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Please Report all Range Damage

If you see something, say something

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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Delano, MN 55328

Krista Garrett; the Club's Queen Candidate

The club is sponsoring Krista Garrett for this year's Fourth of July Delano Senior Ambassadors competition.

The young women competing in this pageant are all

members or recent graduates of Delano High School. The winner goes on to represent the city of Delano at the Minneapolis Aquatennial royalty pageant.

Krista is pictured here with Joe Kittok at the Delano Business Expo.

Congratulations to Krista and good luck. We're proud to be supporting you!



Club Raffle time is Here...

By now, you've received your raffle tickets. Now is the time to start buying them yourself or selling them to others.

What's at stake? Well, this year, the winners will receive:

- First Prize: \$500 cash
- Second Prize: \$250 gift card to Co-borns
- Third Prize: \$100 gift certificate to All Seasons Sports.

Once again this year, tickets will be \$2 each. Also returning from last year...if you sell 10 books, you have met your volunteer requirement (and reduce your membership fee to only \$50!).

Once you sell the books you have, contact Jan Kittok for more, or pick up more at a monthly meeting. The drawing is in September...so there's plenty of time to sell tickets!

The Delano Sportsmen's Club

Club Officers:

• President:	Larry Lindborg	763-972-6049
• Secretary:	Dan Kittok	763-479-2429
• Treasurer:	Joe Kittok	763-972-2989
• 1st Vice President:	Tom Delaney	612-408-8944
• 2nd Vice President:	Tim Robbins	612-710-6836; timrobbinS@embarqmail.com
• 3rd Vice President:	John Tackaberry	612-849-2935
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• Rental/Reservations:	John Tackaberry	612-849-2935; johnmtack@gmail.com
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• Volunteer Coordinator:	Tom Delaney	612-408-8944 mmraclubs@msn.com
• Executive Board:	John McClay	763-675-2397
• 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
• Gate Fobs	Tim Hainlin	612-702-7016

(timhainlin@gmail.com)

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
- 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

The Delano Sportsman

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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.

The Next Club Meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 7:00pm on Tuesday April 28th, 2015

Welcome New Members

Please welcome our newest members to the Delano Sportsmen's club. We hope they have many enjoyable and safe hours out on the range!

Richard Allerton, Dean Temple, Donald Delorme, Neal Finke, Shahn Anderson, Bruce Anderson, Eric G. Peterson

From the Editor

I wasn't sure what to write, but Brad Spencer, our web master happened across a DNR Press release with some pretty good news.

The club is being awarded a grant of \$30,000 to expand and/or improve our trap capability. This is largely thanks to the rapid growth of trap shooting as a high school sport; and our commitment to the Delano High School Trap Team.

While I know there are some concerns about expanding trap into the farm property; this grant does give us the opportunity to expand our operations to allow for more trap shooting; or allowing trap, rifle and pistol all at once—benefitting all members.

Now is the time to go to meetings to help discuss how we should apply this great grant from the DNR.

Bob

Minutes of the March 31st, 2015 Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Lindborg.

Secretary's report received motion to be approved as printed in club newsletter, received a second and passed on a voice vote.

Treasurer's report given and motion made to approve as read, received a second and passed on a voice vote.

Debits \$14,006.53

Deposits \$2,200

Balance all accounts is \$21,977.05

One new member introduced himself.

Building and grounds committee report by Tom Delaney. Farm house is in very bad need of cleaning. There is a dumpster by house that can be filled. Furniture DOES NOT go in dumpster, pile it along side. Door is not locked so you can go in and work at any time. Hopefully house will be ready to rent this summer.

Wally Johnson informed club he was against us installing a new trap range or any other range related improvements on the farm property and he would do anything possible to prevent it.

There has been a request to establish a "ladies night" on the range. Details to be worked out later.

High school trap shooting started on Mar 31, they will be shooting on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Dan McDonald gave legislative update. Remember to contact your state Senators and Representatives on matters you are concerned about.

Firearms safety classes conclude on Sat, April 4th with the field day. There were nearly 50 students in this class.

The Delano Expo is on Sat Apr 11, from 9 until 1PM. The Club will have a display and will be giving out wood duck and bluebird houses. Volunteers are needed to help set-up and also assist during the open house.

CLUB CLEAN UP IS SCHEDULED

FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. CLEAN UP WILL START AT 8 AM AND THIS MONTH WE WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE FARMHOUSE.

Mar 21st was bird house assembly day. Thirty bluebird houses and 33 wood duck houses were put together. Extras will be given away at the Delano Expo. Members may take one at end of meeting.

We are still looking for a great club motto. If you come up with one submit to a club officer.

The Wright Co board vote down the purchase of 12 acres of our property for a county park. There is still the possibility of Franklin Township purchasing the plot. Stay tuned on this.

The Delano Snowstormers has requested a donation for their fall fundraiser. No action was taken at this meeting.

There were no new requests to rent the clubhouse. Three request were received for use of the range.

Raffle tickets have been mailed to all the members. Anyone needing additional tickets please contact Jan Kittock. Members were reminded to keep some time open to assist on club events during the Delano 4TH of July celebration. Once again the bingo stand will be in operation as well as the milk shake booth.

There was discussion regarding the need for a public address system on the trap range. The trap shooters in attendance saw no need for a PA system. A handheld portable unit may be looked at.

There was discussion about the new refrigerator in the trap building. It was agreed to purchase a new unit with the refrigerator on the top and the one currently in the trap building will be used in the clubhouse or farm house.

Tom Delaney asked for club permission to use range again this year for "FIREFIGHTERS FOR HEALING"

event. It is a fundraiser for burn victims where firefighters are auctioned off for a day. Part of the event is participating in shooting events. Event approved.

There were 27 members present to enjoy a great Mexican lunch prepared by Linda Lindstrom.

Respectfully submitted
Dick Nordling, acting Secretary

Thank you to Linda Lindstrom for the fantastic enchilada dinner at the club. She even made guacamole, and wonderful pies!

Lance Scott will be making lunch for the April meeting. We're looking forward to it

Do you like to cook? Would you like to cook for the club on our dime? Contact Tom Delaney. We need people to serve up meals for May-August and October of 2015. The club reimburses you your grocery costs.



Wanted by Member:

Used Muzzle Loader: Break Open Style.

Contact Albert Usset at 763-477-4233

2014 Volunteer Needs

The need for volunteers is growing already! Here are some opportunities you can choose from to help the club and **discount your membership fee to only \$50!**

Cleaning our own home! We are planning on having group cleanup-repair on the second Sunday of each month, starting at 8:00am to help keep our range and club area in good shape. There will be a clipboard by the clubhouse door with a the club's "honeydo list". This is a great way to get volunteer hours and help keep the club in good shape! Questions, call Tom Delaney at 612-408-8944

Father's Day Muzzleloader Shoot: June 20th & 21st. We need volunteers to assist on both days. Saturday from 9am-6pm and Sunday from 10am-5pm. If you can help or you have questions, please contact Dick Nordling.

Delano Fourth of July Celebration: We need volunteers for the milk shake booth and bingo again this year. If you're available, please contact Jan Kittok at 763-972-2989. Currently we need:

July 1: 4pm-8pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 1: 8pm-Midnight: Bingo & Milkshake

July 2: 4pm-8pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 2: 8pm-Midnight: Bingo & Milkshake

July 3: Noon-4pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 3: 4pm-8pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 3: 8pm-Midnight: Bingo & Milkshake

July 4: Noon-4pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 4: 4pm-8pm: Bingo & Milkshake

July 4: 8pm-Midnight: Bingo & Milkshake

Wright County Fair: Wednesday, July 29th-Sunday, August 2nd; from 1pm-9pm. We need volunteers to man the air gun booth. The job? Supervise the shooters (mostly kids) to be sure they're following safe shooting rules. If you have questions or are interested, contact Dick Nordling

Adopt a Highway: Minnesota Carry Permit Holders will be cleaning along highway 12 from Hwy. 6 to Hwy. 29. Dates are: **May 2nd & September 12th** (both Saturdays). Meet at Monies at 7 & 29 for breakfast first if you like. Pick up at 8, shooting at the range after. This **does** count as volunteer hours.

For Sale:

- Henry Golden Boy 22LR. Brand new in box. Never fired. \$375
- 6x12 6ft. Dog Kennel for sale. \$150
- Remington 597 22LR semi auto for \$150. Brand new never fired with DU logo on stock.

Paul Klemet: pkles1@yahoo.com; H-763-479-1124/C- 612-710-8782

NOTICE TO ALL USERS OF CLUBHOUSE, RANGE, TRAPHOUSE

PUT EVERYTHING BACK IN PLACE
CLEAN ALL AREAS UTILIZED
LEAVE NOTHING IN THE REFRIGERATORS
WIPE UP, CLEAN UP, SWEEP UP, VACUUM
TAKE OUT/TAKE WITH ALL TRASH. THANK YOU!!!!

Our Sympathy

We were just informed that member Charles Pfister, MD passed away on October 19th, 2014.

Dr. Pfister was raised in Nebraska, graduated from the University of Nebraska, and worked as a businessman for Merrill Lynch for 14 years before returning to school to become a physician in 1995. He was a pediatrician at the Buffalo Clinic from 2005 until present.

Besides his club membership; he was active in the Shriners and the Wayzata Masonic Lodge. He was survived by his wife, children, mother and many relatives.

<http://tinyurl.com/glenpfister>

An open letter to the club:

Dear Members of the DSC:

Back in the very early 1970s, I lived in a woods west of Delano, and had a very special experience with one of my shooting hobbies. Normally, in those days, I coached the MN National Guard pistol team, and was state .45 NG combat champ, etc. I was really a modern arms shooter, but had an abiding desire to get into black powder.

One night as I was sleeping, I awakened with a dream about shooting Black Powder with a bunch of guys. The dream was about an almost jocular attempt to form a club by announcing a meeting of a club that didn't exist, then signing up members and proceed to *BE a club*. Nuts? Well...

The next day, I wrote a fantasy article for the Delano newspaper which announced that the (secret) Delano Muzzle-Loader's Sassiety would have their annual, non-secret public meeting and that anyone may attend to become informed, and have an opportunity to join and participate. Then the club would return to being underground for another year. I was sure that probably only two guys would show, and no matter what, we would have black powder shooting in common (and Second Amendment!) and would probably forge friendships and share historical and technical knowledge and skills and so on.

A week or so after posting the article in the newspaper, I arrived twenty minutes early at the Road Runner Café with the goal of having a quiet cup of coffee and doughnut before the announced meeting time. I couldn't find a parking spot for a half a block around the restaurant. Upon walking in the door, I asked the owner if anyone had inquired about the meeting and he shrugged and motioned to the room, which was packed...and said, *take your pick*. I was amazed to say the least. So, I boldly announced that we would meet in the spare room, and we commenced to sign up about 25 new members. I think that *some of the guys were from the Sportsmen's Club*.

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Minutes of the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

DATE: 9 MAR 2015

LOCATION: "V"s CAFE IN MAPLE LAKE

PRESIDING: PRES AL MOY

ROLL CALL: 9 DELEGATES FROM 6 CLUBS

Conservation Pledge lead by Pres Moy

Secretary's report read and accepted as read

Treasurer's report read and accepted as read.

Bal Friends \$28,057.96

Bal Fed \$2,445.00

P E sponsor \$555.00

Pheasants Forever print and other items won at banquet being held by Jerry Veches. Search is on for last years print. Do you have it ????

Twelve persons were certified as high school trap coaches from the area. We will cover 1/2 of the \$135 fee for each coach. More training classes being held in Mar and Apr.

We were asked to sponsor at recent Pheasants Forever

Reservations from page 6

8:00am - 1:00pm

29 - (Mon) - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:30am - 5:00pm

July

(Wed & Thu) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

8 - (Wed) (25 yd range only) - TRPD Waterfowl Hunting Camp / MWA. 9:30am - 4:00pm

9 - (Thu) (25 yd range only) - TRPD Waterfowl Hunting Camp / MWA. 9:30am - 4:00pm

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

20 - (Mon) - Three Rivers Park Police Dept - noon - 5:00pm

22 - (Wed) (25 yd range only) - TRPD Pheasant Hunting Camp . PF 9:30am - 4:00pm

29 - (Wed) (25 yd range only) - TRPD Forkhorn II / MDA 9:30am - 4:00pm

20 - (Mon) (100 yd Range only) - Three Rivers Park Police Dept - noon - 5:00pm

Clubhouse:

April

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

May

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

June

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

July

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

fundraiser. We are level 3 sponsors for a cost of \$555.00 Tickets for the "Tommy gun" raffle are now available. The tickets are \$40.00 each Only 100 tickets will be available for sale so buy them now.

Each of the Federation member clubs may have 2 delegates at the meetings. These delegates need not be the same persons at every meeting. Lets get more club members involved.

The following tasks have been set-up for fundraiser.

Hall is Kenny M

Tickets is Jerry Veches

Set-up is Dick N and Kenny M

Fliers is Rod

Donations is Dan

Ticket sales is Turk

H&H and Reds is Al

Publicity is open

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Dick Nordling, sec

Open Letter from Page 4

We had many, many great times, entering in parades and shooting cannons in the sandpit east of town, held show and tell for the public on Sunday afternoons and Saturdays, allowing the curious public to shoot our guns and so on. It was a great group, and after four years, the club was still active when I moved up North.

During the time that I was there, some of the Delano Sportsmen's Club fellows and some of our guys got into a friendly discussion regarding modern vs. 19th century arms, and of course it led to betting and soon enough, into a competition. Looking back, with our 50 caliber stuff being pitted against the modern, accurate .22s that your club used, there as no way that we could have won, even if the Sassiety skills were superior. But it was great fun, and the temporary melding the two club's shoooters and wives and kids and all, along with food and drinks, was a genuine moment of civic warmth for Delano, and will remain in all the memories of the shoooters for a long time. We lost, pure and simple, but seeing the DSC men on the ground with the .22s propped between their crossed feet, left hand reaching behind the head to grasp the butt of the rifle, and so on in the Classic Creedmore prone position was worth a laugh at least.

My question now to you is, is there anyone in the Club that recalls the Sassiety, and does anyone recall the competition with the Black Powder and .22s in the woods?

I would really like to connect with anyone who does, or who has information about the club after 1975. I have a home in International Falls, MN, but live most of the time on a ranch south of Dallas, Texas. I will be coming up after Mother's Day to Minnesota.

Appreciate the response. Our hobby is a healthy one, brings together great, great personalities and skills and attitudes, and *breeds patriotism and a sense of history* that no other hobby can match. Also, who knows, our skills may save our country one day.

Sincerely,

Gene Emahiser, aka "Mean Gene"; POB 207, Powell, TX 75153

northernpike903@gmail.com Phone: 903-229-8562

DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

P.O. Box 394
Delano, MN 55328

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

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:

Range:

April

Wed & Thurs, Trap League from 5:00pm-10pm
Mon & Tues, High School Trap 4:30pm-9:30pm

24 - (Fri) - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:30am - 5:00pm

25 - (Sat) - Rockford (Czanstkowski) Firearm Safety Field Day - 9:00am - 1:30pm

26 - (Sun) - Rockford (Delaney) Firearm Safety Field Day - 11:00am - 2:00pm

May

Mon & Tues: 4:30pm-9pm: High School Trap

Wed & Thurs: 5pm-10pm: Trap League
10 - (Sun) **Club Clean-up & Repair** - Volunteers check the list at the clubhouse door! 8:00am

13 - (Wed) - Three Rivers Park Police Dept - noon - 5:00pm

20 - (Wed) - Three Rivers Park Police Dept - noon - 5:00pm

June

1 - (Mon) - Delano Youth Trap League 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

2 - (Tue) - Delano Youth Trap League 4:30pm - 9:00pm (McClay)

9 - (Tue) - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:30am - 5:00pm

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

17 - (Wed) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Forkhorn I / MDA 9:30am - 4:00pm

18 - (Thur) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Forkhorn I / MDA 9:30am - 4:00pm

20 - (Sat) - Father's Day Muzzleloaders Shoot - All Day

21 - (Sun) - Father's Day Muzzleloaders Shoot - All Day

24 - (Wed) - Deephaven Police Department -

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 back-stop posts.
6. No trap shooting; except organized events.
7. Be sure bullets are hitting the back-stops.
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.