Rockford Sportsman's Club



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March 2024

Rockford Sportsman Club Board Meeting

Feb 20, 2024

Attendees: Dan Hankinson, Craig DeDamos, Dan Vincent, Mike DeGroot, Jim Thomson, BJ Blake, John Cordes, Karen Kronberg, Kevin Kubiszewski

Guest: Steve Lomonaco, Ron Dreyer

Call to order 7:00 pm

Invocation given by Kevin Kubiszewski

Guest Input: NONE

OFFICERS REPORT

Presidents Report-Ryan Cordes - ABSENT

Vice Presidents Report- Dan Hankinson

- A Rental Committee will be getting put together next month.
- RSC Board 2024 Work Project ideas are due.
- Sport Show Mar 7.
- Spring Cleaning April 13.
- 2024 Proposed Project: rebuild 50yr pistol target stands

Board Chairman- George Mayhak - ABSENT

Secretary Report- Craig DeDamos

- Working on club apparel and misc. items for club sale. Samples will be available for Board consideration at the March membership meeting.
- 2024 Proposed Project: replace Field 1 shooting racks/posts.

Treasurer Report- Len Laitila

February 1-20, 2024 Monthly Report

 Income
 \$ 4,585.00

 Expenses
 \$ (3,190.00)

 Net
 \$ 1,395.48

Sergeant at Arms Report - Dan Vincent

- Proposing to add a shooting rule notification that defines the club shooting times. Second by Kevin Kubiszewski. Motion approved.
- NSSA & Round Robin Shoots: Proposal to start the events @9am (was 10am). Second by Karen Kronberg. Motion Approved.
- **2024 Project Proposal**: Skeet shooting house restoration.

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Membership Report- Kevin Kubiszewski

- In February, four new members interviewed.
- 2024 Proposed Project: investigate the repainting of parking lot lines.

TRUSTEE REPORT

BJ Blake-

• **2024 Project Proposal**: (1) replace landscape around field 2 walkway.

Karen Kronberg-

2024 Project Proposal: repaint all of the Trap/Skeet field pads.

Mike DeGroot-

• 2024 Project Proposal: (1) build and install a fire wood rack; (2) Re-due fire pit ring (see Dan H for fire pit ring replacement).

Tim Hall (Steve Lomonaco substituting)-

- ORV Mar 17. Sign up on DNR website.
- 2024 Project Proposal: TBD

Jim Thomson- Nothing new to report.

• 2024 Proposed Project: assist Craig with Field 1 gun rack replacement & rebuild.

John Cordes-

- "Fish/Turkey/Deer/Zucchini Contest Rules change". Motion to accept Rule Changes as per outlined by John Cordes. Second by Jim Thomson. Motion approved.
- RSC Bob Bond Scholarship proposal to rename the scholarship to "Rockford Sportsman Club Scholarship" (remove "Bob Bond"). Second by Jim Thomson. Motion approved.
- Motion to include scholarship name change on the website. Second by Kevin Kubiszewski. Motion Approved.
- 2024 Proposed Project: (1) get water tested'; (2) repaint the closet in main building.

Jon Stotz - ABSENT

2024 Project Proposal: TBD

Old Business - No Old Business.

New Business

- Facility camera upgrades complete.
- Looking into upgrading the entrance camera (~\$400). Dan to investigate and advise at next board meeting.

Meeting Adjourn 8:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, RSC Secretary

Membership Meeting Minutes

Feb 6, 2024

Call to order at 7:15pm

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Kevin Kubiszewski

Guest: none

Motion to Approve January 2024 Membership Meeting Minutes. Second by Dan Vincent. Motion approved.

BOARD REPORT

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- 2024 Spring Clean-up will be on Saturday, Apr 13. Great opportunity to get hours and help beautify the club!
- 2024 Board Member Annual Project List will be finalized at February Board meeting. If you have a project in mind, tell a board member to have it added to the list.
- Winter is still upon us, so please help out with shoveling. Very little shoveling help in January. Use the facilities, help out.
- Rental Committee (Ryan) planning to set up a mtg next week. See Ryan if interested in being involved with this committee.

Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

Dan indicated that his board project for 2024 is to rebuild 25 & 50 yd shooting range.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

Auction table to be expanded. Reminder, if you bring in something for sale, 10% goes toward club max \$25.

Secretary's Report: Craig DeDamos

Working on some new club summer/fall apparel.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- For Jan'24 new members: Ken Kilmer, William 'Bill' Ferguson, Eric Toth, Nathan 'Nate' Wood, Benjamin O'Brian Motion to accept the new membership. Second by George Mayhak. Motion approved. Welcome New Members!
- New Gate Code changing in Apr'24. More details next month.
- Reminder New/Old members start carrying your membership cards while at RSC. If approached to show your card, please do so.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

Month of JAN'23:

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Reminder that the front GATE REMAINS OPEN while in the facility. This is for safety reasons.
- Reminder to all members to close the front gate when departing the facility.
- Rental Building reminder to put all tables & chairs back onto their racks after your event. Nothing to be left on floor.
- Removal of all food items that are brought into the Rental Building. Includes refrigerated food items.
- Reminder No clay target shooting allowed on all rifle/pistol ranges!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NSSA- Dan Vincent

• RSC named NSAA Club of the Year! Over 22,000 targets were thrown last year. 2024 Rockford 50 starts Mar 6.

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)

Skeet/Trap- Ryan Cordes

- Thursday/Sundays are the club's big shooting nights. Encourage all to come out and participate.
- Saturday nights are "neon light" shooting night. Starts at dusk. Come on out and enjoy a fun night of shooting.
- Winter (handicap) League is under way with 51 shooters. Sign-up in shooting building. All shooters must have 4-lines completed by 2/15. End of league events planned: Calcutta Mar 7 & Banquet Mar 9.
- Round Robin meeting next week. Ryan representing. RSC to be host club for end of league shoot and banquet.

CMP-

- Spring/Summer league to start on Mar 16. League will run for five months (military firearms). Interested come join the team.
- Dry-fire training by ex-Marine competitive sharp shooter. Date/time to be announced. Check club calendar for more details.

Armed Women of America- Karen Kronberg

Next meeting to be held on February 18th 6-8p up in the Shoot Building. First visit is free. Annual due is \$75.

Hunter Safety- Bill Skallos

- 2024 HS Class scheduled for April 22,24,27. Saturday Apr 27 will be a field day to include on-line class members. Class sign up in the DNR website. July, September. No official minimum age.
- July & Sept classes are not on web-site at this time.
- Sign up on DNR website (Hunter Education/RSC). Volunteers welcome but will require DNR background check and certification. See Bill Skallos for further instruction on sign-up.

ORV- Steve Lomonaco

• ORV Safety Class Holland Fish & Game Club. Mar 17, 9-3p. Anyone over 16 must have an ORV Cert in Michigan. Check Club website for more information.

Defensive Pistol-

Spring league to start Apr 15. Check calendar for more details. Need range officers.

MUCC- Steve Lomonaco, Tim Hall

- Steve Lomonaco will be representing RSC at the MUCC Convention/Policy meeting in Mar'24.
- MUCC Camp will be doing week long camps in 2024. See Steve Lomonaco if you are interested in being a volunteer.
- For additional MUCC news, please refer to the MUCC website. (www.mucc.org)

Sunshine-

- Gordon's wife had surgery. Home doing better. Feel free to send card.
- BJ Blake G-mother passed away recently.

Sportsman's Against Hunger- Tom Mroczkowski

- 2023 final still processing numbers.
- 2024 Ultimate Sports Show / Sportsman Against Hunger, Mar 7, 8am-8pm. Looking for volunteers to help out with the Sportsman Against Hunger booth. Please contact Tom Mroczkowski (616-560-4052)

Building and Grounds-

Please assist with shoveling, if up at the club.

Marketing- nothing new to report.

Safety Updates- nothing new to report.

Deer, Fish, Turkey-

- Save fish pics for Spring member meeting.
- Planning to do a "participation award", for all non-winners. More details to follow on 2024 contest changes.

Old business-

Nothing new to report.

Reactive 22 (22 rim fire only)

• Restarting event in February. Shooting every fourth Tuesday of the month. (25 & 200 yd)

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

New business-

- Steve Lomonaco to cover Feb New Membership for Kevin.
- 2024 RSC Board & Trustees (elected): CONGRATUALTION TO THE 2024 RSC BOARD!
- President: Ryan Cordes, Vice President: Dan Hankinson, Secretary: Craig DeDamos, Treasurer: Len Laitila, Chairperson: George Mayhak
- Trustees: Jim Thomson, John Cordes, Jon Stotz, Karen Kronberg, BJ Blake,

50/50 Raffle- \$ 168 total take \$42 split two-ways: Kevin Murphy, Denis Bennett

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm Respectfully submitted, Craig DeDamos, RSC Secretary

NOTICE

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ROCKFORD SPORTSMANS CLUB.

RETIRED, FULL and ASSOCIATES

SHOOTING HOURS ARE! 10:00AM – 9:15PM

Unless it is board approved, those that shoot before or after these hours will be **DISMISSED** from the club.

We as a Board are tired of fielding phone calls from our neighbors about this issue.

LET THIS BE YOUR LAST WARNING.....

Rockford Sportsman's Club Board of Directors

RSC Fish, Deer and Turkey contest as of 01/01/2024

The deer will be scored based on total number of points (1 inch or larger) and total outside spread (inches). All entries must be harvested in Michigan. A cash prize will be awarded for the top 3 winners (\$25 1st place, \$15 2nd, and \$10 3rd). Only one entry per person. Winners will be determined at the January membership meeting. All non winning entries will be entered into the grand prize drawing at the February membership meeting.

The turkey will be scored based on total length of the beard, and spur length. All entries must be harvested in Michigan. A cash prize will be awarded for the top 3 winners (\$25 1st place, \$15 2nd, and \$10 third). Only one entry per person. Winners will be determined at the January membership meeting. All non winning entries will be entered into the grand prize drawing at the February membership meeting.

Fish contest will consist of the following 17 categories

Pike	Musky	Walleye	Largemouth Bass	
Smallmouth Bass	Chinook salmon	Coho salmon	Steelhead	
Brown trout	Brook trout	Lake trout	Perch	
Crappie	Panfish(bluegill, sunfish, rock bass)		Catfish	
Bullhead	Roughfish(carp, sucker			

The fish contest will be for each quarter of the year, entries will be judged at the January, April, July, and October membership meetings. The longest fish in each category will be awarded \$10. All fish must be caught in Michigan. Photos of the fish must be along side a ruler to determine actual length(1/4 inch increments). Include fisherman's name, type of fish, length, and date caught on photo. Only 1 entry per person for each category per quarter. All non winning entries will be entered into the grand prize drawing at the February membership meeting.

Calendar

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

The Rockford Sportsman's Cl	ub				Mar 2	024 (Eastern Time - New Yor
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
Winter League 10:00-2:	Winter League 5:00pm-8:	22 RTC 4-9pm		Winter League 5:00pm-9:	WTF 9am-12pm (paid)	Neon Night 5:00PM-9:
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open			5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Winter League 10:00-2:	Winter League 5:00pm-8:	Club Meeting @7:15pm	NSSA	Winter League 5:00pm-9:	DHS North pistol and rifle	Winter League Banquet 9:
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open			5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open	New Membership		5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		CMP 100/200 yard range
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Well Armed Woman	Ram Hockey (pd)	7pm - RSC Board Meeting		Kent Conservation		
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open			5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open	22 RTC 4-9pm	DHS North pistol and rifle	5pm - Trap & Skeet Open	DHS North pistol and rifle	
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
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						Karon Kronburg rental

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