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Annual Father's Day Muzzleloader Shoot

We will be holding the annual Father's Day Muzzleloader shoot on Saturday, July 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 19th from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00pm.

If you own a muzzleloader, this is your time to shine among other muzzleloading enthusiasts. If you want to watch some

great shooting, you're welcome to cheer on your favorite shooter. Of course, volunteers to help before and during the event are always appreciated as well!

You can contact Dick Nordling if you have questions or are interested in volunteering.



Delano Business Expo

The Delano Business Expo was a great success again this year.

We had great help from members and great opportunities to meet and talk with members of the community.

During the expo, we sold sixteen books of raffle tickets, and shared information about the club. We also had conversations about firearm ownership, conservation, DNR training, conceal/carry, and other topics.

Thank you to all who helped!

Mea Culpa and a Plan

By Robert Ball

I've worked hard the last few years to put out a good newsletter; one that helps inform the members so they can enjoy the club, and the club can continue to succeed.

In quality, I think I'm doing ok—at least based on reader feedback. But "on time" has been tough sometimes. Life gets busy sometimes—who am I kidding? Life is busy all the time! That said, it's time to have a plan to get the news to you on time, every time.

I'll get the newsletter submitted for printing by the 15th each month...that means the absolute deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month. That'll give me time to send it out on time.

Thanks for your patience so far.

***The next meeting is
April 25th, 7:00 pm
at the Clubhouse!***

***A Buildings &
Grounds meeting
will follow.***

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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The Delano Sportsmen's Club

Club Officers:

• President:	Tom Delaney	612-408-8944
• Secretary:	Dan Kittok	763-479-2429
• Treasurer:	Joe Kittok	763-972-2989
• 1st Vice President:	Tim Robbins	612-710-6836; timrobbinS@embarqmail.com
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• Membership:	Joe & Jan Kittok	763-972-2989
• Rental/Reservations:	Brad Spencer	612-616-7548 ; dsc@lakesarah.com
• Volunteer Coordinator:	Tom Delaney	612-408-8944 mmraclubs@msn.com
• Executive Board:	Larry Lindborg	763-972-6049
• Executive Board:	Jake Kittok	612-282-7975
• Executive Board:	Dale Vanderlinden	763-972-6726

Range Information:

• Trap Shooting:	Dan Thienes	763-682-4980
• Firearm Training:	John McClay	763-675-2397
• Black Powder:	Dick Nordling	763-972-2714
• Bow Safety:	Mike Speckel	763-477-3619
• Archery League:	Shawn Lynch	763-972-3112
• Portable Targets	Tom Delaney	612-408-8944

Standing Committees:

Questions about firearm legislation (federal or state)? You can get more information from Dan McDonald at: 952-454-3440 or by email at: yellowdogrescue@gmail.com .

- **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
- **Constitution and Bylaws:** This committee meets to ensure that all rules are included in the bylaws and to review and make recommendations when needed. **Director:** Dave Quammen; 952-473-9071
- **Membership:** This committee tracks membership to ensure compliance with the maximum allowed. They also review applications for membership and accept new members. **Director:** Dave Quammen; 952-473-9071
- **Buildings & Grounds:** This is a working committee that meets to discuss issues and projects related to the range and grounds. They solicit bids for maintenance/repair projects and report to the membership. **Director:** Tom Delaney; 612-408-8944

New Members

Welcome to the newest members of the Delano Sportsmen's Club! We look forward to you enjoying many safe and fun hours at the range!

Bruce Plante, Nate Schlosser, Russell Harnois, Marissa Fossey, Steven Harpestad, Charlie Grill

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Businesses or members wishing to advertise may place an ad in the newsletter once per year at no charge. Ad space is limited to 1/4 page. For advertising information contact Editor Bob Ball at 612-363-3936 or editor.dsc@comcast.net.

Story Ideas:

You can submit a story or photos from the range or club activities! Just contact editor Bob Ball at:

editor.dsc@comcast.net

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

Raffle Tickets

Don't forget to sell off those raffle tickets. The prizes are great, and selling 20 books will equal your volunteer requirement for the year...all for a good cause!



We're on Facebook!

If you're on social media, you can find us on Facebook at: <http://www.facebook.com/dealanosportsmensclub>. If you want something posted, contact Steve Pool at pool565rockford@hotmail.com.

Minutes of the March 28th 2017 Meeting

33 members present. The meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by President Tom Delaney

Secretary's report - minutes of the February 28, 2017 meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurers report - debits \$11,584.80; credits \$1759.00; checking balance \$42,251.32. Treasurers report was approved.

One new member was present and introduced himself.

Tom Delaney updated the club on the progress of the new trap range. Mark is trying to get the site plan drawn up.

25 yard range - Tom made repairs to the 25 yard range three different times this week. The proposed wall is moving forward.

Building and Grounds Committee - There will be a building and Grounds committee meeting to be held after the April general meeting.

Club Farmhouse - Volunteers are needed to put in three garage doors at the farmhouse. 300 trees have been ordered to be planted on the berm.

There was an accident on March 23rd where a car ran off the road and struck the big oak tree on club property. The club was not notified by law enforcement that someone was killed. Tom DeLaney will talk to local law enforcement regarding this.

DVD Library - the cabinet has been set up, more donations of hunting/shooting DVD's are welcome.

Membership - there have been many requests for applications recently, and new members are signing up.

Fourth of July - Joe Kittok updated the club on the recent Fourth of July Committee meeting. Mike Speckle is in charge of the kids tractor pull again this year. The parade will be on the same route as last year. The JC's will not be running the beer stand this year. There are nine queen candidates so far. There will be a water ball contest. They can't find volunteers to cook pork chops. They would like to borrow

the club's picnic tables again. There will be 27 1/2 minutes of fireworks. There will be no softball tournament this year.

The Chamber of Commerce is talking about having one of their meetings at the club again. It would be in May or June.

Tickets are out for the September raffle - one person has already sold 20 books. Jan Kittok has extra tickets if you need more books.

GOCRA & MNGOPAC - Dan MacDonald updated the club that the Constitution to Carry bill is probably dead. The Stand Your Ground bill went through committee. It was voted to go to the rules committee to agree to put on the floor. Call and talk to your representative and/or senator that you want these bills passed.

Seminars - The club will try to do a suppressor seminar in May.

DNR Firearms Instructor class was held at the club on March 18th. Eighteen people were certified. Four to five club members were certified.

Field Day for the Firearms Safety Class will be held on Saturday, April 1st. Club members can volunteer to help out on field day. There are 75 kids in this year's firearms safety class.

The Delano Expo will be held on Saturday, April 1st. More volunteers are need to staff the club's booth.

Lunch for the meeting was provided by Coborns.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok ,
Secretary.

Coborns catered a wonderful lunch of porch chops, potatoes, gravy, corn and cookies—everything was delicious!

At our April meeting, Dave and Debbie Larsen are providing lunch.

We still need volunteers for July, August, and September 2017. Groceries are reimbursed up to \$150. Contact Tom Delany if you are interested.

Optics & Suppressors

Roundtable Discussion-Optics and Suppressors– Saturday May 6th from 9:30am-12:30pm

Our May roundtable discussion will be on the use of suppressors and optics. Tom Huot of Sentinel MN will be the speaker, and guide to this combination of discussion and practice.

There are a few rules since they're providing the platforms to test suppressors and optics:

1. ***NO RELOADS***. Only factory loaded brass cased ammo allowed. If there is any question, I won't let it be shot through our guns.
2. 762/308 rifles will be MATCH AMMO ONLY if someone wants to shoot the Larue Tacticals or the LMT. The 308 M1a1 is ok for non-match 308 brass factory ammo like xm180 federal, etc. the other 308s only have match ammo shot through them though.
3. We will provide all Mags, rifles, handguns, optics, suppressors. Attendees will provide the ammo and targets.
4. Any factory loaded 22 long rifle is fine - that doesn't have to be match. We will have a couple suppressed 22s out there for people to try out.
5. Optics seem to be as big a draw as suppressors, so we'd be happy to have guys try out/look through any of the optics even if they don't shoot.

If you have questions on the roundtable topics, please contact Tom Delaney.

Trap Season

The Delano High School Tiger Trap team has been practicing for a couple weeks now—they practice & compete Monday and Tuesday evenings from 4:30pm-9pm through mid-June.

The Delano Sportsmen's Club trap league is starting their new season on Wednesday April 19th and Thursday, April 20th. The club league meets every Wednesday or Thursday between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. The season runs into September.

The trap program is not exclusive. You can contact Dan Thienes (763-682-4980) for information on starting a team, or other competition requests.

Don't have the time commitment to start or join a team? No worries, you can still come out and practice between competing teams, even as a solo shooter.

Trap is a great opportunity to meet some great people and improve your shooting!



Range Reservations from Page 6

event 10:00am - noon

14 - (Sun) Club Clean-up & Repair - Volunteers check the list at the clubhouse door! 8:00am

17 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Three Rivers Park P.D. - 9:00am - 5:00pm (Groskreutz)

17 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

18 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

19 - (Fri) **Range Reserved** - FTF Officer Certification - 8:30pm - 4:30pm

24 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

24 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Medina Police dept. - 8:00am-5:00pm (Nelson)

25 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

30 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM

31 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

June

(Tuesdays & Thursdays into September) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

5 - (Mon) **Range Reserved** - Delano HS Trap Team 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

6 - (Tue) **Range Reserved** - Delano HS Trap Team 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

8 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:00am - 4:00pm

11 - (Sun) Club Clean-up & Repair - Volunteers check the list at the clubhouse door! 8:00am

12 - (Mon) **Range Reserved** - Delano HS Trap Team 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

13 - (Tue) **Range Reserved** - Delano HS Trap Team 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

14 - (Wed) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** - TRPD MDHA Forkhorn Camp 9:30am - 3:30pm

15 - (Thur) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** - TRPD MDHA Forkhorn Camp 9:30am - 3:30pm

17 - (Sat) **Range Reserved**- Father's Day Muzzleloaders Shoot - All day

18 - (Sun) **Range Reserved**- Father's Day Muzzleloaders Shoot - All Day

21 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Deephaven Police Dept. - 8:00am - 1:00pm

27 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM

For Sale by Member:

Kimber 1911 Camp Guard, 10mm semiautomatic pistol. New in box. Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Edition.

This pistol is stainless with Rosewood grips. It retails for up to \$1200—your price: \$875, and that includes a box of ammunition.

Contact Rickey Ravenholdt at 612-834-3484 or rickey-paul6795@comcast.net.

Volunteer Needs

Bring a lunch to the meeting: We have opportunities for members to volunteer to bring lunch for meetings in 2017. The great thing? Give us your receipts (up to \$150), and we'll reimburse you for the food! If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact Tom Delaney.

Range Maintenance:

We have volunteer needs for some maintenance at the range:

- Help paint the last 5 picnic tables. Call Tom Delaney
- There is a pile of old garage door panels. These are used as the boards targets are posted on at the range. All metal pieces need to be removed. Contact Tom Delaney.
- **AT THE CLUB FARM, WE HAVE BOUGHT 3 NEW GARAGE DOORS.** They need to replace the old ones. If you are able to do this, contact Tom Delaney.
- Spackling the hall and stair area at the farmhouse. Contact Jan Kittok if interested.
- Painting the hall and stair area after spackling. Contact Jan Kittok if interested.

Firearm Safety Training Classes: You need to be certified to help (see page 1). When you're certified, contact John McClay.

May 13th: GOCRA / MNGOPAC Highway 12 cleanup, 8am-10am (and a fun shoot after). Contact Dan MacDonald with questions.

June 18th and 19th: Annual Father's Day Muzzleloader shoot: Participants, spectators and volunteers all needed and welcome. Contact Dick Nordling with questions or if you can volunteer.

Fourth of July!

Now is the time to grab yourself a choice spot at the bingo stand or milkshake booth. Right now, both open, all shifts! Contact Jan if you can help.

Fri June 30	4:00 p.m.-8:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 8:00 p.m.-midnight Milkshake
Sat July 1	noon-4:00p.m. Bingo 4:00p.m.-8:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 8:00p.m.-midnight Bingo & Milkshake
Sun July 2	noon-4:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 4:00p.m.-8:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake
Mon July 3	4:00p.m.-8:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 8:00p.m.-midnight Bingo & Milkshake
Tues July 4	noon- 4:00 p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 4:00 p.m.-8:00p.m. Bingo & Milkshake 8:00p.m.-midnight Bingo & Milkshake

We also need people to help build, drive, and ride in our float! Contact Jan for that one too!

DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

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Change Service Requested

We're on the web!

<http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com>

Range Hours:

Rifle & Pistol:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-8:30pm
(or Dark...whichever is earliest)

Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 11:00am-6:00pm

Rifle and Pistol Ranges are closed during Trap Shooting events, leagues and practices.

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:
5:00pm-10:00pm

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

Don't forget to wear your I.D.

See someone without an ID? Ask to see it...

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.

Reservations:

APRIL

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25 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Club-house, 7:00 PM
26 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm
27 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

May

1 - (Mon& Tues-All month except 5/29) **Range Reserved** - Delano HS Trap Team 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)
3 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm
4 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm
5 - (Fri) **Range Reserved** - FTF Officer Certification - 8:30pm - 4:30pm
10 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm
11 - (Thu) **Range Reserved** - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm
13 - (Sat) **GOCRA/MNGOPAC Highway 12 cleanup event** 8:00am - 10:00am (between Money's and Co. Rd. 6)
13 - (Sat) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** - GOCRA/MNGOPAC after cleanup

See Reservations; Page 5

Range Rules:

1. You must wear your ID card when on the range.
2. Maximum of 3 guests per member are allowed.
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. No digging in the backstops.
9. All firing must be done from the firing lines at 25, 50 & 100 yards. **Move the 50-yard target off range when not in use.**
10. No intermediate targets between established firing lines.
11. Do not shoot anything on the ground.
12. Pick up your trash, remove targets from backstops, & pick up casings. Leave the area clean & ready for the next member.
13. No human silhouette targets, except official **police events**.
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.