



# *The Naperville Trapshooter*

*The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club - May, 2014*

## *The Fred Section*

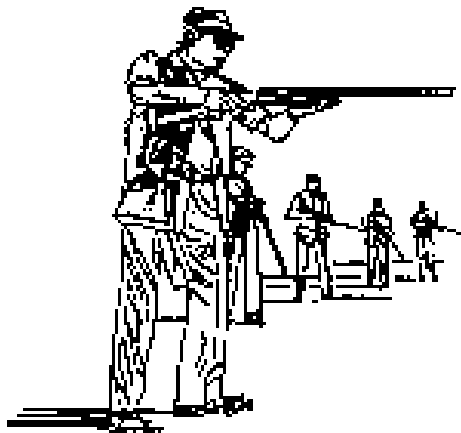
### **Members' Meeting and Board Meeting**

We will have a member's meeting followed by a board meeting on Tuesday, May 13th. The meeting starts at 7:30; doors open at 7:00. All members are invited and urged to attend both meetings.

*...Fred Turek  
Secretary*

## *Dates to Remember*

*May 13<sup>th</sup> (Tues) – Members' & Board Meetings  
May 18<sup>th</sup> (Sun) - New Member & Volunteer Clinics  
June 10<sup>th</sup> (Tues) - Members' & Board Meetings  
June 21<sup>st</sup> (Sat) – Annual Dinner (Seager Park)  
July 8th (Tues) – Members' & Board Meetings  
August 12th (Tues) – Members' & Board Meetings*



## *President's Message*

### **2014 Annual Dinner and Raffle**

The 2014 Annual Dinner and Raffle will be held on June 21<sup>st</sup> at Seager Park on Plank Road. We are having Uncle Bub's Chuck Wagon Buffet again this year. The menu features Beef Brisket, Pulled Pork and Herb Roasted Chicken. Creamy Cole Slaw, Pasta Salad and Red Potatoes with butter and parsley are the side dishes. Fred will make his "Famous" Baked Beans as well. The party will start around 12:00 PM. Dinner is scheduled to be served at 5:00 PM. Your 2014 membership dues include this event. Guest tickets will be \$15.00 (less than our cost for food alone). The Raffle tickets are almost gone. Only 30 left. The Raffle will be held after Dinner and the Bucket Raffles.

### **New "Full" and "Probationary" Members**

At the April meeting the Board approved Aamir Razvi, Les Russ and Tom Walega for Full Membership. The Board also approved Mary Mars for Probationary Membership. When you see them in the clubhouse or on the line please congratulate them on becoming a Full or Probationary Members of the Club.

### **Site Improvements**

We continue to shoot on Thursdays and Sundays. The NPD has not yet voted to select a contractor for Phase 2 of the Remediation Project yet. I will keep you informed by email as circumstances require.

### **Thursday Night Meeting Place**

The NPD has scheduled a room for the NSC to use on Thursday evenings when the clubhouse is closed for site improvements. We can use the lounge at the Riverwalk Community Center on Thursday evenings throughout the duration of the site improvement project. The lounge includes tables, chairs, a large TV and recliners. It will be available from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

### **Upcoming Events**

The 2014 Annual Dinner and Raffle will take place on June 21<sup>st</sup> at Seager Park (on Plank Road). Please mark your calendars now.

### **New Member Orientation**

The next new member orientation (informal history and workings of the club) is scheduled to be held at the club on Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Please RSVP to myself at 630-842-0391. The Range Volunteer clinic will begin at 11:00 AM. Everyone interested in learning how the machines work should attend.

*...Jim Monk  
President*

## *Scott Calhoun wins Singles Championship*

Club shooters spent five weeks this spring contesting the club Singles Championship. Heading into the final session there were four shooters with a shot at taking the top spot, separated by a total of only seven targets. At the end of the night, Scott Calhoun and Jud Mann came out tied for the HOA title. Jake Sugrue ended up just one target short, and Bob Pfister was another four targets back. Scott and Jud shot off for the title the following week, with the shoot-off going four round before a winner could be decided. Both shooters broke 23 targets the first two rounds, and 24 targets in the third, but Scott's 24 on the fourth box was one better than Jud.

The league had 21 shooters, and was conducted on Thursday and Sunday. Due to the upcoming temporary closure of the range for the remediation project, the timeframe for the league was compressed to ensure we could finish before the closure. League shooters shot 50 16-yard targets each shooting day, with a total of 400 targets making up the league. Trophies were awarded for High Overall Champion and Runner-up based on total score for all eight sessions, as well as 3 sets of class trophies (winner and runner-up in each class) based on the seven best scores for each shooter.

Trophy winners were:

Scott Calhoun	High Overall Champion
Jud Mann	High Overall Runner-up
Jake Sugrue	Class A Winner
John Foust	Class B Winner
Jay Martinez	Class C Winner
Bob Pfister	Class A Runner-up
Denny Mills	Class B Runner-up
Tom Clark	Class C Runner-up

In addition to a chance to win trophies, all league shooters were treated to a "league banquet" at the end of the league. The Sportsman's Grill was fired up and offered brats and Italian sausage, and Dianne Calhoun provided dessert. The food was excellent, and no one went home hungry!

### *HOA Winners*



*Left to Right:* Scott Calhoun, Jud Mann

### *Class Winners*



*Left to Right:* Jake Sugrue, Bob Pfister, Jay Martinez, Tom Clark

## *Wieser, Moore, Calhoun represent NSC at ATA Southwestern Grand, claim five trophies*

NSC members Ray Wieser, Mike Moore and Scott Calhoun travelled to the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio, Texas in early April to participate in the ATA Southwestern Grand tournament. The Southwestern Grand is contested over six days, and features 15 events that total 1,600 targets across the three ATA disciplines (singles, handicap, and doubles). The tournament started on Tuesday, April 9 with a “warm-up” day, followed by the high-overall events beginning on Wednesday. The first four days of the program were 300 target days (100 singles, 100 handicap, and 50-pairs of doubles), with the championship events being held on the last two days. Saturday was the 200-bird championship singles, and the championship doubles and handicap were shot on Sunday.

The Southwestern Grand attracts shooters from across the country, as well as shooters from the Canadian provinces. The championship events on Saturday and Sunday had between 325 and 425 shooters participating. The National Shooting Complex uses 24 trap fields for the competition, plus a couple of additional fields for practice.

This was my tenth year shooting the Southwestern Grand, and it was Mike’s fifth year. Ray Wieser also has four or five trips under his belt. Ray has family in San Antonio, so he is able to visit family as well as shoot. Mike and I opted to drive to San Antonio, because with a shoot of this length it’s a definite benefit to be able to bring all of your shooting gear, including ammunition, with you – something you can’t do if you travel by air. We also brought along the golf clubs so we could get a few rounds in before the shoot started. We left Naperville on Friday morning around 6 am and travelled about 850 miles, stopping just north of Dallas for the night. We had a 7 am tee-time on Saturday morning, and after finishing our round we made the six hour drive into San Antonio. Mike and I played golf again on Sunday morning in San Antonio. On Monday morning we met up with our friend and squad mate Barry Turner from Nova Scotia for a final round of golf before the shoot started. We played golf in the morning and then went to the shooting facility in the afternoon to get registered and shoot some practice rounds. Our practice was cut short by some bad weather that rolled thru the area, but fortunately that was the only rain we would see for the rest of the week.

We started shooting on Tuesday, and Mike and I shot every event thru the end of the tournament. Ray skipped the doubles event on most days so he could spend time with his family. Mike and I logged 1,600 targets, as well as a few hundred more on the practice trap, while Ray shot 1,200 of the 1,600 targets. We had great weather all week, with sunshine prevailing on most days. With the exception of the rain on Monday during practice, we didn’t need any rain gear or long pants the entire trip.

We finished shooting around 1:30 pm on Sunday, and spent about eight hours in the car heading north, stopping overnight in McAlester, Oklahoma. We kept ourselves entertained by watching the final round of the Masters golf tournament on my iPad as we drove (Scott watched, Mike drove). From McAlester it was about an 11 hour ride back to Naperville, and we arrived back in town just after 5 pm on Monday.

### **Trophies**

The Naperville squad claimed five trophies for the week, with Scott Calhoun bringing home three and Mike Moore winning two.

Scott’s first trophy came on Wednesday during the EZ-GO Singles. Scott shot a 100 straight to win Class AA outright. Mike got his first trophy the next day with a perfect score in the Decot Hy-Wyd Singles. His 100 straight tied him with two others in the Sub Vet class, and after the carry-over Mike took the runner-up trophy. Friday was the SIAI Class Singles Championship, and Scott recorded his second 100 straight of the week, putting him in a tie for the Class AA title. After the carry-over Scott won the runner-up trophy.

The White Flyers Singles Championship, a 200 target event, was held on Saturday. Mike posted a pair of 99’s which were good enough for a tie for the Class AA title. A shoot-off was necessary as there were no more singles events for a carry-over. It took three rounds to settle it, but Mike’s opponent was perfect on the third box while Mike dropped a target, so Mike brought home the runner-up trophy.

Scott took the last trophy of the week, taking the White Flyer High Overall Championship Class AA runner-up award. The HOA is based on all of the events from Wednesday thru Sunday, 1,300 total targets. Scott broke 1,231 targets, missing the winner’s trophy by just 2 targets. Mike was just a few more targets back, with an HOA score of 1,224.

### **Squad for the week**

We usually have a full squad in San Antonio, as we are normally joined by Cal Stinson from Maine and Barry Turner from Nova Scotia. But things didn’t work out as planned this year.

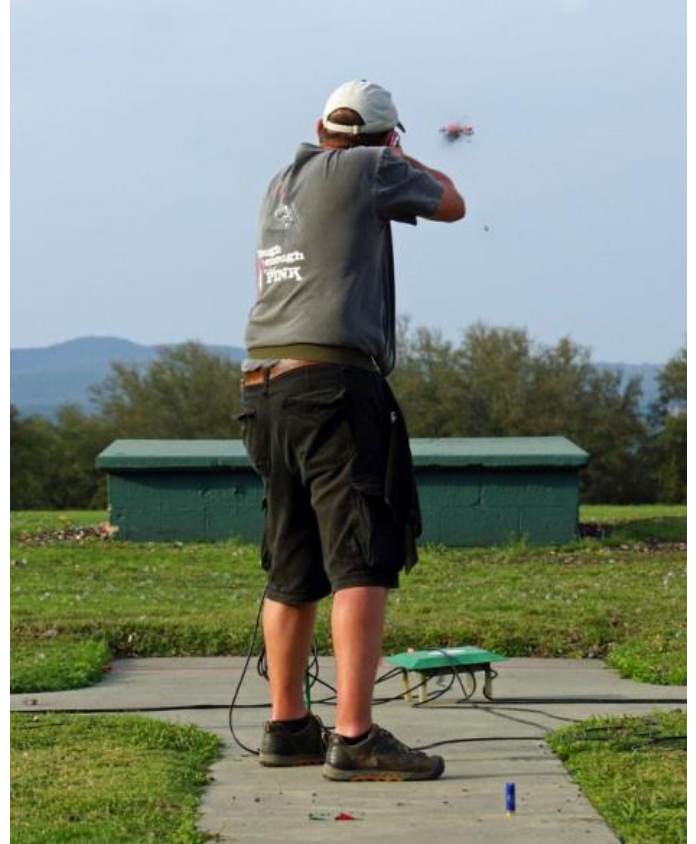
Cal didn’t make the trip to San Antonio due to some medical issues. Barry made the trip, but never fired a shot during the tournament. Barry shot practice with us on Monday, but called first thing Tuesday morning to let us know he wouldn’t be shooting in the tournament. He was staying at a local hotel, and during the night someone broke into his rental car and stole his gun, a Kreighoff K-80 combo set. So without a gun, Barry made arrangements to fly back to Nova Scotia. There was another gun theft from a shooter at the Southwestern Grand the same night at a different hotel. It just goes to show that you can’t be too careful when traveling with your firearms. It’s never a good idea to leave them unattended in your vehicle, especially in an area where there is a large shoot going on and criminals know participants are staying at local hotels.

With a couple of spots open on our squad, we did make a few new friends while we were there. We had the opportunity to shoot with a former Olympian from Canada. Rod Boll joined our handicap squad for most of the days and one doubles event. Rod shot doubles trap for Canada in the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, finishing tied for 19<sup>th</sup> position. He’s also a very accomplished ATA trapshooter, having been on the All-American team in past years.

*Southwestern Grand Trophies & Action Shots*



*Left to Right:* Mike Moore, Scott Calhoun



*Mike Moore during the Class AA shoot-off in the Championship Singles (photo courtesy of Mike Hessong)*



*Scott Calhoun during the Championship Singles event (photo courtesy of Mike Hessong)*

## **2014 Events**

### **Sunday, January 26 – Doubles League**

50-pair doubles targets each Sunday for seven weeks

### **Sunday, March 16 – Irish Open**

50 Target Event

### **Thursday, March 20 – Singles League**

50 16-yard targets each Thursday and Sunday for four weeks

### **Sunday, April 27 – ATA Shoot**

### **Thursday, June 5 – Club Handicap Championship**

See Bob Ash for details

### **Sunday, June 22 – ATA Shoot**

### **Sunday, August 3 – ATA Shoot**

### **Thursday, September 4 – Wobble League**

50 16-yard wobble targets each Thursday for eight weeks

### **Sunday, October 12 – ATA Shoot**

National Trapshooting Day – trophies will be awarded

### **Thursday, November 6 – Gobble Wobble**

See Jay Spitz for details

## *How is your Shotguns and Shooting IQ?*

Following is the twenty second list of questions which were taken from a book titled Shotgun + Clay Target Sports Trivia written by Mike McGuire. See how many you know. **Watch for the answers to these and more questions next month.**

1. In what year was the first International Clay Pigeon Tournament contested?
2. When a shotgun shooter states his gun in in the "on" position, what is he referring to?
3. How many contestants competed in the first Grand American Handicap trap shoot?
4. What make and gauge shotgun did "Little Sure Shot" Annie Oakley use in her exhibition shooting?
5. What year was the National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA) formed?
6. **T or F** The length of pull is the same for a single trigger double as it is for a two trigger double.
7. What is the shooter on post #1 called when a new squad is preparing to shoot a round of trap?
8. Which is an easier target for a right hand shooter? Left to right or right to left.
9. Why do outstanding shooters in skeet (and sporting clays) round off the top portion of the recoil pad?
10. **T or F** A shot gunner properly "squeezes" off a shot from an adjusted trigger.
11. Who is the only man to ever win two Grand American Handicaps with live birds?
12. **T or F** In Olympic trap, the shotgun must be unloaded and open during the walk from post #5 back to post #1.
13. Which gunsmith patented the first automatic hammerless shotgun?
14. **T or F** Like in ball sports, the focus of attention is the ball, never the equipment with which it is to be struck. Shotgun shooting uses this same principle.
15. What is an extractor?
16. What is "spot shooting?"
17. Name the three internal designs of chokes.
18. If you raise your head (your eye, the rear sight) as little as 1/8", how far do you change your aim point?
19. **T or F** One of the best ways to counter cross wind shooting in trap is to shoot quickly.
20. What two leads are involved in a trap shoot?

...Tom Coleman



## Answers to Last Month's Trivia Questions!

Following are the answers to last month's Shotgun + Clay Target Sports Trivia questions. How many did you know?

1. What was the first successful and very popular repeating "pump" shotgun?  
**Winchester 1887, Model 12 is the most Popular**
2. Why has the over/under (O/U) shotgun evolved as the gun of choice for most clay target shooters?  
**Weight, less recoil/kick and keeps moving easily once you start it to swing**
3. What U.S. President manufactured shot at one time?  
**Thomas Jefferson, 1774, at the Natural Bridge in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia**
4. List the gauge diameter in inches of the following:  
12-gauge, 20-, 28-, 410.  
**12-gauge (.729 in.), 20-gauge (.615 in.), 28-gauge (.550 in.) and 410-gauge (.410 in.)**
5. What year was the 100<sup>th</sup> Grand American held at Vandalia, Ohio home grounds of the ATA?  
**1999**
6. Who are the "Big Three" in British shotgun manufacturing?  
**Boss & Co., Holland & Holland and James Purdy & Sons**
7. What famous actor set two world records in skeet shooting and became a national champion?  
**Robert Stack, in movies from 1939-2002, was Eliot Ness in *The Untouchables* and hosted *Unsolved Mysteries* on TV, and various other shows.**
8. How far in yardage are skeet targets set to fly?  
**60 yards +/- 2 yards**
9. **T or F** If you want tighter patterns, leave your shells on the dash of your vehicle to sit in the sun to warm-up before shooting.  
**True. An old trapshooters secret, but not in the best interest of good sportsmanship!**
10. Can you measure the choke of a shotgun with a dime?  
**No! But old timers will tell you yes! Best way is with dial calipers.**
11. Name four types of walnut wood used for shotgun gunstocks.  
**Black walnut (or American walnut), English walnut, Bastogne walnut and Carlo black walnut**
12. **T or F** The ATA regulates the shot shell by velocity instead of by the dram.  
**True – 1290 fps, 12-gauge, 1-1/8 oz., #7-1/2 shot maximum**
13. Which type of shotgun normally has a higher stock to raise a shooter's eye to rib level for good visibility?  
**Trap shotgun – Monte Carlo stock is a favorite design feature**
14. At what yardage does #9 shot start to run out of "killing power?"  
**At about 25 yards, not a good trap load at all; in American Skeet it is the standard load**
15. If you stop the swing or movement of your shotgun, where will you miss the shot?  
**Behind the bird!**
16. Drop is measured at both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for proper gun fit.  
**Comb and heel**
17. What is the one thing you look for in the 30" circle when pattern testing?  
**Even distribution over the 30" circle. You do not want "holes" which the bird could fly through.**
18. What load does ISSF mandate for International Trap?  
**7/8 oz. (24 gram)**
19. **T or F** Shot patterns are normally expressed as a percentage (such as 50% - 70%) of all the pellets contained in a shell that strike inside of a circle 30" in diameter at 40 yards.  
**True**
20. What type of rifling is used in the manufacture of shotgun barrels?  
**Shotgun barrels are smooth bore guns, no rifling except some exception for shotguns used in hunting with slugs.**

....Tom Coleman



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## Club Information

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## Range Information

Sportsman's Park Trap Range  
735 S. West Street  
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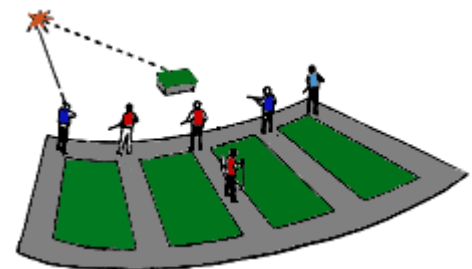
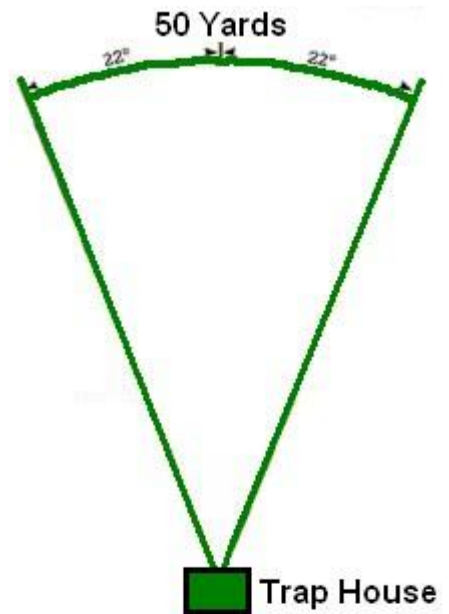
### **Hours of Operation:**

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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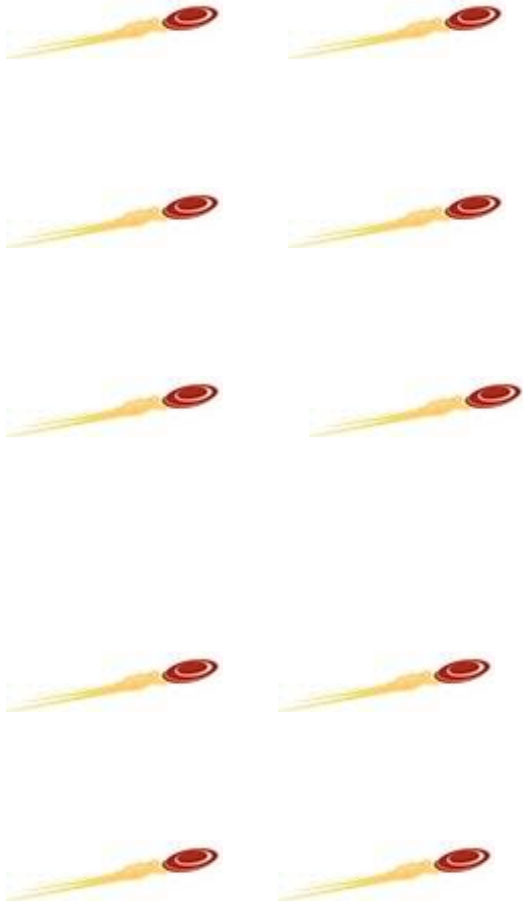
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Club Open 4	5	5	7	Club Open 8	9	10
Club Closed "Mother's Day" 11	12	NSC Board & Member Meeting – 7:30 PM 13	14	Club Open "Subject to Change" 15	16	17
Club Open "Subject to Change" 18	19	20	21	Club Open "Subject to Change" 22	23	24
25	26	27	28	Club Open "Subject to Change" 29	30	31

## June 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Club Open "Subject to Change" 1	2	3	4	Club Open "Subject to Change" 5	6	7
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