

# DELANO SPORTSMAN

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## Thank You!

"Thank you Delano Sportsmen's Club. I really enjoyed shooting archery and swimming in the lake! Forkhorn II camp was loads of fun and I made lots of new friends! I also liked shooting rifles at the range and going to the 3-D archery range, techno hunt and getting my bowhunter's safety certificate! Thank you again I had tons of fun!

Thanks, Derek Spencer

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## Expanded Members-Only Raffle!

The members-only raffle for January 2013 has expanded!

In addition to the Remington 1911 described in last month's newsletter, two more prizes will now be available; a 3 night stay at Ballard's on Lake of the Woods near Baudette, MN and a \$100 Gander Mountain Gift Card!

The trip to Ballard's includes a 3 night stay, bait, tackle, poles guided fishing and fish-cleaning services. It's valued at \$425.

The additional prizes were won by the club in a Minnesota Conservation Federation early-bird drawing.

So, what's the catch? You

have to be a current member of the club when the drawing happens in January '13. So...you have to renew your membership and have your raffle entry postmarked before December 31, 2012. Also, it *is* a raffle, so chances are \$10 each. You can enter as often as you like.

With these added prizes, the members-only raffle now looks like this:

1st Place: Remington 1911, valued at \$850. I didn't know much about it, and did a little research...it is built very similarly to Remington's WWII 1911, except where they were able to improve it (better sights, etc.). It's considered by a lot of the experts to be the best under-\$1000 1911 on the market.

2nd Place: 3-night fishing trip to Ballards, valued at \$425.

3rd Place: \$100 Gift Card to Gander Mountain.

So...if you're one of those guys or gals who always seems to come in 2nd or 3rd...this is your lucky day, because 2nd and 3rd are pretty sweet deals as well!

So, get your membership renewed and toss in an extra \$10 or so toward a chance at some fine raffle prizes!

## Dues are Due...and Soon!

Another year is slowly coming to an end. With that, your 2012 Delano Sportsmen's Club dues are as well—they expire on December 31st.

To maintain your membership and continue to use the range and facilities, you'll want to be sure your 2013 dues are paid **before** January 1, 2013.

Dues did not increase this year...it's still \$80 for a 1-year membership...unless

you've provided volunteer service to the club.

Were you a volunteer in 2012 for 4 hours?

Or...did you sell at least 10 books of raffle tickets? If so, your dues are **\$30**, a savings of fifty dollars!

If you add an additional \$5 dollars, you can also receive the Minnesota Out of Doors (MOOD) magazine.

Paying your dues is easy!

Just mail them to the club (the address is on the left or on the back cover, or bring them to a meeting.

Don't wait for the last minute to get your dues paid and keep your membership current.

Are you unsure if you already paid? Check your mailing label, if it says "2012" you still have to renew!

We look forward to seeing you on the range in '13!

## The Delano Sportsmen's Club

### Club Officers:

- President: Jim Klatt 763-479-2743
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### Range Information:

- Trap Shooting: Dan Thienes 763-682-4980
- Firearm Training: John McClay 763-675-2397
- Black Powder: Dick Nordling 763-972-2714
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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
- 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 October 30th, 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!

Deton Wicklund, Todd Fossey, Nicholas Lahti, Peter Windahl, Michael McCullough, Jeffrey DeBoer, Ryan Andreae, Kevin Pietsch

### *From the Editor*

*Ok, I'll be honest, this issue may feel a little light, as I'm writing this in a cramped economy seat on my way out east for a little R & R. This trip won't include any shooting sports (though part of me will be thinking of friends who are holding their annual Hog Hunt in Texas this month), but it should be fun.*

*Until I get back, enjoy fall shooting and hunting and stay safe out there! Everyone thinks and is worried about firearms accidents in the field, but falls send more people to the hospital than anything else (especially falls from deer stands). Oh, and unless you're a duck...wear a PFD when you're out on the water hunting those ducks and geese....and if you ARE a duck, many of us would be proud to have you over for dinner.*

Bob

## Minutes of the September 25, 2012 Meeting

31 members present - the meeting called to order by President Jim Klatt

**Secretary's Report** - Minutes of the August 28, 2012 meeting were approved

**Treasurers report** -

Opening balance \$17884.05;

Debits \$4370.95;

Credits \$4952.75;

Checking balance \$18,465.85;

Balance in all accounts \$82,161.74

### Old Business

ATV raffle winner was Jim Berg, the rifle went to ? Durham of Cambridge, the knife to Richard Turpin of Chanhassen. Dick Nordling won \$75 for selling the most tickets - 54 books. 1721 tickets were sold (\$3442), expenses were \$166 plus printing costs.

### New Business

Jim Sable and Deserie spoke to members about the Minnesota State High School Clay Target League

The Club won two prizes from the Minnesota Conservation Federation raffle. A fishing trip to Lake of The Woods valued at \$425 and a \$100 gift card to Gander Mountain.

We will now be recycling shotgun hulls through the Park Gun Club.

We need to promote the non member gun sight in day to people in the community - it will be held October 13th.

Midway USA will supply us targets for youth shooting events. Lead time will be needed to order.

All Seasons Sports has donated 10 gun cases for the rifles used for firearms training. They are marked to use with the numbered guns.

The purchase of the Begin property was again discussed. There were some brief pointed complaints by Wally Johnson about the club not doing enough to purchase the adjoining property.

A meeting of the attending Executive Committee will follow the meeting.

Four new members introduced themselves.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dick Nordling, acting Secretary

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

DATE: 10 SEPT LOCATION: "V"s CAFÉ PRE-SIDING: PRES MARK KAMINSKI ROLL CALL: 10 DELEGATES FROM 9 CLUBS

Conservation Pledge lead by Pres Kaminski Secretary's report read and accepted as read Treasures report read and accepted as read, balance \$4,027.80

A flyer from PERM was summarized for the group. There was a motion to support their effort to have gill nets removed from use on Lake Mille Lacs. We will buy 10-\$5 tickets for their "Ban the gill net"

raffle.

Set-up for our fundraiser will start at 2 PM on the 17th of Sept. We have all the tickets needed for the raffles, the blind, items from PF banquet, tree stand, gun cleaning kits, 2 Marlin .22's, party basket, Ruger hand gun, Savage shotgun and Mark is checking on 4 racks of ribs. A couple of members will be marking a buying trip later in the week.

Everyone was reminded to update ticket sale numbers to Nordling if they sell any

more. As of meeting we had 75 tickets sold.

Respectfully submitted

Dick Nordling, Sec

NEXT MEETING IS ON MON, OCT 8 AT 7:30 PM AT "V"s CAFÉ IN MAPLE LAKE

## We Want You!

### Tree, Branch Removal:

On the range parking lot on the west side, there are two dead pine trees. There are also pine branches on the cyclone fence behind the club. They need to be cut up and put on the brush pile on the range.

If you're interested, call Tom Delaney.

### 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.

### Time is Running Out!

Remember, 4 hours of volunteering (or the sales of 10 books of raffle tickets) saves you **\$50** on your annual dues (which are coming up soon). If you want to volunteer but haven't, it's time to get hopping! Watch the newsletter and web site ([www.delanosportsmensclub.com](http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com)) for opportunities and sign up soon!

## Final Standings: Summer Trap League

Fall Trap League has finished their season. While everyone had fun, it *is* a competition, and there are some winners to recognize after this great season.

FIRST PLACE Overall goes to **G. W. Transportation Services** with the following members:

- Jason Babatz
- Lance Wetter
- Mike Otten
- Jerry Fritz
- Brian Wolf

SECOND PLACE Overall was taken by **Swamp Folks**

- Dave Carlson
- Mark Paschke
- Daryl Benson
- Mark Fonkert
- Herb Girtz

TEAM HIGH GUNS went to:

- WPSA: **Travis Shauer**
- Choo Choo: **Chris Thomas**

*Trap League Finals Continued on Page 5:*

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## September 22 Raffle Winners!

The Delano Sportsmen's Club fundraising raffle was held on September 22nd, at the Delano Coburns.

We're happy to announce that **Jim Berg** of Delano won the child's 4-wheeler ATV. **Jack Durham** of Cambridge won the rifle and **Richard Turpen** of Chanhasen won the knife. Congratulations to our winners!

Fundraisers like this help provide funds for club operations and programs...so even if you weren't one of the folks that came home with a prize, we all were winners in this event!

Special thanks to Dick Nordling

for his efforts on this project! Dick coordinated nearly everything for the raffle; from obtaining permits and completing the paperwork required by the state for a form of "gaming", to printing the tickets, and bringing the 4-wheeler around to the Wright County Fair, the Delano 4th of July events and Coburns, to help generate interest.

Oh...and he also sold **54 Books** of tickets for the fundraiser.

Great job Dick and thanks for your efforts in making this a successful fundraiser!



## Trap League Finals from Page 4

- G W Transportation: **Jason Babatz**
- Swamp Folks: **Mark Pashke**
- Class Act Outdoor Furnace: **Sam Sueeggen**
- Hunters: **Todd Wegman**
- Lucky Fives: **Jim Herzog**
- VRTT: **Jim LaFrance**
- Billy's: **Bob Kellner**
- Wad Shooters: **Tom Keller**
- Stan's: **Dan Thienes**
- Sheraton: **Leif Chaffee**
- Copenhagen Angels: **Nick Czech**
- IDSO Financial: **Andy Droen**
- Da Boy's: **Dave Breuer**
- Innovative Lab Systems: **Mike Kettenacker**
- The Grass Was Wet: **Luke Guennigsmann**
- Star West Chevrolet: **Kevin Latzig**

### LEAGUE HIGH GUN: DAN THIENES

With all the time Dan spends not only shooting, but managing the trap program, that shouldn't be much of a surprise! Thanks again for all your hard work & great shooting Dan!

If you're interested in giving Trap League a try, watch the web site and November's newsletter...winter league will start in December!

## Minnesota DNR Needs Your Help!

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Minnesota Incident Command System (MNICS) needs the help and cooperation of the general public statewide to help prevent and minimize fire danger, which is at a seasonal all-time high in much of Minnesota since automated local records have been kept.

"We have a unique and dangerous combination of fires that are not yet well contained up north, and a serious fire risk in the south that will continue to challenge local emergency response resources if additional fires should start," said DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr.

Under such conditions, Landwehr urges all Minnesotans to take certain precautions that include:

- Exercise caution in all agricultural operations and avoid operations in fields and roadsides until fire danger improves – particularly the mowing of dry fields and lawns. Sparks from mowers can easily ignite dry grass.
- Avoid target shooting, particularly the use of the popular new "exploding targets"... hitting exploding targets present a high risk for wildfires.
- If possible, do not run motor vehicles or other heavy equipment in dry fields. The heat of the engine and exhaust system can cause fires especially in tall grass.
- Follow all burning restrictions. Campfires and other open burning are prohibited in several areas of the state. Check the DNR website for current information.
- Carry a fire extinguisher when operating machinery in dry areas.
- Have a family and business emergency response plan ready in case fire threatens an area near you.
- Immediately call 911 if a fire is ignited and move to a safe location. Attempting to extinguish fires under our current conditions can be extremely hazardous without proper personal protection.

## DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

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### 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:

##### October

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

##### November

7 - (Wed) - West Hennepin Public Safety - 3:00pm - 10:00pm

15 - (Thu) - Deephaven Police Department - 5:00pm - 10:00pm

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

29 - (Thu) - Medina Police Department - 3:00pm - 9:00pm

##### December

NO CURRENT RANGE RESERVATIONS

#### Clubhouse:

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

##### October

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

##### November

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

##### December

No meeting in December... Enjoy your holiday, whichever one you celebrate!



**Please  
Report all  
Range  
Damage**