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Breaking News: Delano Tigers Trap to State!

In only their second season, the Delano High School Tigers Trap team has completed a successful qualifying round in Alexandria and moved on to the first Minnesota State High School League Trap Tournament in history.

Trap shooting has become the fastest growing high school sport in Minnesota, with over 275 schools and 6 thousand students participating.

This year marks a change to high school trap. The Minnesota State High School Clay Target League began the trap program in 2001 with 3 schools shooting out of the Plymouth Gun Club. This year, the

MSHSCTL's "State Championship" meet in Alexandria will serve as a qualifying round for the inaugural Minnesota State High School League State Tournament, to be held this June in Lakeville. The acceptance of trap shooting by the MSHSL puts the program on the same ground as other sports; such as football, baseball, and track.

Delano qualified as one of the top 5 AAAA teams competing in the championship round.

While they managed to place 13th overall at the state tournament; they were part of history in the making.

This year's MSHSL tournament represents the first school-sanctioned state tournament in shooting sports in the United States.

The support of clubs such as ours have been instrumental in the growth of this sport among youth. We can be proud of our contributions to this excellent sport.

Congratulations to the Delano Tigers on your success!

July 4th— Volunteers!

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered so far for the July 4th events! All of our milkshake shifts are full. We do still need some volunteers for the Bingo booth.

In the bingo booth, you could be a caller, collect money, and help bingo winners. In the shake booth, you could be making shakes and sundaes or collecting money from happy customers.

The following shifts are open...they're filled first-come-first serve; so call early to get your pick of shift!

Fri, July 4th:
8pm-Midnight- Bingo

Sat, July 5th:
4pm-8pm- Bingo
8pm-Midnight-Bingo

We also need people to help design, pull, and ride on our

July 4th Parade Float! This is a great time!

To sign up, call Jan Kittok at 763-972-2989

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The Delano Sportsmen's Club

Club Officers:

- President: Dale Vanderlinden 763-972-6726
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- 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*
- **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 June 24th, 2014.

Welcome New Members!

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

Kevin Graham, Matt Rosati, Jeff Kordiak, Stephen Noonan, Shawn Krawczyk, Tim Grant, Kurt Wehrmann

Our Sympathies

Charlie Rieland, 81, passed away on May 28th. Charlie was a long-time member of the club.

In addition to his membership, he was a lifelong resident of Delano; except when serving in the US Army during the Korean War. He spent spare time finding and identifying unmarked graves in the local cemeteries, and served on the Fort Snelling Memorial Rifle Squad.

A mass of Christian Burial was held on May 31st at St. Peter Catholic Church.

Full notice is at: <http://www.herald-journal.com/obits/2014/rieland0528.html>

Minutes of the May 27th, 2014 Meeting

17 members present - the meeting called to order at 6:59 PM by President Dale Vanderlinden.

Secretary's Report - Minutes of the April 29, 2014 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurers Report - Opening balance in the checking account \$13,352.65; debits \$6886.35; credits \$2152.27; checking balance \$8618.57. Treasurers report was approved.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds - There has been a little abuse on the range. A building and grounds meeting will be held in July. A new wire was dug in for the lights on the trap range, and a tube and wire were dug in from the clubhouse to the 25 yard range for electricity.

Fourth of July - Joe Kittok has ordered supplies for the milk shake booth. The shifts in the milk shake booth are all filled, help is still needed in the bingo stand. Volunteers and ideas are needed for the float. Contact Joe or Jan Kittok.

Old Business

Newsletter - a motion was made and passed to include the range rules in the newsletter every month. Dale Vanderlinden will write a comment regarding the rules for the June newsletter.

Membership - Jan Kittok commented that new members are coming in slowly.

Dale Vanderlinden mentioned that the High School Trap Teams are getting good press. It is one of the fastest growing high school sports.

Gun Owners Civil Rights Alliance - Dan MacDonald updated the club and said that GOCRA is working behind the scenes now and that there are no big issues at the moment. Funding is always needed and he encourages all members to sign up with their e-mail address.

Raffle - \$1466 worth of tickets have been sold so far. 15 members have taken ten or more books to sell. Contact Jan Kittok if you need more books.

New Business

The highway 12 clean up will be held on Saturday, May 31st for those who would like to volunteer to help out. Meet at Moneys at 8:00 AM, 7:00 AM for those who wish to have breakfast. It is the stretch of road from Baker Park Road going one mile east. It usually takes about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. If you have any questions contact Dan MacDonald.

Dick Nordling updated the club on grants given out by the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen. The emphasis was on youth and women's shooting this year. 16 of 17 grants were approved. \$23,455 was paid out. Delano Sportsmen's Firearm Safety received \$1500 for buying more 22 rifles. The Delano High School trap team received \$2900 for two shotguns and to help defray costs for the kids.

Clubhouse reservation for Saturday, June 14th to Joe Kittok for a baby shower was approved.

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Wright County Federation Meeting Minutes

WRIGHT COUNTY FEDERATION OF SPORTSMENS CLUBS

DATE: 12 MAY 2014
LOCATION: "V"s CAFÉ IN MAPLE LAKE
PRESIDING: PRES MARK KAMINSKI
ROLL CALL: 11 DELEGATES FROM 9 CLUBS

Conservation Pledge lead by Pres Kaminski
Secretary's report read and accepted as read.
Treasurers report read and accepted as read. Current balance \$30,756.17

There are 7 un-sold tickets for the M!A raffle. Let's get them sold or back to Jerry Veches.

Al Moy suggested that the funds in Federation account prior to last falls fundraiser be separated from current Friends/Federation balance. That was \$5,345.51. There was a motion to set a \$3,000.00 minimum balance to that Federation

account every Jan 1st. to keep their activities going. Motion received a second and carried on a voice vote.

There have been meetings with the leadership of all the high school trap teams that had submitted grant requests. A fair formula was established to award grants to these teams.

The following grants were voted on and approved by Friends/Federation delegates.

Hasty-Silver Creek for Kids Camp \$500	Hasty-Silver Creek Vets hunt \$950.00
Rainbow Sportsmen H S trap \$1,000	Delano Sportsmen Firearms safety \$1,500
Delano H S trap \$2,900	Waverly Youth trap \$1,080
Waverly Ladies trap \$540	Waverly FFA trap \$1,000
Waverly Ladies Nite \$900	St Michael H S trap \$3,480
St Michael Youth trap \$3,195	Buffalo youth shooting \$1,150
Buffalo Cons Club \$1,000	

See "Federation Minutes" on page 4

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!**

Fourth of July Events! July 2-5

- Bingo stand
- Parade (Decorate, drive, or ride on float).

Wright County Fair: July 30-Aug 3: Airgun booth. Contact Dick Nordling.

Crow River Clean up, Sept 20, starting at 9:00am.

We will be picking up trash along the Crow River. We will start at the club's property and move West to Farmington Avenue. If you wish to lead this project or can help out, contact Jan Kittok.

Lunches:

Thank you to Jeff Harris and his brother and sister-in-law for May's lunch! Jeff had volunteered, but was stuck out of town for work...his brother and sister-in-law came to the rescue with an excellent lunch!

Derek Schansberg will be serving lunch in June.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered with meals. 2014 is now covered. We will accept volunteers for 2015!

If you can purchase groceries, cook and serve a meal. Call Tom Delaney. Bring your receipt and we'll reimburse your grocery bill!

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Buffalo MN youth shotgun \$400 Buffalo H S trap \$1,100 Buffalo youth gun \$2,760 Before you all pull out your adding machines, that is \$23,455 that will benefit 16 youth and womens shooting programs through the county. Everyone who was involved with the fundraiser as a worker, sponsor or attended can be truly proud of their accomplishment again this year. Future grants will also be looked at by club involvement in fundraising efforts.

There was discussion on starting another pre-banquet raffle. Conscience was to start selling tickets on 12 gun raffle and work on sponsorships instead. Sponsor levels will be \$300, \$600, \$1,200, and \$2,400 as last year. Sponsorship by member clubs and donations will go far to help our program.

Bob Peterson of Pheasants Forever spoke to group regarding property available to add to size of the Minnesota Vets Wildlife Management Area near Annandale. After much discussion there was a motion to donate \$1,000 from the Federation account, motion receive a second and passed on a voice vote. This WILL NOT affect the Friends/Federation joint account in any way. ALL banquet funds are dedicated.

Respectfully submitted

Dick Nordling, Sec

NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MON, JUN 9 AT 7PM AT "V" S IN MAPLE LAKE

Upcoming Events

- Members only Turkey Shoot coming up in September...keep an eye out for more information regarding participation and volunteer opportunities. This is a fun event for the whole family!
- Non-Member Shoot (and sight-in) will be in October. Tim Hainlin is chairing this project. More details soon.



Raffle Reminder:

The 2014 Club Raffle is in full swing. Members received books of tickets by mail in March (in the newsletter, for those receiving a mailed newsletter, or separately for those receiving the newsletter electronically).

There are terrific prizes again this year:

- **\$500 Holiday Station Gift Card**
- **\$250 Coborns Grocery Gift Card**

- **\$100 Gift Card to All-Season Sports in Delano**

The raffle will be held in September again this year. Remember, if you sell 10 books; you've met your volunteer requirement for this year, a \$100 savings!

Money should be sent to the club: attention Jan Kittok. Contact Jan by mail or phone—or at the meeting to get more tickets.

This is a great fundraiser for the club, and it's easy to do!

BONUS! The member who sells the most tickets will receive a \$75 prize!

Reservations

20 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league -

5:00pm-10:00pm

21 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league -

5:00pm-10:00pm

23 - (Sat) - Rockford (Czanstkowski) Fire-arm Safety Field Day - 9:00am - 1:00pm

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

27 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league -

5:00pm-10:00pm

28 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league -

5:00pm-10:00pm

Clubhouse:

June

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

July

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

August

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

Minutes From Page 2

The Fathers Day black powder shoot will be held June 15th. Volunteers are needed, contact Dick Nordling.

The question was raised if the club was going to participate in a Coborns hot dog and brat fundraiser again this year and if any dates were available. Check with Joe at Coborns for dates.

June 14th there will be a Flag Day ceremony at the Delano Legion at 10:00 AM to retire and dispose of used flags. The Boy Scouts will be running the program.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary.

Please Report all Range Damage

This is our club. It's our responsibility to be sure it is kept safe and secure.

Range Rules Reminder

It's good to have a little reminder of the range rules and shooting hours. Here's what you need to know:

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.

Range Hours: These have been established to show courtesy to our neighbors. They must be strictly followed.

Evening hours: as posted or dark; whichever is first

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-8:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 11:00am-6:00pm

Trap Shooting:

No hand or portable throwers allowed.

League & Practice Hours:

Wednesday & Thursday- 5:45pm-10:00pm

Range is closed to members when used by other groups.

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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

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:

June

25 - (Wed) - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:30am - 5:30pm

25 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

26 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

July

2 - (Wed) - Deephaven Police Dept - 8:00am - 1:00pm

9 - (Wed) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Turkey Hunting Camp / NWTF. 9:30am - 3:30pm

9 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

10 - (Thu) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Turkey Hunting Camp / NWTF. 9:30am - 3:30pm

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

16 - (Wed) **(100 yard range)** - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 11:00am - 4:00pm

16 - (Wed) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Forkhorn I / MDA 9:30am - 3:30pm

16 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

17 - (Thur) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Forkhorn I / MDA 9:30am - 3:30pm

17 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

23 - (Wed) **(25 yd range only)** - TRPD Waterfowl Hunting Camp / MWA. 9:30am - 3:30pm

23 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-

10:00pm

24 - (Thu) **(25 yd range only)** -

TRPD Waterfowl Hunting Camp / MWA. 9:30am - 3:30pm

24 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

● - (Sat) Members Only Fishing Tournament (questions contact Bill Horsch)

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

30 - (Wed) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

31 - (Thu) - Trapshooting league - 5:00pm-10:00pm

August

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

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

● 8 - (Fri) **Range Reserved** - Orono (Rosati) Firearm Safety Field Day - 9:00am - 1:00pm

● 13 - (Wed) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** - TRPD TForkhorn II Camp / MDA. 9:30am - 3:30pm

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

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

● 20 - (Wed) **Range Reserved** - West Hennepin Public Safety - 8:30am - 5:30pm

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