

If you weren't at the March, 2016 SMSC Board of Directors' meeting, then you missed:

Apologies! Your Newsletter and Meeting Agenda editor/publisher/cub reporter/chief drudge failed to send out an agenda in advance of the March meeting. Some personal/life events interfered with my ability to focus. I'll try to do better in the future.

THE APRIL BoD MEETING: is at the clubhouse, on April 14, at 7:30PM.

We need members to participate in the monthly BoD meetings: on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30PM at the SMSC clubhouse. Be "in the know" about your club, and be available to help move the club forward in the future by showing up and being involved.

You are responsible to keep your email address current. The club uses email and the web site (www.smsclub.org) EXCLUSIVELY to communicate with our members. If your email address changes, please notify us via email at clubmail@smsclub.org. This newsletter is published on the web site, and will contain much of the information you need to know. If you do NOT have email, it is your responsibility to go to the club's web site regularly to stay current on important club business, rules, etc. We also notify members of their membership expiration/renewal dates via email. If you do not have a valid email address on file, you will NOT be notified. It is your responsibility to promptly renew your membership; so, keep track of your renewal date.

Club communications capabilities have been upgraded. Thanks to the Technology Team for their hard work to ensure that our web facilities were impacted as little as possible during this facility upgrade! The password for the "guest" channel of the wifi is "clubhouse" (without quotation marks).

The April Safety Orientation class information is on the club calendar. Orientation classes will not necessarily always be on the same day as the Board meetings, nor will each Orientation session necessarily always be held at the same time. See the Club Calendar on the SMSC web site (www.smsclub.org) for dates and times of the next Safety Orientation class.

Security Cameras: Dale Meyer is leading a group to study the possibility of installing security cameras at the club. If you wish to volunteer to help with this effort, please send your name, phone number, and email to clubmail@smsclub.org and put the name "Gerad Welch" in the subject line. Somewhere in the note, please indicate what it is you wish to volunteer for (i.e., in this case "Security Team." Gerad is our volunteer coordinator. He will let Dale know of your interest. The names of those who have already said they are willing to help with this effort have already been passed to Dale.

Archery tower removal planned: The archery tower does not comply with licensing requirements of the local governmental authorities. After limited responsiveness in efforts to bring the tower into compliance, the Board has approved disassembly of the archery tower during the spring work day (April 30), unless the tower is brought into compliance before that date.

Change in membership details: The Board has clarified the membership relationship and details, as follows: *Membership is for the member ONLY. The member's spouse or partner, sharing the same address, per information on their driver's licenses, and their children or grandchildren under age 18, living at the same address, are allowed on the range with the member for no additional charge. Spouses or partners sharing the same address may have their own badge for range access after paying the badge fee (\$10), successfully completing the Safety Orientation Class, and submitting a completed Waiver.*

Range rules clarified/expanded: The Board has clarified several range rules. The new rules will be posted during the range work day, on April 30, and take effect for all members on May 1. The rules have been reorganized to cover general information first, and then move to more specific details, presented in the order a member would need to know the information as the member progresses from entering the property through completion of their shooting activity. Emergency procedures have also been updated. We encourage all

members to read the updated range rules, posted at the firing line, carefully during your first visit on or after May 1. **EVERY member is responsible to know, follow, and enforce firearms safety and all posted rules at all times.**

Communications for SMSC or its Directors should be sent to: clubmail@smsclub.org

OLD, BUT STILL IMPORTANT!!

Effective February 1, 2016, every member/spouse with a badge MUST have a Waiver form on file.

Membership renewals will not be accepted, and members' badges will be unable to open the gate unless the required signed waiver is on file. To access the Waiver form (on SMSC website): <http://www.smsclub.org>, select "Membership" in the top nav bar, then go to step 3 in the list. Mail or bring the completed Waiver form to the club at: Southern Minnesota Sportsman's Club, 6251 SE 20th St., Rochester, Minnesota 55904.

Lifetime Membership fee is \$1500. The fee was raised in February of 2015, and announced at that time. If you find information in any current document that states another amount, please let us know:

clubmail@smsclub.org

DO NOT LET ANYONE THROUGH THE GATE, OTHER THAN YOUR ONE PERSONAL GUEST! Your SMSC ID badge should be visibly displayed at all times inside the fenced-in (range) areas. Eye and ear protection is required for everyone inside the fenced-in area at all times.

Newsletters on the web site. Newsletters are available on the web site (<http://www.smsclub.org/> - select "Newsletters" in the top navigation bar).

If you think you may have lost (or left) something at the club, be sure to check at the caretaker's cottage.

Any thoughts on how the club may be more useful or "user-friendly" to members?

PLEASE SEND YOUR IDEAS TO: clubmail@smsclub.org

YOUR 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (Terms expire 12-31 of the stated year.)

Ron Remann (2016), President	Brian Rognholt (2018), Vice-Pres
Mike Woodcock (2018), Treasurer	Matt Mattingly (2017), Secretary
Anthony Deveau (2017)	Dale Meyer (2017)
Gerad Welch (2018)	Larry Plank (2016)
Mike Toth (2017) - AWAIR Mgr	Pat Neville (2016)
Randy Ziemann (2016)	Scott Groth (2018)