



The Naperville Trapshooter

The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club - April 2019

The Fred Section

Members' Meeting and Board Meeting

We will have a member's meeting followed by a board meeting at the clubhouse on Tuesday, April 9th. The meeting starts at 7:30; doors open at 7:00. All members are invited and urged to attend both meetings.

*...Fred Turek
Secretary*



President's Message

2019 Annual Dinner and Raffle

The 2019 Annual Dinner and Raffle will be held on June 22nd at Sportsman's Park. The party will start around 12:00 PM. Dinner at around 4:00 PM. Your 2019 membership dues include this event. The Raffle tickets are available now. I have packets of ten available for members to sell. The tickets are \$10 each. The prizes are: First prize is a \$1000 Gun Store gift certificate (to purchase the gun of your choice) or \$750 in cash. Second prize will be a \$500 Gun Store gift certificate (to purchase the gun of your choice) or \$450 in cash. Third prize will be \$250 and fourth prize \$100. I'm looking forward to a fantastic party.

Illinois Concealed Carry Firearm Classes

We have scheduled a 16-hour class for April 6th and 13th at the club. A renewal class is scheduled for April 13th. Please contact me or Dave Paulinski for more information.

New "Probationary" Member

At the March meeting the Board approved Andrew McCullough for Probationary Membership. When you see him in the clubhouse or on the line please congratulate him on becoming a new Probationary Member of the Club.

Upcoming Events

NSC 2019 Singles League: Ongoing, still time to join
NSC ATA (Naperville – Targets Only): April 14th
NSC 2019 Annual Dinner: June 22nd

New Member Orientation

The next three new member orientations (informal history and workings of the club) will be held at the club on Sunday April 14th, Sunday June 9th and Sunday July 14th at 10:00 AM. Please RSVP to myself at 630-842-0391. The Range Volunteer clinic will begin at 11:00 AM on those days. Everyone interested in learning how the machines work should attend.

*.... Jim Monk
President*

Training Committee Report

We had our first Trap Fundamentals Class a few weeks ago. As mentioned, this was also our annual NRA "First Steps Shotgun," class too. The class was full, with a waiting list of five students. (The waiting list will be automatically rolled into the April Class.) Our responses from the class were on a scale of 1-10, 9's and 10's. The most requested; How to improve the class? The response: "MORE SHOOTING!!!!" I might add that the new training materials provided by the NRA for this program have much more detailed information on shotgun shooting sports, and updated literature. Many thanks to all our members who help with this effort.

I will be offering another Conceal Carry 16-hour class on April 6th and April 13th. The April 13th class will piggy back a 3-hour renewal class and range qualification date at JR's Shooting Sports. For our members the 16- hour class is \$150 and includes your range fees and targets. The renewal Class is \$25 and range fees are your responsibility. Fees due In Cash Only the day of the class. Remember, our membership receives a 10% off of everything but new guns at JR's.

We have had discussions with an area High School teacher who is trying to start a Scholastic Trap Program with another teacher from another High School in the area. They will be proposing their plans and seeking support for such a program. We have offered our support and hope to form a program in the next school year.

We have also extended a shooting date of April 7th to Ducks Unlimited. They wish to have a Pre-Fund Raiser Shooting Event at our club to launch their Fund-Raising Dinner in the near future. We have extended a Non-Voting one-year membership to them as a raffle prize for the event. They will be cooking up food in our garage and I told them to bring enough for all.

Our club and the Park District are offering our first Hunter Safety Field Day class on May 11th. Check the IDNR website and enroll as soon as possible. This is a one-day training event that requires an online portion to be completed prior to registering for this class. We are limited to 40 students.

Our club has purchased (3) hardened cases for transporting our club guns to and from the club for shooting events. Each container can hold 5 cased shotguns. These containers are on wheels and can easily, safely, and cleanly transport our inventory. (See Picture)



Finally, we have another Trap Fundamentals Class on April 14th. At the time I am writing this, there was one seat still open. If you have any students or family members and friends interested in this program, get them signed up as soon as possible. There are still 4 more classes this season.

Be Safe
Dave Paulinski
NSC Training Committee Chair

Firearm Safety Corner

There was an interesting article in Time magazine recently called "Move Over, Soccer," by Sean Gregory, Alexandria, Minn. The short story is that Minnesota is a strong state for High School Trap Programs with more than 300 schools and more than 8,000 students competing last summer in that state. The growth of the high school and youth programs in Trap Shooting has grown 137% from 9,245 students in 317 schools in 2015 to 21,917 students in 804 teams from 20 states in 2018.

This is faster growth than swimming and other athletics. It should be noted that the NRA had a roll in these programs and of course there are several democrat leaders like from New York, that want to ban such programs. (Please note I did not use the term Democratic but used Democrat, because they are anything but Democratic.)

With our children under the dark cloud of mass school shootings, anti-gun protests, and "Fake News," This sport is still growing. The article goes on to list some of the feelings and aspirations' the students have gleaned from belonging to these programs. It is also another feather in our caps that these kids are going to grow up and take what they have learned to the polls and future generations. It is our responsibility to make sure they get the chance.

Summary: (Are they nervous about their appearance? No, they are more concerned with their scores.)

I was asked by a public shooter visiting our range today, if we are safe? I am not

sure if it is the state of things or not, but being a public range has safety responsibilities we all share. I am honored to belong to our club and have witnessed truly professional, considerate, knowledgeable, and respectful handling of new shooters at our club. Our membership has stepped up to help on a moment's notice, to monitor, mentor, and support the public that uses our facilities. They have acted appropriately in handling safety issues, and continue to provide a positive, exciting, and habit forming," shooting experience. Our Range Officers, Range Managers, members, and family members all contribute to this effort.

Are we safe? YES!

Can we be safer? Every Day We Are Open!

Be Safe

Dave Paulinski

NSC Board Member



2019 Irish Open at Sportsman's Park

The 2019 Irish Open was held on Sunday, March 17 at Sportsman's Park. Irish eyes were smiling this year, as shooters had a nice day with decent temperatures and very little wind to deal with. All 30 available spots were filled for this year's event, and all the participants had an enjoyable afternoon of shooting.

Donuts greeted the early shooters prior to the competition, and later in the day the Sportsman's Grill served up brats and Italian sausage, along with fried chicken, sides, and dessert. No one went home hungry.

The format of the event was 50 targets – 25 16-yard targets and 25 handicap targets, shot from the yardage that matched your 16-yard score (minimum 23-yard line).

Bob Pfister took the High Overall Trophy with an event high 47 (23-24). High Overall Runner-up required a three-way shoot-off among shooters with scores of 45, with Mike Moore coming out on top over Steve Pfister and Jim Monk.

High 16-yard gun was Bill Benson after a shoot-off with Jud Mann. Both recorded perfect 25's on the 16-yard targets. Steve Pfister took the High Handicap trophy with a score of 22, winning a shoot-off with Jim Monk and Art Jablonski. Judy Novotny won the High Lady trophy with a score of 38, also in a shoot-off, over Aubrey Nelson.

Trophies were given for three classes, based on a Lewis Class breakdown. Jim Monk took the AA class winners' trophy with a score of 45, with Art Jablonski taking AA runner-up with 44 after a tie-breaker with Scott

Calhoun. The A class winner's trophy went to Steve Melovic with a score of 39, with Jim

Chakour taking runner-up with 38 in a tie-breaker over Aubrey Nelson, Bob Beyer, and Jay Martinez. For B class, Dave Peace took the top spot with a score of 36, with Art Dwight taking the running-up trophy with 34.



Steve Pfister, Bill Benson, Bob Pfister, Mike Moore, Judy Novotny



Jim Chakour, Steve Melovic, Dave Peace, Jim Monk, Art Dwight, Art Jablonski

2019 Doubles League - Jud Mann takes HOA trophy

Jud Mann shot his way to the club Doubles title with a score of 325, outpacing 20 other shooters for the top spot after 400 targets. Scott Calhoun took the High Overall runner-up trophy, finishing 6 targets behind Jud.

League members shot for eight Sundays, finishing up on March 10. Overall the weather this year was challenging, with one week being wiped out due to very high wind. The scores for league shooters reflected the difficult conditions this winter.

Class winners were AA: Dave Peace winner; Steve Pfister runner-up. A: Josh Wexelbaum winner; Jim Chakour runner-up. B: Rich Kelly winner; Jim Monk runner-up. C: Jordan Schreier winner, Tom Clark runner-up.

Shooters also enjoyed fried chicken and sides on the last week of the league, along with meatballs, gumbo, and dessert contributed by club members.



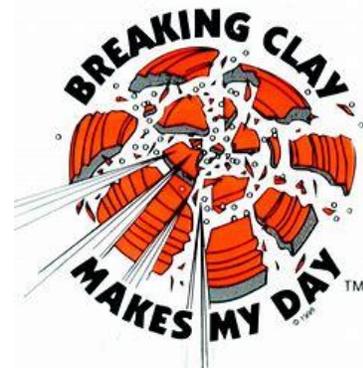
Jim Chakour, Steve Pfister, Dave Peace



Jud Mann, Scott Calhoun



Jordan Schreier, Jim Monk, Tom Clark



2019 Calendar of Events

January	February	March
Sun, 20 – NSC Doubles league starts*		Sun, 10 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 17 – NSC Irish Open Thu, 28 – NSC Singles League starts **
April	May	June
Sun, 14 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 14 – ATA (Naperville – targets only) Sun, 21 – Club Closed - Easter	Sat, 11 – Hunter Safety Field Day Sun, 12 – Club Closed – Mother’s Day	Sun, 9 – ATA (Naperville – targets only) Tue-Sun, 11-16 – Illinois State Shoot Sat, 22 – NSC Member Picnic Thu, 27 – NSC Handicap Championship
July	August	September
Thu, 4 – Club Closed – Independence Day Sun, 14 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 21 – ATA (Naperville – targets only) Wed, 31 – ATA Grand American Preliminary events	Thur-Sun, 1-4 – ATA Grand American Preliminary events Mon-Sat, 5-10 – ATA Grand American Championship events Sun, 18 – Trapshooting Fundamentals	Sat, 7 – Hunter Safety Field Day Sun, 8 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Thu, 19 – NSC Wobble league starts***
October	November	December
Sun, 6 – ATA (Naperville - trophy shoot) Sun, 6 – Game Cook Sun, 13 – Trapshooting Fundamentals	Thu, 14 – NSC Gobble Wobble Shoot Thu, 28 – Club Closed - Thanksgiving	Sun, 29 – New Year’s Protection Shoot

*-NSC Doubles League – 25 pair of doubles each Sunday for seven weeks, ends March 3

**-NSC Singles League – 50 singles targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends May 16

***-NSC Wobble League – 50 wobble targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends November 7

Officers and Board Members

President: Jim Monk

Vice President: Michael Moore

Secretary: Fred Turek

Treasurer: Tom Coleman

Dave Paulinski: Director '19

Jim Chakour: Director '19

Nenad Trichkovski: Director '20

Steve Pfister: Director '20

Charlie Tlapa: Director '21

John McGuire: Director '21

Park District Liaison: David Naydenoff

Newsletter Editor/Publisher: Tom Coleman

Club Information

The Naperville Sportsman's Club

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Board/Member Meetings: 7:30 PM, 2nd Tuesday

Range Information

Sportsman's Park Trap Range

735 S. West Street

Naperville, IL 60566

Clubhouse phone: 630-848-2124

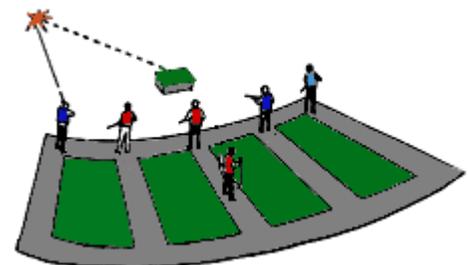
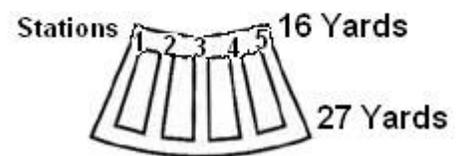
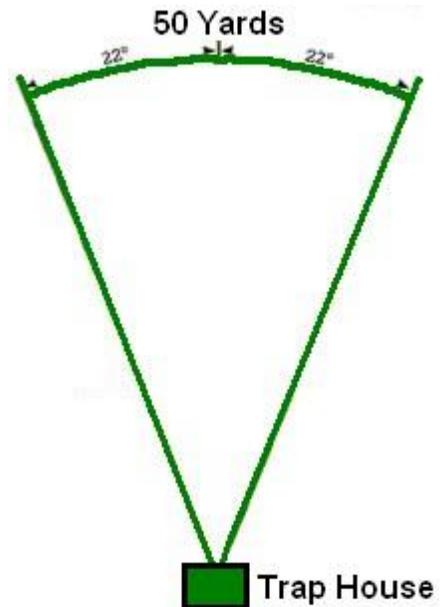
Hours of Operation:

Thursdays: 6:00 – 10:00 PM

Sundays: 12:00 – 6:00 PM. Final Signup at 4:00 PM

Hours are subject to weather and attendance, holidays, and community events

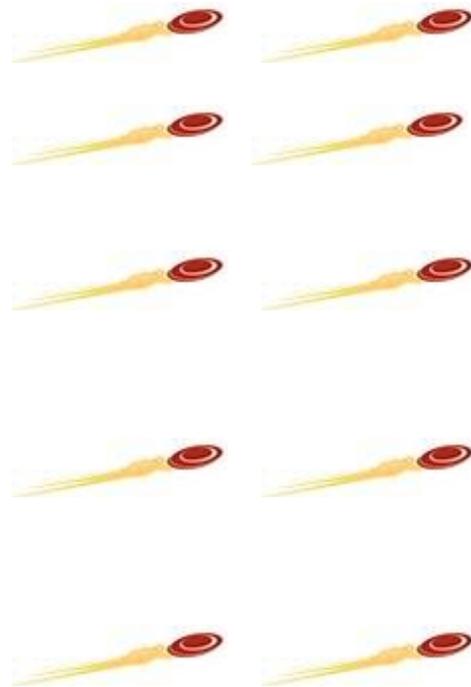
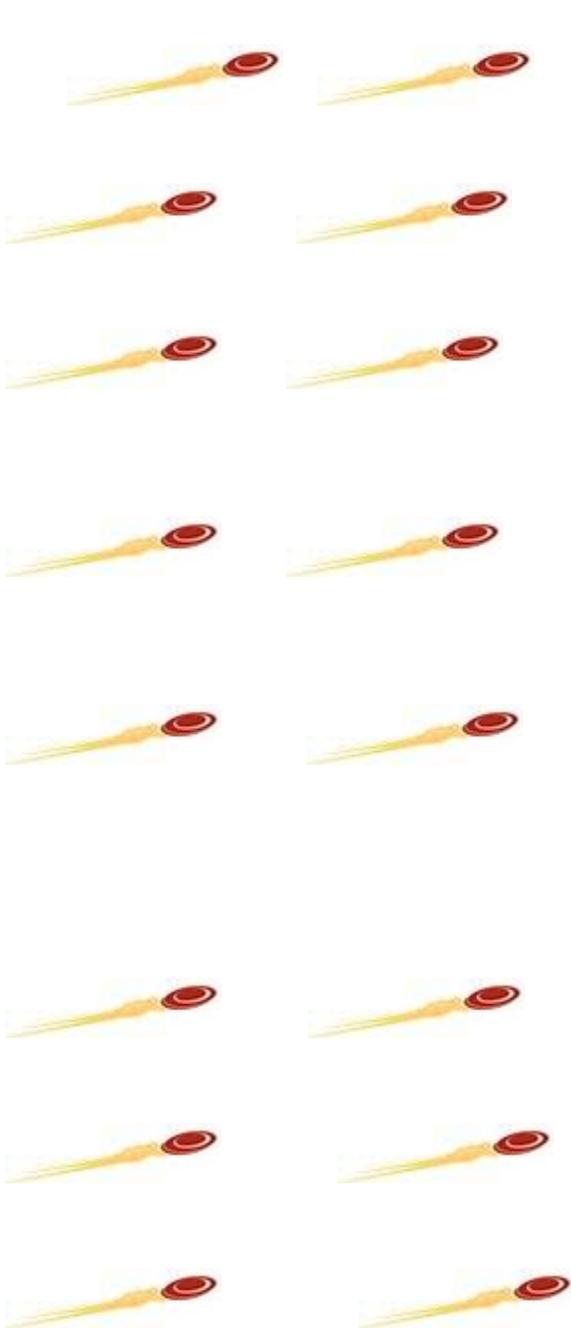
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April 2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3	4 Club Open	5	6
7 Club Open	8	9 NSC Board & Member Meeting – 7:30 PM	10	11 Club Open	12	13
14 Club Open New Member Orientation	15	16	17	18 Club Open	19	20
21 Club Closed 4/21 Easter	22	23	24	25 Club Open	26	27
28	29	30				

May 2019

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2 Club Open	3	4
5 Club Open	6	7	8	9 Club Open	10	11
12 Club Closed Mother's Day	13	14 NSC Board & Member Meeting – 7:30 PM	15	16 Club Open	17	18
19 Club Open	20	21	22	23 Club Open	24	25
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