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MEETING!

Next meeting is Tuesday, October 27, 7:00 PM at the DSC Clubhouse

You can get the newsletter by email!

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Delano Sportsmen's Club
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2027 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues for 2027 are due at the end of the year and can be paid now. If you have volunteered 10 hours or more in 2026, your dues will be $50. If you volunteered 5 hours in 2026, your dues will be $150. If you did not volunteer, your dues will be $250. Please make sure you've logged volunteer hours with Volunteer Coordinator Taylor Bryant.

FALL CLEAN UP THANK YOU!

THANK YOU to all volunteers who showed up for the October Fall clean-up day. We had a good clean-up day and accomplished a lot!

MID-TERM ELECTION TIME

Mid-Term general elections are taking place on Tuesday, November 3. While the Club does not endorse any specific candidates or party affiliation, the Club does encourage all it's members to perform their Civic responsibility and get out to VOTE!

Register to vote:
https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote/

Find your local polling place:
https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/

Election calendar
https://www.sos.state.mn.us/election-administration-campaigns/elections-calendar/



Club Officers:

- President Mike Larison 763-645-4884 larrylarison@hotmail.com
- Secretary Shayne Peterson 612-432-2269
- Treasurer Dan Kittok 218-820-1155
- 1st Vice President Ann Finelli dscwomenmn@gmail.com
- 2nd Vice President Cal Brandt 612-597-5112
- 3rd Vice President Gene Hanson 612-518-3134
- Membership Joe & Jan Kittok 763-248-5382 deaconjoe@frontiernet.net
- Rental/Reservations Brad Spencer 612-616-7548 b.spencer@lakesarah.com
- **NEW Volunteer Coordinator Taylor Bryant 612-590-6082 Taylor@minneapolislakes.net**
- Executive Board Larry Lindborg 763-567-8347
- Executive Board Jake Kittok 612-282-7975
- Public Relations Tom Delaney 612-408-8944

Range Information:

- Trap Shooting Dan Thienes 763-567-8446
- Firearm Training Garret Sarkinen 612-716-4614
- Black Powder Joe Bergeron 763-898-6483
- Archery League Shawn Lynch 763-972-3112
- Portable Targets Tom Delaney 612-408-8944
- Women's Shooters Ann Finelli dscwomenmn@gmail.com

Questions about firearm legislation, federal or state? You can get more information from Dan MacDonald at 952-454-3440 or by email at yellowdogrescue@gmail.com, or Dave Smith at 763-557-6970 or email at ddsnhs@outlook.com.

CLUB RAFFLE

Members only winter raffle tickets are available. Drawing will be held at January's meeting. This year's first prize is $600 cash. Second place is for $300 and third is $100. Tickets for the raffle are $10 each and you can purchase as many as you would like.

If you have any questions, please call Jan Kittok at 763-248-5382 or come to a meeting!

Standing Committees:

- Executive Board: This is a closed committee consisting of current officers and directors. It makes decisions on matters related to the club and presents recommendations to the membership. Director: Club President
- Buildings & Grounds: This is a working committee that meets to discuss issues and projects related to Club Buildings and Property. Director: Gene Hanson

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the club! We hope you enjoy many days, months and years of safe and fun shooting!

Ryan Harnett, Ted Rolson, Trevor Hamann, Erik Geske, Ryan Boudreau, Gokhan Andi

WE'RE ON FACEBOOK!

If you're on social media, you can find us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/DelanoSportsmensClub/
If you want something posted, contact Tom Delaney at mmraclubs@msn.com

VOLUNTEER CREDIT – WHAT COUNTS?

Members who volunteer to support the club receive reduced dues of $50 or $150 for the next year. So, what counts?

Volunteer Hours: 10 hours of time will give you credit to reduce your dues to $50, 5 hours will give you credit to reduce to $150. Volunteer hours can be obtained by volunteering at the 4th of July Celebration or Delano Expo, participating in Club clean-up days or volunteering on Club projects.

Meeting Lunch: If you make lunch for the members, your groceries (up to $150) are reimbursed, and you get full 10 hour credit for volunteer time.

Raffle Tickets: If you sell 20 books of 4 raffle tickets, that meets your full 10 hour volunteer time, 10 books of 4 will give you 5 hours volunteer time.

If you have questions, please contact a club officer.

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2026 MEETING

38 members present - the meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mike Larison

- Jason Franzen added to the agenda. Talked about his campaign for Mayor of Delano.

- Secretary's report - Minutes of the August 25th, 2026 meeting were approved.

- Treasurers report - debits $9,410.43; credits $24,948.00; checking balance $32,081.09 - Trapshooting Checking: debits $10,548.81; credits $4,820.35; checking balance $11,436.77. Capital Savings account for new trap clubhouse: debits $0.00; credits $0.00; balance $7,751.33 All reports were approved.

- New Members – 2 new members introduced

- Members - 526 paid members for 2026, 2 Lifetime members and 89 Honorary member- 7 members have paid for 2027 memberships

- Building & Ground – Clubhouse roof was installed. New door installed. Looking to get gutters installed on the building. Brenda did a few days of cleaning the clubhouse, coming once a month for continued cleaning.

- Members raffle – September raffle winner Dan Thienes. We need more members to sell tickets.

- 4th of July – Meetings have started already. Looking for new events if anyone has ideas please contact Joe Kittok.

- Trapshooting School League – On week 3, currently #1 in the conference. Shooting Mondays 4:30 – 7:30pm

- Summer Trap League – Complete for the season. Winter league is first week of December.

- Legislative – Get out and vote to keep our 2nd Amendment rights. Membership forms are available for the Gun Owners Caucus.

- Range Reservations –
    - October 10th range sight in day
    - Pistol bay Feb 6th, March 6th, April 3rd Saturdays 11:30 – 4pm
    - Club house lower level Jan 16th 11:30 – 5:30pm

- Women's Group - The group is always looking for new members.

- New Business –
    - 4th of July Manager payment - $1,000.00 needs approval. APPROVED
    - Septic tank repair, $2,000.00 needs approval. APPROVED
    - Members raffle prize options. $1,000.00 prize between 3 prizes. APPROVED
    - Business Expo – Jan Needs more volunteers to help at the booth and answer questions.
    - Looking into joining the Rockford Business Expo.
    - Raffle drawing awards for top sellers. Stephanie Larison sold 44 books for top seller award.
    - Moved trap money, $8,000.00 to general checking.
    - Trap Committee – Manage trap leagues and open shoots, repairs, costs, etc.
    - Replacing VP Cal's spot. January is when we'll vote on the vacancy.
    - Club Audit by Roger Larson.
    - ADA sidewalk at the Trap range. Club pays for the fixing of the sidewalk, up to $8,000.00. APPROVED
    - Delano HS senior grad party. $300 to HS party. APPROVED

- Approved projects and budgets.
    - Security cameras are being installed
    - Internet cable being installed from trap house to clubhouse
    - Plunkets for rodent control
    - All Seasons Store attire.
    - Gutters for clubhouse entry up to $1,500.00. APPROVED

- Website – The new Membership packets are now available on the website.

- Old Business –
    - Cleanup of range, October 10th, talk to Taylor Bryant
    - New trap house building fundraisers
    - Club shoot scheduled for September 16th.
    - Turkey shoot – Gene and Jan, 26 people showed up with 7 kids. Looking for someone to take over for next year.
    - Farm house removal – 1st bid $15,000.00 can we proceed with another bid? Is the club willing to pay to have the house removed? APPROVED

- Online apparel club is open again for some fall items. Dan Kittok will send out another email.

September lunch was provided by Dave Smith and next month is Simon Quigg.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Shayne Peterson, Secretary.

DSC Women's+ Defensive Shooting Group

Women Encouraged-Men by Invitation*

Learn• Practice• Grow

Join our DSC Women's+ Group! We provide opportunities for women (and men by invitation) at all skill levels. Learn & practice in a safe, comfortable environment!

This group is for you if you are interested in…

- Beginning your firearms journey. We love to help new shooters get started!!
- Making new friends and shooting partners
- Expanding skillset & firearms knowledge
- Feeling confident to begin carrying (permit holders)
- Trying new types of firearms (pistol, rifle, shotgun)
- Developing skills for recreation, self-defense or competition
- Just having fun with like-minded individuals!



Our group was founded by women for women. Our focus is educating & training women at ALL skill levels. DSC men are welcome and can attend by invitation.*

Event Times:

- 3rd Tuesday of the Month (April-September) 5:45-8:30 pm.
- 1st Saturday of the month (October-November, January-April) 11:45 am-3:30 pm
- Classroom training or range events, weather dependent. Additional events may be scheduled time and weather permitting.

- Taught and supervised by USCCA and/or NRA Certified Instructors. NRA Certified Range Safety Officers ensure safety at all times.
- Leadership and Instructor Team consists of both women and men.
- Classroom sessions cover a wide range of topics. Includes hands on workshops.
- We LOVE newer shooters and will provide any assistance you need to get you started!



If your goal is to connect with other shooters, learn proper techniques, advance your skills and have FUN, join us!

Joining is easy! All you need to do is get on our e-mail list and show up! E-mail is the primary way we communicate to our members. We will keep you up to date on what's happening. Questions or requests to join should be sent to Ann Finelli at dscwomenmn@gmail.com



***MORE ABOUT US…**

By request we have opened up attendance to DSC men (spouses, significant others, family members of a women's shooting group member) who are 21 or older. We welcome the men as they have greatly contributed to the success and dynamic of our group! Contact Ann at dscwomenmn@gmail.com for requests to join.

- Group meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday (Spring and Summer). 1st Saturday of the month (Fall and Winter); other dates seasonal.
- Cost is $15 for DSC members (men and women) and $20 for non-DSC members.
- Our instructors and RSOs are all volunteers.
- All fees go directly to our group for range supplies, etc.

Delano Sportsmens Club: 4505 County Road 50 SE, Delano, MN 55328





Shooting is a Perishable Skill… Don't Perish- Practice!

CLUB RESERVATIONS AND CALENDAR

October

3 – (Sat) 25 Yard Range Reserved – DSC Women+ Group – 11:15am – 400pm
6 – (Tue) Range Reserved – West Hennepin Public Safety (Raskin) – 8:30am – 2:00pm
7 – (Wed) Range Reserved – West Hennepin Public Safety (Raskin) – 8:30am – 2:00pm
10 – (Sat) Range Reserved – Non-Member sight-in Day 9:00am – 5:00pm. Range is closed to DSC member shooting on both ranges during this event.
11 – (Sun) Fall Club Cleanup Day – 9:00am – 2:00pm followed by a late lunch. Projects include ash tree removal, seeding area around septic, debris removal, etc.
27 – (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM

November

7- (Sat) 25 Yard Range Reserved – DSC Women+ Group – 11:15am – 4:00pm
16– (Mon) Range Reserved – Medina PD (Hall) – 5:00pm – 9:00pm
17 – (Tue) Range Reserved – Deephaven Police Dept – 4:00pm – 10:00pm
18 – (Wed) Range Reserved – Three Rivers PD (Groskreutz) – 3:00pm – 9:00pm
24 – (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM

December

– (Fri) Club Members Christmas party. 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm Bring the Family–potluck – bring something to share plus your own beverages, beer and wine, board games and cards.

No monthly club meeting in December

* indicates reservation request pending approval

<u>No one likes to show up at a closed range! These reservations have been accepted and approved by the club. Please note the time and date to avoid conflict.</u>

RANGE HOURS AND RULES

Range Hours:

Rifle and Pistol:
Monday-Friday: 8:30am-earlier of 8:30pm or SUNSET
Saturday: 9:00am-6pm
Sunday: 11:00am-6pm

Watch the range calendar for restrictions/closures due to scheduled events.

Trap Shooting:
No Hand or portable throwers allowed.

League and Practice Hours:
Wednesday & Thursday: 5:45pm-10:00pm

Trap Shooting is only allowed during scheduled events and practice time.

Don't forget to wear your ID.
See someone without an ID? Ask to see it…

Be kind to our neighbors– follow the rules!

Range Rules:

1. You must wear your ID card when on the range.
2. **Maximum of 2 guests per member are allowed. Guests *must* be accompanied by the member.**
3. Use paper targets only (no cans, glass, plinking).
4. No Paintball guns.
5. Do not attach targets to the backstop posts.
6. No trap shooting; except organized events.
7. Be sure bullets are hitting the backstops.
8. Do not dig in the backstops.
9. All firing must be done from the firing lines at 25, 50 & 100 yards.
10. Move the 50-yard target off range when not in use.
11. No intermediate targets between established firing lines.
12. Do not shoot anything on the ground.
13. Pick up your trash, remove targets from backstops, & pick up casings. Leave the area clean & ready for the next member.
14. **Check unknown people for membership cards.**
15. Do a Safety Check before firing.
16. Fully automatic weapons are forbidden.
17. The gate is to be kept locked at all times.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

- ***One easy way to get your volunteer time in is to prepare a meal for the monthly meetings. These tend to go quickly. Here is a link to a Signup Genius to grab your spot. November is the only month left! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A44ADAC29A4F85-61506828-copy***

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You can submit a story or photos from the range or club activities! Contact editor Aaron Gesell at delanosportsmensclub@gmail.com.

The deadline for story or advertising submissions is the 8th of each month.

GUN RANGE ISSUES



Please see the photos above of recent issues found around the range. ***Please keep your finger OFF the trigger until you're ready to shoot!*** We've also found a lot of brass in garbage cans so please pick up your used brass and put them in the RED brass buckets! THANK YOU for your cooperation and following the range rules!

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
Visit us at
http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com