

Rockford Sportsman's Club



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May 2023

Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2023

Attendees: Ryan Cordes, Dan Hankinson, George Mayhak, Dan Vincent, Kevin Kubiszewski, Jim Thomson, Steve Lomonaco, BJ Blake, Karen Kronberg, Bill Skallos, Mike DeGroot, Craig DeDamos. Tim Hall, [Len Laitila](#)

Guest: Ron Dryer

Call to order 7:00 George Mayhak

Invocation by Tim Hall

Officer Reports:

Presidents Report: Ryan Cordes

- Main Building Update:
 - painting complete.
 - bathroom overhaul still in-progress
- Shooting Building Update:
 - cabinets/TV have been installed; counter-tops are next.
 - Bathroom overhaul pending.
- Spring Clean-up Workday held on 4/8.
 - Member turnout (approx. 35-40 members) was great. Facility looks great.
 - Suggestion to offer a shoot card to John Stokes for equipment support. Motion to provide a Shoot Card: Ryan Cordes. Second by Kevin Kubiszewski. Motion Carried.
- Samples of the Black Lights for the 5-Stand night shoot arrived and were set up for pretrial. Ryan to order the additional lights to cover the full field. (Cost for lightening was approved in prior board mtg) More details on having this ready, for this fall, to follow.
- Spring league started 4/16 and runs through 7/9. Fun Shoot/Banquet to be held on 7/9.
- No league or public open Trap/Skeet shoot on 4/23, due to NSAA event scheduled 4/22-23.
- Ryan noted that club "shooting" events are on decline. Need to encourage more participation and get the word out, in order to help keep the events going and to promote club activity.
- 22 Reactive Target event is officially on-hold. Looking for a new leader to run this event.
- Ryan noted low board member turnout for the CMP shoot that was held on 4/15. Need to push promotion and participation in all club shooting events. In an effort to better inform the board and improve relationships among different shooting disciplines, the board (together) will be visiting Club events as a group:
~~4/15 - CMP~~, 4/26-Hunters Safety, 5/17- Defensive Pistol, 6/8 - Bench Rifle, 8/10 - Skeet & Trap

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Presidents Report: Ryan Cordes (continued)

- Club “event” promotion - the feeling is that we need to consider sharing an “RSC event list” to other local clubs. Kevin to work up a “one-page/tri-fold” promotional list describing what the club has to offer.
- AED has arrived. Need to schedule training. Karen looking into dates.
- Spending:
 - Investigating a new “point of sale” option via accepting Credit Cards. Ryan looking into a CC source called “Square Point of Sale”. Approx use cost ~\$1200.
 - Skeet/Trap thrower (drive motor) failed and refurbished (again). Unit is back in action thanks to Dan Vincent.
 - Ryan/Dan V. investigating cost/availability, for new trap throwers.
- Suggestion to look into cost/availability for Sporting Clay (5-stand) covers. Need to protect these throwers. Estimated cost ~\$400-440/cover. Motion to order/purchase 6-7 covers (~\$3,000). 2nd Karen Kronberg. Motion carried.
- Board Round Table – suggestions on what future goals for the club:
 - More balanced membership demographic (increase membership)
 - Info sharing to other active members on how things mechanically operate.
 - Increase improvement for all shooting/sporting activities.
 - Upgrades to buildings (investment).
 - Improvements on marketing & promotion (club membership and events)
 - Upgrade and keep current the RSC website, Facebook page, etc...
 - For new memberships, provide RSC information on what the club has to offer
 - New membership - encourage involvement and education

Vice President Report: Dan Hankinson

Dan is working to verify and add the names of RSC members who have passed, for plaque update.

Sergeant At Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Looking into targets.
- Trap machine repaired. Back to two machines on-hand.
- Looking into quote for additional/new machines.
- Working to complete Shooting Building improvements.

Chairman of the Board Report: George Mahak

- Meijer Games to add Trap/Skeet events to be held on 6/24 @10am RSC. For Sign up, refer to the website @ www.stategamesofmichigan.com.

Secretary Report: Craig DeDamos

Nothing new to report

Membership Secretary: Kevin Kubiszewski

Four new applicants interviewed in April.

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Treasurer Report: Len Laitila

Saladin Shriners Sportsman Raffle (5/6). Need to post in shooting building.

Aardvark Pest Mgt seasonal renewal (\$346) due. Payment approved.

Apr Income \$6,999.50

Apr Expenses \$2,679.00

Apr Net Income \$4,320.00

Trustee Reports

Mike Degroot

- Curtain rails hung. Door frames complete.
- Request to replace '3-D deer' for archery. Bill S. has three replacements. Mike to dispose of old targets.

Karen Kronberg

- Total of nine ladies currently involved and active.
- Armed Women of America meeting is 5/21 with a focus on shooting.

Jim Thomson: Nothing new to report

Bill Skallos

- Hunters Safety April session is full. Will not open other classes till after the April class to prevent people from dropping last minute.
- Sign up for all Hunters Safety classes must be done via the DNR Website.
- Bill has reserved the RSC Main Building on 5/13 from 1-5pm, to celebrate Bill's retirement. All welcome to stop by.

Steve Lomonaco

- Steve planning to attend the 6/2-3 MUCC Policy meeting up in the U.P.
- Both Steve & Tim are now active members of the MUCC policy board.
- ORV Safety, expecting 4 more to sign up before class.

BJ Blake

- Nothing new to report.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:22pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, Secretary

Membership Meeting Minutes

April 04, 2023

Call to order at 7:15pm

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

Guest: none

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- Motion to Approve Feb'23 Minutes. Second by: Kevin Kubiszewski. Motion carried.
- .Main Building Updates:
 - Main Building: big thanks to John Cordes, Ryan Cordes, BJ and their wives, for all the extra-effort with the cleaning and updates.
- Shoot Building Updates: cabinets and TV are up. More updates in-progress.
- Club Maintenance Projects: lots of opportunities! Look around!! See board member/trustee for list of ideas.
- Club 2023 Spring Clean-up Day set for 4/8 with a 9am start. Great opportunity to get your membership hours and to support the club! A list of work activities is posted in Shooting Building.

Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

- Spring Trap/Skeet/5-Stand League starts on 4/16-6/29, with a fun shoot & Banquet on 7/9. Sign-up sheet available in Shooting Building.
- NSSA shoot scheduled for 4/5 and 4/22-23. Puller help needed.
- Skeet/Trap Intro Class will be held on 5/13 @ 10am; Targets provided; Ammo \$5/bx, 12/20ga available for the days use.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

- Fish & Turkey contest in July 1st.
- Zucchini contest will be scored at Sept membership meeting.

Secretary's Report: Craig DeDamos

- Club Apparel (Hats) on-order. Availability and Price will be posted at May Membership Meeting.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- New Member Applicants for Apr'23:
 - Introductions: David Ahrens, Greg O'Brian, Malen Fredrickson. Jim Kozlowski, Chris Watkins.
 - Motion to approve Applicants for membership. Second by Steve Lomonaco. Motion Approved.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

- Motion to approve Jim Kovach as a retired member. Motion approved

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila, Absent

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent, Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NSSA- NSSA shoot scheduled for 4/5 and 4/22-23. Puller help needed.

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Skeet and Trap-

- Spring League planned for 4/16-6/29, with a fun shoot & banquet on 7/9. Stop by Shooting Building for sign-up.
- Skeet/Trap Intro Class will be held on 5/13 @ 9am; Targets provided; Ammo \$5/bx 12/20ga available for day.

SCTP-

- 42 student shooters representing RHS.
- First team shoot on 5/13 first shoot vs. St. Joe County.

CMP- next shoot will be on 4/15 from 10am-2pm. (100 & 200yrd targets); 22 Shoot still in the works.

Rimfire Bench Rest- no update.

Armed Women of America- next class slated for 4/16 (safety rules). Classes offered every third Sunday of the month.

Hunter Safety-

-Class schedule:

- April 24,26,29 (Class FULL).
- July 24,26,29; Sept 11,13,16. (sign up will be posted on the DNR website after May 1)

-Interested in volunteering, all must sign up through the DNR website. Instructors must be certified, however, non-instructors do not. DNR background check is mandatory.

Defensive pistol- See RSC calendar for further detail.

MUCC-

-Annual convention results, as held and attended by Steve & Tim, back on March 24-26. For additional MUCC news, please refer to the MUCC website. (www.mucc.org)

-Tim Hall and Steven Lomonaco were elected to the MUCC policy board. Congratulations, Tim & Steve!

-Next year's MUCC Convention to be held on March'24, Sault St Marie, Mich.

ORV-

-Class was completed on 3/18, with 4 completing successfully.

-Steve is planning to work closely with the DNR ORV program, in order to get more interest in the class.

22 Reactive Target Competition- for more details, refer to the RSC calendar.

Sunshine- no update.

Food and Beverage- nothing to report.

Sportsman's Against Hunger

-Successful food drive 2023 Sports Show! Somewhat disappointing on RSC volunteer support. Encourage more representation, with future events. Thanks to all that assisted in making the drive a success...

Building and Grounds- Main Building received a good clean-over. Let's be responsible and clean up after use.

Apparel- new club hats coming soon. Craig DeDamos coordinating.

Marketing- nothing new to report.

Safety Updates- AED has arrived!!! Event leaders will need to go through proper "training". Details on training to follow.

Old business-

-32" Steelhead winner Tom Mroczkowski (Rogue River 11.9#).

-Retirement member qualification - Jim Kovach. Second by John Mollinger. Motion approved and carried.

New business- nothing new to report.

50/50 Raffle- \$31 two ways Winners: John Stokes, Gordon Pickerd

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, Secretary

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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

May 2023 (Eastern Time - New York)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|---|
| 30 Spring league 2023 10am - Trap & Skeet | 1 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 2 7:15pm - Membership | 3 NSSA | 4 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 5 | 6 Def Pistol 9-3pm |
| 7 Spring league 2023 10am - Trap & Skeet | 8 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 9 22 RTC Set up 5:30 start New Membership | 10 | 11 Bench Rifle spring league Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 12 | 13 Skallos rental Skeet and Trap 101 10-3 |
| 14 10am - NO Trap & Skeet | 15 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 16 7pm - RSC Board Meeting | 17 Def Pistol 4-9pm Round Robin @ Madison | 18 Ryan Weston graduation Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 19 | 20 CMP 9-3pm |
| 21 Round Robin @ Madison Spring league 2023 Well Armed Woman 10am - Trap & Skeet | 22 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet open | 23 22 RTC Set up @ 5:30 | 24 | 25 Bench rifle league spring Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 26 Steve Mitchell rental 10- | 27 |
| 28 10am - Trap & Skeet | 29 5pm - NO Trap & Skeet | 30 | 31 | 1 Spring league 2023 5pm - Trap & Skeet Open | 2 | 3 Def Pistol 9-3pm Dyer graduation party |

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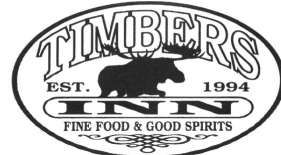
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