

May 2020



President's Corner, by Sue Olsen

I know this is a tough time on everyone, and I hope you and your families are staying healthy and safe.

This time has been difficult on everyone and all small businesses, including our club. If anyone would like to volunteer for any of the activities/jobs around the club, or to donate money, please contact Club Manager Tim Rossbach. Volunteering helps the club out financially by not having to pay for outside services, so please, consider volunteering.

Have a great summer shooting season, and I'll see you at the Club!

Happy Shooting! – Sue Olsen, President

Club Calendar

May 2020

- TBD – MNYSSF Shoot – **POSTPONED**
- 05/05 – Summer Leagues Begin
- 05/16 – Training – Permit to Carry & Renewal, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 05/18 – General Business Meeting, 7 pm
- 05/23 – 05/24 – Memorial Day Weekend – Club Open
- 05/29 – 05/31 – State 5-stand/ Small Gauge Shoot (NSCA-registered shoot)

June 2020

- 06/06 – Training – Permit to Carry & Renewal, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 06/15 – General Business Meeting, 7 pm
- TBD – Border Battle (NSCA-registered Shoot) – shooting starts at South St. Paul Rod & Gun Club

July 2020

- 07/04 – Independence Day – Club Closed
- 07/11 – Training – Permit to Carry & Renewal, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 07/17 – 07/19 – Fiocchi Summer Sizzler (NSCA-registered shoot)
- 07/20 – General Business Meeting, 7 pm

August 2020

- 08/08 – Training – Permit to Carry & Renewal, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 08/17 – General Business Meeting, 7 pm

September 2020

- 09/06 – Summer Leagues End
- **09/07 – Labor Day – Club Closed**
- 09/08 – 09/20 – Summer League Shoot-offs
- 09/09 – Fall Leagues Begin (10 weeks)
- 09/11 – 09/13 – SSP 150 (NSCA-registered shoot)
- 09/19 – Training – Permit to Carry & Renewal, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 09/21 – General Business Meeting, 7 pm
- 09/22 – Fall & Winter Hours Begin
- 09/30 – Summer League Banquet, Social Hour begins 5 pm, dinner at 6 pm

Summer Hours (April 18 – September 16, 2020)

	Shooting Hours	Clubhouse Hours	Kitchen Hours
Tues. & Thurs.	4 pm – dusk	Closed	4 pm – 8 pm (take-out)
Wednesday	Noon – dusk	Closed	4 pm – 8 pm (take-out)
Friday	Noon – 4 pm	Closed	Snacks only (take-out)
Sat. & Sun.	10 am – 4 pm	Closed	11 am – 3 pm (take-out)

Coronavirus Update

This has been a difficult time for our nation. We hope your families are safe and healthy and we all come through this soon.

As you'll notice from our Summer Hours just above, at this writing the Clubhouse is still closed by order of our Governor. As of April 18th, we were able to resume shooting operations, and we are now able to serve take-out food and beverages, including some alcoholic beverages (subject to the Governor's restrictions). **(Please note: Club rules require all alcohol consumed on the premises to be purchased from the Club.)** Fortunately, our sport is an easy one in which to practice "social distancing;" **the Club is requiring everyone at the Club to observe the 6' social distancing guideline at all times.** While the clubhouse is closed, we are using the windows on the deck of the clubhouse to sell targets, shells, food, and beverages. **The windows will open for business when shooting hours start each day.** For the foreseeable future, **we are accepting credit/debit cards only – no cash transactions are available.**

This has also been a difficult time for our Club. The timing for the initial closing of the Club could not have come at a worse time of the year. March and April are our two biggest months for revenue, and we lost approximately half of each month when we were forced to close. We have also had to postpone or cancel several events. Fortunately, shooting is back in full swing now, with all shooting, including rifle/pistol, fully open. We hope all Members consider renewing their membership, regardless of whether you plan on shooting in the near future. In addition, if shooters pre-purchase targets and take advantage of our Bulk Target Purchase it not only helps you shoot for less money, it helps the Club. We have had several Members ask if they can make donations to help the Club; if you would like to help with a donation, please see our Manager, Tim Rossbach – it would be very much appreciated.

Bulk Target Purchase and Member Rewards Programs

- *One-time purchasers of \$150 to \$499 receive 10% in additional targets*
- *One-time purchasers of \$500 to \$999 receive 15% in additional targets*
- *One-time purchasers of \$1000 and more receive 20% in additional targets*
- *Teams (5-10 members) may pre-pay for all league rounds twice/year and receive 5% in additional targets*
- *Purchasers of \$1,500 or more on any one card in a calendar year receives a \$100 target card*

Card Readers Now Operational on the Trap Fields

Thanks to Member donations last fall and winter, we have been able to purchase bird/target readers for all the remaining trap fields, so now all shotgun venues, except FITASC, use bird/target cards. The combination trap/skeet fields readers can be toggled between trap and skeet, whereas the trap-only fields do not need to be toggled. The readers work the same on trap as they do on skeet; put your card on the reader, hold down the F2 (middle) button on the reader until it beeps twice, and it will take 25 targets off

your card and load it on the reader. Don't have a bird/target card? Go to the window on the deck and request one, (there's a \$5 deposit) and don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it!

2020 Summer Leagues are Underway

We are just starting Summer Leagues as this is being read. We are starting late, but we are eliminating our usual "make-up week" and going two weeks later in order to get our normal league schedule done. We're using score books for all league scoring this year, including sporting clays. All scores must be scored or transposed in the books. Loose sheets should be put in the marked tray after being transcribed in the book but the loose sheets themselves will not be scored. Each week, the league scorer goes through the books and updates the scores on the website.

Website & Newsletter Notes

For the most up-to-date information about what's happening at the Club, our website is updated regularly and is available at this link: <http://sspgunclub.com/>.

For those members for whom we have an email address on file, we email the newsletter to you; for others we mail a paper copy. We also keep a small number of paper copies at the Club. **If you see this but are not getting your newsletter**, check with General Manager Tim Rossbach so he can update your customer record.

Rifle/Pistol Range Update

Our rifle/pistol range is very popular this spring since, at the time of this writing, indoor ranges remain closed. As a reminder, members can buy an Annual Pass, or a One-time Pass, at discount prices from what we charge non-members. Full details are available on our website at: <http://sspgunclub.com/shooting-1/rifle-range/>.

Military Discount

Don't forget about our military discount; a 10% military veterans' discount applies to the membership-only portion of the membership price, and to rifle/pistol Annual Passes, for Minnesota residents who are Active Military, Active Guard/Reserve, Retired Military, and Disabled Veterans. Show their Veteran/Military ID card to qualify for the discount. **Please note:** anytime multiple discounts could apply for any rates or prices at the Club, only one discount, the largest one, may be used.

2020 Registered Shoots

In 2020 we are hosting 10 registered sporting clays shoot at the Club. We also had a registered NSSF skeet shoot on the calendar in April that we are hoping we can reschedule. Try to make it down and try at least one of these shoots. These shoots are a lot of fun and are also very profitable for the Club. We make every effort to keep some trap and skeet fields open for member shooting during the shoots.

We are planning to hold monthly non-registered trap, skeet, and sporting clays Lewis events through the summer as well. We used to hold these on the same weekend as our registered sporting clays shoots, but we have had many requests to hold the Lewis events on a different weekend each month so more shooters can participate. We are working on a schedule that will work for this.

Shoot Results

We post the results of all shoots on our website, and when space is available, we also post some results here in the Scrap Sheet. **[Full results of all events are available here.](#)**

THE SCRAP SHEET

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Membership Information

Membership Forms are available at the Club, or find them on our website at:

<http://sspgunclub.com>