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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

"Are you an honest member?"

This may seem like a strange question, however, I believe it needs to be asked in light of some of the things that have been going on at the club. For example, hunting where you should not be hunting, not signing in, not paying your fair share because no one is watching, etc. Such activities point to the question "Are you an honest member?" As we start this new year, why don't we hold ourselves to a higher standard and think and act like that good and honest member.

Keeping up

I read a lot and I try real hard to keep up with the shooting world and all the latest news. In reading all the articles written there seems to be one overriding theme which is "Share Your Sport". This is one of the things that has real meaning to me because if we all just ask a friend, neighbor, wife, girlfriend or anyone who might be interested or curious about shooting and if we could get one new shooter started this year, WOW, what a difference that would make in our sport. If we, as

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February Meeting Highlights

Trap

Spring Trap League begins April 14th

Skeet

No report available.

Sporting Clays

Machines working well

Wobble Trap

No report available.

Sportsmen's Activities

Hunter Safety - Next class scheduled for Spring.

Rifle Pistol Range

See page 2

Building/Grounds

Next Work Day - March 26, 2005, 8:00 AM.

Membership

No report available

ATA Shoots

No report available

Other Business

No report available



Dave's Shooting Update

Letter to SCSC President

To Mr. Robert Scherf
St. Charles Sportsmen's Club
P.O. Box 534
St. Charles, IL 60174

Dear Bob,

I would like to first thank you and the Board for awarding me with the President's Award last Saturday at the SCSC annual banquet. It was quite a surprise and a distinct honor. Doug Wilson said it best at last year's banquet when he said, "I get more out of the club than I ever put into it". This is true for me as well.

About four years ago I was given the opportunity to be the Director of the Rifle and Pistol Range. My mission was to get more members to use the range by putting on different events. My hope was that by increasing awareness, the membership would take pride in the range and have an increased respect for it. I feel we are starting to see that effect.

The success of these events is by no means a reflection on just me. There are a number of members who have stepped up to offer their support and ideas. Members like Eugene Doetsch, Jeff Johansen, and Jeff Walsh should be recognized for their contribution.

Unfortunately, due to a change in my job responsibilities, I must resign from the Board of Directors of the St. Charles Sportsman's Club effective February 28, 2005. In my four years on the Board I have been challenged by issues, supported by members, and encouraged by the Board of Directors. I have thoroughly enjoyed being part of the Board of Directors. I will miss the camaraderie of the Board and the Club.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be of service to the St. Charles Sportsman's Club.

Sincerely,
David Nicholson

*"Courage is being scared to death, but
saddling up anyway" – John Wayne*

..David Nicholson
Rifle/Pistol Range



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

President's letter *continued*

shooters and sportsmen could introduce someone new to the shooting sports, I really believe that it would make a big difference in how we, as shooters, are perceived. As some of you know, we are listed in the Elburn Chamber of Commerce as a "recreational shooting facility"... Is this a play on words? Sure it is, but we are talking about perception. We need to make every effort to let non-shooters know that this is a great and fun sport and we are not bad guys and gals. I really believe that this is one of the more important things that has to happen in our sport as we go forward. So, please share your sport. Bring them out to the club if you can. Make them your guest for the day and show them just what they have been missing. I'll bet you that they will want to come back.

Be a winner

And please remember, you don't have to be a special person to be a winner. There is no magical ingredient to winning. You are only as successful as you allow yourself to be. What will stop you from winning is not fate, providence, fortune, chance or circumstance. Instead, you are the only barrier that is stopping you from winning. Allow yourself to win!

Good shooting and remember to share your sport.
See you at the club.

...Bob Scherf
SCSC President

Great Hunting Opportunity

During the first couple of weeks of January I had the opportunity to do a late season deer hunt in South Dakota. A rancher, Todd Larsen, was kind enough to give us permission to hunt on his ranch and help us with a successful hunt.

In talking with him over several days he indicated that he was in the process of expanding his guided archery antelope hunt business. He has about 10 blinds set up and has built a brand new hunting lodge to house his hunters. He is planning on doing about 8 to 10 archery hunts per year. **Guys, he has hundreds of Antelope!!** He said that last year, every hunter he hosted, experienced success. In archery antelope hunting that is very unusual. He indicated that his hunts were typically 4 or 5 day hunts with meals and lodging in his new lodge for about \$1200.00. From my research that is pretty reasonable and several hundred dollars less than most around that location which is just 10 miles west of Belle Fourche, SD. I think SD sells unlimited number of non-resident archery antelope tags. I share this because it looks like a great opportunity for interested members. If you know of someone who might be interested or you are interested please pass this information along. For more information please contact Todd Larsen, 17816 Prairie Winds Lane, Bell Fourche, SD 57717, Phone 605-892-6961.

...Ron Dwy
SCSC Director

HELP WANTED

Earn Club Work Hours

**Member(s) with Digital
Camera and
Experience Using It**

**Needed for Photos at ATA
Registered Shoots.....**

April 24

July 24

September 18

Must commit to being there
each day approx. 5 hours.
Can split between available
volunteers.

**Contact: Cle Rector
630 784-9655**

2005 Important Dates

SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	3/14/2005
Recob's Target Shop	3/17/2005
Club Work Day	3/26/2005
Easter - Club Closed	3/27/2005
ATA Registered Trapshooting Sem.	4/2/2005
Daylight Savings Begins	4/3/2005
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	4/11/2005
Spring Trap League Begins	4/14/2005
Club Work Day	4/23/2005
ATA Registered Shoot	4/24/2005
ATA Target Only Registered Shoot	5/7/2005
SCSC Directors/Members Meeting	5/9/2005
Club Work Day	5/21/2005
Memorial Day	5/30/2005



The St. Charles Sportsmen's Club

Elburn, Illinois

Presents

2005 ATA Registered Trapshoots

Registered Shoots	Targets Only Shoots
April 24	May 7
July 24	June 4
September 18	October 8

Lunch and Shells Always Available

Registered League Shooting:
250 Singles Targets — April 14 - June 16

Club Location:
Keslinger Rd., 1/4 mi. West of IL Rt. 47 —
South of Elburn, IL

Club Phones: 630-365-9881 & 630-365-1382

ATA Contact Phone: 630-784-9655

See web site for map & directions:
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Shooting Tips & Trivia:

STATS from TOP STATES

The Real Green Index: Sportsmen spend \$21 billion on sporting goods, licenses, gas, and other things every year, according to the **2001 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation.**

	Hunters	Anglers	Total Expenditures	Salaries & Wages	Tax Revenue	Ripple Effect
Pennsylvania	1 mil	1.3 mil	\$2 bil	\$909 mil	\$119.5 mil	\$3.89 bil
Texas	1.2 mil	2.4 mil	\$4.1 bil	\$1.97 bil	\$218 mil	\$8.2 bil
Michigan	780,000	1.4 mil	\$2.06 bil	\$880 mil	\$133 mil	\$3.45 bil

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submitted by
...Bob Scherf
President



**Happy
Easter!**



Membership Update

New Member orientation

All probationary members must complete one member orientation meeting during their probation period. The meetings are given quarterly so probationary members normally have two meetings to choose from.

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



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Winter Jack Rabbit Schedule

Schedule

Jan 9 – McHenry Sportsmens Club
 Jan 16 – St. Charles Sportsmens Club
 Jan 23 – Glen Ridge Sportsmens Club
 Jan 30 – Northbrook Sports Club
 Feb 6 – Sycamore Sportsmens Club
 Feb 13 – St. Charles Sportsmens Club
 Feb 20 – Glen Ridge Sportsmens Club
 Feb 27 – Northbrook Sports Club
 March 6 – Sycamore Sportsmens Club
 March 13 – McHenry — SPECIAL EVENT

DAILY FEE - \$17.00

- 25 Singles, 25 Handicap
- Open by 9:30AM, Event starts at 10AM
- Entries close at 12PM
- 3 Lewis Classes
- 2 Team Lewis Classes
- High Gun

SPECIAL EVENT March 13

- Carry Over - \$1 per entry per week goes in the pot. You must shoot 6 of the first 9 events to qualify.
- 5 Carry Over Lewis Classes
- Calcutta - \$10 buy-in
- High Gun Shoot Off

Traveling Team Trophy for Club Winning the Most Events

DIRECTIONS TO HOST CLUBS

Glen Ridge Sportsmens Club

Take IL-60 to Fremont Center Road. Turn south for about 1.5 miles. Club is on the east side of the road.

McHenry Sportsmens Club

From the intersection of IL-31 and IL-120 in McHenry go east on IL-120, over the Fox River and turn north on Chapel Hill Road (Shell station on the corner). Turn east on Bay Road then north on Weingart Road. Turn east on Rolling Lane Road. Club is first driveway on the left. Phone – 815.385.9896

Northbrook Sports Club

Take IL-120 in Grayslake to Alleghany Road. Turn south to Sports Club Dr. Follow road into the club. Phone – 847.223.5700

Sycamore Sportsmens Club

From the intersection of IL-23 and IL-64 (in Sycamore go west on IL-60 to W. Motel Road. Turn North to 1773 W. Motel Road. Club driveway is on west side of road opposite Sunflower Road. Phone - 815.895.5776

Wimpy's Wobble Trap Update

Registered Wobble Shoots for 2005

St. Charles will enter its second year in offering Registered Wobble Trap Events. We are scheduling three registered Wobble Shoots for this season and planning to host an Illinois State Wobble Shoot in August. Last summer we had a successful first year, we had 12 to 15 participants at each shoot and most importantly we all had a good time.

We have purchased a second trap with the capabilities to throw Wobble Trap Targets so we will have a back up trap for this year and an opportunity to expand if we can generate enough interest.

Wobble Trap is a "poor mans" International Trap where targets come out at much greater angles and different heights than normal trap targets. A round consists of 25 targets and is shot in the same manner as typical trap. Shooters shoot from the 16 yard line; one shell per target. The target is thrown within 2 seconds of the shooter's call for the target. This is a lot of fun and a good challenge for all shooters. I firmly believe it will make you a better trap shooter and improve your concentration.

We need at least five people to participate in these events to make them official registered shoots and shooters need to register 200 targets to be able to participate in the Illinois State Shoot. To be eligible you need to be a member of the Wimpy's Wobble Trap Association. Annual Dues are \$15.00 payable at the event. Our scheduled shoot dates are April 17th, May 22nd, and June 12th. The Illinois State Shoot is scheduled for August 21st. Registration for all shoots will begin at 9:00 a.m. and events will begin at 9:30 a.m. All Registrations will close at 10:30 a.m. Each event will consist of 100 targets, If you have questions about these events please contact Ron Duy (847-697-2893) or Miles Hyde.

For more information on wobble trap check out the website at www.wimpyswobbletrap.com



...Ron Duy
SCSC Director

Special Notices to Members

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 when there is a special sanctioned club event.

Bob Scherf

... President



MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

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MARCH 2005

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	2	3 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	4	5 <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>
A.I.M. 6 Shoot & Eat <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>	7	8 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	9	10 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	11	12 <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>
13 <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>	14 <i>SCSC Directors Meeting/SCSC Members Meeting</i>	15 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	16	St. Patrick's Day 17 Recob's Target Shop <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	18	19 <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>
First Day of Spring 20 Palm Sunday <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>	21 <i>AIM Members Meeting</i>	22 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	23	24 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	25 Good Friday	26 Club Work Day <i>Club Open 9-2PM</i>
27 Easter Sunday Club Closed	28	29 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>	30	31 <i>Club Open 6-10PM</i>		
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