



The Naperville Trapshooter

The Official Newsletter of the Naperville Sportsman's Club

September 2026

The Fred Section

Members' Meeting and Board Meeting

We will have a members' meeting and a board meeting on Tuesday, September 8th at the clubhouse. The meeting starts at 7:30; doors open at 7:00. All members are invited and urged to attend.

....Fred Turek
Secretary



President's Message

Wanted: Range Manager

The NSC is looking for a couple more Range Managers. One Sunday, one Thursday every other month.

CCL Renewal Class

Contact Dave Paulinski: davidpaulinski@gmail.com

Membership Items

The Board approved Andre Halvorson and Mike Dwyer as full members. When you see them in the clubhouse or on the line, please congratulate them.

Upcoming Events

Wobble League: Thursday, September 10th

Trap Class: Sunday, September 27th

ATA-NSC & Game Cook: Sunday, October 4th

.... Art Jablonski
President



Firearm Safety Corner

Well, what a full training month. Naperville Sportsman's Club Hosted a IDNR Field Day with a full class, and a record attendance Trap Fundamentals Class. Add to that another IDNR Field Day at the Newark Sportsman's Club. Again, a Full registration.

All this Firearm Safety Training offered by dedicated folks who share how important the use, storage, transportation, and responsibility they require. Plus, we can add the facts that firearm laws are being dropped in the courts and government agencies at a rapid rate. Thus, restoring our Constitutional Rights our forefathers had instilled in our country.

I have been asked by our members over the past weeks in regard to the FOID and Concealed Carry Laws in Illinois. All I can say at this point is the Supreme Court has agreed to take up these issues and several other items recently. The "talk," is positive for the reversal of these items and others at this point. We have waited this long, be patient.

One quick focal point - Other than Conceal Carry license holders, the laws regarding transportation of firearms in Illinois requires the following; Unloaded, fully encased, and ammunition in a separate container. Here is the punchline: Not readily accessible. Must Have a FOID Card (Includes possession of ammunition). (Electronic Representation is legal).

Remember, your firearm skills require training to keep them sharp. When you are in that competition or situation that requires those skills, it is too late for practice.

Be Safe and Remain Vigilant,

Dave Paulinski

IDNR Master Hunter Safety Instructor (Region II)



The Training Corner

Upcoming Training Classes

09/27/2026 Trap Fundamental Class – Registration now open thru Park District website

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Recap for August

We held the Hunter Safety Field Day Course at our Naperville clubhouse on Saturday, August 8th. Our Naperville Sportsman's Club Training Team did a great job and continues to support the youth in our community and around the state that are interested in hunting and shooting sports here in Illinois.

On August 23rd, we held a Trap Fundamentals Class. We had a great class with 17 new shooters. We ended up having great weather and an enjoyable time shooting." The class is popular and has a growing interest with two of the recent class members requesting membership applications. We all enjoyed the great work from our training staff. Thank you again to all the club members that assisted in the instruction of these new shooters.

Looking forward to September, it is a month full of things to celebrate and to take a minute in remembrance. The month starts with a national holiday, Labor Day, as we celebrate the achievements of the American worker and of course, then Patriots Day, our observance of the tragic events on 9/11, it seems hard to image that 25 years has gone by since that tragic day in our history.

There are also other dates or events to recognize during the month such as Grandparents Days celebrated on the first Sunday after Labor Day, this day is a time to show appreciation for grandparents or National Daughter's Day is September 25. International Daughter's Day is observed across the globe on the fourth Sunday in September.

So, let's think about bringing your grandparents or your daughters out to the club on a Thursday or Sunday to shoot a few rounds in the month of September.

See you on the Range!

Russell Dixon

Training Committee Chair

training@napervillesportsmansclub.org



2026 – 21st Annual Handicap Championship



Naperville Sportsman's Club Handicap Championship Thursday, August 20, 2026

Group	Position	Name	Score	Shoot-Off / Score
HOA	Winner	Tim Rockhold	85	none
	Runner-up	Hafeez Bhurgri	83	
27-Yard	Winner	John Lee	21	none
	Runner-up	Jim Becker	20	
25-Yard	Winner	Jon Tevogt	20	by default
	Runner-up	Scott Wold	20	
23-Yard	Winner	Dave Peace	23	
	Runner-up	Steve Melovic	22	Steve Melovic 9 Will Huey 8
21-Yard	Winner	DJ Orbell	23	DJ Orbell 18
	Runner-up	Zeb Hamidi	23	Zeb Hamidi 17

Tim Rockhold takes HOA in the 21st Annual Handicap Championship.

Clear skies and warm temps set the stage for a great night of shooting. Twenty-six members shot rounds of handicap targets from 21, 23, 25 and 27 yards to earn one of the ten trophies. Several winners were decided with shoot-offs. Thanks to all for helping make the event a success. Members stepped up and kept the machines loaded, scored the rounds and were ready to shoot when squads changed. Special thanks to Dave Krause for organizing/running the event.

Congratulations to all the winners and runners-up, great shooting.





Wobble League



Starts: Thursday, September 10, 2026

Eight Weeks (ends Thursday, October 29, 2026)

Shoot Eight rounds in Eight Weeks

50 Singles Targets each Week

400 Total Targets

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

Naperville Sportsman's Club



Fish Fry & Game Cook October 04, 2026



It's that time of year to hunt the fields, fish in the lakes or empty your freezer, the Club is having another Fish Fry & Game Cook at Sportsman's Park. The Sportsman's Grill will be fired up and ready to grill, roast, BBQ, or deep fry a variety of fish and game.

Featuring a shore lunch style fish fry, we've also got some dove and pheasant in the deep freeze that will be marinated and grilled. Members are encouraged to bring any ready to cook fish or game that you would like to share.

Please contact Jim Chakour (jchakour@napervillesportsmansclub.org) with any questions or if you have some specific needs for specialty foods.





Naperville Sportsman's Club

ATA Registered Event

Sunday, October 04, 2026

100 16-yard Targets

100 Doubles Targets

***ATA National Trapshooting Day trophies for:
Singles and Doubles***

Champion and Class Winners (A, B, C)

Class Trophies determined by Lewis Class method



Trophies from Shamrock Leathers - ATA National Trapshooting Day pins for all participants

Sign-up begins at 11:00 am, First squad out at Noon

Presquadding is available, contact Tom Clark

You must be a member of the ATA to participate in this event.

Contact Tom Clark (tclark@napervillesportsmansclub.org) if you have any questions.

Out & About with Sandy Melovic

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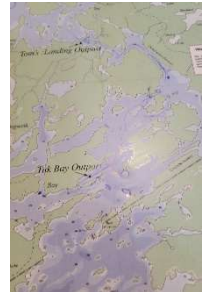
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Sportsman's Stories

Slate Falls Outposts
Lac Seul - Northwest Ontario
August 2026
Bob M. Steve P. Jim C.



Naperville Sportsman's Club 2026

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September 2026						
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October 2026						
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November 2026						
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December 2026						
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Grand American 7/29-8/8
 II State Shoot 6/15-21
 WI State Shoot 7/7-12
 Nap-ATA: 4/12,5/3,7/19,10/4
 DG-ATA: 4/26,6/28,9/12-13,10/11
 SC-ATA: 5/17,6/8,7/6,9/12-13,9/27
 McHenry-ATA: 5/16,5/17,10/4

Trap Class: 3/22,4/26,7/26,8/23,9/27,10/25
 Hunter Safety-NSC: 2/14,3/14,8/8
 Hunter Safety-Newark: 4/25,7/18,9/26
 Next Stop: TBD
 Scout Shoot: TBD

12/28/2025- NYE-Protection
 12/27/2026- NYE-Protection

Date	Event or Holiday
01-Jan (Thu)	Closed-New Year's Day
11-Jan (Sun)	~ Doubles-1
13-Jan (Tue)	* Club Meeting
18-Jan (Sun)	~ Doubles-2
25-Jan (Sun)	~ Doubles-3
01-Feb (Sun)	~ Doubles-4
08-Feb (Sun)	~ Doubles-5
10-Feb (Tue)	* Club Meeting
14-Feb (Sat)	Valentines Day (Hunter Safety)
15-Feb (Sun)	~ Doubles-6
22-Feb (Sun)	~ Doubles-7
08-Mar (Sun)	Daylight Savings
10-Mar (Tue)	* Club Meeting
14-Mar (Sat)	~ Hunter Safety
17-Mar (Tue)	St. Patrick's Day
19-Mar (Thu)	~ Singles-1
22-Mar (Sun)	~ Irish Open (Trap Class)
26-Mar (Thu)	~ Singles-2
02-Apr (Thu)	~ Singles-3
05-Apr (Sun)	Closed-Easter
09-Apr (Thu)	~ Singles-4
12-Apr (Sun)	^ ATA-NSC
14-Apr (Tue)	* Club Meeting
16-Apr (Thu)	~ Singles-5
23-Apr (Thu)	~ Singles-6
26-Apr (Sun)	~ Trap Class (ATA-DG)
30-Apr (Thu)	~ Singles-7
03-May (Sun)	^ ATA-NSC
07-May (Thu)	~ Singles-8
10-May (Sun)	Closed-Mother's Day
12-May (Tue)	* Club Meeting
17-May (Sun)	Closed-NCHS Graduation
25-May (Mon)	Memorial Day
07-Jun (Sun)	^ ATA-SC
09-Jun (Tue)	* Club Meeting
18-Jun (Thu)	^ ATA-IL St
19-Jun (Fri)	Juneteenth Day
21-Jun (Sun)	Father's Day (ATA-IL St)
27-Jun (Sat)	* Club Dinner
28-Jun (Sun)	^ ATA-DG
14-Jul (Tue)	* Club Meeting
18-Jul (Sat)	^ ATA-SC
19-Jul (Sun)	^ ATA-NSC

Date	Event or Holiday
26-Jul (Sun)	~ Trap Class
30-Jul (Thu)	^ ATA-GrandAm
02-Aug (Sun)	^ ATA-GrandAm
06-Aug (Thu)	^ ATA-GrandAm
08-Aug (Sat)	~ Hunter Safety
11-Aug (Tue)	* Club Meeting
20-Aug (Thu)	~ Handicap Champ
23-Aug (Sun)	~ Trap Class
06-Sep (Sun)	^ ATA-SC
07-Sep (Mon)	Labor Day
08-Sep (Tue)	* Club Meeting
10-Sep (Thu)	~ Wobble-1
12-Sep (Sat)	^ ATA-DG N.Zone
13-Sep (Sun)	^ ATA-DG N.Zone
17-Sep (Thu)	~ Wobble-2
24-Sep (Thu)	~ Wobble-3
27-Sep (Sun)	~ Trap Class
01-Oct (Thu)	~ Wobble-4
04-Oct (Sun)	^ ATA-NSC & Cook
08-Oct (Thu)	~ Wobble-5
11-Oct (Sun)	^ ATA-DG
13-Oct (Tue)	* Club Meeting
15-Oct (Thu)	~ Wobble-6
22-Oct (Thu)	~ Wobble-7
25-Oct (Sun)	~ Trap Class
29-Oct (Thu)	~ Wobble-8
31-Oct (Sat)	Halloween
01-Nov (Sun)	Daylight Savings
10-Nov (Tue)	* Club Meeting
11-Nov (Wed)	Veterans Day
12-Nov (Thu)	~ Gobble Wobble
26-Nov (Thu)	Closed-Thanksgiving
08-Dec (Tue)	* Club Meeting
24-Dec (Thu)	Closed-Christmas Eve
25-Dec (Fri)	Christmas Day
27-Dec (Sun)	~ NYE-Protection
31-Dec (Thu)	Closed-New Year's Eve

Officers and Board Members

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Brian Krieger: Director '27

Dan Sterr: Director '27

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Park District Liaison: David Naydenoff

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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: 630-828-6671

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

