



# *The Naperville Trapshooter*

*The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club*

*November 2023*

## *The Fred Section*

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

We will have a members' meeting and the board meeting on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **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.

## *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.

### **CCL Renewal Class**

Send me an email and I will get you on the list.

### **Nominations for the 2024 Board of Directors**

Nominations for all of the Officers, two Directors, an Election Chairperson and the Dennis Haffner Service Award will be accepted during the Member's Meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>. All "Full" Members in good standing are eligible to nominate or serve for any position. Please let us know if you are interested in serving. The election will be held during the Annual Meeting of the Members on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Membership Items from October**

The Board approved Zeb Hamidi for Probationary Membership. When you see him in the clubhouse or on the line, please congratulate him on becoming a Probationary Member of the Club.

### **2023 Gobble Wobble**

We will hold the Annual Gobble Wobble Shoot on Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup>. There are a few spots left.

### **Upcoming Events**

2023 NSC Gobble Wobble: Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup>

NSC NYE-Protection Shoot: Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup>

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 November 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday January 14<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 on those days. Everyone interested in learning how the machines work should attend.

*.... Jim Monk  
President*

## *Training Committee Report*

As we run near the closing of another bountiful training year, it allows us some time to reflect on our accomplishments. We see all the smiles on the parents, grandfathers, grandmothers, and new firearms owners we had the pleasure to offer our talents and experiences to. We can take heart to the fact that there are more Americans now with a basic understanding of our Second Amendment and the responsibility that it carries. Many of them are purchasing guns for the first time.

One of my recent Conceal Carry Classes had some ex-military students who shared their experiences and training in the class. It was interesting to find so many similarities in training, gun handling, and safety. It is also interesting what we learn as instructors from our students. Let's not forget the fantastic amount of fun on the range with them.

That brings me to some quick stories. I had a recent ex-Marine who was qualifying on the range with his fancy 1911. Every time he positioned himself to shoot, he had to wag his butt. Well, his family members standing behind him needed oxygen. Or the lady who never shot a shotgun ran 8 out of 10 shots right over the trap house roof. Or how about the grandfather who drove 3 hours to get his grandson into our last Hunter Safety Class for this year.

That is just a very small sample of the reasons we do what we do. With the morals, values, and heart of the clubs and communities we serve, it drives us to spread firearm safety under all training occasions we serve. In this day and age, it is the least we can do.

Be Safe  
*Dave Paulinski*

## *Firearm Safety Corner*

Some fascinating facts are coming from the ISP website. The recent number of registrations for the AWB Ban (DIS-2046) are not complying as they thought it would.

(10/25/2023)

### **Current FOID Cards Issued in**

**Illinois.....2,415,481**

### **Total Disclosures**

**Registered.....6,064**

### **Firearm**

**Disclosures.....3,880**

### **Accessories**

**Disclosures.....2,145**

### **Ammo**

**Disclosure.....39**

### **Percentage from FOID Cards**

**Issued.....0.008%**

**At this rate if 50% of FOID Card holders respond by Dec. 31 - .0019%**

**(Based on Non-Gun Owners w/FOID Included)**

It has also been reported that gun sales have reached **50 consecutive months** on record in the United States. Cook County Sheriff has gone on the news reporting that **37,000** FOID card holders who have been revoked, cannot get their cards confiscated due to money and man-power issues. **(Cook County has the highest number of FOID Cards issued in the state.)**

Finally, my article has been posted in the Illinois Shooter under "Letters to the Editor" Training is one of the answers to gun safety, Law abiding, responsible Americans is another. What would you add to the list?

*Be Safe Remain Vigilant,*

*Dave Paulinski*



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# *Sportsman's Stories*

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**Destin, FL**

**October 2023**

**Jim Chakour**



A limit of Red Snapper and a one Black Fin Tuna.

Almost had one more for the cooler, but a shark got the better part on the way up.



## *Sportsman's Stories (cont.)*

Another Proud day for Naperville Sportsman's Club. Mike Gurgone is all over the top scorers list at Aurora Sportsmen's Club All Clays Classic.

The following are the **top three scores** (max score is 100) from yesterday's event.

1st	Mike Gurgone	88
2nd	Rob Walker	83
3rd	Brandon Warden	82

**Bragging rights for top score per game** (25 max score)

Trap	Mike Gurgone	23
Skeet	Mike Gurgone	23
5-Stand	Mike Gurgone	22
Pyramid Wobble	Charlie Smith	22



*5-Stand*



*Trap*



*Skeet*



*Pyramid Wobble*



# Gobble Wobble



**Thursday, November 9, 2023**

**10 Roosts, limit 5 per club member**

**(Each shooter is only allowed to win two times)**

The goal is to break all targets thrown on your call, as well as any missed targets by the preceding competitor(s). ***The winner shall be the last shooter remaining.***

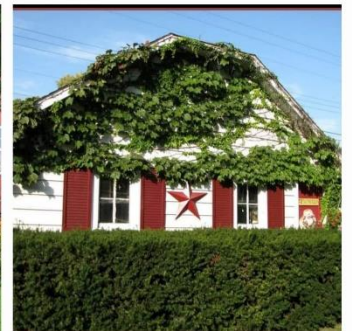
The 'Hunt Guide' will oversee each roost and have the last word on breaks, misses and all other eliminations and rules!

\$10 fee for 5 roosts and covers cost of targets, shells not included in fee.

Sign-up in advance at the desk, payment required to hold your spot.

Contact Jim Chakour with any questions.

## *Out & About with Sandy Melovic*



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## Naperville Sportsman's Club 2023 Calendar of Events

January		February	March	
Sun, 01	NYD: Two-Shooter Protection		Sun, 19	NSC Irish Open
Sun, 15	NSC Doubles league starts*		Thu, 23	NSC Singles League starts **
			Sun, 26	Trapshooting Fundamentals
April		May	June	
Sun, 09	Club Closed - Easter	Sat, 06	10-18	Illinois State Shoot
Sun, 16	ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Sun, 14	Sat, 24	NSC Member Picnic
Sun, 30	Trapshooting Fundamentals	Sun, 21		
July		August	September	
Sun, 09	Green Acres Day	2-12	Thu, 14	NSC Wobble league starts***
Sun, 16	Trapshooting Fundamentals	Sat, 05	Sun, 24	Trapshooting Fundamentals
Sun, 23	ATA (Naperville – targets only)	Sun, 20		
		Thu, 24		
October		November	December	
Sun, 01	ATA (Naperville - trophy shoot)	Thu, 09	Sun, 24	Closed-Christmas Eve
Sun, 01	Game Cook	Thu, 23	Sun, 31	NYE: Two-Shooter Protection
Sun, 22	Trapshooting Fundamentals			
Sun, 29	Scouts Shoot			

\*-NSC Doubles League – 25 pair of doubles each Sunday for seven weeks, ends February 26

\*\*-NSC Singles League – 50 singles targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends May 11

\*\*\*-NSC Wobble League – 50 wobble targets each Thursday for eight weeks, ends November 2

Grand American 8/2-12/2023

Il State Shoot 6/10-18

Nap-ATA: 4/16, 7/23, 10/1

DG-ATA: 4/23, 5/14, 6/25, 9/17, 10/8

SC-ATA: 5/20, 6/4, 7/9, 9/9-9/10

McHenry-ATA: 5/21, 10/1

Trap Class: 3/26, 4/30, 7/16, 8/20, 9/24, 10/22

Hunter Safety: 5/6, 8/5

Scouts Shoot: 10/29

5/8/2023

## November 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 29	30	31	Nov 1	2 Brian Wobble-8	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Autumn Satellite Grand American (Tucson, AZ)						
Dan				Dan		
12 Autumn Satellite Grand American (Tucson, AZ) DJ	13	14 Club Meeting	15	16 DJ	17	18
19 Russell	20	21	22	23 Closed	24	25
26 Steve	27	28	29	30 Steve	Dec 1	2

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## December 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1	2
3 LarryB	4	5	6	7 LarryB	8	9
10 Vince	11	12 Club Meeting	13	14 Vince	15	16
17 Craig	18	19	20	21 Craig	22	23
24 Closed	25	26	27	28 Denny	29	30
31 Brian	Jan 1, 24	2	3	4	5	6

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### Officers and Board Members

President: Jim Monk

Vice President: John McGuire

Secretary: Fred Turek

Treasurer: Tom Coleman

Nenad Trichkovski: Director '23

Steve Pfister: Director '23

Brian Krieger: Director '24

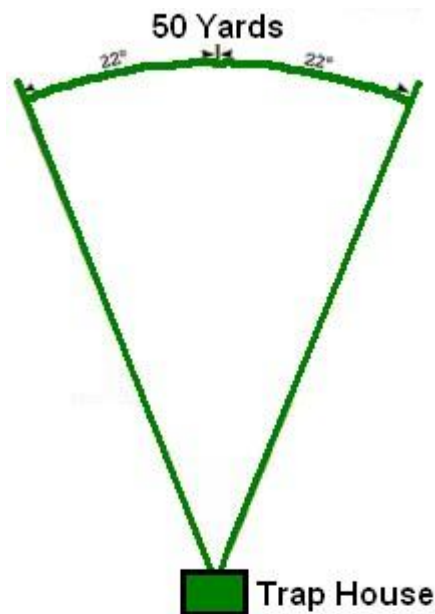
Dan Sterr: Director '24

Dave Krause: Director '25

Jim Chakour: Director '25

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](http://www.NapervilleSportsmansClub.org)

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



### Range Information

Sportsman's Park Trap Range

735 S. West Street

Naperville, IL 60566

Clubhouse phone: 630-828-6671

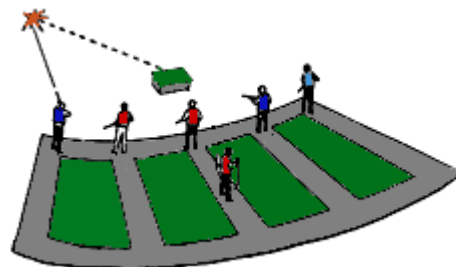
#### **Hours of Operation:**

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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