

# DELANO SPORTSMAN

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## Of Note...

- Hot Dog Sales 8/25 at Coburns
- "21 Gun Salute" Firearm Raffle
- Raffle Tickets Still Available
- Elks 31st Annual Gun Show; Hutchinson, MN Sept 22-23

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## A Few Words on Volunteering:

An organization only works as well as the people behind it. Businesses have employees and non profit organizations and clubs have members and volunteers.

We spend a lot of time in the newsletter, the web site and the meetings asking for volunteer help from the members. We'll do so again this month, but first, it's important to take a little time to recognize the work of some of our volunteers.

You'll see (on page 3) that Joe recognized the hard work of the volunteers that helped out with the Bingo stand and Milkshake booth this year at the Delano July 4th celebration.

Those of you that stand up and come forward for these events truly do a great job at showing what a quality organization we have the in the club. However, there

are some people who aren't always seen as often. Members who volunteer, but aren't necessarily out "in front". Joe and Jan Kittok wanted to recognize some of the people who have been working hard behind the scenes...often with little recognition.

**John & Mary Peterson:** They've been doing computer work, including membership rosters and address labels for mailings since 1995. Wow!

**John Hofstede** goes out every week to take care of the garbage cans out on the range and make sure they're emptied into the Randy's dumpster.

Like John and Mary Peterson, **Guy Speier** also does a lot of computer work for the club. His main role is handling the security access for the gates.

**Perry Bloom** regularly puts up notices on the bulletin board by the trap

building showing range reservation dates. He's been doing it for years, and helps ensure that we all have the best knowledge of when the range is open or reserved.

**Brad Spencer** is the "webmaster" for the Delano Sportsmen's Club web site ([www.delanosportsmensclub.com](http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com)). He keeps the site up to date (including publishing the newsletter there at the same time it goes to print). He's also done some great design work to make it one of the more impressive web sites of the local sportsmen's clubs.

Thanks to those who volunteer to make this club great!

For those of you who are new...there's always room for another volunteer!

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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## Hot Dog Sales @ Coburns

The club will be selling hot dogs at the Delano Coburns on August 25th. The club receives 50% of the receipts from this sale.

If you can volunteer, call Dick Nordling at 763-972-

2714. Shifts are 11am-3pm or 2pm-6pm.

If you can't volunteer but are hungry, stop by and have a bite to support the club!

## ◆ • ◆ • ◆ • ◆ • Found at the Range:

A pair of binoculars was found at the range. If you're missing yours, please call and identify them to Mike Wolfe: 763-972-8066

## The Delano Sportsmen's Club

### Club Officers:

- President: Jim Klatt 763-479-2743
- Secretary: Dan Kittok 763-479-2429
- Treasurer: Joe Kittok 763-972-2989
- 1st Vice President: Dale Vanderlinden 763-972-6726
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- Membership & Rental: Joe & Jan Kittok 763-972-2989
- Volunteer Coordinator: Tom Delaney 612-408-8944  
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- Executive Board: Tim Robbins 612-710-6836  
[timrobbinS@embarqmail.com](mailto:timrobbinS@embarqmail.com)
- Executive Board: Rick Dobbelaire 763-684-0709
- Executive Board: Jake Kittok 612-282-7975

### 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
- Newsletter Editor: Bob Ball 612-363-3936  
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### 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
- Range & 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: Mike Speckel; 763-477-3619

## 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 Bob Ball at 612-363-3936 or [editor.dsc@comcast.net](mailto:editor.dsc@comcast.net).

### Story Ideas:

Do you have a story or photos about an event involving the Delano Sportsmen's Club? Do you have an idea for an article that would be of benefit to the membership? Please contact Bob Ball. Stories and photos can be submitted by email at:

[editor.dsc@comcast.net](mailto:editor.dsc@comcast.net)

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

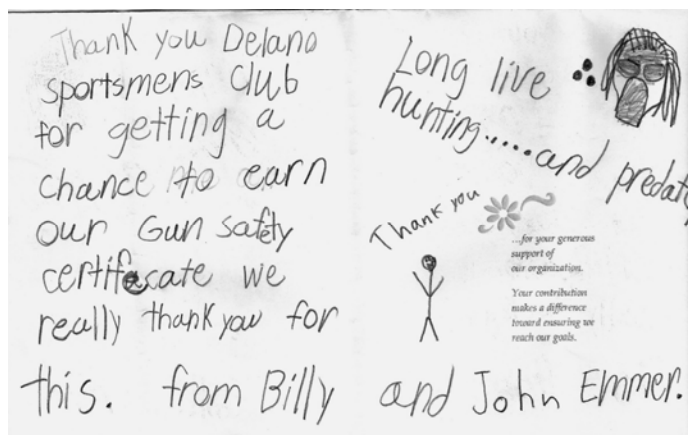
**The Club Meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 7:00pm on Tuesday August 28th, 2012**

## Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome our newest members this month. We hope they will enjoy many hours of safe shooting activities on our range!

Richard Bowyer, Jeff Wirth, Frederick Wiatrowski, Mark Millard, David Olson, Robert Kroll, James Krantz, Bruce Karvonen, Alan Wirbisky, Ron Bodin, Greg M. Johnson

### Thank You from Billy & John



## Minutes of the July 31, 2012 Meeting

28 members present - the meeting called to order by President Jim Klatt at 7:00 PM

**Secretary's Report** - Minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting were approved

### Treasurers report -

Opening balance \$23,425.51;

Debits \$2279.60;

Credits \$4300;

Checking balance \$25,445.91;

Balance in all accounts \$89,141.80.

### Old Business

The club received a thank you letter for our contribution to the Buffalo Fishing Clinic for Kids.

The Highway 12 clean-up will take place Saturday August 11th - meet at Monies at 7:30 AM for breakfast, start time is 8:30 AM. If you have any questions contact Dan MacDonald at 952-473-2201.

Friends of the NRA Banquet will be held on August 20th at the Event Center in Annandale. Dave Wilde has tickets for anyone who is interested. Ticket price is \$30. Dave also gave the club two dinner tickets and a weather station for our sponsorship of the Friends of The NRA this year.

The club sent two students to Long Lake Conservation Camp in July.

Jan Kittok has extra raffle tickets for those who want to sell more.

Joe Kittok reported that there was good cooperation and a lot of volunteers throughout the Fourth of July celebration for the bingo stand and milkshake booth. Thank you to everybody that helped.

The Camp Lake carp barrier has been installed but due to the low water this spring there is mixed results on how well it worked. Wally Johnson said it did work on a limited basis though. Wally thanked the club

for our donation to this project.

Tom Delaney has the 50 yard rifle range target out for repair.

Dick Nordling and Bill Horsch hauled in more garage door panels for the rifle range.

### New Business

Dick Nordling reported to the club that The friends of the NRA has grant money available for club improvement projects and women's/youth shooting programs. The due date to have your grant proposal in is August 31. The club will submit a proposal to see if we can get a grant for more 22's for gun safety training and for 100 yard rifle range improvements.

Bob Bauman and Wally Johnson of Franklin Township updated the club on the park dedication fees that are available should the club purchase the Begin property to the west. Franklin Township has \$114,000 accumulated in park dedication fees and is interested in using that money to develop a park on the Begin land. It is a lengthy process that would involve the Wright County Park Administration, the County Commissioner and the State of Minnesota. They are open to any options the club may have but wanted to know if the club is interested. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to first see if the club gets the land (there has been no word yet on if our offer has been accepted) and then decide how/ if we want to work with the township.

Tom Delaney is looking for some instructors to help him with his DNR training class coming up in August.

A pair of binoculars were found on the range, signs are posted on the range as to who to call to claim them.

Range reservations for Saturday August 25 from 1:00 - 5:00 PM were approved for the Park Sportsmen's Club Firearms Safety program.

Dick Nordling will have the four

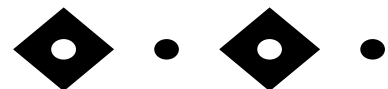
wheeler at the BB gun booth at the Wright County Fair this weekend. \$300 in tickets for the ATV were sold at the Fourth of July celebration, Dick hopes to promote more ticket sales at the fair. Dick is looking for volunteers to help sell tickets at the fair and also help with the BB gun booth. If anyone is interested contact Dick Nordling.

Coborns in Delano has a fund raising program for clubs in the area. Every Friday and Saturday they have a brat and hot dog stand open in front of Coborns. All supplies are provided by Coborns, if club members man the booth Coborns splits the profits with them. Saturday August 25th is open if the club is interested. After discussion a motion was made and approved to pursue this opportunity. Volunteers will be needed for this day.

Three new members introduced themselves.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary.



***Thank you to Dave Wilde for preparing our July Lunch; Hot Dogs, Cole Slaw and Dessert...in true summer style!***

If you're interested, volunteers for February-November 2013 are needed. Your food expenses are reimbursed (just bring in the receipt). Call Tom Delaney if interested!

## We Want You!

**Weed Removal/Shrub Trimming:** We need a volunteer to trim the bushes around the clubhouse, pull out vines that are growing on the pine bushes by the split-rail fence next to the club and either pull or spray weeds. The club will reimburse you for the cost of spray.

We also need people to help weed-whip in and around the 25 yard range, on the backstop, around the storage building and along the western property line fence.

If you're interested, call Tom Delaney.

### Crow River Cleanup:

September 15th starting at 8:00am. Volunteers should meet at the main park on North River Street in Delano. If you have questions or want to help, call 763-682-1970.

### Plan Ahead for 2013: Lunch Volunteers!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for lunch duty this year. All 2012 meetings and January 2013 are covered. However, we'll need volunteers to provide meals after meetings from February-November 2013!

If you have an interest or talent in cooking, this is your opportunity. Grocery costs are reimbursed by the club; just bring in your receipts. You set the menu. For more information or to volunteer for the upcoming year, contact Tom Delaney.

### Raffle Tickets Can Count as Volunteer work!

If you sell 10 books of tickets, you've made your volunteer requirement. Remember to turn in money and unused to Jan Kittok. You can also get more tickets to sell from Jan. If you have questions, please contact her at 763-972-2989

## Fishing Tourney Report

By Bill Horsch

"Here we go again", was my first thought as we started launching boats under threatening skies at the Lake Independence Landing for our annual fishing contest. As of late, it seems we can't have an event without a weather issue.

There were four boats and eight anglers for the 7:00 am start. Since I had sold my boat, Larry Lindborg was kind enough to let me partner up with him.

We started fishing along the shoreline at the south end of the lake. There is a lot of cover including bushes, overhanging trees and trees laying in the water. By this time, it was 7:30 and it had started to sprinkle, along with some lightning out to the west. We continued fishing and I was rewarded with a two-pound bass. Not a big fish, but it was a start.

Another bolt of lightning got our attention so we decided to wait it out at the landing (I'm not a big fan of aluminum boats in an electrical storm...no silver bullets for me). Most of the other fishermen were of the same opinion and headed in as well. Larry and I took the time out to sit in his truck and discuss how to solve the world's problems. **(Continued on p. 5)**

We were back on the water and fishing within the hour. You know that weather changes are known to affect wildlife...this short storm seemed to make the fish more active.



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## Elks Gun Show in Hutchinson- September 22nd-23rd

If you're interested in selling, buying or looking at guns, coins, knives and other interesting items, be sure to mark your calendar and head out to Hutchinson on September 22nd and 23rd.

Sponsored by Hutchinson Elks Lodge 2427, this show will be held from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p.m. at the McLeod County Fairgrounds. The fair grounds are located behind the Target and Walmart, just west of Main

Street (Hwy 15) in Hutchinson.

If you're interested in selling or trading items, an 8-foot table rents for \$30, for the 2 days. You should reserve your table by contacting Dale Harbarth, 20641 Hwy. 7 West, Hutchinson, MN 55350. You can also reach him by phone at 320-587-8989.

Parking is free and admission is \$3/day. Children under 12 Free!

## Turkey Shoot September 8th!

There's still time to mark your calendar for the annual turkey Shoot!

On September 8th, from 9am-noon, take some time to shoot at odd or interesting targets and see if you can win yourself a frozen turkey for Thanksgiving (or just for a nice big dinner).

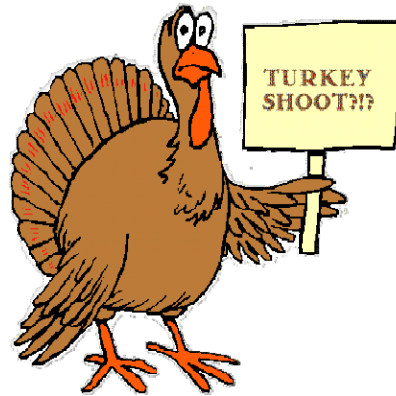
Once the shooting is done, everyone is welcome to a barbecued chicken dinner at the club house.

The turkey shoot is truly a family event with prizes for the kids as well as turkeys for us grown-ups.

If you're interested in helping with target construction, please contact President Jim Klatt.

You can also check with Bill Horsch (763-972-3215) to see if he needs help with preparing the post-shoot feast.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!



## Still Time to Buy "21 Gun Salute" Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets for the Minnesota Conservation Federation's "21 Gun Salute" are still available for sale.

Winners must be 18 years old or older and be able to pass an instant background check for a permit to purchase at the time of the award.

Tickets are available through Joe Kittok at \$20 each. They can be purchased at the monthly meetings or by calling Joe at 763-972-2989.

## Fishing Tourney from Page 4

I was casting a candy corn sticko and Larry was using a spinner. For the next three hours we caught about 30 fish. Most were Bass, but we had a few Northerns and Sunfish—and we both had a Muskie chasing our bait as well.

By the noon weigh-in, the skies were clear and it was hot and muggy. All of the anglers had at least one species of fish. They were allowed to weigh-in in all categories, but could only win one prize. There were six Bass brought in, two over 4 pounds, two over 3 pounds and two over 2 pounds. Two Northerns were in the 6+ pound range. The swimmers nearby probably had second thoughts after seeing those toothy critters. A single 5-ounce Sunny was also weighed.

All of the anglers were prize-winners and included Dennis and Michael Bartos, Curtis Nagel, Bob Weinzierl, Larry Lindborg, Paul Hecht, Mark Wessel and I. Next year we'll be back on Independence for another round.

Remember, the club turkey shoot is coming up September 8th! It's a great time with plenty to eat.

In the mean time, take a kid fishing!



*Anglers & a pair of swimmer-eatin' Northern Pike*

## July Minutes: Wright County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

DATE: 9 JULY 2012  
LOCATION: "V's CAFÉ  
PRESIDING: TERRY RUNKE  
ROLL CALL: 7 DELEGATES FROM 6 CLUBS

Conservation Pledge lead by Terry Runke  
Secretary's report read and accepted as read  
Treasures report read and accepted as read. Balance \$5,382.07

Pellets and splatter targets for county fair have arrived. Cost was \$187.03

The tickets for the fundraiser are printed and need to be picked up. Any club wanting their tickets before the Aug meeting is to contact Jerry Veches. 200 tickets were ordered.

"Friends of the NRA" fundraiser has been moved to the Classic Event Center in Annandale. It is being held on Aug 20th. The sponsor award this year is an american made weather station. There was a motion to purchase the \$1,250 sponsorship, motion received a second and passed on a voice vote. There was also a motion to purchase an extra ticket, received second and passed. Monticello Rod and Gun and Delano won the 2 tickets.

Hasty-Silver Creek will hold their "Sportsmen's Olympics" on July 28. It will consist of 10 events, including archery, trap, softball throw, casting, bean bag toss, cribbage, 22 shoot, basketball, golf shot and a couple more. Cost is \$60 for a 2 person team.

Aug 18th is Youth Day at Hasty-Silver Creek. There was a motion to sponsor for \$200.00. Motion received second and passed.

Pheasants Forever is sponsoring a disabled vets duck hunt at Nye Park on Oct 6th. Volunteers are needed. They hope to have 6-8 hunters involved.

HELP IS STILL REQUESTED FOR THE WRIGHT COUNTY FAIR. WE WILL HAVE THE PELLET GUN RANGE RUNNING FROM 1 PM UNTIL ABOUT 8 PM ON AUG 1- 5

Respectfully submitted  
Dick Nordling, Sec

NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MON, AUG 6th 7:30 PM AT 'V's IN MAPLE LAKE

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*Change Service Requested*



**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:**

**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:**

**Range:**

**August**

1 - (Wed) **(25 yd range only)** - Three Rivers Forkhorn II Camp / MDA. 9:30am - 3:30pm

7 - (Tue) - West Hennepin Public Safety - All Day

10 - (Fri) - West Hennepin Public Safety & Orono Firearm Safety Day 9:00am - 1:00pm

14 - (Tue) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Pheasant Hunting Camp . PF 9:30am - 3:30pm

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

23 - (Thu) - Medina Police Department - 10:00am - 5:00pm

25 - (Sat) - Park Sportsmen's Club Firearm Safety - 1:00pm - 5:00pm

**September**

8 - (Sat) - Members Only Turkey shoot 9:00am - 1:00pm

10 - (Mon) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

11 - (Tue) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 2:00pm - 4:00pm

13 - (Thu) - Deephaven Police Department - 8:00am - 1:00pm

14 - (Fri) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 2:00pm - 8:00pm

**October**

13 - (Sat) - Non Member Sight-In Day 9:00am - 5:00pm

**Clubhouse:**

**August**

28 (Tue) Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM

**September**

8 - (Sat) - Members Only Turkey Shoot 9:00am-1:00pm

25 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting , 7:00 PM

**October**

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

