

United Northern Sportmen's News

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Conservation Pledge: I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste, the natural resources of my country - its' air, soil and minerals, its' forests, waters and wildlife.

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Club Calendar

Feb. 3 Steve Holt:
9-12am Carry Permit Training
12-3pm Pistol Range

Feb. 6 UNS Board Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
6:00 PM Pot Luck
7:00 PM Meeting

Feb. 13 UNS Membership Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
6:00 PM Pot Luck
7:00 PM Meeting

February 17, 2019 Ice Fishing Contest

**Don't pout and wish...
Go out and ice fish!!**

April 13, 2019 Annual Banquet

SHOOTING HOURS

A reminder about our shooting times. The ranges are open from 8:00 a.m. to ½ before sunset. Range closing times are posted on the ranges and also on the bulletin board on the Retreat Bldg. Please obey the rules or you may lose your shooting privileges.

**RANGE USE CALENDAR
may be found on our Website:
www.unitednorthernsportsmen.org**

66TH ANNUAL ICE FISHING CONTEST

Rescheduled to February 17th!

The 66th Annual Ice Fishing Contest at the Sportsmen Retreat on Island Lake has been rescheduled, due to the cold weather, for Sunday, February 17, 2019 from 12:30 - 3:30 pm.

In addition to the Gate Prize of \$2000, there will be prizes for the largest fish caught:

1st Place \$1000, 2nd Place \$500, 3rd Place \$250,
4th Place \$125 and 5th Place \$75.

And for the youngsters, age fifteen and under a \$50 prize, and trophy.

During the contest, great fishing prizes will be awarded every ten minutes (and you need not be present to win).

What a wonderful opportunity for some winter fun! As always, we hope for the best possible weather. So, come join the festivities. Shelters are allowed. Everyone on the ice MUST have their participation ticket in possession. Participants are allowed up to two holes. All qualifying fish must be caught within the designation area of the UNS Ice Fishing Contest, during the event hours of 12:30 - 3:30 on February 17, 2019 and caught by the person registering the fish. All Minnesota fishing rules and regulations apply.

The \$5 tickets to this event are for entry to the actual contest but also include entry into the gate prize drawing as well as other drawings. Not bad considering you don't have to be present to win the drawings. These tickets have already been mailed to members to sell to family and friends.

Questions? Check us out on Facebook and at www.unitednorthernsportsmen.org or contact Co-Chairs, Eric Hansen, gonefishing0101@hotmail.com or Dan Woollett, Woollettd@gmail.com.

Do you have an idea or article you would like to share? Please send all articles and pictures for this newsletter to sue@b-green.us.

2019 UNS BANQUET

The UNS Banquet will be held on Saturday, April 13th at the AAD Shrine Convention & Meeting Facility.

Below is a letter you may give to any sponsors you may get.

To: Members and Friends of the United Northern Sportsmen's Club of the Duluth, Minnesota area

From: Officers and Members of the United Northern Sportsmen's Club

RE: Annual Banquet and Spring Fundraiser, AAD Shrine Convention & Meeting Facility, Saturday, April 13, 2019.

As a member or friend of the United Northern Sportsmen's Club, we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to be a sponsor for our Annual Banquet and Spring Fundraiser. Our 501(C) 3 tax identification number is 36-3510404. We sincerely appreciate your support.

You may participate as a sponsor by providing items that can be entered into one of our raffles or sold in silent auctions. We would greatly appreciate your assistance. Some of the items pledged by supporters in the past include guns, framed prints, weekend packages on the Gunflint Trail, accommodations at Grand Casino in Hinckley, power tools, fishing equipment, GPS, furniture, many gift certificates and much more. Please remember that a gift certificate will bring a customer in your door if you are a retail establishment or restaurant.

The money raised at the Banquet is used for youth outdoor education. Each year we send area youth to the Long Lake Conservation Camp, purchase supplies to support area Youth Firearm Safety, Boy Scouts and other youth programs. We maintain a small bore range and a trail for Firearm safety instruction which is available to all area firearms safety instructors. We sponsor a Youth Activity Day which is open to the public and free for participating youth. We promote sports conservation and sensible wildlife management programs.

The United Northern Sportsmen's Club works with local DNR Conservation officers to promote community relations and on one occasion, at the request of the DNR, provided funds to mount a road kill wolf which is now on permanent display at the Hermantown schools. We have also donated mounts to Hartley Nature Center.

The Banquet sponsors are provided recognition at the banquet by announcement and listing in the banquet program, in our newsletter that goes out to our 1,600 + members, on our website, Facebook page and members will recommend you to their associates. Donations must be submitted by April 1, 2019, in order to be listed in the program.

For more information or to participate, please contact one of the following: the member presenting this letter of introduction to you; subcommittee chair Duane Lasley 218-310-4273, duanelasley@gmail.com; or Committee Chair Eric Hansen at 218-831-8646.

This letter presented by :

Name:

Phone:

Email:

UNS MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 9, 2019

Call to Order: by President Tom Wasbotten at 7.00 pm. Conservation Pledge.

Moment of Silence: For Pat Jakubek. Don and Pat Jakubek used to be camp hosts for 10+ years.

Installation of New Officers: Bob Kuettel read the installation of officers for 2019 election.

Roll Call of Officers: Tina Sund, Mike Foy, Duane Lasley, Dave Shrader, Judy Foy, Gene Shaw, Bob Kuettel, Eric Hansen, Tom Wasbotten, Larry Chesney, Kyle Berg and Cody Privette.

Excused Officers: John Bathke, Sue Bathke, Mike Drager, Bob Klein and Dan Smestad.

Correspondence: SHOT News.

Agenda Approval: Motion to approve the agenda with the new additions moved, seconded and carried (M/S/C).

Reading of Minutes: Cody Privette read the December Membership Meeting minutes. Motion to accept minutes as read moved, seconded and carried (M/S/C).

Treasurer's Report - Tina Sund: as of 12/31/18: Motion made to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the bills (M/S/C).

Membership Secretary's Report- Tina Sund: 1,660 current members. 69 renewals, and 11 2nd notices. Discussion followed about new parking passes.

Committee Reports:

Web Master – Eric Hansen: Posted January newsletter and updated the events page and range reservations.

Newsletter Editor – Sue Bathke: Not present.

Incident Reports – Mike Foy: Overview was given of the member who slipped and fell on the pistol range and dislocated his shoulder.

Retreat Improvements & Maintenance – Dave Shrader: Furnace quit, Como came out and repaired the furnace. Salted slippery walks, and replaced shear pins in the snowblower.

Grants Committee – Mike Drager: Not present.

Volunteer Awards – Dan Smestad: Not present.

Facilities Calendar – Bob Kuettel: 1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31 the retreat is reserved from 7pm to 8:30pm for the E-scouting course.

Finance Report – John Bathke: John not present. Will meet 2/4.

OLD BUSINESS:

UNS Website Committee – Bob Kuettel: Spoke to Lance Parthe, we have six categories with 4-5 bullets under each category. We could use any photos available for the new website..

Ice Fishing Contest January 27, 2019 – Eric Hansen: Nothing new to share. Jason Manning with MC, Famous Daves will cater, we have the license for the contest. We could use help at 9am on 1/26 to setup.

UNS Banquet April 13, 2019 – Eric Hansen: Banquet planning meeting 1/21 1pm at Perkins by the mall.

NEW BUSINESS:

Summer Fishing Contest June 7 & 8, 2019 – Tom Wasbotten: BOD has set the date for the summer fishing contest on 6/7 & 6/8, 2019. Pat and Debbie McAuliffe will chair again this year.

School of Fish June 9, 2019 – Gene Shaw: School of fish will be 6/9 2019 and will take 20 kids.

Members sick or in distress: None.

Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn (M/S/C).

Respectfully submitted by Cody Privette, Secretary

The next meetings will be the February BOD meeting on February 6th; the February Membership meeting on February 13th. Both will be held at 7pm at the retreat.

BEEKEEPING AND MORE ON FEBRUARY 16TH

At Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College



Interested in learning more about beekeeping? Or maybe you want to learn more about our native pollinators? If so, join us for our 4th annual Beekeeping and More symposium on February 16th, 2019 and listen to talks given by expert speakers including NEMBA, Bee Atlas, and the Bee Squad. There will also be prizes, a Q&A session, vendors, and hands-on activities. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced beekeeper, we have something for everyone at the Beekeepers and More Symposium!

- Day long event 8:30 a.m. - 3:30p.m. at FDLTCC
- Registration: \$20 Bee Association Members, \$25 non-members. Preregister online at <https://www.signmeup.com/reg/form/129043/registration> or register with cash or check on the 16th
- Learn about pollinators, practical applications for beekeeping, tips for beginners, and more!

For more information contact Courtney Kowalczak at courtneyk@fdltcc.edu or call (218) 879-0862

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF WILDLIFE DAMAGE

What is wildlife damage management? Wildlife damage management is an activity that seeks to balance the needs of human activity with the needs of wildlife to the mutual enhancement of both. Sometimes the solution to an animal-human conflict requires the human to change his or her behavior. Other times, the solution is to change the animal's behavior. Various tools and strategies are used to reduce human-animal conflict, such as behavior modification, repellents, exclusion, habitat modification, relocation, lethal control.

As can be seen from this site, wildlife damage management is truly a diverse and complex field. We trust this site will help you discover the best way to manage your wildlife-human conflict for the betterment of both. Determine what animal is causing injury to your property because you can't control what haven't identified.

The handbook, found at ICWDM.com, details identification, control and management of over 90 species of wildlife, written by almost as many authorities in their respective wildlife areas.

So for house mice, which are looking for a nice cosy place to wait out the rest of the winter, look here for solutions to relocate them. Or how about keeping the deer from doing damage to your shrubs.

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