

# DELANO SPORTSMAN

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## Member Receives Award

Club Member Stephen Holten received the Outstanding Citizen Award from the city of Loretto for rescuing several people from an apartment fire in Loretto. The fire occurred across the street from his home, so while his girlfriend (now fiancée) called 9-1-1, he

went over, entered the building and helped several people escape through heavy smoke. He also identified the fire source. Thanks to his efforts, there were no serious injuries. Firefighters were able to put the fire out quickly when they arrived.

## Raffles!

Keep selling those raffle Tickets!.

Tickets are \$2 each or \$10/book. If you sell 20 books, you've met your volunteer requirement for the year! The prizes are:

- 1- Beretta A300 12ga Shotgun, Kimber 1911, or \$500
- 2- \$250
- 3- \$100

Contact Jan for more books at 763-972-2989.

NEW FEATURE! There are 3 categories for book sales: The most books sold, will win \$125, second most will win \$75, and third most will win \$50!

**MEETING May  
30th at 7:00pm!**

**You can get the  
newsletter by  
email! Contact:**

**delanosportsmen  
sclub@gmail.com**

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## JULY FOURTH!

There is still room to volunteer for this year's July Fourth festivities!

Joe needs someone to work with him June 30th, and July 1-4th helping supervise the Milkshake and Bingo Stands. Call Joe Kittok at 763-221-6658.

Next: Delano Club Float! We need a crew to design and decorate the float on Sunday, July 2nd or Monday, July 3rd. We also need someone to drive the float in the Delano 4th of July Parade.

If you can help with either (or both) of

these, please also contact Joe Kittok at 763-221-6658.

Finally—for now; Shifts are now being posted for the Milkshake and Bingo Booths. You'll find the open shifts on Page 5 of the newsletter. Each month, we'll update it. If you have questions about volunteering at the booths, or want to sign up, call Jan Kittok at 763-972-2989.

July 4th is a good place to get your volunteer hours in, and a good fundraiser for the club, so be sure to participate if you can!

## The Delano Sportsmen's Club

### Club Officers:

- President: Tom Delaney 612-408-8944
- Secretary: Dan Kittok 218-820-1155
- Treasurer: Joe Kittok 763-972-2989
- 1st Vice President: Mike Larison 763-645-4884  
larrylarison@hotmail.com
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- Volunteer Coordinator: Mike Larison 763-645-4884  
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### Range Information:

- Trap Shooting: Dan Thienes 763-567-8446
- Firearm Training: Garrett Sarkinen 612-716-4614
- Black Powder: OPEN
- Archery League: Shawn Lynch 763-972-3112
- Portable Targets: Tom Delaney 612-408-8944
- Women's Shooters: Ann Finelli [dscwom-  
enmn@gmail.com](mailto:dscwom-enmn@gmail.com)

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) , or Dave Smith at 763-557-6970 or email at [ddsns@outlook.com](mailto:ddsns@outlook.com).

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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.**

### Caps for Sale

The club has caps with our logo for sale at club meetings. They are \$15.00 each. See Joe Kittok.

### 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

## New Members

Welcome to the club! We hope you enjoy many days, months and years of safe and fun shooting!

Patrick Cruzen, Theo Petrie, Salah Barham, Sean Geelan, John Wick, Jon Fairbourne, Nate Sarkinen

## 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).

## Volunteer Credit– What Counts?

Members who volunteer to support the club receive reduced dues of \$50 for the next year. So, what counts?

Hours: 8 hours of time will give you credit to reduce your dues to \$50. So, if you work one 4-hour shift at July 4th, you still need to volunteer 4 more hours...or you and a family member could both volunteer, or you could volunteer for two shifts.

Meeting Lunch: If you make lunch for the members, your groceries (up to \$150) is reimbursed, and you get full credit for volunteer time.

Raffle Tickets: If you sell 20 books of raffle tickets, that meets your full volunteer requirement.

If you have questions, please contact a club officer.

# Minutes of the April 25th Meeting

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

Secretary's report - Minutes of the March 28, 2023 meeting were approved as written in the newsletter.

Treasurers report - debits \$19,454.84; credits \$2502; checking balance \$86,000.00

New members - One new members introduced himself.

Trap range update - Mark Bauman updated the club on the new trap range. Mark received one bid so far for the concrete work. He wants to get a couple more bids. The storm water plan for the range has been taken care of.

Gun Show - It has been suggested that the club do another gun show in the summer. After a brief discussion the idea was tabled. It will be brought up again at the May meeting.

25 Yard Range - Targets are still getting beat up on the range. The 50 yard target is busted up and needs some work. Volunteer opportunities are available on the range for clean up and for fixing the 50 yard target.

Excel Energy lease - The lease with Excel Energy should be completed soon. They still have items left on the property. Tom will reach out and talk to them.

Farm - Due to the high water there are vehicles and equipment in the flood zone. Joe will remove them once the water recedes. The townships request was that everything needed to be cleaned up by the end of May. If an extension is needed, it must be asked for at the next township meeting.

Executive Board meeting - the Executive Board will meet next month after the regular meeting.

Firearms safety - Firearms safety completed their field day on April 15th. Dick Nordling was honored for 50 years of teaching firearms safety.

4th of July - Joe is getting supplies ready. They may look to expand seating at the bingo pavilion this year to increase participation. There is room on each end for additional picnic tables. Joe Kittok is still looking for an assistant to help him. If you are interested contact Joe. This is a great volunteer opportunity.

Expo - The Delano Expo will be held on Saturday, May 20th. The club could use one or two more volunteers to work the booth.

Summer raffle - The summer raffle has collected around \$2162.00 so far. See Jan Kittok if you need more tickets to sell.

Membership - The club has 565 members and 77 honorary

members.

Women's League - the Women's league is planning in May to be outside shooting. The schedule is set for the summer and is in the newsletter. In September they will be doing trapshooting again. Attendance has been light during the winter months. The Women's league is looking to grow, contact Ann Finelli if you are interested.

Bird house building will take place on April 29th starting at 9:00 AM. 30 wood duck and 30 blue bird houses will be built this year. Those coming to assemble can take a blue-bird or wood duck house home with them, the rest will be given away at the expo.

MNGOPAC/GOCRA - Dave Smith updated the club on bills containing gun control provisions. The petition to stand against SF 1723 is still available to sign. Dave will take the petition to the capital.

Highway 12 trash clean-up will be coming up soon. Contact Dan MacDonald for further details. This is a volunteer opportunity.

Club sign - The design for the sign has been modified to include the ideas presented at the March meeting. The sign will be 4' X 8' and made out of aluminum.

The club is looking for a volunteer or volunteers to pick up brass on the range. Duties would include collecting the brass from the range weekly or bi-monthly depending on the time of year, sorting and taking it in to be recycled.

Lunch was provided by Mike Larison. The club is looking for volunteers to do lunch in June through November.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary.

***Thanks Mike Larison for the great  
lunch at the April meeting!***

***We still need volunteers to prepare  
meals***

***June-November 2023! Food cost is  
reimbursed up to \$150! It also  
meets your annual volunteer  
requirement. If you're interested***

## Delano Sportsmen's Club Member Volunteer Notification to Membership Committee

Please be advised that on \_\_\_\_\_ (date), I completed 8 or more hours of volunteer work for the Delano Sportsmen's Club. The work performed falls under the volunteer work category code number \_\_\_\_\_, listed below. What I specifically did was:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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| <p>Volunteer work Category Codes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Administration/Committee activity</li> <li>2. Training/Supervisory activity</li> <li>3. Buildings, repairs, maintenance</li> <li>4. Grounds keeping, repairs &amp; maintenance</li> <li>5. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Activities</li> <li>6. Rummage Sale</li> <li>7. Raffle activities</li> <li>8. Other special events</li> </ol> |
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<p>Please mail this completed notification form to: Membership Administrator, Delano Sportsmen's Club, P.O. Box 394, Delano, MN 55328; or bring it to a monthly meeting. Forms must be received no later than 12/31 of the current year. Members who paid the volunteer fee for the current calendar year, but failed to perform or report their volunteer service by 12/31 will be charged the non-volunteer membership fee.</p> <p>This form will be sent out periodically in the newsletter. You can also obtain a copy at the monthly meeting.</p>
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## Volunteer Needs

## Our Sympathy

**June 3rd-9am:** Farm Clean up

**Edward De Jarlais** has passed away. He was a member for about 50 years. His funeral was May 6th.

**Jerry Weise's** celebration of life was May 20th at the Choo Choo in, in Loretto.

**Doug Kincaid**, a 60-year member passed away. His Celebration of life will be on June 1st in Aitkin, MN.

**Ryan Casey**, Brother of member Sean Casey, passed away. His celebration of life will be on June 15th from 5pm-8pm at Dave's Town Club on River Street in Delano.

**Jessica Comer**, Daughter of long time member Tim Comer passed away. Her funeral was May 25th.

## July 4th Volunteer Shifts

### Friday June 30th, 2023

Milkshake: 4pm-8pm  
8pm-Midnight  
Bingo: ~~4pm-8pm~~ Full, thanks!  
8pm-Midnight

Milkshake: Noon-4pm  
4pm-8pm  
8pm-Midnight  
Bingo: Noon-4pm  
4pm-8pm  
8pm-Midnight

### Saturday, July 1st, 2023

Milkshake: Noon-4pm  
4pm-8pm  
8pm-Midnight  
Bingo: ~~Noon-4pm~~  
4pm-8pm  
8pm-Midnight

### Tuesday, July 4th, 2023

Milkshake: ~~Noon-4pm~~  
~~4pm-8pm~~  
~~8pm-Midnight~~  
Bingo: ~~Noon-4pm~~  
~~4pm-8pm~~  
~~8pm-Midnight~~

### Sunday, July 2nd, 2023

Milkshake Noon-5pm  
5pm-10pm  
Bingo Noon-5pm  
5pm-10pm

**FLOAT (NEW):** 9am until parade end, need driver for float. Before parade, need help decorating. Call Joe Kit-tok.

### Monday, July 3rd, 2023

## DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

P.O. Box 394  
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*Change Service Requested*

We're on the web!

<http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com>

### Range Hours:

#### Rifle & Pistol:

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

**Saturday:** 9:00am-6 PM

**Sunday:** 11:00am-6 PM

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**

**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:

#### June

2 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
5 – (Mon) **Range Reserved** – Delano HS Trap Team – 4:30pm-10:00pm  
6 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – Delano HS Trap Team – 4:30pm-10:00pm  
6 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – West Hennepin Public Safety (Ebeling) – 8:00am – 4:30pm  
7 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
8 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
12 – (Mon) **Range Reserved** – Delano HS Trap Team – 4:30pm-10:00pm  
13 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – Delano HS Trap Team – 4:30pm-10:00pm  
14 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
15 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
21 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
22 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
23 – (Fri) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** – TRPD Group Forkhorn Camp 9:00am – 3:00pm  
27 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – Deephaven Police Dept – 8:30am – 2:30pm  
**27 – (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM**  
28 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm  
29 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

### 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.