



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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RANGE USE CALENDAR may be found on our Website: uns-duluth.com

Nominations Committee

As you can read in this months' Club Notes, a Nominations Committee was formed to start the process of finding candidates to run for the various offices. If you have ever pondered the idea of trying your ideas of improving the club, now is the time to speak up and get your name on the ballot for next year. All you have to do is contact one of the board members with your name and number and someone will be more than happy to contact you about the procedure. We would love to have your new ideas to talk about. You all may consider this as a request. Thanks in advance from your Board of Directors.

Fall Fund-raiser/ Site-In

Remember, the large bore range will be closed the last three weekends of October and November 1 until opening of Deer season. The dates will be Oct. 14-15, October 21-22, October 27-28 and October 29- November 3. Please remember these dates. This is one of our fund-raisers.

Club Calendar

- Oct. 4** **UNS Board Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
6:00 PM Pot Luck
7:00 PM Board Meeting**
- Oct. 11** **UNS Membership Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
6:00 PM Pot Luck
7:00 PM Membership Meeting**
- Oct. 14-15** **Fall Site-IN
8:00 AM – half hour before
sunset**
- Oct. 21-22** **Fall Site-IN
8:00 AM – half hour before
Sunset**
- Oct. 28-29** **Fall Site-In
8:00 AM – half hour before
Sunset**
- Oct.29-Nov. 3** **Fall Site-in
8:00 AM – half hour before
sunset**

2018 Ice Fishing Contest

You can mark your calendars again for our Annual Ice Fishing Contest. It will be held on January 28, 2018. The Chairman, Dan Woollett with the help of Tom Wasbotten and Eric Hansen want to ensure us that this year will be as much fun, if not more, than last year. Weather, the day of, has never been a reason to cancel this event except for the ice thickness. Naturally safety is most important. For more information or if you could help with the event please call Dan Woollett at 218-590-7076. Thank you in advance and hope to see all of you there on the 28th.

School is out, youth deer hunting season is in

Youth, ages 10-15, can participate in a special deer season that runs from Thursday, Oct. 19, to Sunday, Oct. 22, in 28 permit areas of southeastern and northwestern Minnesota, including in the Twin Cities metro permit area 601, according to the Department of Natural Resources. "Youth deer season is about putting the youth's hunting experience first," said Mike Kurre, DNR mentoring program coordinator. "Many students get a couple days off school for teacher workshops during the youth season so the long break is a great time to plan a hunt that can teach valuable skills and help grow a youth's interest in the outdoors. "Deer permit areas open to the hunt are: 101, 105, 111, 114, 201, 203, 208, 209, 256, 257, 260, 263, 264,

267, 268, 338, 339, 341, 342, 343, 344 (including Whitewater Game Refuge), 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 601 and 603. Blaze orange or blaze pink requirements apply to all hunters, trappers and adult mentors in areas open for the youth deer season. Public land is open, and private land is open if the hunters have landowner permission. Youth ages 10 through 15 must obtain a deer license. Youth ages 12 to 15 need to have completed firearms safety or, if not, can obtain an apprentice hunter validation. During the youth season, a parent, guardian or mentor age 18 or older must accompany the youth and only need a license if the youth is taking advantage of the apprentice validation

option. Party hunting on a youth license is not allowed – so youth must take and tag their own deer. The bag limit for the youth season is one deer only. Youth may use their regular license or a bonus permit if they take an antlerless deer, regardless of the management designation. Bucks must be tagged with the youth's regular license. Participation does not affect eligibility for the regular deer season; however, the harvested deer counts against the youth's annual statewide bag limit and the bag limit for the deer permit area. If hunting in permit areas 346, 348, 349 and 603, the early antlerless only season is in effect from Oct. 19 to Oct. 22, so adults and youth can hunt at the same time in these areas; however, if a youth harvests a deer and wishes to continue hunting during the early antlerless only season they must purchase an early antlerless permit

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OLD BUSINESS:

Survey Committee Report – Duane Lasley: Tina emailed results from the hard copy surveys. Will pay the monthly fee for the Survey Monkey and put together a report.

Emailing of Newsletter – Duane Lasley: 382 emails on the list and 18 more to enter.

Youth Field Day August 12th – Cody Privette: •We maxed out registration and even had a waiting list. All said and done we had 76 kids participating. We had great weather and a great bunch of volunteers that made the event a success. Thank you to the following vendors for their donations: Super One Foods, Chalstroms', Superior Shooters Supply, Arrowhead Firearms Training Academy, Black River Bandits, RJ Sport and Cycle, Marine General, and WDIO.

Fall Fundraiser – Tina Sund: Letters have been updated and ready to be sent for printing.

2018 Banquet: All dates in April are open for the banquet at the AAD Shriners. April 13th 2018 is the tentative date for the banquet.

NEW BUSINESS:

Marine General Theft – Gene Shaw: Gene Shaw not present. Joe Roberts on behalf of Gene: Marine General had a shipment of lures stolen. Keep an eye out for people selling lures.

BOD Recommendation for Membership Revocation – Tom Wasbotten: Tom gave an overview of the committee findings and the recommendation of the BOD to revoke the membership. Tom also gave an overview of the three-member committee findings. Motion by Joe Roberts 2nd by Mike Drager to concur with BOD to revoke membership. Carried, letter will be sent.

Approve Fall Sight In Budget request \$500 – Bob Kuettel: Bob Kuettel gave overview of event and budget needs. Motion by Bob Klein 2nd by Sandy Roberts to approve budget. Discussion followed. Carried.

Nomination Committee Formation – Tom Wasbotten: Tom gave an overview of the nomination committee and staggered election process. Tom Wasbotten will oversee the committee formation. Sandy Roberts and Bob Klein volunteered to serve.

Ice Fishing Contest January 28, 2018: Dan Woollett will chair. Eric Hansen and Tom Wasbotten will co-chair.

Attendance Drawing: Duane Lasley won the \$20.00

Progressive Drawing: Joel Lane was not present, therefore did not win \$90.

Members sick or in distress: None Reported

Adjournment: Motion was made by Mike Foy, 2nd by Judy Foy at 8:50 pm; Carried.

Respectfully submitted by Cody Privette, Secretary.

Club Notes MEETING September 13th, 2017

Call to Order: by President Tom Wasbotten at 7:01 pm who led us in the Conservation Pledge.

Roll Call of Officers: Bob Kuettel, Tina Sund, Mike Drager, Mike Foy, Bob Klein, Dan Smestad, Larry Chesney, Duane Lasley, Sandy Roberts, Joe Roberts, Dave Shrader, Judy Foy, Tom Wasbotten, John Bathke, and Cody Privette.

Excused Officers: Gene Shaw, Eric Hansen.

Presentations: Ken Norenberg gave an overview of the Agenda 21 initiative by the UN and the Wildlands project. Protocol for saving the planet.

Correspondence: St. Louis County Rescue Squad Thank You

Agenda Additions: Motion to approve the agenda with the new additions by Bob Kuettel 2nd by Bob Klein; Carried.

Reading of Minutes: Cody Privette read minutes from the August Membership Meeting. Motion to accept minutes as corrected by Mike Drager, 2nd by Larry Chesney, Carried. Synopsis of Board of Directors minutes from September was also read.

Treasurer's Report - Tina Sund: as of 8/31/17

Will need to pay October taxes. Mike Drager made a motion to accept the report and pay our bills, 2nd by Bob Klein; Carried.

Membership Secretary's Report- Sandy Roberts Current membership is 1,672 members, \$6047 was deposited and 56 second notices were sent.

Committee Reports:

Web Master – Eric Hansen: Eric not present.

Incident Reports – Mike Foy: Had an incident with a new member that overstayed their camping days and owes \$10 for electricity.

Retreat Improvements & Maintenance – Dave Shrader: Mowed rifle range, finished tie downs for archery range, repaired rifle range bench #13 and belting on pistol range, sorted brass, put up league target shelves, built signs, replaced lighting, and fixed fence posts with Bob Klein and Al Bray. Pete Privett and Larry Chesney cleaned all the 22lr rifles. Bob Klein and I fixed the hole on the pistol range.

Grants Committee - Mike Drager: Nothing new to share.

Volunteer Awards – Dan Smestad: Pat and Debbie McAuliffe has 400+ hours and Dave Shrader has 1200+ hours.

Facilities Calendar – Steve Holt has the pistol range on the 8th. Border Patrol has the rifle range on the 5th, 12th, 18th, and 19th. Range officer training in retreat on 9/30. Border patrol on 9th and 10th in October. Sight In days will be every Saturday and Sunday starting on 10/14. Steve Holt will have the pistol range on 10/21. Discussion followed about range reservations in October.

Budget & Finance Report – John Bathke: Gave overview on budget requests for events and club positions. These are due at the end of September. Should have a budget to propose to the board by the November BOD meeting. Finance committee needs to meet again.