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Katie Harder Crowned Royalty

The club's candidate was crowned royalty at the Fourth of July Celebration this year. For Katie, this was a dream come true:

Katie was also named "Miss Congeniality." In 2024, the Delano Ambassadors will represent the city at the Minneapolis Aquatennial.

Congratulations Katie! (photo Delano Herald)



Reminder: Fishing Tournament!

We spend a lot of time at the DSC talking about firearms. It makes sense; I mean we do have range facilities. But, the club has always embraced the other sports too.

at the south (west) access by Highway 55.

This is a fun event, and historically has been a great family event too!

Our annual Members-Only fishing contest will be held August 5th from 7am-12pm. Check-in/weigh-in will be

If you have questions, you can call or text Darrell Pool at 612-812-5268. Come down and catch the big one!

**MEETING July
25th at 7:00pm!**

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

**delanosportsmen
club@gmail.com**

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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Delano, MN 55328

JULY FOURTH!

The parade was spectacular! We had members riding our club float, tossing candy and waving. The Delano Young Princesses also rode with us.

We want to thank all the great members for volunteering and stepping up to the plate when there was a time crunch.

The Fourth of July celebration broke records all over. The milkshake stand used 360 gallons of products to make the ice cream treats! The bingo stand also set a record for profits.

We especially want to thank Theresa

McClay for spending five days at the celebration milkshake stand. Great job and thanks you again Theresa!



The Delano Sportsmen's Club

Club Officers:

- President: Tom Delaney 612-408-8944
- Secretary: Dan Kittok 218-820-1155
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- 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
dscwomenmn@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 , or Dave Smith at 763-557-6970 or email at ddsnh@outlook.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.

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

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!

Robert Mattson, Kyle Rozendaal, Robyn Pearson, Scott DeYoung, David Jucha

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.

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 June 27th Meeting

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

Secretary's report - Minutes of the May 30, 2023 meeting were approved as written in the newsletter.

Treasurers report - debits \$50,765.56; credits \$13,579.50; checking balance \$64,432.38

New members - Two new members introduced themselves.

Trap range update - The concrete has been poured. The next step is to look into electric service and lighting options.

4th of July - All shifts have been filled - thank you to everyone who volunteered. The club needs three or four people to ride on the float, contact Joe if you are interested. The float is almost completed.

Summer raffle - The summer raffle has collected around \$2782.00 so far. See Jan Kittok if you need more tickets to sell.

Membership - The club has 570 members, 2 lifetime members and 77 honorary members.

Women's League - The Women's league met on June 15th. Under the new changes men were invited and some did participate. Going forward men will continue to be invited. The meeting schedule is posted in the newsletter. If you are interested in joining the Women's League contact Ann Finelli.

MNGOPAC/GOCRA - Dave Smith updated the club on recent legislative action and gun related issues. Dave will be trying to get a representative from GOCRA to come to next month's meeting to explain the new laws.

Trap Leagues - The Delano High School Trap Team shot at the Minnesota State High School Trapshooting Championship in Alexandria on June 19th. The Sportsmen's Club summer league is in their ninth week of shooting, there are 18 teams this year.

Tom Delaney will be going to a hearing on Thursday 6/29 regarding the fine Minnesota Pollution Control is imposing on the club for originally missing a storm water prevention plan when excavation started. Representative Joe McDonald will be joining him at the hearing on the clubs behalf.

Club sign - The sign has been completed and it turned out very nice. Tom and Mike will look for a suitable spot to put it up.

Fishing Tournament - The annual club fishing tournament will be held on August 5th on Maple Lake.

The club is looking for volunteers to do lunch in July through November.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kittok, Secretary.

***Thank you Mike Larison for the
June Lunch!***

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

***July-November 2023! Food cost is
reimbursed up to \$150! It also
meets your annual volunteer
requirement. If you're interested
or have questions, contact Mike***

Larison 763-645-4884

DSC Women's Group Expands

DSC Women's Group Has Expanded!

Since there has been interest in and support for our shooting group to be a "co-ed" opportunity, we are now opening up attendance to spouses/SO and family members of the women's shooting group mailing list, provided the men are currently members of DSC.

Please know that our instructors and range safety officers will still provide assistance to newer shooters and ensure that safety protocols are followed! So if your goal is to connect with other shooters, learn proper techniques and advance your skills (and have FUN), that will very much be a part of what we do!

If you are currently on our women's mailing list and have a spouse/SO or male family member who is a member of DSC (21 years of age or older) and would like to shoot with this group, he is welcome to join us! Must provide membership ID.

- Group meets the third Thursday of the month

Location is Cal Brandt Airport, 2561 72nd St SE Delano MN 55328

- **Plan to arrive 5:45 to get checked in and sign the waiver. Safety briefing starts 6:00. We need to start right at 6:00 so we can take advantage of the daylight! Shoot until sunset.**

- Suggested donations for group events are \$10 for DSC members (men and women) and \$15 for our women group members who are NOT members of DSC.

Our instructors and RSOs are all volunteers. We rely completely on donations. If you are so inclined, any amount over and above the suggested is appreciated! This helps cover the cost of range supplies.

Our upcoming range events:

Thursday, July 20

Thursday, August 17

September TBD

Questions can be directed to Ann Finelli at dscwomenmn@gmail.com

DSC Family Fun! Annual Turkey Shoot & BBQ Picnic

Members Only

Saturday, September 9

Turkey Shoot 9:00 am-11:00 am
BBQ Picnic to follow

Shooting turkeys at DSC?... well, not the real ones!! Test your skill at a turkey target. Distance is 25 yards. Scopes allowed. Best score each group wins a coupon for a FREE turkey. **Everyone goes home with a coupon, so bring extra ammo and shoot till 'ya win!!**

Rifle or pistol. Recommended is .22 (No shot guns)
Don't have a .22? No worries- we'll have extra on hand.
Just bring your ammo (.22 LR)
Great way to meet other DSC members!
One turkey per family. We'll have prizes for the kids too.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the shoot, bbq, picnic set/clean up and to bring side dishes. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Jan Hanson: jan-nie4511@gmail.com



Volunteer Needs

Raffle Tickets

More to come...

Bring it ON!



Non-Member Sight-In

Our non-member sight-in shoot will be held on October 14th. Times will be announced soon. There are usually volunteer opportunities for range safety, fee

collection, and spotting. This is a great recruitment opportunity for new members (it's how this editor wound up joining the club some 11 or 12 years ago). So, downside—don't plan on sighting in yourself that day. Upside—it's a volunteer time and chance to bring your non-member friends to sight in and maybe join the club!

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

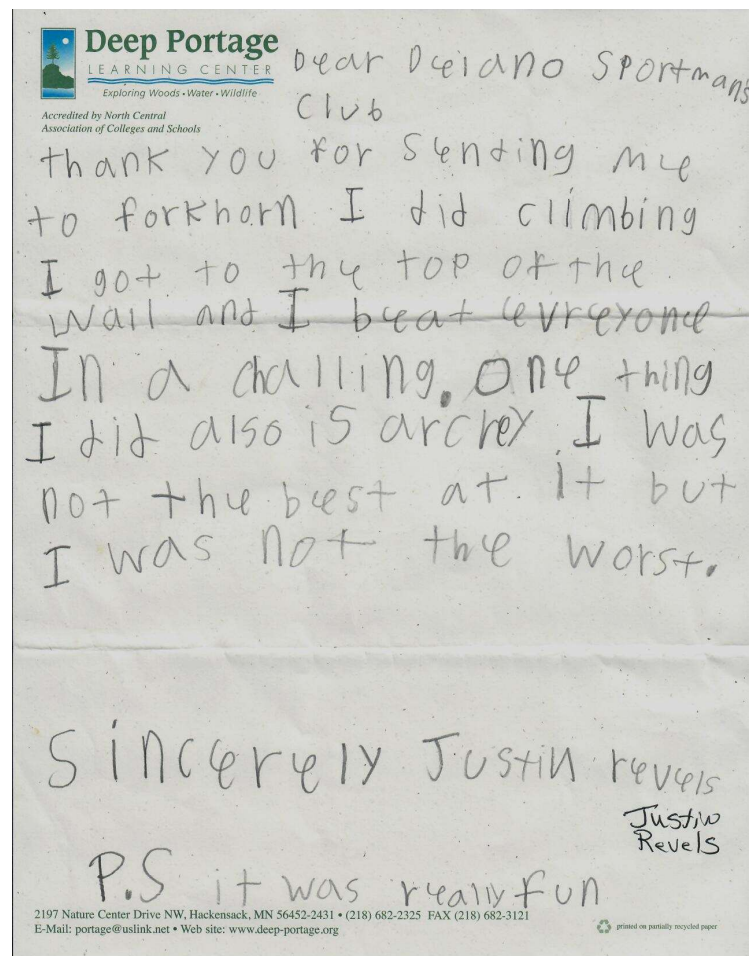
Contact Jan for more books at 763-972-2989.

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!

Reservations from Page 6

- 17 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm
- 19 – (Sat) **Range Reserved** – **Rockford Firearms Safety Field Day** – 8:00am-2:00pm (Czantkowski)
- 23 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm
- 24 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm
- 29 – (Tue) **Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM**
- 30 – (Wed) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm
- 31 – (Thu) **Range Reserved** – Trapshooting league – 5:00pm-10:00pm

Thank You from Student



Elks 42ND Annual GUN SHOW

**KNIVES
& COINS**

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

September 23-24, 2023
Hutchinson, Minnesota
McLeod County Fairgrounds
(Behind Target & Walmart) -- Hutchinson, MN 55350
Public Invited - \$5.00 Admission



**370
TABLES**

BUY - SELL - TRADE

Tables 370 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

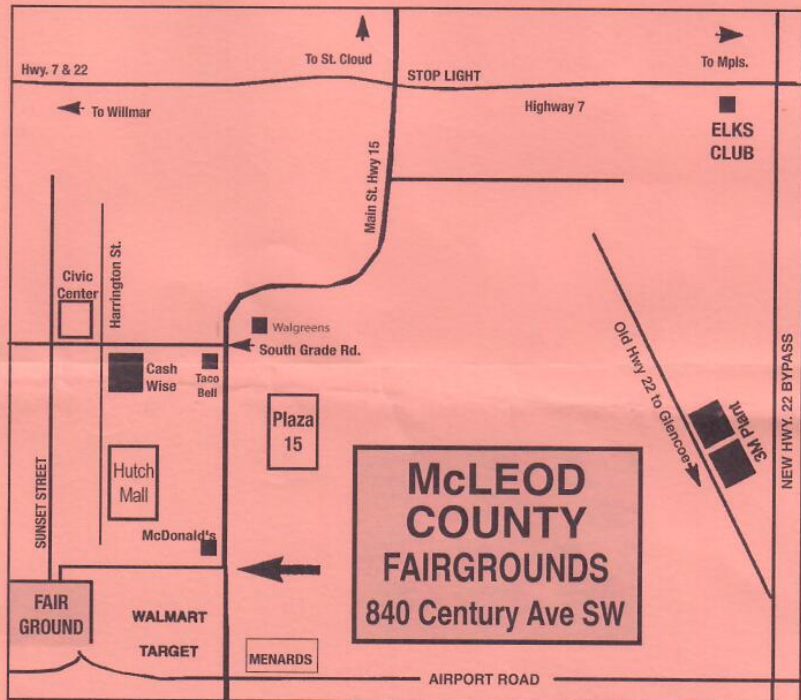
Early Exhibitor Set Up Friday, 1-7 p.m.
or 6:00 a.m. Saturday Morning

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



SHAMROCK INN
1200 Hwy 15 So
Hutchinson
320-587-9299

DAYS INN
1000 Hwy. 7 West
Hutchinson
320-587-6030

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

7 HI BUDGET MOTEL
700 Hwy. 7 East
Hutchinson
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KING MOTEL
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320-587-4737

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BUY - SELL - TRADE - ANTIQUE - MODERN

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): _____

Volunteer work Category Codes

1. Administration/Committee activity
2. Training/Supervisory activity
3. Buildings, repairs, maintenance
4. Grounds keeping, repairs & maintenance
5. 4th of July Activities
6. Rummage Sale
7. Raffle activities
8. Other special events

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.

This form will be sent out periodically in the newsletter. You can also obtain a copy at the monthly meeting.

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-
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:

July

23 – (Sun) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** – TRPD Family Firearms Safety 11:00am – 2:00pm
25 – (Tue) **Monthly Meeting in the Club-house, 7:00 PM**

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

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

August

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

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

4 – (Fri) **Range Reserved (25 yd range only)** – TRPD Bird Hunting Camp 9:00am – 3:00pm

5 – (Sat) **Members Only Fishing Tournament** – Maple lake 7am – noon- meet at the Hwy 55 public boat access (South side)- Start time 7:00am, weigh-in at noon at the landing,

7 – (Mon) **Range Reserved** – Medina PD (Boecker) – 12:30pm – 4:00pm

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

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

15 – (Tue) **Range Reserved** – West Hennepin Public Safety (Ebeling) – 8:00am – 4:30pm

16 – (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.

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