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Officers are elected to serve a one-year term and Directors for three years. Officers and Directors are installed at the annual Banquet in January.

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President's Message

Success

"Success" is by definition different things to different people. We all view it in our own way. But "success" in the gun club business is usually defined by very specific things. Money in the bank is one, numbers of members is another and, let's not forget the amount of targets thrown in a given year. If you are a member in good standing in 2005 I have good news for you. Our club has been very successful in the past years. We are bigger than ever, we have more members than ever and we throw more targets that ever, so yes, we are successful in those terms. However let's look beyond the obvious and look at what really makes that success happen. We have some of the, if not the, greatest employees any business could every hope to have, from our counter help right on down to our trap help. You would have to go a long way to find any better. That did not just happen though.

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March Meeting Highlights

Trap

Spring Trap League begins April 14th

Skeet

No report available.

Sporting Clays

Sporting Clays League ends April 2. Sporting Clays Clinic offered. See page 3.

Wobble Trap

Next Wobble shoot is April 17.

Sportsmen's Activities

Hunter Safety - Next class scheduled for Spring. See page 3

Rifle Pistol Range

Bob Scherf is acting director in place of Dave Nicholson. Jeff Johansen will be Chairman.

Building/Grounds

Next Work Day - April 23, 2005, 8:00 AM.

Membership

See page 6

ATA Shoots

ATA Shooting Seminar set for April 2 1st ATA shoot set for April 24

Other Business

A motion was carried to purchase Wireless Voice Activated Systems for the ATA shoots and other events.

New Chairman apponted for Rifle/Pistol Range - Jeff Johansen

New Chairman appointed for Building and Grounds - Mike Nelson

Awards

2004 Sportsmen's Club ATA award to Ron Duy 2004 Sportsman of the Year - Miles Hyde 2004 Friend of the President - Dave Nicholson



Public Shooting Hours

Beginning March 1, 2005 thru November 1, 2005 Saint Charles Sportsmen's Club Public Hours

Tuesday 6:00PM - 10:00PM Thursday 6:00PM - 10:00PM Saturday 9:00AM - 2:00PM Sunday 9:00AM - 2:00PM

Dave's Shooting Update

Farewell Message

To all,

The 2005 season is in the final planning stages. It looks like we will have a monthly bowling pin shoot starting in April. Along with that there will be bi-monthly action shoots.

You might have seen my last article in last month's newsletter. I have taken a new job up in WI and have resigned from the Board. Jeff Johansen is the new Director of the Rifle / Pistol Range. He will be sending out a note shortly on the dates and times of this year's shoots.

Thank you for making these rifle / pistol events so successful. I enjoyed the camaraderie at these shoots. It was one of the highlights of my month. I hope to be around for the first couple of shoots before moving behind the Cheddar Curtain (WI). Perhaps we can have a ceremonial burning of my FOID card, as I won't need it in WI.

Make it a point this year to introduce someone new to one of the shooting sports this year.

Shoot safe, Shoot Often



...David Nicholson Rifle/Pistol Range

Rifle/Pistol Range Update

Bowling Pin Shoots Action Shoots

Second Saturday of the Month
April 9
May 14
June 25
June 11
April 9
August 27
July 9
October 29

July 9 August 13 September 10 October 8

Rules/Regulations

Registration will be from 8:30AM to 9:00 AM Mandatory Safety Meeting at 9:00AM

If you do not attend the safety meeting you will not be able to shoot.

Contact Jeff Johansen at 630-293-3581.

...Jeff Johansen Rifle/Pistol Chairman

President's letter continued

It has taken several years to form a team of good people, so when you see them at the club say thank you for a great job, because they need and deserve to hear that from us, the members of the club.

Our members have also made us a success, through contributions of all the varied talents that they possess. We have been able to do so many great things in the past years. We continue to make money and we continue to spend money. However, I for one believe that we spend money to make the club a better place. A "first class" recreational shooting facility if you will. With each passing month and year my hope is that we will continue to make improvements at the club. When I first started at the club I was given the job of trap chairman and then worked into ATA chairman. My belief then, as it is now, is not to be the biggest but to be the "very best club around". I believe that we as a club have found that niche so to speak. Like I stated earlier, this did not happen overnight. It has taken some time, but if you compare clubs you can see for yourself what a great job you've done and what a great club we have. So let's keep up the good work and let's keep improving our club and taking time to enjoy all we have. With the good weather coming up I, for one, am looking forward to enjoying my club to the fullest. I hope to see all of you at the club soon.

Remember, share you sport. Good shooting.

...Bob Scherf SCSC President

Sporting Clays Clinic

Free For Members

There will be a Sporting Clays Clinic offered at St. Charles Sportsmens' Club. It is free to SCSC members. There will be a seminar to discuss Sporting Clays fundamentals including information about chokes on April 29th at 7PM. It will be followed by a Sporting Clays Clinic on May 1st at 9AM. Interested participants need to attend both days. The seminar and clinic will be taught by NSCA Certified Sporting Clays Instructors who are Master Class Shooters and members of the All State Team

Contact Jim Pittenger at 847-658-7904 for more info and to register.

...Vim Pittenger Sporting Clays Instructor



Old Glory Fying Proudly at SCSC

New Flag

Thanks to Darlene Cross for noticing the decrepit condition of our Club's flag and for donating a new flag

to replace the faded and tattered one that had seen better days. Darlene is an Army veteran and former R.O.T.C. graduate. Darlene also won "Most Improved Shooter" status in the Spring 2004 Trap League. She is a frequent visitor to the range and

enjoys shooting trap, skeet and wobble trap.

Thanks again Darlene for the flag and for serving your country. We appreciate your contribution.

...Rosemary Jendras Newsletter Editor

Hunter Education/DNR Shoot

There is a free Hunter Education Class scheduled for May 16, 18, 23 & 25. Participants must attend all days. Call to register for class. Contact Karen Spearing at 630-837-6869.

The DNR (Department of Natural Resources) shoot is rescheduled to June 18 and 19. June 18 is for kids and June 19 is for the Ladies. Call Karen Spearing at 630-837-6869 for more information.

Allied Illinois Markswomen will hold a Shotgun Clinic for beginner and intermediate shooters and is open to all. The scheduled date is June 5th and starts at 9:30AM.

...Karen Spearing Director

THE ST. CHARLES SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

ATA Registered Shooting Program Elburn, Illinois





2005 ATA Registered Shooting Schedule

Saturday, April 2 ATA Registered Trapshooting Seminar

Registered League Shooting Begins – Thursday, April 14

concurrent with Spring League

Sunday, April 24 **ATA Registered Shoot**

Saturday, May 7 ATA Registered Shoot – targets only

ATA Registered Shoot – targets only Saturday, June 4

Monday, June 13 –

Sunday, June 19

Illinois State Shoot – Brittany Park, Bunker Hill, Illinois

Thursday, June 16 Registered League Shooting Ends –

concurrent with Spring League

Sunday, July 24 **ATA Registered Shoot**

Wednesday, August 10 – Grand American Tournament – ATA Grounds,

Vandalia, Ohio (the last one at Vandalia) Saturday, August 20

Sunday, September 18 **ATA Registered Shoot**

Saturday, October 8 ATA Registered Shoot – targets only

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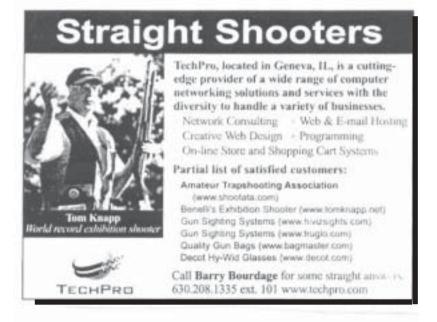
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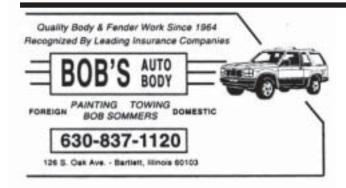
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Presents

DOUBLE GUN DAY - SEPT. 10

Sporting Clays - 5 Stand Exhibition Hall - Lunch Sugar Grove, IL

630-466-9711

Shooting Tips & Trivia:

Fast Facts

- There are more sportsmen than people who collect Social Security retirement benefits.
- There are twice as many sportsmen as there are members of labor unions.
- Sportsmen could fill every NFL and Major League Baseball stadium, as well as every NASCAR track six-times over.
- •There are as many hunters as residents of New York City, Los Angeles, and Houston combined.
- 575,000 jobs in the United States were supported by hunters in 2001.
- Sportsmen support more jobs than Wal-Mart, the country's largest employer.
- Hunters support more jobs than all the nation's top commercial airlines combined.
 - According to the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation submitted by

...Bob Scherf President



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Membership Update

Renewal Information

The 2005 Membership renewal period has ended. The 2005 stickers are at the club house for you to pick up and place on your picture ID card. If there isn't one there for you, there could be a couple of reasons. We may not have a COPY of your current FOID card. (you may have written the number and expiration date on the renewal form but did not submit a copy). Or there is still a discrepancy on the hours paid and hours logged in the work book. In any case, please call me to find out what is your particular situation.

Andrea and I want to thank those members who completed everything in a timely manner and made our job easier by doing so. Now that we have gone full circle on a membership cycle, we now know how to improve and streamline the process. Our recommendations will be submitted at future board meetings.

New Member Orientation

To become full time members all probationary members must submit 2 passport size photos and a copy of their FOID. In addition they must complete 8 hours of work time and complete one member orientation meeting during their probation period. The meetings are given quartely so probationary members normally have two meetings to choose from.

Next meeting - Wednesday, May 11th at 7:00PM July meeting - Details TBA

New February Members

Mike DiRienzo	Randal Parks
Jim Tonne	William Odegard
Steve Radez	Jeremiah Creamer
Mark Braunstein	Christopher Duffy

New March Probationary Members

Mike Zidek	Kevin Huyraert
Daniel Gengo	Georg Reif
Tim Racke	Robert Erickson

Dennis Gemignani

Good Shooting!

...Laura Andersen Membership Chair & Dlisector Andrea Ema Assistant Membership Chair



2005 Important Dates

ATA Registered Trapshooting Sem.	4/2/2005
Daylight Savings Begins	4/3/2005
Bowling Pin Shoot	4/9/2005
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	4/11/2005
Spring Trap League Begins	4/14/2005
Wimpy's Wobble Trap Shoot	4/17/2005
Club Work Day	4/23/2005
ATA Registered Shoot	4/24/2005
Sporting Clays Q & A Seminar	4/29/2005
Action Shoot	4/30/2005
Sporting Clays Clinic	5/1/2005
ATA Target Only Registered Shoot	5/7/2005
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	5/9/2005
New Member Orientation	5/11/2005
Hunter Education Class	5/13/2005
Bowling Pin Shoot	5/14/2005
Hunter Education Class (continued)	5/18/2005
Club Work Day	5/21/2005
Wimpy's Wobble Trap Shoot	5/22/2005
Hunter Education Class (continued)	5/23/2005
Hunter Education Class (continued)	5/25/2005
Memorial Day	5/30/2005
Spring Trap League Ends	6/2/2005
ATA Target Only Shoot	6/4/2005
DeKalb Farm Bureau Shoot	6/11/2005
Bowling Pin Shoot	6/11/2005
Wimpy's Wobble Trap Shoot	6/12/2005
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	6/13/2005
Spring Trap League Banquet	6/18/2005
Club Work Day	6/25/2005
Action Shoot	6/25/2005
Bowling Pin Shoot	7/9/2005
ATA Registered Shoot	7/24/2005
Wimpy's Wobble Trap Championship	8/21/2005

Newsletter Update

Deadline for articles for the May newsletter is **April 18th.**Please send articles and pictures to **news@saintcharles-sc.org.**

Please note. Starting in July we will discontinue printing and mailing the newsletter to members because of the high cost of printing and stamps. Members may access the newsletter by getting the on-line version from the SCSC website or subscribe to an e-mail list for a text only version or there will be a limited number of copies available for pickup at the club.

...Rosemary Jendras Newsletter Editor

Special Notice to Members

Illegal Calibers Found

There have been illegal caliber shells found at the Rifle/Pistol range. This is an ongoing problem which has forced the Board to take action. Any illegal caliber shell that is found at the range in the future shall force the closure of the Rifle/Pistol Range for 30 days. Know the rules! Any caliber handgun (NO MAGNUM LOADS) and only rimfire and black powder rifles are allowed. Members, if you see someone using illegal loads please tell them to stop and/or report the violation to the Board. It takes only one stray bullet that leaves the confines of the club and only one or two people who don't believe in following the rules to take away the privileges of the rest of the responsible members. Please don't let that happen. Be aware of what your neighbor is doing on the range.

...Bob Scherf President

Letter To Members & Non Members

This Letter is to inform you that any MEMBER or NON-MEMBER found trying to move or fix any of the Trap Machines, will be brought up before the Board. We now have a Maintenance Committee who will take care of any problems. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter!

...Frank Kubica

Director / Machine Maintenance

Shooting Time Limit

Shooting MUST STOP on all ranges by 10:00PM sharp. Anyone caught violating this regulation will be brought before the board. We need to maintain a good neighbor policy with the surrounding development of new housing and neighbors. Right now we voluntarily stop shooting at 10PM as a courtesy. If we start getting too many complaints, the town of Elburn may be forced to mandate that shooting must stop at 10PM which could be the beginning of many more restrictions down the road. We certainly don't want that!

Be a good neighbor!

...Bob Scherf President

Two Shell Rule

Club Rules states that a maximum of only TWO Shotgun shells are allowed to be used in a shotgun on club property while shooting Sporting Clays, Skeet, or Doubles Trap. Violators will be brought before the Board.

The ONLY exception is during special sanctioned club events.

...Bob Scherf President

MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: S/S Huglu, 12 ga., 3", 5 chokes and wrench, pistol grip, silver side plates, single selective trigger, extractors. PRETTY GUN. \$850 of best offer. Must have valid FOID. Call Bill Hardt 630-420-8799

FOR SALE: Ithaca MAG 10 SUPREME, 10ga., 3", 32", beautiful wood, excellent shape. \$950 or best offer. Must have valid FOID. Call Bill Hardt 630-420-8799

FOR SALE: Ithaca 200E, 20ga. S/S, 3", Full and Modified, Pistol grip, single trigger, ejectors, very nice. \$1550 or best offer. Call Bill Hardt 630-420-8799

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FOR SALE: Belgium Broadway Trap 12 ga., Choked Full & Mod. 28" Barrel. Beautiful Tigers Eye Wood, No Salt. Excellent Condition, Comes with Browning Hard Case. \$2500. Must have F.O.I.D. Call Jeff at 815-968-2946.









APRIL 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					April Fool's Day	Club Open 9-2PM
Daylight ³ Savings Time Begins	4	5	6	7	8	9
Club Open 9-2PM		Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 9-2PM
10	11 SCSC Directors	12	13	14	15	16
Club Open 9-2PM	Meeting/SCSC Members Meeting	Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 9-2PM
17	18 AIM Members	19	20	21	22	Club 23 Work Day
Club Open 9-2PM	Meeting	Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 6-10PM		Club Open 9-2PM
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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