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Deer and Pheasant Farm News

It has been almost a month since the club purchased the farm to the west of us. It is 76 acres of farmland, with a nice farmstead that includes a house, horse barn and out-buildings.

We are planning to rent or sell portions of the farmstead, if we can find the right renter. We do have a lead from Franklin Township.

We do need to tear down some of the obsolete sheds, and there remains a lot of clean-up to do on the property. The farm land has been rented out, some hay has been baled and some weeds cut—but there is

more to do.

We plan on planting food plots next year for deer, pheasant and turkeys. All good news!

We would like to thank a couple of members who have come forward with cash gifts to help lower the mortgage. Gifts of \$1000, and \$400 were applied directly to the principle. This goes a long way to helping us afford the wonderful farm we have and



make our plans much easier to accomplish. Again, Thank you!

So...we have:

- A house to rent or buy;
- A possible horse facility to rent;
- Many slots to store boats, campers, cares, etc.
- Garden slots to rent.

To volunteer to help clean up the new farm, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Tom Delaney at 612-408-8944 or Joe Kittok at 763-221-6658.

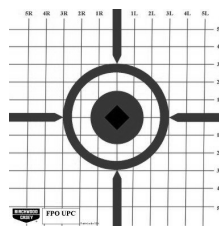
Non Member Sight In: October 12th

A reminder that the Non-Member Sight in will be this October 12th, from 9:00am– 5:00pm. It is \$15 per firearm for members of the public to sight in their rifles before hunting season.

We'll need volunteers to help with collecting fees and answering questions about the club. We'll also need volunteers to help with sight-in and range safety.

If you can help with this,

please contact Tim Hainlin. The best way to reach him is by email at: timhainlin@gmail.com. You can also reach him by phone at: 612-702-7016. Please note— this is a change from last month's notice!



Our Sympathy

We just found out that Jerome Roban, a 4-year member of the club from Brooklyn Center, passed away in May at age 78.

His obituary can be seen on the web here: <http://tinyurl.com/jerryrobanobit>



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The Delano Sportsmen's Club

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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
- 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 Bob Ball at 612-363-3936 or 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

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 August 27th, 2013

Welcome New Members!

We hope they will enjoy many hours of safe shooting activities on our range!

David Bruce, Keith Sandberg, Michael Stoudt, Bruce Clark, Alexander Andrev, Mike McElhiney, Kent Gerloff, Bob Peterson, Brandon Morin, Jason Eby, Nathan Warzetha, Scott McGurl, David Coudron, Michael Posozim, Kevin Williamson, Adam Frederickson

What Would You Do? David Quammen

There is an ongoing situation with a few members using the range which **must** be corrected.

Each member using the range is responsible for range maintenance. In other words; removing targets from backstops when finished shooting, picking up brass casings, placing debris and spent cartridges in the appropriate containers and sweeping the concrete floors of the shooting stations.

Unfortunately a few members feel this task should be left for others to do. Now the question;

What would you do if you were in charge of the range?

1. Continue to clean up after those offending members.
2. Tell them the next reoccurrence of this problem by them would be cause for immediate cancelation of their membership.
3. Cancel their membership on the first offense????

Minutes of the July 30th, 2013 Meeting

31 members present - the meeting called to order by President Jim Klatt at 7:01 PM

Secretary's Report - Minutes of the June 25, 2013 meeting were approved

Treasurers Report -

Opening balance \$19,390.11;

Debits \$3876.58;

Credits \$69,365.05;

Checking balance \$84,878.58. The deposits are high this month because the CD's were cashed in, in anticipation of the closing on the property next door. The closing has taken place. *Due to the closing the true balance in the checking account as of 7/30/13 is \$3370.16.* Payments for the property are \$1819.00 per month.

Committee Reports

There will be an Executive Board meeting soon to discuss how to handle the property. The house, farm land, barns, and storage buildings all could be rented. There were also garden spots rented in the past. Prior to the club purchasing the property Franklin Township expresses an interest in buying a portion of it with their park dedication fees. All these items will be discussed at the Executive Board meeting. If you have any ideas on how to use the land put it in writing and send it to the club.

Tom Delaney will be holding a Building and Grounds committee meeting on August 27th before the regular meeting. Committee members will be notified.

Old Business

The Fourth of July went well, volunteers covered all shifts. The bingo stand and milk shake booth made more money than they ever have in previous years. Overall it looks to be a profitable year for the Fourth of July celebration.

There are still extra raffle tickets to sell, contact Jan Kittok for more books.

Tickets are available for the Minnesota Conservation Federation money raffle. Tickets are \$10 a piece, contact Joe Kittok for tickets.

The club received a letter from Jim Wadell of the Fishing Clinic for Kids thanking us for our donation. Between 1100 and 1200 kids attended the event this year.

Tom Delaney reported that Kenny Gooddale fixed the gutters, Tom fixed items on the 25 yard range and there will be a couple coming out to clean up the gardens.

New Business

Hannah was present at the meeting and got up to thank the club for sending her to the Baker Park Near Wilderness Settlement for forkhorn camp this summer.

Dave Wilde addressed the club - The Wright County chapter of The Friends of The NRA has been temporarily disbanded. People involved with that organization are now channeling their energy to The Friends of the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen. There will be a banquet with a silent auction and live auction on September 23rd in Annandale.

Tickets for the banquet will be available at the August meeting. They will also be having a 12 gun salute raffle - tickets are \$100 each. A motion was made and passed to have the club buy one 12 gun salute raffle ticket.

Game Fair is coming up in August - the club has a few discount coupons available for \$2 off the adult admission price if you are interested.

A reminder that the members only turkey shoot will be coming up on September 21, 2013. The event begins at 9:00 AM dinner is at noon. Thirty turkeys will be ordered as prizes.

There is a gun show at the convention center in Buffalo, MN on August 17 and 18.

Tom Delaney will be putting an article in the newsletter regarding the repair of the pistol range retractable targets.

The pellet gun booth will be running at the Wright County Fair again this year - volunteers are needed to man it - contact Dick Nordling.

Dick Nordling and Bill Horsch picked up another load of garage doors for the rifle range.

Six new members introduced themselves.

Jim Klatt thanked all volunteers and workers.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary



Thank you to Dave Wilde for the great Summertime Lunch of Hot Dogs and Fixings!

We are looking forward to Deb & Dave Larsen's lunch at the August meeting!

Midway USA has free rifle and pistol targets to download and print! Just go to their web site: <http://www.midwayusa.com/> .

Just click on the Knowledge Center at the bottom of the page! It's also a great place to shop!

Raffle Time!

Ok...it's not quite raffle-time, but it's coming up soon!

This is both a great fundraising program for the club as well as a chance to win some awesome prizes; ranging from gas cards (who can't use one of those?) to Coborns and Cabelas Gift Cards!

Remember, if you sell 10 books, you're volunteer duties for this year are covered! Finally, **you** could be the recipient of **\$75.00 cash**. All you have to do is be the person who sold the most!

Time is running out. Please sell those tickets. Money can be turned in to Jan, and she can get you more tickets.

Turkey Shoot!

Remember— This year's members-only Turkey Shoot will be held at the Range on September 21st from 9am-Noon, with a wonderful BBQ Chicken dinner hosted by Bill Horsch and his crew!

This is a great opportunity to demonstrate all your practice at the range and a chance to shoot targets

that you don't normally see here! Winners in the various categories will a turkey!



If you want to volunteer to set up the shoot, contact Jim Klatt. If you want to be part of Bill's amazing BBQ crew, contact him at 763-972-3215.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

- July 31-August 4: Volunteers will be needed at the Wright County Fair to help with the youth air gun booth. Contact Dick Nordling.
- Weed management: The areas near the 25 yard range, behind the storage shed and along the fence line could use a good weed whipping. Call Tom Delaney if interested.
- Farm Cleanup: Contact Tom Delaney or Joe Kittok.
- **July 27th!** Highway 12 cleanup with the Minnesota Concealed Carry folks. Contact Dan MacDonald for details: 952-473-2201.
- The annual members-only Turkey Shoot will be September 21st. We'll need volunteers to help set up targets. Contact Jim Klatt.
- Also at the Turkey Shoot, we'll need people to help prepare the meal that goes with it. Call Bill Horsch at 763-972-3215 if you would like to help.
- October 12: Non-Member Sight in. We'll need members to be on site to take money, answer questions and assist people with sight-in. Call Tim Hainlin at 612-702-7016 if you're interested in helping.

Remember, volunteering for the club doesn't just give you a warm, fuzzy feeling; you're essentially being paid \$12.50 per hour tax-free for your first four hours. Why? Because that 4 hours of volunteer work saves you \$50 on your annual dues!

So, help yourself, help your club and help your wallet...get out and volunteer!

Minnesota Conservation Society Raffle:

This year, the Minnesota Conservation Society has decided not to have their "21 Gun Salute" raffle.

This year the gun raffle has been replaced with a cash raffle. The prizes are still something that will allow you to pick the firearm of your choice (or ammunition...or whatever you need to spend your winnings on...):

- **1st-4th Prize:** \$1000.00 each
- **2nd-10th Prize:** \$500.00 each

Raffle tickets this year are \$10 each. You can purchase them at club meetings from treasurer Joe Kittok, or you can mail your \$10 per ticket to the club—just be sure to include a note that it's for the Minnesota Conservation Raffle; and you'll be sent a ticket.

The drawing will be on September 7th at the Cabela's in Owatonna during the Society's annual meeting.

Hurry and get your tickets now!

Shooting Rules— Explained

A new member recently called to ask for clarification regarding some of the club's range rules. If one person isn't sure, it's a safe bet others are also wondering. Here are the most popular ones that need clarification:

5: Do not attach targets to backstop posts. These are the posts that hold the target panels (the garage door sections). They're buried in the ground or mounted on the 50 yd. frame. They're difficult and expensive to fix. By **not** putting targets on the posts, it means the bullets should normally only go where they belong (the panel, the target and the dirt backstop).

7: Make sure the bullets impact

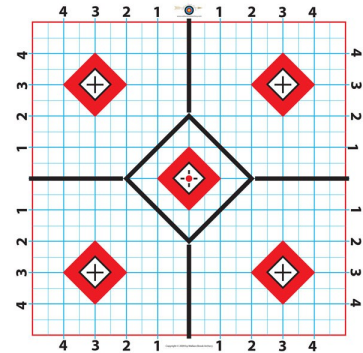
backstops. See #5. By putting your target in the right place, your bullets should only be hitting the dirt behind the targets.

8: No Digging in the backstops. This means you don't take shovels and dig in the dirt backstops looking for lead.

13: No human silhouette targets allowed, except for official police events. This means that the only time a human silhouette target may be used is when a police department is conducting official qualifying/training activities. Even off-duty officers may not use human silhouette targets on their own time.

Just a reminder: There is a huge

supply of garage door panels behind the range storage shed. When going to the range, bring a hammer and nails. If the backstops are broken or in bad shape, take them down, put them in the burn pile and put up a new panel. If everyone does a *little* work, it becomes easier for *everyone*.



Elks 32nd Annual Gun Show!

The Hutchinson Elks Lodge 2427 is hosting their 32nd Annual Gun Show; September 28th-29th, 2013 at the McLeod County Fairgrounds in Hutchinson, Minnesota. (Behind the Target and Walmart, South of Hwy 7, off of Hwy 15).

Visitors!

Hours: Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 9am-3pm

There is free parking all-day, every day! Admission is \$3.00. Kids under 12 are **FREE** with an adult.

There will be up to 320 tables at the show this year with a variety of guns, weapons, coins, prints, knives, military & powder, shells & bullets, trapping and fishing gear, stamps and sports cards available for sale and trade!

Food and beverage vendors will be available!

Exhibitors: If you're interested in participating as an exhibitor:

Parking is free. Table rental (8 foot table) is \$30.00 for two days.

Table set up Friday 1pm-9pm or Saturday at 6am.

Security guards will be on duty at all times.

Please note: if you rent a table, you are expected to remain open until 3:00 pm on Sunday.

**Please report
all range
damage**

Table Reservations: Contact Dale Harbarth, 20641 Hwy. 7 West, Hutchinson, MN 55350 (320-587-8989). Reservations must be made and paid for by September 1st!

Lodging: Coming from a ways out? Not a problem. There are a number of motels/hotels available in the area:

- Best Western Victorian Inn: 320-587-6030
- Economy Inn (formerly Hutch Motel): 320-587-2129
- 7 HI Budget Hotel: 320-587-2088
- King Motel: 320-587-4737
- Americinn: 320-587-5515
- Shamrock Inn (formerly Super 8): 320-587-9299

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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:

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

9 - (Fri) - Orono (Rosati) Firearm Safety Field

Day - 9:00am - 1:00pm

14 - (Wed)(25 yd range only) -

TRPD TForkhorn II Camp / MDA. 9:30am - 3:30pm

20 - (Tue) - Medina Police Department - All day

24 - (Sat) - Rockford (Czanstkowski) Firearm

Safety Field Day - 9:00am - 1:00pm

25 - (Sun)- Rockford (Delaney) Firearm Safety Field Day - 10:00am - 2:00pm

September

3 - (Tue) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 5:30pm - 7:30pm

4 - (Wed) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - Noon - 4:30pm

6 - (Fri) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 5:30pm - 7:00pm

7 - (Sat) - Park Sportsman's Club - Firearm Safety Field Day - 9:00am - 1:00pm

9 - (Mon) - West Hennepin Public Safety - All Day

10 - (Tue) - Deephaven Police Department - 8:30am - 1:00pm

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

October

12 - (Sat)- Non-Member sight-in Day 9:00am - 5:00pm.

November

20 - (Wed) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 9:00am - 7:00pm

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

21 - (Thu) - Medina Police Department - 3:00pm - 8:00pm

Clubhouse:

August

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

September

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

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

October

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

November

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