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

President's Message

Thank you!

A big Thank You to all of the members who came out to vote on December 11th. I have been a member for over 20 years and I can honestly say we have never before had a voter turnout like we did for this election. 41% of our membership voted!



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NEW WEBSITE!!!!

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December Meeting Highlights

Trap

No report.

Skeet

New stairway being installed on new skeet houses

Sporting Clays

No report.

Machine Maintenance

Good shape. Everything is up and running.

Wobble Trap

No report. New Chair is Matt Erion.

Sportsmen's Activities

Annual Banquet at Saint Charles Place is scheduled for February 10. Cowboy theme. 6:30 Cocktails 7:30 Dinner

Hunter safety course scheduled for April.

Lake: Aerators will be left on for awhile. Please stay off ice. It is not safe.

Rifle Pistol Range

Good turnout for last shoot of the year.

Building/Grounds

No report

Membership

See page 3.

ATA

Proceeding with ATA shoots for 2007. 4 shoots. One target only shoot.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Gerry Mathers resigned his position as board member. Mark Creedon was appointed to replace Gerry as director.

Look Inside for Your Invitation to the Annual Banquet!

Reserve the Date - February 10, 2007.
RSVP Now! We need to know how many will be attending. Details are on the invitation.

Thanks for your quick response.

Hope to see all of you there!

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

Action Shoots

Discontinued until Spring

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!

NO INLINE STYLE MUZZLE LOADING RIFLES

Rifles allowed

Air Rifles

.22 rimfire - standard velocity or target loads

Shotgun slugs

Caplock and Flintlock type black powder rifles and pistols, firing round ball projectiles.

Pistol allowed

.22 rimfire- standard velocity or target loads

Caplock or flintlock type black powder pistols

.25 auto	.32	Air Rifles
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.32-20	.380 auto	
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.38	9mm	
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.40 Smith&Wesson	.44 Smith&Wesson special	
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.44-40 Winchester	.45 GAP	
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.45 Auto	.45 Colt	
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EYE AND EAR PROTECTION ARE MANDATORY!

Junior members must be accompanied by a sponsor or an adult member.

...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
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Thursday	6:00PM - 10:00PM
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Saturday	9:00AM - 2:00PM
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Sunday	9:00AM - 2:00PM
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Membership Update

2007 renewal stickers (to be placed on your ID badge) will be mailed.

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 - TBA

There were 10 new members voted in.

New Members Voted In

Bob Buckheister

John C. Laketer

Jonathan Wild

Mark McSweeney

Mirosław Pieronek

Pete Holy

Robert Osowski

Ted Kubala

Thomas J. Krolick

Casey Gwozdz

New Probationary Members

Frank Griffin

Witold Antos

Good shooting everyone!

...Andrea Ema, Director & Membership Chair

President's Message *continued...*

Putting that into perspective, it is higher than any federal presidential election. Now that's members getting involved! I would like to thank all of the members who came out on a terribly foggy night to vote for me and the five incumbent board members up for re-election. It was impressive to see so many people at the clubhouse and I truly appreciate your support and confidence in me and the board and I look forward to the challenges of the New Year. We can and will continue to grow and improve our club.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon at the club and at the annual banquet in February. My hope is that all of you have a Happy New Year and good health in 2007.

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

...Bob Scherf
President



Member Spotlight

Gerry Mathers - New Life Member

At the December 2006 Board of Directors meeting Gerry Mathers was nominated and approved as our fifth Life Member of the St. Charles Sportsmen's Club. Life Membership can be granted to a member following a minimum of 20 years of extra-ordinary service in support and advancement of the Club.

Gerry has been a member of the Club for 29 years and has served as a Director or Officer for 27 years. Gerry was Vice President for 11 years and served as a Director for 16 years. During this time he organized club picnics, canoe trips, corn boils, our annual banquets, Director's dinners, spring and fall trap league banquets and winter doubles league "pizza busts". He designed and helped build our current rifle range covered bench. He, along with several other members, worked to help establish our original sporting clays course. In addition, he was always there to help with many other club projects and activities.

Gerry certainly is worthy of Life Membership based on his contributions to the Club over his many years of membership. We congratulate him on his recognition by the Board of Directors.

... Ron Duy
SCSC Board Member

Loss Of A Member

Tom Habzda

Tom Habzda, a long time member of the St. Charles Sportsmen's Club, died on Wednesday, December 13th. He was an avid trapshooter and golfer for many years. In recent years Tom could be found at the rifle range shooting pistols with his son since both enjoyed cowboy shooting activities.

Tom was an Air Force veteran of the Korean War and often talked of his family and joy of do-it-yourself projects. He always had a plan on how to fix something!! He will be remembered for his big smile, friendly manner, dapper appearance and above all his gentlemanly manner.

Goodbye to a good friend and fine club member.

... Ron Duy
SCSC Board Member



ST. CHARLES SPORTSMEN'S CLUB ATA REGISTERED SHOOT SCHEDULE



2007 SHOOT DATES

May 5th	Ladies Novice, Jr./Sub Jr. Shoot
May 19th	Targets Only Shoot
June 3rd	Bob Sommers Memorial Shoot
July 15th	Illini Indian Shoot
October 7th	Elburn Fall Classic Money Shoot

HELP WANTED

Earn Club Work Hours **At Home**

Seeking a Club Member with reasonable letter writing and, if necessary, telephone follow up skills, to contact outdoor sporting goods suppliers, firearms and ammunition companies. Contacts for the purpose of soliciting and receiving marketing promotional items for distribution at the **Ladies, Novice, Jr./Sub Jr. ATA Registered Shoot** at the Club on May 5, 2007. Contacts, materials and additional details will be supplied. Initial work can be done from home. Any necessary follow up will need to be done during normal business hours. Project may extend beyond the standard eight workhours. For further information or to volunteer please Contact Cle Rector at cle.k80@sbcglobal.net or (630) 784-9655.

Valentine's
Day

February 14,
2007

2006 Election Results

148 Voters

The club conducted the annual elections on Monday, December 11, 2006 to select the Club Officers and 5 members for the 2007 Board of Directors. We had 148 members request and submit election ballots. Listed after each candidate's name is the number of votes received. Candidates names listed in **bold** shall be serving on the Club's 2007 Board of Directors.

Thank you to all candidates and club members for participating in the election process.

President

Brian Flannigan "48"
Robert Scherf "100"

Vice President

Bill Hardt "141"

Secretary

Kurt Schroeder "138"

Treasurer

Tom Berry "131"

Board of Directors

Oggie Beremski "35"

Kent Burns "48"

Silas Jayne "92"

Rosemary Jendras "104"

Frank Kubicka "111"

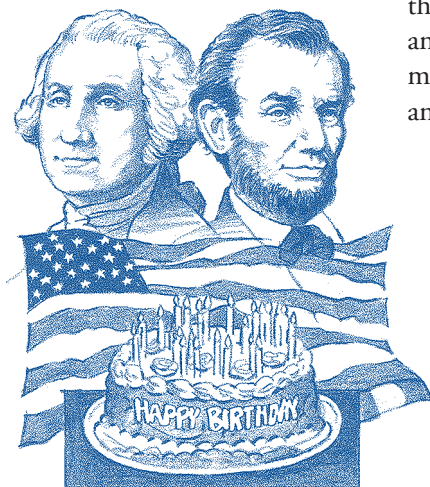
Rosemary LoGiudice "49"

Bob Mata "39"

Dick Matthys "89"

Cle Rector "110"

Chris Toohey "41"



President's Day
2/19/2007

...Kurt Schroeder
SCSC Director



Election Note

Vote of Confidence

Congratulations to the Officers and Board of Directors of the St Charles Sportsmen's Club on your election for 2007.

The membership of SCSC turned out in large numbers to cast their vote. The election results showed decided support for you and a strong vote of confidence for the contributions you have made. On behalf of all of the other candidates, we wish you a successful term in your leadership of Club activities.

Much has been said of the overall negativity of the election process. We hope instead, that you recognize that those that ran as your opposition are also sportsmen and are passionate about the health of our Club and more importantly, stand ready to provide energy toward an agenda of continued growth of SCSC.

Best of luck and continued success !!!

...Brian Flannigan
SCSC member



Sporting Clays Update

From: Sporting Clays Committee

To: All Members

In March the sporting clays field will be changed. In an effort to generate more member participation and input to the course design we will be placing a notice on the web site and flyers on the bulletin board in the clubhouse approximately two weeks in advance. If you would like to earn work hours and want a voice in course setup this is your opportunity. We encourage your participation so please look for the announcement and call the contacts listed.

A special thanks to Marty White, Chris Jacobs, and Stan Kransimski for their work on the stairs, concrete, and grading at the skeet field. Stop by the skeet field to see the results and give them a pat on the back. They deserve it.

...Frank Kubica
Mark Creedon
Sporting Clays Committee

Good Ideas and Better Ideas, And How Do We Decide On the Best Ones?

The just completed Club election often generated more heat than light as claims and counterclaims swirled around the clubhouse, across the parking lot and through the e-mail boxes. As is often the case where differing views and opinions are formed and expressed there is some degree of truth on each side of the issue and underlying each opinion.

One issue brought out in the election "campaign" was the allegation that the Club's leadership is not sufficiently *responsive* to suggestions and ideas put forth by the membership. The election results suggest that a majority of the member/voters do not believe or accept that this is the case. However, some members felt strongly that this is the situation and believed that serious changes needed to be made.

What may be missing in this debate is a real understanding of how ideas and suggestions are considered and evaluated, and how Club decisions are reached and/or funds approved. The Officers and Directors total 20 members with each Director having a club activity/facility as a particular area of responsibility. The Officers and Board of Directors meet once a month on the second Monday of the month just prior to the monthly Membership Meeting. Issues of Club operations, events, finances and ideas/suggestions originating from those present form the typical agenda of these Board meetings. All of the matters discussed by the Officers and Board are summarized and reported during the Membership Meeting which follows, and matters requiring membership approval are presented for discussion and adoption/rejection.

Ideas and suggestions originating from members can be presented for consideration in either of two ways. One is during the New Business portion of the Membership Meeting; the second would be by presentation to the Officers' and Directors' Meeting. In either case the member presenting the idea should discuss their idea in advance with a Board member or Officer so that 'agenda time' can be made available. This will also provide an opportunity to share information and background on the proposal, clarify ideas and issues and assist the member in making a positive, concise proposal to the Officers/Directors or the Club membership.

A great many ideas and issues come to the Officers and Directors throughout the year. Many of these are generated from the creativity of the members while others result from problems or opportunities both internal to the Club or from the outside. As elected officials of the Club, the Officers' and Directors' responsibility is to evaluate and work through these ideas and challenges and determine what impact specific actions will have on the Club as a whole.

Our goal is always to act in a manner which will benefit the majority of the members and make the St. Charles Sportsmen's Club the strongest, most viable club possible for the benefit of all the members.

How then are ideas evaluated, and what factors should a member consider when putting forth an idea he believes the Club should adopt and implement? The following list summarizes the factors that the Officers and Directors most often use in considering proposals.

1. What is it exactly that the member (or group of members) wants to see done, or what specific action do they propose that the Club take? How will the proposal impact other members of the Club and/or Club operations?
2. What benefits will the Club and its members derive from the proposed idea/action? Are there risks involved and how can they be avoided/minimized?
3. Are there any timing issues, constraints or 'deadlines' involved?
4. Who will take the action or implement the decision if accepted? Any proposed action must recognize that ours is a member-run club and the proposal should be specific as to who will make the time commitment to move the idea forward within the guidelines and procedures of the Club. Having a firm grasp on who will bring about an approved idea or action makes approval of the idea much more likely.
5. What is the expected cost/cost range of proposal? How has this figure been determined and are alternatives available and at what cost? How will the costs be recovered?
6. The better and more completely a proposal to the Officers and Directors or the membership has been thought through and presented, and the more complete the understanding of benefits, risks and costs, the more likely the proposal is to gain acceptance.

Like all members, the Club Officers and Directors want improvements to the Club, enhancement of its facilities and programs, positive member response, and continuous development of the Club's relations with the shooting and local communities. The ideas and actions that will move our Club toward these goals can, should, and must come primarily from the members. There is nothing magical (or mysterious) about how the Officers and Board reach decisions as to which ideas and actions will best move the Club forward. Those ideas which are sound and reasonable, offer a degree of benefit to the Club with an acceptable level of risk and at a cost commensurate with the benefits, and with one or more members willing to carry the idea to fruition, will most often find willing approval by the Officers and Board of Directors.

...CLE RECTOR, January, 2007

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Member & Guest(s)

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HUGE REWARD!!

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outfits
requested
but not
required

FOR WHAT??

A Wonderful Time
at the Club's Annual Saint Valentine's Day Banquet

Enjoy great food, drink, entertainment, prizes & camaraderie

AT

Saint Charles Place, 2550 E. Main St., Saint Charles, Illinois

February 10, 2007

TIME: 6:30 PM Cocktails & 7:30PM Dinner

Price??

\$65.00 per couple, \$32.50 per individual

(same as last year and cheap at twice the price!)

SEND YOUR RESERVATION AND YOUR \$\$ TODAY!

[] I'M COMIN'!! PLEASE FIND MY CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$ _____ ENCLOSED FOR _____ FOLKS!

MY NAME _____

MY ADDRESS: _____

MENU



[] New York Strip Steak w/Au Jus # _____

[] Chicken Marsala w/Shitake Mushrooms & Plum Tomatoes # _____

[] Fresh Grouper Picatta Style w/Plum tomatoes and Spinach, etc. # _____

[] I'M not COMIN'—There's a posse out there lookin' to collect a reward
on my hide so I can't be there to enjoy the evening with you folks—
TOO BAD, SO SAD! WE'LL MISS YOU!

MAIL THIS FORM AND YER \$\$ TO:

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Hunting Program Update

SCSC 2006 / 2007 Hunting Program Mid Year Report

SCSC Hunting Program members have released over 300 pheasants and have achieved a 55% harvest rate. The ground cover and hunting conditions at our Norway lease have been superb and continue to provide a good test to both hunter and dog. In addition to our upland hunting success, two of our members have been successful deer hunters as well.



Our season has started slowly as the weather conditions have been unusually warm. We are hoping that now that winter has officially arrived and the Holidays are behind us that our program members will step up their time in the field. We have a large inventory of birds and access to the hunting fields has been virtually uncontested.

Hunters are encouraged to continue to document the release and harvest of birds in the log books provided in the sign-in shed. These records are needed to support documentation that is provided monthly to the IDNR and are subject to audit. Incomplete or erroneous documentation of our hunting program could cause the loss of our hunting license and privilege.

We have focused on 4 goals for our hunting program this year:

- **BE SAFE**
- Document our hunting activity
- Respect our landowner, his assets and his neighbors
- **HAVE A FUN and PRODUCTIVE HUNT !!!**

All indications are that we are on track to have a very successful year !!!



...Brian Flannigan
Pheasant Program Chair

Interclub Jack Rabbit

January 7, 2007 Results

Sycamore Sportsmens Club

Total Shooters – 72

Conditions: Foggy to start then Clear and Windy

Team SCORES

First Team Sycamore SC 232 23 Shooters

Team Lewis Pays \$108.00

47-Tad Horton, Dave Rudolph, Nick Villagomez; 46-Lance Vidlak; 45-Mark Johnson, Jake Ulrich

Second Team McHenry SC 230 22 Shooters

47-Rick Van Etten; 46-Charlie Bickle, Bill Huhn, Rich Krueger; 45-Guy Kawell, Art Legnaioli, Matt Wood,

Third Team St. Charles SC 217 13 Shooters

Team Lewis Pays \$108.00

44-Matt Erion, Dean Perle, Cle Rector; 43-Rich Herra; 42-Kent Burn, Ron Duy, Jim P. Matthys

Fourth Team Maywood SC 209 6 Shooters

45-John Karel; 44-Jim Whitmore; 40-Mark Guido, Pat Haskins, Ken Neal

Fifth Team Glen Ridge TC 197 6 Shooters

43-Dave Rettger; 41-Steve Baker; 39-Bill Brown; 38-Craig Panasy; 36-Joe Ewald

High Gun — 1 Winner Pays \$72.00

Kim Youngblood — 48

Lewis Class Payout

1st Lewis – 48 1 Winner Pays \$100.00

Kim Youngblood

2nd Lewis – 44 8 Winners Pays \$12.50

Jim Whitmore, Mike Gilardi, Matt Erion, Dean Perle, Cle Rector, Harvey Schultz, Charlie Schyvincht, Al Sexton

3rd Lewis – 43 10 Winners Pays \$10.00

Dave Rettger, Steve Favia, Bob Huhn, Tom McCue, John Teschky, Rich Herra, Roger James, Terry Morris, Bill Powers, Lew Turk.

4th Lewis – 41 4 Winners Pays \$25.00

Steve Baker, Tom Kraus, Carrie Petko, Frank Halsy

5th Lewis-38 10 Winners Pays \$10.00

Craig Panasy, Bob Behm, Roger Schad, Laura Anderson, Andrea Ema, Cindy Gaffney, Jim F. Matthys, Harvey Scharlau, Bob Atkins, Jason Schultz

Carry Over Pot — \$101.00

...Cle Rector

Shotshell Shotgun Rod

How To Make A Shotshell Handle Shotgun Rod

It gets cold in the Midwest, and trapshooting really slows down from November through March. Many of you will be spending some time in your reloading room, getting enough shotshells reloaded for the next shooting season. But there are other ways you can fight off the mid-winter doldrums, and this article will detail how to make a shotshell handle shotgun rod.

The materials needed are already in your home or your nearest hardware store. You will need:

- An empty hull
- A reloading press
- A 5/8th inch wood dowel
- A 3/8th inch wood dowel
- A one inch Tea Cup Hook
- Elmer's wood glue and/or Gorilla glue
- A drill with 5/8th, 3/8th and 9/64th inch bits
- A Hoppe's Handgun and Rifle Conversion Thread Adapter (Converts Outers Rods to 8 x 32 Thread - Midwayusa.com product #847103)

Begin by cutting the 5/8th inch dowel to a length that will easily fit inside your shotshell and allow your reloading press to provide a good crimp. For my project, I found that a MEC 9000 press with Remington STS hulls required the 5/8 inch diameter dowel to be about 1.75 inches long.

Drill a 3/8th inch hole about 1.5 inches down into the center of the dowel. Hitting the center of a dowel with a drill is rather difficult, so take some time and care doing this. The better the hole is centered, the less tilt there will be to your shotshell handle when completed. I tried various methods to reliably center the 3/8th inch hole, and finally decided that it was best to mark the center by eye with a pencil, drill a pilot hole, then drill the 3/8th inch hole on my drill press. I have nicknamed the 5/8th inch dowel with a centered 3/8th inch hole the "dowel wad."

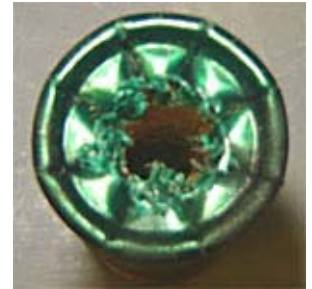
De-prime your empty hull. Now place the "dowel wad" into the shotshell with the hole facing up. Run the shotshell with the "dowel wad" through your pre-crimp and crimp station, but not the final taper station. Your shotshell should now have a beautiful crimp enclosing the dowel wad.



Go back to your drill, and drill a 3/8th inch hole through the crimp to expose the hole in the "dowel wad." I hold the shotshell by hand, and when drilling out the crimp using the slowest setting on the drill press, it tends to find the center of the dowel wad as you drill through the crimp. It should look something like the photo on the right. If your crimp is messed up, run it through your crimp station again.

Your 3/8th inch dowel should now fit into the shotshell. Decide what length of rod you want and cut it about 1.5 inches longer. I prefer 36 to 37 inches for a barrel rod and 3 inches for a chamber brush rod, so I add an inch and a half to that. Go ahead and put the 3/8th inch dowel in the shotshell. Don't be surprised if the "dowel wad" cracks and splits a little. Once you are certain your 3/8th inch dowel fits in, remove it and you can now fill up the hole in the "dowel wad" with glue. The glue will take care of any cracks or splits in the dowel wad. I prefer Elmer's glue for this stage. Insert the 3/8th inch dowel, and let sit for the recommended time on your glue bottle. Then put some glue in the primer hole and screw in the tea cup hook through the primer hole so you can hang up your rod. Sand, stain, and finish the dowel protruding from the shotshell handle to your own preference. I liked using an oak stain followed by 3 coats of spar urethane. If you stop here, you have a very fancy "reload" to hang up by the trap field for your other reloads that, well, are less than you expected. If your gun goes Pffff rather than Bang!, your new shotshell handle rammer stick will be there for you.

For a shotgun cleaning rod, I drill a 9/64th inch hole in the end of the 3/8th inch dowel, drip in a few drops of Gorilla glue, and screw in the Hoppes shotgun brush adapter.



...Tom Krolick
SCSC member

Editor's note: Tom is one of our newest members who was voted in at the December 06 meeting. Welcome Tom!

HELP WANTED

Earn Club Work Hours

**Member(s) Needed For
Projects**

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

Contact:
Dan Vosecky



2007 Important Dates

New Year's Day	1/1/2007
Annual SCSC Banquet	2/10/2007
Winter Jack Rabbit at St. Charles	2/11/2007
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	2/13/2007
Valentine's Day	2/14/2007
Winter Jack Rabbit at St. Charles	3/11/2007
Daylight Savings Begins	3/11/2007
St. Patrick's Day	3/17/2007
Ladies Novice, Jr. ATA Shoot	5/5/2007
ATA Targets Only Shoot	5/19/2007
Bob Sommers Memorial ATA Shoot	6/3/2007
Illini Indian ATA Shoot	7/15/2007
Elburn Fall Classic Money Shoot	10/7/2007

A.I.M News

Update

AIM is having a handgun clinic on February 10th at Oak Park Sportsmen's Club in Plainfield.

There is a \$15 donation to cover the cost of ammo. Registration starts at 8:30AM and Safety meeting starts at 9AM.

Check website for more 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.

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



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

Annual Banquet

February 10th, 2007

The Saint Charles Sportsmen's Club Annual Banquet is scheduled for February 10, 2007 and will be held at St. Charles Place, St. Charles. Cost will be \$65/couple and \$32.50/single. Menu will be

1. New York Strip Steak w/Au Jus
2. Chicken Marsala w/Shitake Mushrooms and Plum Tomatoes
3. Fresh Grouper Picatta Stlye w/plum tomatoes and wilted spinach and butter and lemon sauce



Reserve the date! Cowboy attire is requested but not required. See flyer and RSVP in newsletter and respond now!



Welcome to 2007!

Cool New SCSC Website!

The SCSC Has A New Web Site!

For those of you who haven't heard yet we have recently redesigned our club web site! We not only renovated the site but we also moved it to a new, shorter and easier to remember name, www.scsconline.org <<http://www.scsconline.org>> . We felt our old name, www.saintcharles-sc.org <<http://www.saintcharles-sc.org>>, was confusing because people forgot if they had to spell out saint or just use the abbreviation, if and where to put the dash, etc. Keep in mind though the old name will still always get you to the site, too.

Our new web site is full of new features! One problem many had on the old web site was that it was hard to find our club newsletter. Now we have created a button that takes you straight there from any page on the site. You can also go to our Club Newsletter page and catch up on past newsletters going back to 2005.

Please read the Club News page frequently. This is the one page that will keep you updated on the various happenings at our club and also tell you when we update other parts of our site.

If you haven't seen our new Club Calendar, you are definitely missing out! You can see all events for the rest of the year using the on screen controls to go to the next or previous months. Just click on an event to see more details about it. We will soon give complete control to each director so that they can put in their own events to keep the calendar as updated as possible.

The last section I want to point out is our new Photo Gallery. We currently only have photos of the Bob Sommer's Memorial Shoot but **WE WANT YOUR PICTURES**. This is a very neat new system that will definitely be interesting to all the members and site visitors.

So if you haven't already, please, be sure to check out our new site. Above all of our new features, the biggest one is that the site is now easy to update. So we'll do our best to keep adding new exciting things for your viewing pleasure. Please send your feedback to webmaster@scsconline.org with any comments, questions, or requests you have. Enjoy the site and we'll see you at the club! Is it just me or can the Spring Trap League not start soon enough??

...Bob Butterworth
SCSC member



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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! Only handgun calibers on the posted list (NO MAGNUM LOADS). Caplock and Flintlock type black powder rifles and pistols, firing round ball projectiles and rimfire .22 rifles are allowed. (NO Inline style back powder guns are allowed because of their higher velocity.) 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 Kulica
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

WANTED: Used 3-Phase Rotary Converter for Automotive Lift. Static Converter did not do the job. Call Bill Hardt 630-420-8799

FOR SALE: Browning BT 99, 12ga. 34" barrel, new in box. \$1000 or best offer. Call Andrea 630-363-6180.



Newsletter Update

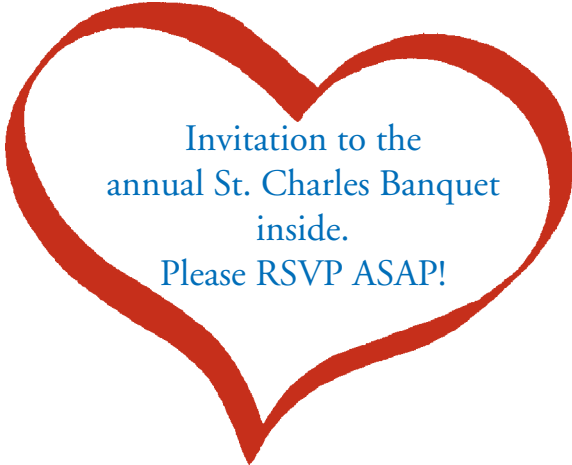
Deadline for articles for the March issue are due February 18th. Please send photos of interest to news@scsconline.org.

Members may access the newsletter by getting the on-line version from the SCSC website. This issue only has been mailed to the membership. Future issues will not be mailed. 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



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