

The Naperville Trapshooter

The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club

January 2024

The Fred Section

Members' Meeting and Board Meeting

We will have a members' meeting and the board meeting on Tuesday, January 9th at the clubhouse. 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 2024.

It's time to renew your membership for 2024. 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.

Sportsman's Park - 1980s



...Fred Turek Secretary

President's Message

Wanted: Range Officer

The NPD is looking for another Range Officer for Sportsman's Park. If you can help, please let us know.

Wanted: Range Manager

The NSC is looking for a couple more Range Managers.

CCL Renewal Class

Contact Dave Paulinski ASAP. davidpaulinski@gmail.com

Annual Meeting of the Members

The Annual Meeting of the Members was held on December 12th. I was reelected President, John McGuire for Vice President, Fred Turek for Secretary and Tom Coleman for Treasurer. Steve Pfister and Nenad Trichkovski were reelected for the two Directors positions. We chose Jim Chakour for the Dennis Haffner Service Award. Art Dwight was the Election Judge.

Membership Items from December

The Board approved Joe Piotrowski for Full Membership. The Board also approved Ernest Mennecke IV for Probationary Membership. When you see them in the clubhouse or on the line, please congratulate them on becoming a Full or Probationary Member of the Club.

Upcoming Events

CCL Renewal Class: Sunday January 14, 2024 2024 NSC Doubles League: January 14, 2024

New Member Orientation

The next three new member orientations (informal history and workings of the club) will be held at the club on Sunday January 7th, Sunday March 10th, and Sunday April 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.

.... Jím Monk President

Training Committee Report

We will be setting the schedule for the 2024 training season at The Naperville Sportsman's Club and The Newark Sportsman's Club in January. We are waiting for dates from the Newark Club to finalize the (5) IDNR Hunter Safety Field Day Programs we offer each year. to both clubs. Again, to produce as many students in need of this great program as possible.

We have a refined and growing Instructor team this year with two candidate Instructors to add to that team. One is new and will be starting their apprenticeship under Dave Krause. The other is Liberty Turner who will be completing her training later this summer. Our mission to invest in the future of our youth and those wishing to receive trained gun safety, hunter regulation, and law abiding, and responsible stewards of our natural resources will move forward.

In starting a new year just around the corner, I am honored to report the following: We now have filled two counties with new Master Hunter Safety Instructors in DuPage, and Kane. This adds to seasoned instructors in Kendall and Grundy counties. I serve as an IDNR Master Instructor in (Region II) of the state of Illinois. I am there to provide assistance, training, and provide as much support as possible to the volunteers in nine counties of the upper northeast section of the state. I might add, they are very dedicated people.

None of this is possible without the never-ending support of all the members of the Naperville Sportsman's Club, the Newark Sportsmen's Club, and the Naperville Park District. Our sponsors and all the volunteer staff deserve all the credit for their dedication to this mission. Thank you all.

I would also like to mention the truly dedicated members of our board who work tirelessly to keep our clubs running so smoothly. Congratulations to the members who were re-elected and to Jim Chakour for winning the DHA award for the 7th time. Many thanks go to Tom Coleman, Fred Turek, and Jim Monk too, for their many, many, years of service.

Finally, to our new members. If you wish to join our training opportunities, please let me or one of our board members know.

Be Safe, and Happy New Year, David Paulinski

<u>Fírearm Safety Corner</u>

Let me start with a little history lesson. At the end of the Second World War, Winston Churchill was interviewed and asked a very specific question: Why was Hitler allowed to create such destruction? The answer: Where there is evil there is always good. In this case the good did nothing and evil prevailed.

Currently. as of the time of this article, the registration for the **Unconstitutional** P.I.C.A. Act is 8,455 out of over 2,4 million FOID Cards Issued in the State of Illinois. Depending on what other items and ratios are used, that will give you a total registered (with 4 days to go) at .35%. (Yes, that is: point 35 percent of over 2.4 million.) Add to that the fact that 95 out of 102 county Sheriffs have clearly stated they will not use their staff or jails to enforce this **Unconstitutional** Act. What must also be considered is the fact that once they try enforcement, the more charged, the more lawsuits against the State of Illinois.

In all fairness I must also report there are some "workarounds" to this **Unconstitutional** Action. Many **Law-Abiding Gun Owners** are taking the items mentioned in this action across state lines in Indiana or other states and safely /securing / storing them there. Another is the fact that there are more AR type rifles in the **United States** than a very popular and common pickup truck. All waiting for the ruling that will cancel these added burdens to law abiding gun owners across our great country. (Which may include FOID too) This again puts the burden on the state to prove otherwise.

In this case as in many lately, The good are doing something.

Be Safe Remain Vigilant, Dave Paulinskí





Starts Sunday, January 14, 2024

Seven Weeks (ends Sunday, February 25)

Shoot Eight rounds in Seven Weeks

25-Pair Doubles Targets each Week 400 Total Targets

\$20 Entry Fee – Sign-up the first week of the league

ATA members can register league targets - ATA/ISTA fee required



2023 New Year's Eve Protection Shoot The Two-Shooter Protection Event was held on Sunday, Dec. 31st.

This event featured 20 shooters randomly drawn into 10 teams of two. Each team member then shoots as the primary and again as the backup shooter. The primary shooter calls for and shoots at the target. If the primary shooter misses, the backup shooter can shoot at the target but if the backup shooter shoots at a broken bird, it will count as a loss.

A trace of snow and mild temperatures made for a great day of shooting. Brian Krieger treated participants and spectators to hot chili, ham and cheese sandwiches, and many sweets to celebrate both New Year's Eve and Don Hiltz's 89th birthday.

Two teams tied for first with a score of 43 out of 50. The winning teams were Steve Melovic / Bill Benson and Nenad Trichkovski / Richie Monti. Third place went to the team of Craig Vander Kolk / DJ Orbell, just one shot back.



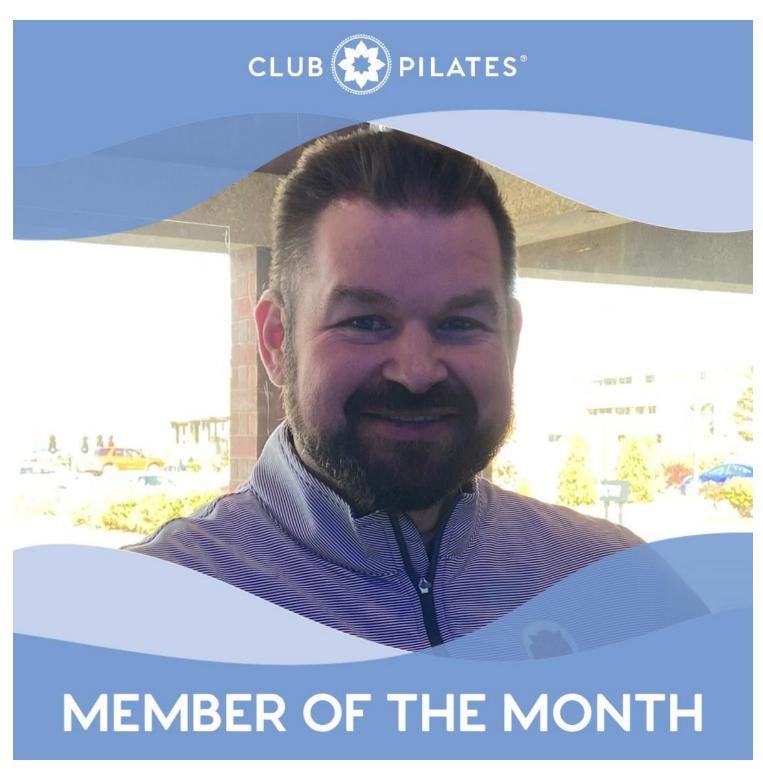
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Nenad, Richie, Craig, DJ, Steve & Bill

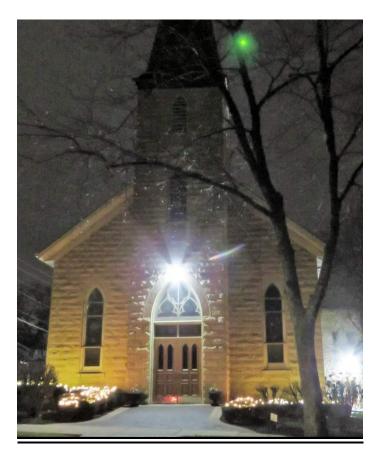
Sportsman's Stories

Club Pilates (Woodridge)

Congratulations to our December Member of the Month, Brian. Here is what Brian had to say about his Pilates journey so far: "I've been coming to class for just 3 months and my overall strength and balance has greatly improved. My daily energy has also increased. I look forward to my Monday morning class as a great way to start my week." We love to hear that. Thanks, Brian, for being part of the Club Pilates family.



Out & About with Sandy Melovic













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Naperville Sportsman's Club 2024 Calendar of Events

January			February	March			
Sun, 14	NSC Doubles league starts*		•	Sun, 17	NSC Irish Open		
	-			Thu, 21	NSC Singles League starts **		
				Sun, 24	Trapshooting Fundamentals		
				Sun, 31	Club Closed - Easter		
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	April		May		June		
Sun, 14	` ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '	Sat, 04	Hunter Safety Field Day	10-18	Illinois State Shoot		
Sun, 21	Trapshooting Fundamentals		Club Closed – Mother's Day	Sat, 22	NSC Member Picnic		
		Sun, 19	Club Closed - NCHS Graduation				
	July		August		September		
Thu, 04	Club Closed - Independence Day	1-10	ATA Grand American	Thu, 12	NSC Wobble league starts***		
	Trapshooting Fundamentals	Sat, 10	Hunter Safety Field Day	Sun, 22	Trapshooting Fundamentals		
Sun, 21	ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Sun, 18	Trapshooting Fundamentals				
31->	ATA Grand American	Thu, 22	NSC Handicap Championship				
	October		November		December		
Sun, 06	ATA (Naperville - trophy shoot)	Thu, 14	NSC Gobble Wobble Shoot	Sun, 29	NYE: Two-Shooter Protection		
Sun, 06	Game Cook	Thu, 28	Club Closed - Thanksgiving				
Sun, 20	Trapshooting Fundamentals						
Sun, 27	Scouts Shoot						

Trap Class: 3/24,4/21,7/14,9/22,10/20

Hunter Safety: 5/4, 8/10

Scouts Shoot: 10/29

Il State Shoot 6/10-16

Nap-ATA: 4/14,5/5,7/21,10/6

DG-ATA: 4/28,5/25,6/23,7/27,9/14-15,10/13

SC-ATA: 5/18,6/2,7/7,9/8,9/28

Janesville-ATA: 5/25,6/8,6/22,7/7,8/24,9/22

12/18/2023

^{*-}NSC Doubles League – 25 pair of doubles each Sunday for seven weeks, ends February 25

^{**-}NSC Singles League $-\,50$ singles targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends May 9

^{***-}NSC Wobble League – 50 wobble targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends November 7 Grand American 7/31-8/10/2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 31	Jan 1, 24	2	3	4 BrianK	5	6
7 DanS	8	9 Club Meeting	10	11 DanS	12	13
DJ Doubles-1	15	16	17	18 DJ	19	20
Doubles-2 RussellD	22	23	24	25 RussellD	26	27
28 Doubles-3 SteveP	29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3

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Jan 28	29	30	31	Feb 1 SteveP	2	3
4 Doubles-4 LarryB	5	6	7	8 LarryB	9	10
11 Doubles-5 VinceT	12	13 Club Meeting	14	15 VinceT	16	17
18 CraigVK Doubles-6	19	20	21	22 CraigVK	23	24
25 DennyM Doubles-7	26	27	28	29 DennyM	Mar 1	12/24/2023 8:03 AM

Officers and Board Members

President: Jim Monk

Vice President: John McGuire

Secretary: Fred Turek
Treasurer: Tom Coleman
Brian Krieger: Director '24
Dan Sterr: Director '24
Dave Krause: Director '25
Jim Chakour: Director '25

Nenad Trichkovski: Director '26

Steve Pfister: Director '26

Park District Liaison: David Naydenoff Newsletter Editor/Publisher: Tom Coleman



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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: 630-828-6671

Hours of Operation:

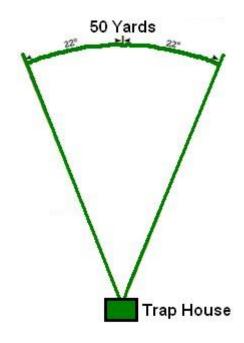
Thursdays: 6:00 – 10:00 PM

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

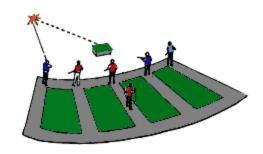
Hours are subject to weather and attendance,

holidays, and community events.

Open year round







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