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Members Only Fishing Tourney

Bill Horsch

Fourteen Anglers in six boats motored out on Lake Independence for the 7:00 am start of the Sportsman's Tourney.

The air temperature was 49 degrees, with a 10-15 mph breeze blowing in from the north. The water temperature was in the low 70s—a light fog rising off the lake

toward the overcast sky. This is July?

I partnered up with Larry Lindborg again this year. We started fishing at a

sunken tree that produced some nice bass last year. Larry got a couple in the first few minutes; and I caught the tree. We decided to head down to

the south end and work the shoreline. Lots of overhand and wood in the water. With the wind blowing toward shore, it looked ideal. I was throw-



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Our Sympathy:

Lee Pedersen, of Delano, passed away August 29th at 78 years old. He has been a member since 1996. He was always a great help with the bingo stand.

Funeral was September 4th at Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Delano. He was interred in Mount Olive Cemetery.

The full obituary and guest book is on the web: <http://tinyurl.com/leepedersen2013>.

Patrick (Pat) Benolkin, age 75, of New Hope; passed away August 21st. He had been a member of the club for 26 years. He was also at the 4th of July bingo stand "with his huge smile".

A memorial service was held September 5th.

The full obituary and guest book is on the web: <http://tinyurl.com/Benolkin2013>

Last Call!

This is your last chance to sell raffle tickets! Remember, 10 books = your volunteer requirement complete. Note: with the change in dues...that's now a **\$100 savings!**

If you're sitting on cash or tickets...it's time to sell and turn the funds in. The drawing is September 22nd at the Delano Coborns!

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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The Delano Sportsmen's Club

Club Officers:

- President: Jim Klatt 763-479-2743
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- 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

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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 September 24th, 2013

Welcome New Members!

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

Michael Kashevatsky, Doug Sams, Jared Keepman

From The Editor

September already...This is always an interesting time of year. We can (and do) still fish, but it's getting time to start planning for the upcoming hunting season.

The weather always seems a little crazy around now. Beginning of September, heat indexes of almost 100 degrees. This morning as I finish this up, it's in the 40s.

It was fun to look back on Bill's excellent fishing adventure during the tourney this year (including the one that got away)...but it's fun to think about the upcoming turkey shoot and plans for fall activities as well.

We've added a column by Dave Squammen regarding picking up after ourselves at the range.

One other thing...let's be neighborly. Shooting hours are shooting hours. Don't fudge (even 5 minutes can annoy people unnecessarily). Until next month...

Minutes of the August 27th, 2013 Meeting

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

Secretary's Report - minutes of the July 30, 2013 meeting were approved

Treasurers Report -

Opening balance \$84,878.58;

debits \$86,157.52;

credits \$4991.25;

checking balance \$3712.31.

Joe explained that with the monthly mortgage and proceeds coming in from trap and membership dues, now would be a good time to think about setting budgets for programs going forward. A budget for donations as well as a fund for trapshooting. These budgets can be set at our meeting in January.

Committee meetings

Building and Grounds - a Building and Grounds meeting was held on August 27, 2013 prior to the regular meeting. Tom Delaney said that things went really well this summer, the grounds have been cleaned up nicely and the gutters on the clubhouse fixed. Work to be done on the new property was discussed as well as some action items for the range. Volunteers will be needed for some clean up and fence removal on the new property. An Executive Committee meeting will be held to discuss more ideas and uses for the new property.

Membership Committee - a Membership Committee meeting was held on August 6, 2013. Results of the meeting to change the membership dues were put in the August newsletter for comment. Some changes in wording on the proposed dues changes are: Section 2, E the wording "arrangements are made" changed to "arrangements are not made". Section 3 I change "desired" to "actual". Section 3, J change "required" to "encouraged". Also clarification was made that the eight hours of volunteering proposed takes effect in 2014 to be put toward 2015 dues. It was noted that this is only the second time in nearly 30 years that the club has raised dues and that the Delano

Sportsmen's Clubs dues are still one of the cheapest dues for sportsmen's clubs in the area. After some discussion a motion was made and second to accept the new dues structure. The motion was passed by a majority vote.

Old business

Dick Nordling thanked the volunteers who helped him run the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen pellet gun booth at the Wright County Fair. 823 kids went through in the five days of the fair.

The Friends of the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen are having a banquet in Annandale, Minnesota on September 23rd. Dinner tickets and raffle tickets to their 12 gun salute raffle are available from Dick Nordling. All money raised will be used for shooting sports in the county. They are also retaining their sponsorship program with levels at \$300, \$600, and \$1200 if the club is interested.

Jamie LaFave was present at the meeting and got up to thank the club for sending him to the Baker Park Near Wilderness Settlement for Forkhorn camp this summer.

Jim Klatt read a letter from club member Bill Rosati thanking the club for the use of the range for their firearms safety range day.

Jan Kittok has additional raffle tickets available for the upcoming fall raffle. Contact Jan if you need more.

The club will be having a members only raffle again this year. The prizes will be a Remington 1911 and a muzzle-loader that was donated by Richard Maas. Tickets will be \$10, to be eligible to buy a ticket you must pay your dues by December 31st. The first name drawn gets their choice of firearm.

Reminder that the club picnic and turkey shoot will be held on September 21st from 9:00 AM - noon on the range.

Tom Delaney thanked the club for the use of the range for the Rockford Community Ed Firearm safety class. Thirty-two kids went through the course.

Jan Kittok was thanked for her efforts

in getting the dues changed.

The Minnesota Conservation Federation is having a money raffle - prizes are 1st - 4th prize: \$1000, 5th - 10th prize: \$500. Joe Kittok has tickets for anyone who is interested.

New Business

Dick Nordling requested \$20 for the clubs dues to the Wright County Federation of Sportsmen.

Dale Vanderlinden addressed the club - Delano Parents In Education is trying to raise \$170,000 to remodel the Delano Middle School auditorium. On September 7th there will be a trap shoot at Park Gun Club to help raise money. Contact John Sweet if you are interested in participating - 763-972-9938. Later that evening there will be a street dance in Delano to support the project.

Keith Nordling was present at the meeting and got up to thank the club for sending him to the Baker Park Near Wilderness Settlement for Forkhorn camp this summer.

One new member was present at the meeting and introduced himself.

Jim Klatt thanked all volunteers and workers.

Thank you to Deb and Dave Larsen for providing lunch for the meeting.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary

*Thanks to Dave & Deb
Larsen for a dynamite meal
at the August Meeting!*

*We're looking forward to
what Brian Bossert has in
mind for September!*

What Would You Do?

David Quammen

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CORNER

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, sweeping, if needed, 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.

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Other Volunteer Opportunities

- Farm Cleanup: Contact Tom Delaney or Joe Kittok.
- 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 \$25.00 per hour tax-free for your first four hours. Why? Because that 4 hours of volunteer work saves you \$100 on your annual dues!

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

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.

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!

Fishing Tourney

ing a sticko some of the time or a swim jig. Larry was using a jig spinner. About 8:15, I slide my jig off a dock into the water and got hit b a muskie that was looking for an easy meal! After a brief bit of back and forth; net-man Larry had it in the boat. It measured at 34 inches, and back to the water



after a couple of photos.

We spent the next two-and-a-half hours whipping a froth on the water and all we had to show for it was a crappie that Larry caught.

We moved up to the north end of the lake to get out of the wind and conserve battery power to to trolling motor. At about 11:00, I was casting a sticko to the shoreline when this huge fish rolled up on it. Larry saw it as well. I didn't set the hook, but felt the bite. Party on!! It didn't make any

long runs, but it came out of the water like a tarpon. I looked at Larry and said "your net ain't big enough". In the meantime, I'm trying to take a phone picture with my left hand and hold the rod with my right. Took three shots, but in the excitement, I forgot to save them. I finally got it

alongside the boat; Larry used a needle-nose to get the hook loose, and away it went. Quite a morning for us, and no fish in the live well for me.

The weigh-in included fish from most of the anglers. The largest bass was an even 4 pounds, followed by a 13 oz northern and two 5 oz sunfish.

Participants included: Dennis, Michael & Matthew Bartos, Curtis Nagel, Paul Hecht, Mark Wessel, Andy, Cody & Jay-dyn Weinzierl, Larry Lindborg, Shelly & Darrell Pool and Bill Horsch.



Thanks to the club for the sponsorship, all the anglers, and my partner, Larry Lindborg. Next year we will be on a new lake. Think about joining us.

Have a great rest of the summer and remember to take a kid fishing.

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.

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

DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

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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:

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

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

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

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

December

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

Clubhouse:

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

