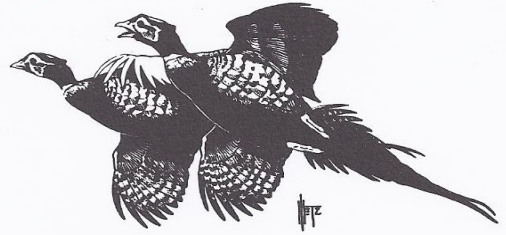


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## Retraction

I'd like to take a moment to offer a retraction and an apology. In last month's newsletter, it was announced that the City of Delano had made the difficult decision to cancel July Fourth events. This was incorrect. The July Fourth committee made that decision to ensure the health and safety of the community. We're all looking forward to next year!

Bob Ball, Editor

## Thank You Again!

The club would like to thank Tom Delaney for his many years of service as the volunteer chairman. He has handed the reigns over to Bert Neuschwander, or as he says, "I'm just Bert!" Thank you for

taking on this important role. If you have questions, projects for the club that you need help with, etc., let Bert know! 209-602-9358 or [berts.works@gmail.com](mailto:berts.works@gmail.com)

## July Fourth Parade!

Fellow club member Cal Brandt organized a successful Fourth of July parade and fireworks. Great job Cal!

There were about 100 units in the parade, and the parade went to all developments in the city of Delano!

## Annual Turkey Shoot!

We will have our annual Turkey Shoot on Saturday September 12th at 9:00 a.m. At noon, after the shoot, we will have our traditional chicken barbecue. Our turkey shoot is a fun day for members to shoot at odd objects and win frozen turkeys.

Children are welcome to attend and will get prizes for shooting also. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, call Lance Scott at 612-599-9612

**Member meeting—  
July 28th, 7pm,  
weather permitting  
(it will be outdoors).  
If weather is bad,  
member meeting is  
canceled.**

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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P.O. Box 394

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Delano, MN 55328

Children are welcome to attend and

## The Delano Sportsmen's Club

### Club Officers:

- President: Tom Delaney 612-408-8944
- Secretary: Dan Kittok 763-479-2429
- Treasurer: Joe Kittok 763-972-2989
- 1st Vice President: John Tackaberry 612-849-2935
- 2nd Vice President: Cal Brandt 612-597-5112  
[C@Brdt.biz](mailto:C@Brdt.biz)
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- Executive Board: Larry Lindborg 763-567-8347
- Executive Board: Jake Kittok 612-282-7975
- Executive Board: John McClay 612-964-1697

### Range Information:

- Trap Shooting: Dan Thienes 763-567-8446
- Firearm Training: Garrett Sarkinen 612-716-4614
- Black Powder: Dick Nordling 763-972-2714
- Bow Safety: Mike Speckel 763-442-6851
- Archery League: Shawn Lynch 763-972-3112
- Portable Targets Tom Delaney 612-408-8944

Questions about firearm legislation (federal or state)? You can get more information from Dan MacDonald at: 952-454-3440 or by email at: [yellowdogrescue@gmail.com](mailto:yellowdogrescue@gmail.com) .

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

### Story Ideas:

You can submit a story or photos from the range or club activities! Just contact editor Bob Ball at:

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

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

### 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
- 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

## New Members

Welcome to the club!

Brian D. Nelson, Chris Pomey, Tytus VanMatre, David Dirkers, Jason Lucking, Thomas Hoekstra, Derek Plymate, Robby Lucken, Ron Wipf, Brian Johnson, Sean McGuire, Kevin Skau

## With Sympathy

Our former club president, Gerhardt "Geke" Kottke passed away July 1, 2020. He has been a member of the club for about 50 years.

You could see him every July Fourth Celebration calling Bingo numbers, smiling, and talking to the crowds. He was in his element. He attended almost every meeting and was a strong supporter of the club. His funeral was July 10th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hanover.

We will miss you Geke!

## We're on Facebook!

If you're on social media, you can find us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/DelanoSportsmensClub/>

. If you want something posted, contact Steve Pool at [pool565rockford@hotmail.com](mailto:pool565rockford@hotmail.com).

## Summer Raffle!

It's summer raffle time! This year, we have some great prizes again:

First Prize: Berretta 9mm pistol or \$500 cash! (must have a permit to purchase at the time of winning)

Second Prize: \$250 cash

Third Prize: \$100 cash

The drawing will be September 29th, 2020 at 7:00pm at the clubhouse.

Remember tickets are only \$2 each, and you don't need to be present to win!

If all that isn't good enough, if you sell 20 books, you've met your volunteer requirement for the year!

Just like last year: there's one more prize— \$75 to the member who sells the most tickets!

### *Range Reservations from Page 6*

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

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15 – (Sat) **Range Reserved** – Park Sportsmen Firearm Safety (Fust) – 9am – 2pm

16 – (Sun) **Range Reserved** – (Delaney) Rockford Firearm Safety Field Day – 10:00am – 1:30pm

19 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

20 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

**25 – (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM**

26 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

27 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

## Volunteers Needed

**SOCIAL MEDIA/FACEBOOK:** We need a member to take over managing the club's Facebook page. We need to add photos and articles on the club. If interested, please contact Tom Delaney.

**FENCE CONSTRUCTION:** We need a volunteer or volunteers to construct a fence on our property. If you have questions, would like to know more, or would like to volunteer, contact Tom Delaney.

### Found on the Range

2 gun cases were found on the range. To claim them, call Steve, at 952-938-9360 and describe them.

# Meeting Minutes, June 30, 2020

25 members present - the meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Tom Delaney

Secretary's report - Minutes of the May 26, 2020 meeting were approved as written in the newsletter.

Treasurers report - debits 2023.78; credits \$8960.50; checking balance \$65,866.20.

New members - 3 new members were present at the meeting and introduced themselves.

Daniel Bravender - Wright County Planning Commissioner is running for Wright County County Commissioner. He spoke to the club regarding his message and approach to government.

Gravel mining - Still no returned call from Ram Excavating. The club is moving forward with working with Jay Johnson. Jay has been on the property doing boring and has found out there isn't as much gravel out there as once thought. There is an estimated 250,000 yards of gravel.

Trap range - Still moving forward with Jay Johnson. Jay found out through boring that the area where the clubhouse is to be built has muck below it.

Range issues - Thank you to Bob Pink who has been helping out with the portable targets. They are working out well. Joe Kittok has found soon arborvitae to plant along the wall of the 25 yard range.

Membership - 497 members, 84 honorary members. New membership has been busy lately.

Summer Camps - The club had signed up 10 students for summer camps this year. All summer camps have been cancelled. Jan Kittok would like to make sure that the students from this year get the first opportunity to go next year if they want.

Trap League - Summer trap league continues. Trapshooting participants signed a Covid-19 waiver of liability and indemnification to protect the club. There were no issues from anyone signing it.

Fourth of July - Everything for the Delano celebration has been cancelled by the Fourth of July Committee. There will be a drive through parade taking place on the fourth though. Phase one - The Legion color guard will be walking the parade route as they have always done. Phase two - Any business or establishments that want to drive the parade route can do so. There

will be no politics, no walking the route and no candy. Staging will start at the Delano High School at 10:00 AM, the parade will start at about 11:00 AM. The Sportsmen's Club will be participating, Dan MacDonald will be driving his fire truck through again.

GOCRA & MNGOPAC - Dan MacDonald updated the club. There is not much happening now with the legislature being out of session.

Summer Raffle - \$2360.00 has been collected so far. If you need more tickets contact Jan Kittok.

Patches - The design has been made and patches for life members should be available in a couple weeks. Honorary members will be able to get a life member patch. The patch price is under \$5.00.

Building and Grounds committee will wait another couple months before meeting again

All DNR classes have been cancelled this year. They are not planning on doing any this summer.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary.

## Fishing Contest Canceled

In discussion with members, and ensuring that everyone stay healthy, the annual Fishing Contest has been canceled for 2020.

We'll plan on returning in 2021. If you have questions, please contact Darryl Pool.

While the contest is canceled, you

can send photos of your catch to editor.dsc@comcast.net, and we'll include as many as we can in the newsletter!



# Elks 39th Annual GUN SHOW

**KNIVES & COINS**

**Saturday**  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Sunday**  
8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**September 26-27, 2020**  
**Hutchinson, Minnesota**  
**McLeod County Fairgrounds**  
(Behind Target & Walmart) -- Hutchinson, MN 55350  
**Public Invited - \$5.00 Admission**



**320 TABLES**

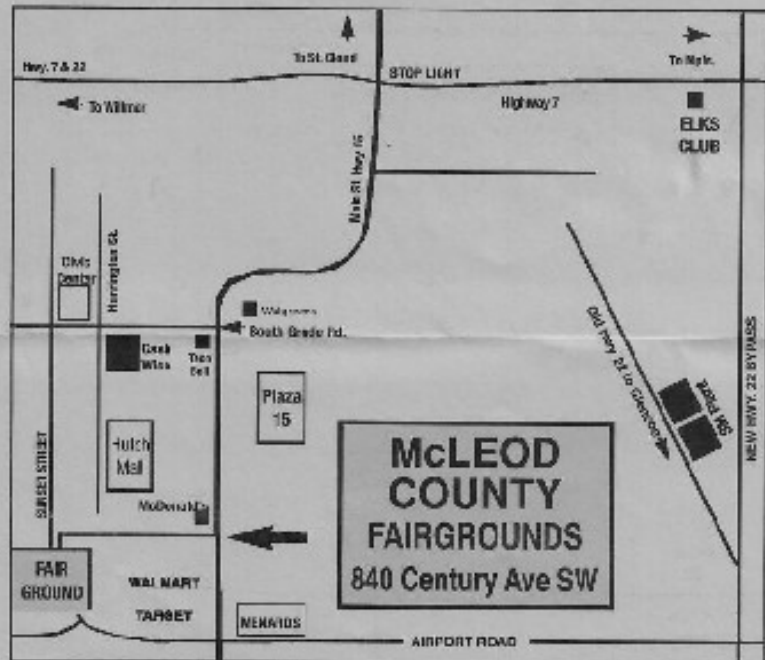
**BUY - SELL - TRADE**

- Tables ..... 320 tables--8 foot tables
- Rental ..... \$35.00 for 2 days
- Parking ..... FREE all day
- Exhibits ..... Guns, Weapons, Coins, Prints, Knives, Military & Powder, Shells & Bullets, Trapping, Fishing, Stamps, New, Used & Antique Security ..... McLeod County Sheriff's Posse
- Public ..... Open to Public: Saturday and Sunday Admission \$5.00 Under 12 FREE with Adult
- Early Exhibitor Set Up ..... Friday, 1-9 p.m. or 6:00 a.m. Saturday Morning
- Sponsored by ..... Hutchinson Elks Lodge No. 2427 Hutchinson, MN 55350

**For Table Reservations:**  
**Dale Harbarth, 20641 Hwy. 7 West**  
**Hutchinson, MN 55350**  
**320-587-8989**

**Att. Exhibitors; Table rental must be paid by Sept. 1st.**  
**You are expected to keep your tables open til 3:00 Sunday**

**Food and Beverages Available**



**DAYS INN**  
1000 Hwy. 7 West  
Hutchinson  
320-587-8030

**QUEENS INN**  
200 Hwy. 7 East  
Hutchinson  
320-587-2129

**7 HI BUDGET MOTEL**  
700 Hwy. 7 East  
Hutchinson  
320-587-2089

**KING MOTEL**  
1255 Hwy. 7 West  
Hutchinson  
320-587-4737

**AMERICINN**  
1115 Hwy. 7 East  
Hutchinson  
320-587-5515  
1-800-634-3444

**SHAMROCK INN**  
Hwy 15 South  
Hutchinson  
320-587-9299

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## DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

P.O. Box 394  
Delano, MN 55328

*Change Service Requested*

We're on the web!

<http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com>

### Range Hours:

#### Rifle & Pistol:

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

**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:**

5:45pm-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...

**Be kind to our neighbors- rules are strictly enforced.**

**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:

#### July

1 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

2 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

8 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

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16 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

22 – (Wed) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** – TRPD Pheasants Forever camp 9:30am – 3:30pm

22 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

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30 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

#### August

4 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – Medina PD (McGill) – 8:30am – 3:00pm

### Range Rules:

1. You must wear your ID card when on the range.
2. Maximum of 2 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. Do not dig in the backstops.
9. All firing must be done from the firing lines at 25, 50 & 100 yards.
10. **Move the 50-yard target off range when not in use.**
11. No intermediate targets between established firing lines.
12. Do not shoot anything on the ground.
13. Pick up your trash, remove targets from backstops, & pick up casings. Leave the area clean & ready for the next member.
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.

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