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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.

President's Message

The American Way

Truth, Justice and the American Way. Remember that saying? If you are a fan of Superman and are of a certain age you certainly do remember that. However, did you also know that the writers/



producers of the new Superman movie decided to remove America from that saying to be more politically correct? It seems that, nowadays, if you say something publicly or at your job, that someone finds offensive, you are headed for sensitivity training.

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July Meeting Highlights

Trap

Fall Trap League starts August 17. Spring Trap Banquet was held June 24. Excellent food and good turnout.

Skeet

Lumber for New Skeet houses ready to be ordered.

Sporting Clays

League planned for fall. TBA

Machine Maintenance

Mark Creedon has completely rebuilt the trap machines. They are working well.

Wobble Trap

Next Shoot is State shoot on August 13.

Sportsmen's Activities

September 17 is annual Club Shoot. Members can preshoot Trap, Doubles, Skeet.

Hunter Safety Class scheduled for August 21, 23, 28, 30 from 7-10PM. Must attend all 4 days. Anyone interested in the Pheasant program must attend. Laura is the contact

AIM has a charity shoot scheduled for August 6.

Hunting/Fishing Days on September 23 and 24 at Silver Springs State Park, Yorkville. Everything is free. Need volunteers to help out. Members can fulfill their work hours by volunteering.

Rifle Pistol Range

No report. Bowling pin shoot was well attended.

Building/Grounds

Next work day is July 22nd. Staining of skeet houses is scheduled. Need lots of help. 2 work days in September

Membership

See page 3.

ATA

Illini Northern Zone Shoot attendance was average. 69 shooters. We were a little short on staff. Need lots of help for 2 day September shoot. Get work hours by volunteering.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

No new business.



Rifle/Pistol Range Update/Policy

Reminder!!

Members ONLY are allowed to use the Rifle/Pistol Range. Exception: **NEW Policy Change!** Only one guest accompanied by a member on **Saturdays** and **Sundays** is allowed.

Bowling Pin Shoots

1st Saturday of the Month

Action Shoots

Every other month

Rules/Regulations

Registration will be from 8:30AM to 9:00 AM

Mandatory Safety Meeting at 9AM. If you do not attend the safety meeting you will not be able to shoot.

Contact Jeff Johansen at 630-293-3581.

New Rules!

Calibers Allowed on Rifle/Pistol Range

The following types and calibers are currently allowed. Remember, only standard velocity or target loads are allowed.

NO CENTERFIRE RIFLES

NO MAGNUM LOADS OR CALIBERS!

THE NEW .17 CALIBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED!

MUZZLELOADING RIFLES WILL NO LONGER BE ALLOWED!

Rifle allowed

.22 rimfire - standard velocity or target loads

Shotgun slugs

Pistol allowed

.22 rimfire- standard velocity or target loads

.25 auto

.32

.32-20

.380 auto

.38

9mm

.40 Smith&Wesson

.44 Smith&Wesson special

.44-40 Winchester

.45 GAP

.45 Auto

.45 Colt

...Jeff Johansen
Rifle/Pistol Chairman



Public Shooting Hours

Beginning January 1, 2006 thru December 31, 2006

Saint Charles Sportsmen's Club Public Hours

Tuesday 6:00PM - 10:00PM after March 1st, 2006

Thursday 6:00PM - 10:00PM

Saturday 9:00AM - 2:00PM

Sunday 9:00AM - 2:00PM

Membership Update

2006 renewal stickers (to be placed on your ID badge) are at the front desk.

Thanks to all the members who completed their renewals in an efficient, cheerful manner.

Please spread the word that the newsletter and important information is now only being sent by email. We do not use your email address for anything else and do not distribute your email to anyone.

Next new member orientation - September 6, 7PM.

New Members Voted In

No members for July

New Probationary Members

Bob Buckheister

Casey Gwozdz

Peter Holy

Robert Osowski

John Laketek

Jonothan Wild

Good shooting everyone!

...Laura Andersen, Andrea Ema, Director &
Membership Chair

Cindy Gaffney, Membership Co-Chairs



Wobble Shoot News

Upcoming Shoots

On July 23rd the St. Charles Sportsmen's Club hosted our last regular Wobble Shoot of the season. We had 8 shooters participate in the 100 target program. Ted Rocoli recorded a 93 to beat out Dean Perle by one target for the high score of the day. John Mueller's 88 and Ron Duy's 87 rounded out the top scores.

The Illinois State Wobble Shoot will be held on August 13th at St. Charles. Registration will begin at 9:00 and the program will start at 9:30. The State Shoot will consist of a required 200 targets. For the State Shoot we will shoot 10 targets at a post (50 in each round). This will speed up the event. Entrants are required to have 200 previously recorded targets to be eligible to compete in the State Shoot.

... Ron Duy
Director/Wobble Chair

President's Message *continued...*

Now I don't believe that anyone has the right to deliberately offend someone but what has happened to our society where even the truth cannot be spoken for fear of offending someone. It would also seem that our moral fiber and personal integrity has fallen away in favor of opinions that garner the most popularity.

So what does this have to do with Saint Charles Sportsmen's Club? Well, I would like to think we are all Red, White and Blue. In other words, we stand for Truth, Justice and the American Way. We do this when we deal with people, when we make decisions to set policy and what we stand for in the overall view of the club. I would hope that we represent what is best about America. To believe that over 400 members would share the same views would be the impossible dream. However, we have to stand united in our resolve against those who would, if they could, divide us in the months and years to come. We must always stand united in our purpose. We are the finest recreational target shooting facility anywhere and we should all be proud to be members and to be Americans. May Saint Charles Sportsmen's Club always represent the best of America and stand for Truth, Justice and the American Way! If we should ever become polarized with different viewpoints, let us hope that we stand up together for what we believe and not be afraid to tell the truth or tell it like it is and risk being unpopular if necessary.

Remember to share your sport and bring a friend to the club. God bless America.

Hope to see all of you at the club.



...Bob Scherf
President

Newsletter Update

Deadline for articles for the July newsletter is **July 22th**. Send items or photos of interest to news@saintcharles-sc.org.

Please note. Members may access the newsletter by getting the on-line version from the SCSC website and there will be a limited number of copies available for pickup at the club. Members must provide an e-mail address to the Membership Chair in order to be sent an e-mail with a link directly to the newsletter.

...Rosemary Jendras
Newsletter Editor

ST. CHARLES SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

ATA REGISTERED SHOOT SCHEDULE



DATE	DAY	EVENT
5/6	Saturday	Ladies & Novice Shoot
5/20	Saturday	Target Only
6/4	Sunday	Bob Sommers Memorial Shoot
6/12 – 6/18	Mon – Sun	Illinois State Shoot
7/9	Sunday	Illini Indians Zone Championship
9/9 – 9/10	Sat – Sun	Northern Illinois Zone Shoot

2006

Bowling Pin Shoot

July 1st Shoot Results

Thanks to everyone who came out and participated in the pin shoot. Below are the results from the match. I'd like to thank everyone who helped set up, run the match, and tear down.

Centerfire event

- 1st place Eugene Doetch
- 2nd place Eric H.
- 3rd place David T.

Rimfire Event

- 1st place Mike C.
- 2nd place John K.
- 3rd place David T.



...Eugene Doetch



HELP WANTED

Earn Club Work Hours

**Member(s) Needed To
Help At ATA Shoots**

See Schedule Above

**Contact:
Cle Rector**



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Flurry Shoots**

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August 6, 2006**



Proudly Presented by:

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and

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Registration: 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM - \$60/pair of shooters, includes lunch

Shooting Begins at 9:00 AM SHARP – “Shotgun Start” for all Teams

(50 targets per person, 100 targets total per pair of shooters)

Flurry Shoot begins at 9 AM - \$5 per 10 rounds

Awards and Lunch at Noon (Must be present to win any awards and prizes)

Grand Prize determined by Lucky Draw, so any shooter can win!

• Lunch will be provided for registered participants and will be available for nonshooters at \$5.00/person.

• Enter Our Wingspan Raffle for other great prizes

Visit our Websites:

Allied Illinois Markswomen www.girlswithguns.net

Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation www.komen.org

St. Charles Sportsmen's Club www.saintcharles-sc.org

About AIM

Allied Illinois Markswomen (A.I.M.) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting women's participation in the shooting sports and educating women on the proper safety and ethics of firearm use.

Directions: St. Charles Sportsmen's Club, Elburn, IL is located on south side Keslinger Road just 1/4 mile west of IL Rte 47 on the south side of Elburn, IL. (North of I-88 and South of I-90)

Club Phone (day of shoot): 630-365-9881

AIM Sponsored Shooting Clinic

A FRANK HOPPE CLINIC



Frank Hoppe
2002 Clay Target
Champion
2005 Hall of Fame
Inductee

Where: St. Charles Sportsmen's Club

When: October 14 and 15, 2006 (Sat & Sun)

Frank begins with a discussion that covers fundamentals, gun control, mind control, where to look for the target, follow through, stance, dominant eye, the mount, your attitude and more. After this discussion and answer period, shooters work on the 16 yard line.

Frank watches and guides each shooter through each target. He helps the shooter analyze why they miss a target, if that should happen. Frank helps shooters with special problems and gives them a remedy for that problem.

After a working lunch break, shooters work on handicap and end with doubles. In between each shooting session, there is a question and answer period. Class ends around 6:00, or when everyone is satisfied, usually with 225-300 targets shot.

Cost: \$275 per day (includes targets and lunch)

A \$110 non-refundable deposit is required to hold your place.

Contact: Laura Andersen (630) 587-3085

HELP WANTED

Earn Club Work Hours

**Member(s) Needed For
Projects**

**Club Work Day
See club calendar
Time 8AM - 12PM**

**Contact:
Dan Vosecky**



2006 Important Dates

AIM Charity Shoot	8/6/2006
Wimpy's Wobble Trap	8/13/2006
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	8/14/2006
Fall Trap League Begins	8/17/2006
Hunter Safety Class	8/21/2006
Hunter Safety Class continued	8/23/2006
Ducks Unlimited Great Outdoors Fest	8/25/2006
Club Work Day	8/26/2006
Ducks Unlimited Great Outdoors Fest	8/26/2006
Ducks Unlimited Great Outdoors Fest	8/27/2006
Hunter Safety Class continued	8/28/2006
Hunter Safety Class continued	8/30/2006
New Member Orientation	9/6/2006
Northern Illinois Zone Shoot	9/9/2006
Northern Illinois Zone Shoot	9/10/2006
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	9/11/2006
Club Shoot	9/17/2006
Recob's Target Shop	9/23/2006
Hunting/Fishing Days - Silver Springs	9/23/2006
Hunting/Fishing Days - Silver Springs	9/24/2006
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	10/9/2006
Frank Hoppe Clinic	10/14/2006
Frank Hoppe Clinic	10/15/2006
Elburn Service Shoot	10/15/2006
Elburn Service Shoot (Rain Date)	10/22/2006
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	11/13/2006

A.I.M News

Charity Classic

AIM is sponsoring a Sporting Clays Charity Classic on August 6th. All skill levels welcome. Charity is the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer. Lunch will be provided. Cost is \$60 per couple. Check website for details at www.girlswithguns.net.



Girls With Guns Belt Buckle

A.I.M. has belt buckles for sale! They look like the bottom of a shotgun shell and have the words "Girls With Guns Have More Fun". See picture below.

Our next event is a Sporting Clays Charity Classic on August 6, 2006. Open to men and women. Check our website at www.girlswithguns.net for more info on events and fundraisers. Please help us make a difference.

...Rosemary Jendras
A.I.M. Member



Cost:
\$30 AIM members
\$45 non-members



FOID Renewals

Check your FOID cards. The Membership Chair says that there are about 50 members who have FOIDs that have expired or are going to expire soon. Please renew now. It takes approximately 3 months to receive your new card from Springfield so don't get caught with an expired card. Also, please send an updated copy of your renewed card to Membership so that they may have this information in their files.

Thank you for your cooperation.

...Rosemary Jendras
Newsletter Editor

Pheasant Program

2006 / 2007 SCSC Hunting Program

The 2006 / 2007 Hunting Program begins on October 1st, 2006 at our new lease near Norway, Illinois. This year's committee has approved a new set of hunting guidelines and plans to provide 80 openings for SCSC members. The 2006 / 2007 Hunting Program committee elected Brian Flannigan as the Chairman of the Hunting Program, Laura Anderson will be responsible for Administration, Andy Keil will be the program Treasurer, Matt Gulisano will handle Building & Grounds duties and Dave Haney will be our Special Events Coordinator. Nine additional SCSC members comprise the Hunting Program Committee each serving as an Assistant to one of the officers.

Sign Up

Sign-up for the 2006 / 2007 Hunting Program will begin on August 1st, 2006 at the SCSC Club House. A poster will be used for sign-up. Prospective participants are encouraged to review the eligibility and program cost requirements for the program before registering. All prospective participants in the Hunting Program will be required to attend a mandatory orientation meeting on either August 27th or September 6th.

More than Pheasant hunting...

The cover this year is outstanding thanks to the rainfall we have experienced. In addition to the traditional pheasant hunting our program will feature quail releases and special hunts for youth. In addition, we will have both shotgun and archery deer hunting on the property this year. Don't wait if you plan to be a part of the Hunting Program this year, plan to visit the Club House after August 1st and get your name on the board First Come First Served !!!

*...Brian Flannigan
Pheasant Program Chairman*



Work Party

Work Well Done

Seven members were at the work day on July 22nd. They painted the skeet house and wad sticks were made and painted orange and were placed on the skeet field and at every station on the sporting clays range and trap range. Thanks to all for your hard work. There will be two work days in September for those who need to get their hours in before October. Check the calendar.

HELP WANTED
Earn Club Work Hours

**Member(s) Needed To
Help At Silver Springs
Hunting and Fishing Days
Yorkville
September 23 and 24, 2006**

**Contact:
Bob
630-915-1418**



Membership Discount

Senior Members

Members who have reached the age of 65 and are in good standing with the club for a minimum of ten years can apply for Senior membership and pay reduced membership fees. Contact Andrea Ema, Membership Chair, if you think you qualify.

*...Andrea Ema
Director and Membership Chair*

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

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