



The Naperville Trapshooter

The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club December 2020

The Fred Section

Members' Meeting and Board Meeting

We will have a member's meeting on Sunday December 6th and the board meeting via WebEx on Tuesday, December 8th. The meeting starts at 7:30; doors open at 7:00. All members are invited and urged to attend.

Time to renew your membership for 2021

It's time to renew your membership for 2021. The renewal for regular members is \$55. (\$25 for associate members) Please pay by check to the PO box (mail to Naperville Sportsman's Club, PO Box 27, Naperville, IL 60566) or by cash or check at the counter during shooting hours or at the monthly meeting. **If you pay by cash, you must be given and retain a receipt.**

If you would like any family member badges, they are available for a reduced price of \$1 each if ordered with your renewal. (vs. \$2 if ordered separately) To order them, include the extra \$1 each, say what you want, and for each person, include the name, call name, and relationship to you.

NSC Elections

Each year we hold elections for all 4 officer positions, 2 of the 6 director positions, and the member of the year / Dennis Haffner service award. For the officer and director position, any full member can nominate any other full member, including themselves at the November meeting. For the member of the year there are no official rules, but the practice has been that any member can nominate any member.

NSC Election Absentee Ballots

Absentee voting is available this year for those who can't attend the December 8th meeting. You can request an absentee ballot any time after November 10th and must have it back in my hands by 7:30 PM December 8th.

Write me at [Tureks @ Ameritech.net](mailto:Tureks@Ameritech.net) or call me **630-717-0437** and leave a message if not answered or write me at **7 S. 421 Green Acres Dr. Naperville, IL 60540**.

More thorough instruction will be given with the ballot. If you mail it back to me then nobody (not even me) will see how you voted. If you send it electronically (e.g. scan and email or fax) then I will be the only one who sees how you voted.

...*Fred Turek*
Secretary

President's Message

Reservations Required

Everyone needs a reservation to participate in the Trap Shooting Program at Sportsman's Park.

You can call the NPD, use their website, or use their app on your smartphone. If you don't have an account you can create one. You only need to sign up for a date and the Range Officer can list how many rounds you shot. All payments will be made by phone in the days following your participation.

Leadership Resignation

Dave Paulinski has resigned from his position on the Board of Directors and withdrawn his name from consideration for Vice President in the December Election, effective immediately. He wishes to continue to help with Training in the future. I want to thank Dave for all he has done to help make the NSC a great place to learn and participate in Trap Shooting in Naperville.

Annual Meeting of the Members

The Special Annual Meeting of the Members will be held on December 6th. We will be holding the election as a major part of our business that day. Nominations took place at the November members' meeting. I was nominated for President, Dave Paulinski (who has subsequently withdrawn his name from consideration) for Vice President, Fred Turek for Secretary and Tom Coleman for Treasurer. Steve Pfister and Nenad Trichkovski were nominated for the two Directors positions. We will also choose between Jim Chakour, Don Weithman, Ralph Nelson, Dave Peace, Dave Krause, and Dave Paulinski for the Dennis Haffner Service Award. Art Dwight was chosen as the Election Judge. The meeting will start promptly at 12:00 noon and you can vote anytime between the commencement of voting and 1:00 PM.

Club Open N.Y.E

The Club will be open on New Year's Eve. Thursday December 31st, regular hours. I look forward to seeing you there.

Membership Items from November

At the November meeting the Board approved Harry Bradley for Full Membership, Eric Malnar, Vince Tiseo, Tom Christensen, Charley Hansen and Wayne Casey for Probationary Membership and Ken Pavell for Associate Membership. Tony Ruble and Sandy Melovic were again conferred Courtesy Membership. When you see them in the clubhouse or on the line please welcome and congratulate them.

Upcoming Events

NSC N.Y.E. Protection Shoot: Sunday December 27th

NSC N.Y.E. Open Shooting: Thursday December 31st

NSC Doubles League: January 17th

NSC Trap Fundamentals: On hiatus until 2021

New Member Orientation

The next three new member orientations (informal history and workings of the club) will be held at the club on Sunday December 13th, Sunday January 10th, and Sunday February 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

This month has a short report. We have experienced some of our new members interested in joining our ranks and seeking more training in our shooting sports. With that in mind, I would like to offer a possible NRA-RSO class for 2021. We usually offer this class to our membership at cost every other year. This class is a one-day experience that covers a wide range of firearms, handling, storage, and multiple range rules and formats for the shooting sports. You will walk away from this experience with a greater understanding for firearm safety, range organization, and handling of different types of firearms in live action scenarios. If you are interested, we need a minimum of 6 students to form the class. (NRA Rules) Just contact me or a board member, and we will start the ball rolling.

We have delivered our outline for the training schedule for review with our board for the 2021 training season. Again, we welcome any member who wishes to earn some extra service hours, or like many of our members just pitch in to support our effort. I promise the experience is well worth it, and fun for all.

With the help of our support staff we have refined our training program to a very successful and popular event. We grow as instructors in every event we teach, and our community truly benefits from their efforts.

Finally, I would like to wish our membership, their families, and our community a safe and health holiday season.

Be Safe

Dave Paulinski

NSC Training Committee Chair

Firearm Safety Corner

I ran across an interesting few bits of information recently. This was reported by the ISRA per the National Shooting Sports Foundation **2018 Reports:**

- * In **2018**, 11.4 million firearms were produced.
- * 48% of them were Semi-Auto types
- * Between 1990 - 2018, 19.8 Million Modern Sporting Rifles were produced.
- * There are 434 million firearms in Civilian Hands in the United States
- * 71.2 million Pistols Mags that carry over 10 rounds.
- * 79.2 million Rifle Mags that carry over 30 rounds.
- * In **2018** alone, 8.7 million rounds of ammo were produced. (????)

(2019 Reports have not been released yet)

In doing some other research I found that the government has been purchasing enormous amounts of ammunition for the past several months. This is for Homeland Security, Police, and law enforcement. Add to the demand by the shooting sports population, this is being reported as the ammunition shortage we are experiencing. Ammunition producers do not see themselves catching up until April of 2021. (I have not been successful at confirming some of these facts at this time)

Since ammo is in short supply, I suggest: Dry Firing, the use of bore lasers, and continued training with your drawing from a holster format. This will keep you sharp and reinforce those muscle memory techniques.

With our current political platforms, gun sales continue to grow at staggering rates. Handguns being the primary demand. As I have stated in the past, I urge responsible gun owners to teach these new gun owners the basic safety principles of firearm ownership.

Be Safe in this holiday season, and remain vigilant,
Dave Paulinski
NSC Board Member

Mike Moore wins Wobble League

The 2020 Wobble league concluded on Thursday, November 5th with Mike Moore taking home the High Overall trophy in Wobble.

Wobble results

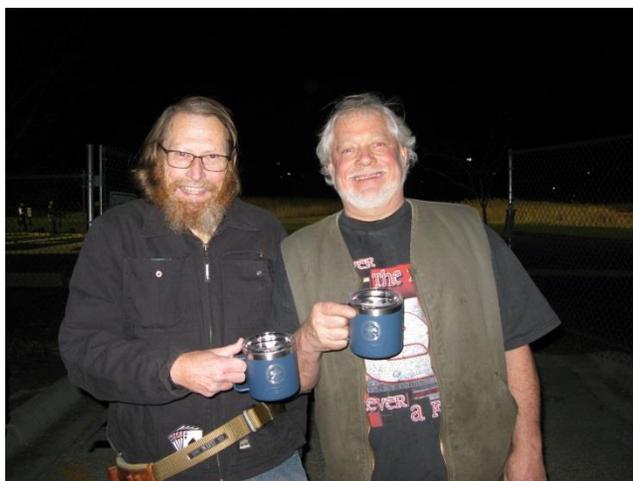
This league featured 32 shooters firing at 50 wobble targets each Thursday night for eight weeks this fall. Mike Moore took the top spot with a total score of 359, and for the second year in a row, Steve Melovic took the HOA runner-up award.

The remaining shooters contended for five sets of class trophies, based on their best seven scores from the eight weeks of shooting. In the AA Class Dave Peace and Denny Mills finished first and second. In A Class Dave Florczak and Charlie Tlapa took the winner and runner-up trophies. B Class was won by Nenad Trichkovski with Bill Benson earning the runner-up award. C Class saw Bob Beyer on top followed by Dave Krause. Jim Monk and Ralph Nelson took the D class trophies.

On the last night of the league, all shooters enjoyed fried chicken, along with side dishes and desserts.



Mike Moore, Steve Melovic



Charlie Tlapa, Bill Benson



Nenad Trichkovski, Jim Monk, Ralph Nelson,
Denny Mills



Dave Krause

Gobble Wobble Turkey Shoot

November 12, 2020



Warm temperatures coupled with clear skies, set the backdrop for the Eighteenth Annual Turkey Shoot held November 12th at Sportsman's Park. Club members came out and enjoyed a night of clay target competition in an effort to bag one of the 10 available turkeys. Shooters were limited to two turkeys, with Steve Melovic and Steve Pfister bagging the limit, and six others taking home one prize each. Turkey winners had to work hard to bag their bird, as other seasoned hunters took many roosts to 'Hit or you're out' shoot-offs. Special thanks to our Hunt Guide, Mike Moore, for keeping the event on time and on target.

Roost Winners

- 1 Steve Melovic
- 2 Chico Rashid
- 3 John McGuire
- 4 Steve Melovic
- 5 Steve Pfister
- 6 Bill Benson
- 7 Andrew McCullough
- 8 Nenad Trichkovski
- 9 Brian Krieger
- 10 Steve Pfister



Winner – Winner – Pheasant Dinner

December 1, 2020

Guided Hunt – Bucket Raffle Prize

Donated by member Bob Mikolajczak

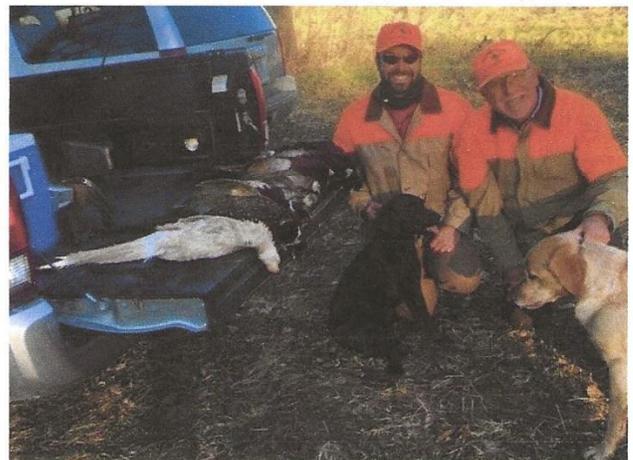
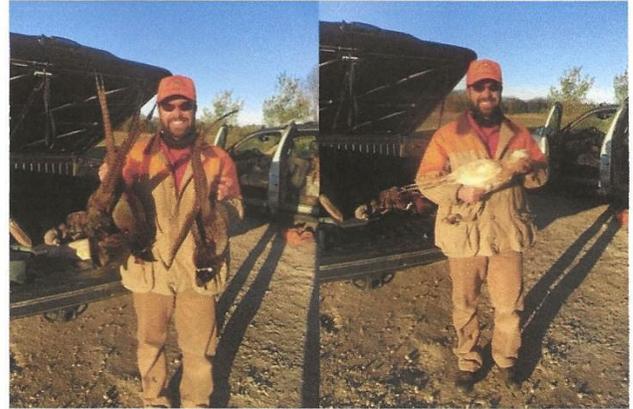
A guided hunt for two people for 8 Pheasants or 12 Chukars.
This is a unique opportunity to spend a day upland bird hunting at a private club.
An Illinois #322 card and Illinois hunting license are required.
Transportation, guns, ammo, etc. are not included.



It was a great day to cash in on the hunt won at the annual dinner in September. Guide Bob Mikolajczak, with Misty and Juno leading the way, proved to be too much for the birds hiding in the grass and sorghum.

Raffle winner Art Jablonski along with his son Dan did their best to down the pheasants and chukars flushed out by Misty and Juno. They even took down the unusual Blond pheasant on a second flush.

Pictures from the hunt:



End of 2020 Event

Sunday, December 27, 2020

2 Man Protection

50 TARGETS from 22 YARDS

- Two man teams will be drawn prior to starting the event. No sign ups once teams have been drawn and the event has started.
- Resulting teams will be placed into squads, and each squad will shoot two consecutive rounds of 25 targets. Each person will shoot 25 targets as the primary shooter, and 25 targets as the backup shooter.
- Primary shooter calls for and shoots at the target. If the primary shooter misses, the backup shooter can shoot at the target.

\$5 Entry Fee – All Entry Fees Returned as Cash Prizes

Sign-up starts at 11 am
Random Draw for Partners at Noon
Shooting starts at 12:15 pm

2020 Calendar of Events

January	February	March
Sun, 19 – NSC Doubles league starts*		Sun, 8 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 15 – NSC Irish Open Thu, 26 – NSC Singles League starts **
April	May	June
Sun, 12 – Club Closed - Easter Sun, 19 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 19 – ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Sat, 9 – Hunter Safety Field Day Sun, 10 – Club Closed – Mother’s Day Sun, 31 – ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Tue-Sun, 16-21 – Illinois State Shoot Sat, 20 – NSC Member Picnic Thur, 25 – NSC Handicap Championship
July	August	September
Sun, 12 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Sun, 19 – ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Wed-Sun, 5 - 9 – ATA Grand American Preliminary events Mon-Sat, 10 -15 – ATA Grand American Championship events Sun, 16 – Trapshooting Fundamentals	Sat, 5 – Hunter Safety Field Day Sun, 13 – Trapshooting Fundamentals Thu, 17 – NSC Wobble league starts***
October	November	December
Sun, 4 – ATA (Naperville - trophy shoot) Sun, 4 – Game Cook Sun, 11 – Trapshooting Fundamentals	Thu, 12 – NSC Gobble Wobble Shoot Thu, 26 – Club Closed - Thanksgiving	Sun, 27 – New Year’s Protection Shoot

*-NSC Doubles League – 25 pair of doubles each Sunday for seven weeks, ends March 1

**-NSC Singles League – 50 singles targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends May 14

***-NSC Wobble League – 50 wobble targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends November 5

Officers and Board Members

President: Jim Monk

Vice President: Michael Moore

Secretary: Fred Turek

Treasurer: Tom Coleman

Nenad Trichkovski: Director '20

Steve Pfister: Director '20

Charlie Tlapa: Director '21

John McGuire: Director '21

Dave Paulinski: Director '22

Jim Chakour: Director '22

Park District Liaison: David Naydenoff

Newsletter Editor/Publisher: Tom Coleman

Club Information

The Naperville Sportsman's Club

PO Box 27

Naperville, IL 60566

www.NapervilleSportsmansClub.org

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

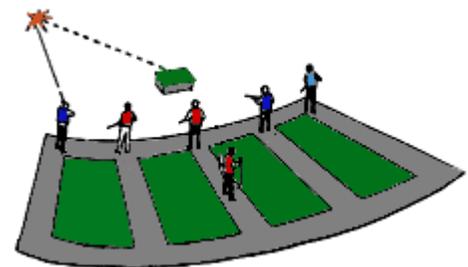
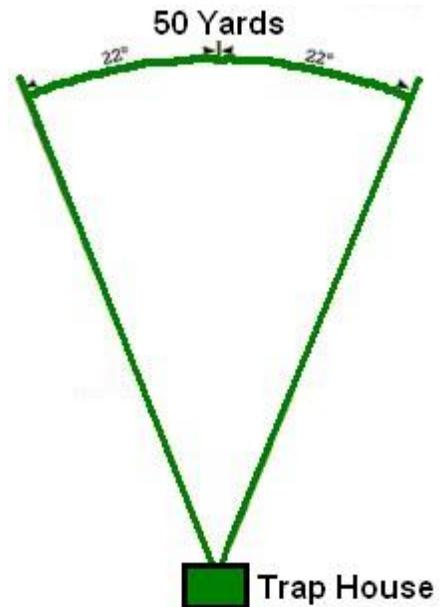
Hours of Operation:

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

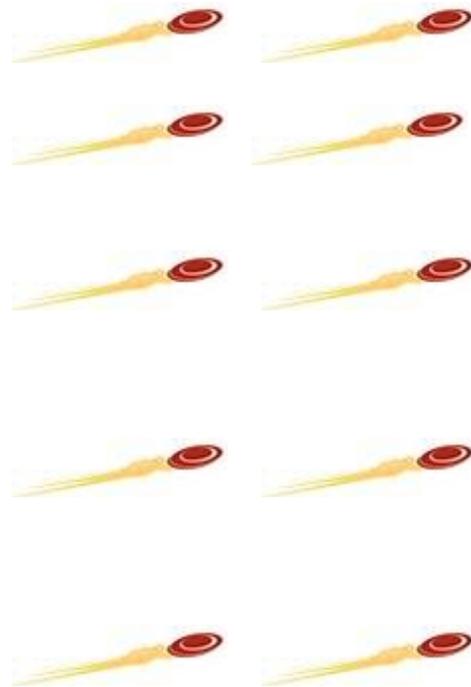
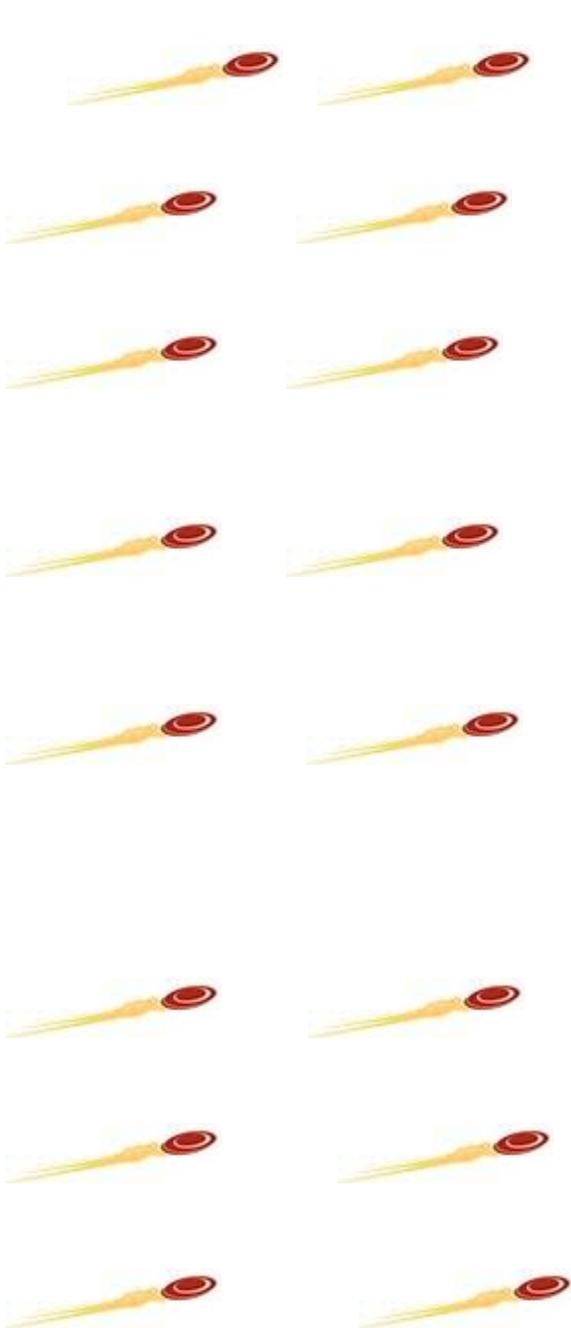
Open year round



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20 Club Open	21	22	23	24 Club Open	25	26
27 Club Open Protection Shoot!	28	29	30	31 Club Open		

January 2021

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