

# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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February 2023

## January 17, 2023 RSC Board Meeting

**Attendees:** George Mayhak, Jim Thomson, Ryan Cordes, Dan Hankinson, Steve Lomonaco, Karen Kronberg, Craig DeDamos, Tim Hall, Len Laitila, Kevin Kubiszewski, Mike DeGroot, BJ Blake, Bill Skalas

**Guests:** none

**Call to Order:** 7:00pm

**Invocation Lead by:** Tim Hall

### Officer Reports:

**Chairman of the Board:** George Mayhak

- Called meeting to order.

**President:** Ryan Cordes

- Ryan to distribute copies of the RSC handbook, to those board members who do not have one.
- 2023 Winter Trap/Skeet/5-Stand League is under way.
- 39 shooters (up from last year's 29 shooters)
- League Banquet will be on March 11<sup>th</sup> with a 9am Auction, 10am Calcutta shoot and 4pm dinner.
- Steak Dinner cost \$15.00/person.
- Brush pile was burnt to a crisp on Jan 14th! Any new burnable materials should be placed on existing burn pile site.
- Shooting house refurb is under way.
  - Painting is pretty much complete, with a few minor touch ups still needed and the bathroom updates are next inline.
- Cabinet order has been canceled, due to Williams going out of business. Ryan to requote for a review, at next board meeting.
- Going forward, Ryan is challenging each board members to come up with a task/project for this year.
- Like to see an increase in the rental use of the main building! Good money maker for the club!!
- Working on setting up common email signature for board members who need to have a club email address.
- Spring clean-up date set for April 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am. Good way to work hours in and to support the club.
- Big push for the year to get more people involved with needed projects.

**Vice Presidents:** Dan Hankinson

- Noted that Tom Mroczkowski confirmed that this year's Sport Show will be on March 9th. Event will include a Sportsman Against Hunger food collection drive. Looking for volunteers to assist in food collection at the show.
- Noted that Tom Mroczkowski had requested to attend Feb & Mar meetings to promote/sell Sport Show tickets; Motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> George Mayhak. Motion carried.

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**Secretary: Craig DeDamos** - No report.

### **Membership Secretary: Kevin Kubiszewski**

- Request to accept Jim Ruder's club related bills (web fees/charges) as 2023 membership payment. Motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Lomonaco. Motion carried.
- Approved 10 of 14 new signups in Jan'23. Next new membership will be on Feb 14<sup>th</sup> and is anticipating 6 new members.
- Kevin requested to use club Credit Card to cover misc club related printing purchases. Kevin to follow up w/Dan V. for Credit Card.

### **Treasurer: Len Laitila**

- Jan'23 Total income: \$3,024.50
- Jan'23 Costs (\$2,132.76)
- Jan'23 Net Income \$891.00
- Len to move \$40K into invested account.
- Request to approve a spend limit on the new shooting house cabinetry. Motion to approve a not to exceed spend limit of \$1,200, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kevin Kubiszewski. Motion carried.
- Long term planning committee is needed, in order to appropriately plan for any long-term project expenditures that will need to get on the books. (Two long terms projects noted: residing of the trap/skeet shooting houses, new main club house AC units)
- New AC project is still a go. Dan H to look into commercial quotations and submit.

**Sergeant of Arms: Dan Vincent** - No Update

### **Trustee Reports:**

#### **Mike DeGroot**

- Back in Nov'22, a recommendation was raised, to assign a Bill Plembeck memorial field recognition. Currently, Dan V. is working on brass plaque for Field #2.
- It was noted that some members have been shooting from their vehicle tailgate which is not permissible. Request to have Dan V. post new signage, to prevent this from happening.
- Front gate left open on Jan 10<sup>th</sup>, possibly by the trash hauler. Request to have Dan V. notify the "trash hauler" as a reminder about closing the gate when leaving the property.

#### **Karen Kronberg**

- Well Armed Women of America are planning to up the advertising to regain membership. Current 8 active, down 5 from last year.
- CPL classes coming up on March 25th & April 8th. Openings available for both dates. Cost: \$100 class+\$40 book.
- Sparta Gun Club is having a hand-gun class May 8<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30am and May 6<sup>th</sup> @ 11am.

#### **Steve Lomonaco**

- ORV class moving to March 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Request board approval to cover the cost to attend the annual convention. Steve will need a check to cover \$275 by next membership); Motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ryan Cordes. Motion carried.
- MUCC link will be included in next month's membership newsletter.
- Steve to include the names of the RSC members who have passed away at the MUCC convention.
- MUCC Convention raffle tickets will be available at the Feb'23 membership meeting. (Henry Big Boy 44mag rifle)

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### BJ Blake

- Started taking club activity pictures for the RSC social media site (Facebook) and club promotion.
- Looking into setting up an Instagram account, as another means for club promotion.

### Jim Thompson

- Investment Status: Sept down 8.06%; Oct up 5.1%; Nov up 4.36%; Dec down 5.23%.

### Bill Skallos

- DNR Hunter safety page updated, for the April class.
- Notification for July/Sept Hunters Safety Class will be posted in April, on the DNR web-site.
- Hunters Safety sign up needs to be done on the DNR web-site!
- Isaac Walton Archery League annual Winterfest event scheduled for Jan 28th. Plan to use RSC archery equipment for event. Ryan suggested to have RSC signage at this Winterfest event, for club promotion. Bill to support.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 PM

Submitted by: Craig DeDamos

## Membership Meeting Minutes

January 03, 2023

Call to order at 7:15pm

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

November Member meeting minutes approval were rejected due to some noted some errors in the total number processed from Barb's deer processing were pointed out. The minutes have been amended, posted online and ready to be approved.

### President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- Guest: Doug Brown, Ben Ship
- Nov Minutes: Second Dan Vincent. Motion carried.
- Dec Minutes: Second Kevin Kuibiszewski. Motion carried.
- 1,400 dozen cookies sent to U.S. troops over in Kuwait.
- Shoot building painted. NO THUMB TACKS!

### Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

- Winter league start Jan 8. (trap, skeet, 5-stand); assistance needed.
- AED Heart Kit on back order.

### Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

- Silent Auction sign-up in shooting room.

Secretary's Report: Craig DeDamos - Nothing to report at this time.

### Membership Secretary's report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- New Members (Jan'23): - No update.
- For January ~15 new member applicants scheduled to be processed.

## Member Meeting Minutes Continued

### **Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila**

- Month of December:
  - \$7632.55 of total revenue
  - \$4205.39 of total expenses
  - Net for December '22 of \$3427.16
- Motion to approve the (Dec'22) budget as presented. Second by Kevin K. Motion carried

### **Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent**

- NSSA starts next month (Feb'23).
- Please remember to pay your range fees if you are up here shooting. The fees are \$2/member & guests are \$2/hour. Fees are used to keep the ranges up.
- If you are bringing goods in to sell, please remember that 10% of what you sell is to go to the club. There has been a lot of selling activity, but next to nothing has been given to the club money-wise.
- If you are running events, please get them to Dan or George so they can get them on the calendar.

### **Committee Reports**

**NSSA** - scheduled to start in Feb'23.

**Skeet and Trap** - still shooting Sunday, Monday and Thursday always looking for help pulling lines. Winter league will start Jan 8th. Winter league will run for 9 weeks, and then the 10<sup>th</sup> week we will have a Calcutta & banquet.

**SCTP** - coaches mtg next month; parent mtg later in Feb; start shoot Mar'23.

**Rimfire Bench Rest** - nothing this month.

**CMP** - January & February will be a fun-style of shoot. More info on dates coming.

**Armed Women of America** - next mtg Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Hunter Safety** - Three classes scheduled: wk of April 24,26,29; July 24,2,29; Sept 11,13,16. If anyone asks, all sign-ups are directly through the DNR website. Application process to be a Certified Instructor will be outlined in Feb'23 newsletter. DNR background check is mandatory.

**Defensive pistol** - will be back in April'23.

**MUCC** - Annual convention Mar'23. Several resolutions being proposed, and if you would like to see them, please take a look at the MUCC website.

ORV class set for Mar 18 will be posted this week; County coordinator position (Kent County) on-hold.

**22 Reactive Target Competition** - Dec event canceled due to weather.

**Sunshine**- nothing this month

**Food and Beverage**- nothing this month.

**Sportsman's Against Hunger** - Barbs processed a total of 1,050 deer (109 deer donated to SAH @ ~4,990lbs venison donated). All processed deer are distributed via North Kent to various local kitchens, on request.

- 2,390 lbs Rockford
- 1,300 lbs Cedar Springs
- 1,300 lbs Sparta

**Building and Grounds** - member support as needed appreciated.

## **Member Meeting Minutes Continued**

**Apparel** - nothing this month.

**Marketing** - nothing this month.

**Safety Updates** - Jim Hughes update (resting under hospice care)

### **Deer/Fish/Turkey-**

1. Turkey: Don Boeswink
2. Deer: 1<sup>st</sup> Don Boeswink; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kevin Kuibiszewski; 3<sup>rd</sup> John Harrison.

### **Old business -**

### **New business**

- Donations for the family impacted by the fire in cedar springs still s will be taken next meeting as well if anyone is interested in helping out. Benefit set for Feb 14 at the Eagles in Sand Lake.

### **50/50 Raffle- \$48 two ways**

1. Kevin Murphy
2. Don Yokom

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, Secretary

## **NOTICE**

**SAVE the DATE**

**March 9th**

**SPORT SHOW FOOD DRIVE**

**Volunteers Needed ALL Day to collect Donations**

## **NOTICE**

**For Members that would like internet access while at the club use:**

**Network: RSC Guest**

**PW: RSC Guest**

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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

Feb 2023 (Eastern Time - New York)

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed       | Thu   | Fri                         | Sat             |
|---|--|--|-----------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 29<br>Winter League 10-1<br>10am - Trap & Skeet                     | 30<br>Winter League 5-8<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet open   | 31   | 1<br>NSSA | 2<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet Open                         | 3                           | 4               |
| 5<br>Winter League 10-1<br>10am - Trap & Skeet                      | 6<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet open  | 7<br>7:15pm - Membership                         | 8         | 9<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet Open                         | 10                          | 11              |
| 12<br>Winter League 10-1<br>10am - Trap & Skeet                     | 13<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 14<br>22 RTC Set up 5:30 start<br>New Membership | 15        | 16<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet Open                        | 17                          | 18<br>NSSA 4X50 |
| 19<br>Well Armed Woman<br>Winter League 10-1<br>10am - Trap & Skeet | 20<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 21<br>7pm - RSC Board Meeting                    | 22        | 23<br>Lions club (Rental)<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 24                          | 25              |
| 26<br>Winter League 10-1<br>10am - Trap & Skeet                     | 27<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 28<br>22 RTC Set up @ 5:30                       | 1<br>NSSA | 2<br>Winter League 5-8pm<br>5pm - Trap & Skeet Open                         | 3<br>Turkey Federation (10- | 4               |

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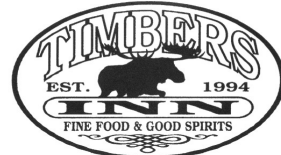
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