anyone.

Meeting Adjourned 8:16 PM

Submitted by Jeremy Taylor

January 5, 2022 RSC Membership Meeting

Call to Order- 7:15

Pledge of Allegiance

Conservation Pledge

Invocation Lead by Tim Hall

Presidents Report- Ryan Cordes

- Motion to approve minutes from last meeting, second by Phil Harris
- Winter is upon us. Please help out with shoveling/snow clearing duties if you can.
- To-Do List: Starting this weekend, there will be a to-do list in the shoot building of things needing attention around the club. Feel free to address any that you can.

Member Meeting Minutes Continued

Vice Presidents Report- Dan Hankinson

- Members have asked about selling targets in the cowboy action area. Need defensive pistol folks to let us know if they want anything before we sell them off.
- Clarified that we are only getting rid of novelty targets, but nothing that is used for hunter safety.

Chairman of the Board Report- George Mayhak

- No report at this time.

Secretary Report-Jeremy Taylor

- Received Thank You/ Christmas card from Kraus Memorial Library

Membership Secretary Report- Kevin Kuibiszewski

- (3) New Member Applications
Anthony Piela
Casey Nelson
Thomas Kingshott
- Keven Kuibiszewski made motion to accept applicants as New Members, Second by John Olinger. Motion Carried.
- Looking for more volunteers for the membership committee

Treasurer's Report- Jim Hughes

- Numbers are looking good
\$110,000 in checking & savings combined
All bills are paid up to date
Donation check written to Kraus Library for \$500.
Donation check sent to North Kent Connect for just under \$3000. Funds come from 50/50 & other sources.
Collection for Sportsman Against Hunger. Sent them a check for \$650.
- Question was asked about expectation of large capital expenses this year. Currently looking at HVAC system for the clubhouse building. Have engaged a consultant to assess the needs of the building, and give direction on how to upgrade the system.
- Dan Vincent has said that the HVAC study is complete, and they will be meeting soon to discuss the results
- Expecting some smaller projects that would fall under property maintenance.

Sergeant of Arms Report- Dan Vincent

- Thanks for helping out with the snow shoveling. Please be sure to clear the ramps & sidewalks completely if you do shovel.
- Winter league for trap & skeet started this past Sunday. Numbers are down for now, but hoping for more. You can sign up any time.

Committee Reports

Skeet/Trap/5 Stand/NSSA

- Winter league started Sunday. Come by any time to sign up.
- No NSSA this month.

Member Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports (continued)

SCTP

- Tim Degeest is the new Varsity coach for the Rockford Nitro
- Two meetings scheduled at RSC:
- First one is 1/25 @ 7:00 for perspective shooters.
- Second one is 2/16 for first team meeting. Practice to start 2 weeks later

CMP

- **This Saturday, January 8th, mid-winter prairie dog shoot.**
Starts at 10:00 AM & goes until the last shooter shoots.
Prairie dog targets to shoot. Range from 1 1/2" to 8". Some at 100, 200 yds.
Bring any rifle, any caliber, but no commercial rests, or rear bags.
Shoot 21 rounds in 10 minutes. 200 yds for centerfire, 22LR at 100 yds.
17 HMR NOT allowed. NO Bipods. NO Muzzle breaks.
\$5/relay to shoot.
- **CMP Fun shoot looking to do another 3 gun type shoot.**
Rifle: 25 rounds
Shotgun: Round of skeet (25 Rounds).
Pistols: 25 rounds. Shoot pistols at range. Any pistol that has been issued for service anywhere is allowed. Will also allow 22 rimfire.
\$10/competitor, \$30/team
CMP rules apply for rifles. Any sights allowed for pistols.

Rimfire Challenge

- Board has solicited all members to take the lead, and no one has stepped forward at this point.
- If this doesn't change soon, we will have to shut this event down.

Armed Woman of America

- Karen reminded us that Well Armed Woman is now Armed Woman of America.
- Meeting is the 3rd Sunday of the month.
- Topic this month is how to clean your gun.
- First visit is free. After that the membership dues are \$75/month

Hunters Safety

- .Steve Lomonaco gave update.
- Class Dates are listed below. See DNR website to sign up.
- April 25th, 27th, & 30th
- July 25th, 27th, 30th
- September 19th, 21st, 24th

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Defensive Pistol

- No report

Benchrest Rifle

- No report

MUCC

- Region 5 meeting will be at RSC on January 15th @ Noon. George is bringing refreshments. Anyone is welcome to attend. Will have biologist at the meeting to answer any questions.

22 Reactive Target League

- No report

Building and Grounds

- Wall in the clubhouse has been repaired after termite removal. Need someone to apply urethane to new T&G wood.
- New Entry Gate is in. Waiting on brackets to come back from powder coat before installing.

Marketing

- No report

Safety Update

- No report

Food and Beverage

- No report

Sportsman against Hunger

- Neighbor gave 30 pounds of meat for donation

Deer/ Fish/ Turkey

- Deer: 1st Place: Dan Hankinson, 2nd Place: Terry King, 3rd Place: Mike Degroot
- Fish: Jeremy Taylor - 26" Walleye

Sunshine

- Greg Glaskow's mother passed away. Keep him in your thoughts.

Old Business

- No Report

New Business

- If anyone has a locker in the shoot building that has a lock on it, you need to have your name on it. If not identified by the end of the month, the locks will be cut off.

50/50

- \$27 Two Ways—Phil Harrison, Don Yokum

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by Jeremy Taylor

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 2022 (Eastern Time - New York)

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20 Well Armed Woman Winter League 10am - Trap & Skeet	21 Winter League (430- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	22 22 RTC Set up @ 5:	23	24 Lion's Club (Chile Winter League (430- 5pm - Trap & Skeet	25	26
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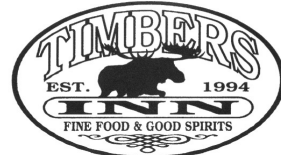
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