



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

Election of Officers for 2018

Officers elected for the upcoming year of 2018 were as follows. Our Vice President will be Bob Kuettel. Our Treasurer will be Tina Sund. Our three new Board Members are Gene Shaw, Dan Smestad and John Bathke. The above officers were elected for a three year term and will be sworn in at our January Membership Meeting. We hope you will all be there to help welcome them to their new offices.

Annual Ice Fishing Contest

Mother Nature will have used up all of its cold weather by the end of January (at least it looks like it at this time) so January 28th looks to be a beautiful day to do some ice fishing and reminiscing with old friends. This is the date of our ice fishing contest and anyone with a ticket will have a chance to win a prize every 10 minutes during the contest and also a chance at the Gate Prize. Sure hope all of you can make it for a day of fun and laughter.

Club Calendar

- Jan. 3** **UNS Board Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
7:00 PM Board Meeting**
- Jan. 10** **UNS Membership Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
7:00 PM Membership Meeting**
- Jan. 13** **Trout season in lakes (outside
Or partly outside BWCAW)**
- Jan. 26** **Spring Turkey Hunt Lottery
Deadline (A & B seasons only)**
- Feb. 7** **UNS Board Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
7:00 PM Board Meeting**
- Feb 14** **UNS Membership Meeting
Sportsmen's Retreat
7:00 PM Membership Meeting**

Annual Banquet

Don't forget our banquet coming in April. It is not too early to start asking for those prizes. If you know any business owners out there that may be interested in donating to our club please just ask. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. For any additional information please contact Eric Hansen at 218-729-8723 or 218-831-8646.

Rifle Range

This spring members using the rifle range will note some changes and range closings. A berm will be placed on the west side of the range from the staging area to the 100 yard backstop. This is for safety reasons to keep any projectiles from straying onto the neighboring property. We hope you will bear with us and contact a Board Member or Camp Host for more information.

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Banquet April 13, 2018- Eric Hansen: Nothing new to share. **Ice Fishing Contest January 28, 2018-Eric Hansen:** No permit yet. Ads are proofed and waiting, and posters are ready to go. 376 tickets returned so far. Discussion followed. **YOFD 8/11/2018 – Cody Privette:** Gave overview of the event. Cody and Kathleen Privette will chair the event. Already have donations coming in for prizes. **Website Committee-Bob Kuettel:** Committee will meet as soon as Lance Parthe is available.

NEW BUSINESS: Trees on Property – John Polecheck: The trees on the property are looking very nice. Discussion followed. **Approve BOD recommended \$6,840 Expense for Rifle Range Berm Development- Bob Kuettel:** Bob gave overview of the project and need for an additional berm to be safety compliant. The BOD recommends approval of the project. Motion by Bob Kuettel 2nd by Bob Klein to approve the expense. Discussion followed. Carried. **Approve BOD Recommended Change to “Rules for the UNS Club Facilities” #16 – Dave Shrader:** Dave gave overview of issue with four campers during hunting season. The units were un-occupied for several days. Would like to amend the rule to allow deer hunters to leave their camping units with prior approval in the month of November and allow to leave personal property for longer than 24 hours. Discussion followed. Motion by Dan Smestad 2nd by Tina Sund to make the change; Carried.

Attendance Drawing: John Polecheck won the \$20.00

Progressive Drawing: Nicole Kedrowski was not present, therefore did not win \$60.

Members sick or in distress: Barry Brooks and Mary Smestad

Adjournment: Motion was made by Mike Foy, 2nd by Judy Foy at 8:00 pm; Carried.

Respectfully submitted by Cody Privette, Secretary

Infested Waters List

The DNR will add a lake, river, pond or wetland to the infested waters list if it contains an aquatic invasive species that could spread to other waters. The DNR may also list a lake, river, pond or wetland as infested if it is connected to a body of water where an aquatic invasive species is present.

To reduce the risk of spreading aquatic invasive species, activities like bait harvest and water use are managed differently in infested waters.

Which lakes and rivers are listed as infested?

You can download the infested waters list as an [Excel spreadsheet](#) xls. *Last updated December 29, 2017.* This Excel spreadsheet is the most complete version of the infested waters list and should be used for regulatory or permitting purposes.

You can [view an interactive map of most infested waters](#) on the EDDMapS Midwest website.

How many lakes and rivers are listed as infested?

About 5% of Minnesota's more than 11,000 lakes are on the infested waters list. Less than 2% of Minnesota lakes are listed as infested with zebra mussels. As of August 2016, we have confirmed zebra mussels in 121 lakes, rivers and wetlands. We have listed 130 bodies of water as infested with zebra mussels because they are closely connected to a waterway where zebra mussels have been found.

What can I do?

You can help stop the spread of aquatic invasive species. Take three steps every time you leave a lake or river - whether or not it's infested:

- **Clean** all aquatic plants, zebra mussels, and other invasive species from boats, trailers, and water-related equipment.
- **Drain** water from your boat, ballast tanks, motor, live well and bait container. Remove drain plugs and keep drain plugs out while transporting equipment.
- **Dispose** of unwanted bait in the trash. To keep live bait, drain the water and refill the bait container with bottled or tap water.

If you want to [harvest bait](#) or [transport water](#) from an infested water body, you may need to apply for a permit.

Club Notes December 13th, 2017

Call to Order: by President Tom Wasbotten @ 7:00 pm. Conservation Pledge.

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

Excused Officers: John Bathke and Mike Drager

Correspondence: Thank you letter from Finley and Bruce Erjavec

Agenda Additions: Motion to approve the agenda with the new additions by Gene Shaw 2nd by Larry Chesney; Carried.

Reading of Minutes: Cody Privette read minutes from the November Membership Meeting. Motion to accept minutes as corrected by Sandy Roberts,

Retreat Improvements & Maintenance – Dave Shrader: Purchased propane and a heater for the lady's room. Enbridge donated pushbuttons and we upgraded the firing line controller. Sorted brass and cleared snow on the pistol range.

Volunteer Awards – Dan Smestad: Tom Fitzpatrick has 135 hours. Bill Kliever has 104 hours.**Facilities Calendar – Bob Kuettel:** Nothing for December so far.**Finance Report – John Bathke:** John not present.

OLD BUSINESS:**Election of 2018 Officers (Vice President, Treasurer) & Three BOD Trustees – Nominations Committee:** -Tom Wasbotten called for nominations from the floor for Vice President. Joe Roberts made a motion for nominations to cease and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Bob Kuettel, 2nd by Duane Lasley;

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2nd by Bob Klein; Carried. Synopsis of Board of Directors minutes from December was also read.

Treasurer's Report - Tina Sund:

\$2,726.48 was the total profit for the fall fundraiser and Sight-in Days.

Motion to approve the report and pay the bills by Bob Klein, 2nd by Dan Smestad; Carried

Membership Secretary's Report- Sandy

Roberts: Current membership is 1,648, 51 2nd notices were sent, and \$3,316 was deposited.

Committee Reports:

Web Master – Eric Hansen: Posted December newsletter and updated the range

reservations.**Incident Reports – Mike Foy:** Nothing new

Carried.-Tom Wasbotten called for nominations from the floor for Treasurer. Joe Roberts made a motion for nominations to cease and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Tina Sund, 2nd by Duane Lasley; Carried.

-Tom Wasbotten called for nominations from the floor for three BOD Trustees. Joe Roberts made a motion for nominations to cease and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for John Bathke, Gene Shaw, Dan Smestad, 2nd by Duane Lasley; Carried.**Survey Committee Report- Duane Lasley:** Duane gave an overview of the survey results. Will use as a guideline for future projects.

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