

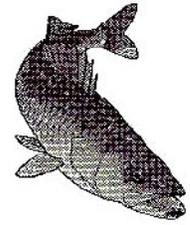


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2021 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Covid-19

In mid-March 2020 we were forced to limit shooting activities at the club due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Despite the surge in the Delta Variant, we are running the club as close to normal as possible. We have only one restriction: if you are unvaccinated you must wear a mask in the Clubhouse. Thank you for being smart to stay healthy. I encourage everyone to get their Covid-19 shot. It will protect you, your loved ones, and fellow shooters.

Monthly Meetings and Memberships

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at the clubhouse on Kingdom Road. All members are welcome! Memberships are available at the club at our monthly meeting or every Saturday morning from 10:00am to Noon as of September 1st. Yearly dues are still just \$60. New members please follow the instructions on the web page under "Membership Information". If you are a current member and wish to renew by mail, please download the renewal application form off the website and mail it in with your payment. A new membership card and the gate combination will be mailed to you.

Shooting Sports

The rifle/pistol/archery range is open 7 days a week unless a special event is scheduled. Shooting hours are Monday to Saturday 8am until 15 minutes before sunset. Sundays 10am until 15 minutes before sunset. On Saturdays Trap, Skeet, and 5-Stand Sporting Clays start at 9am and are done around 1:00pm. On Wednesdays the Trap and Skeet fields are open at 10:00am. Trap and skeet are \$4 per round, and Sporting Clays is \$5

Weekly trap practice on Monday at 5:30pm and Sporting Clays on Thursday at 4:30pm. These will continue through September weather permitting.

Tri-County Trap League

The Summer Tri-County trap league has completed the season. The Baldwinsville team had 19 shooters this season. The league overall had half as many shooters as last year. Baldwinsville came in last place this year with Otisco as the winning team. Next year we would like to field a larger team. Anyone interested in shooting trap is welcome. Come out on Monday nights, or Saturday mornings for practice. Our team needs YOU!

Archery

The archery range is open. If you practice from the raised platform please wear your harness and hook into one of the rings. We have nice new targets please use field tips only, NO BROADHEADS. Come out and practice, the season is fast approaching.

Membership Committee

We are looking for a group of people who can help with memberships on Saturdays on a rotating basis.

Sportsman's Day

Sportsman's Day at Carpenter's Brook will be held on September 25th (only one day this year). Honeywell will again be the major sponsor for the event. B'ville has traditionally provided the shotgun shooting event, so please mark your calendar in September to help out. We ask those who shoot at the Club Saturday to consider volunteering your time to help at Sportsman's Day.

Shotgun Championship

Our annual club shotgun championship was held on Saturday, June 12th this year. The winner was the highest scoring total from a round of Trap, Skeet, and Sporting clays. This year's overall winner is John Kleaka with an aggregate score of 62 out of 75. Congratulations John! Second place Joe Bill scored 53, Third place was a tie with Dave Urban and Dave Dempsey scoring 52. This was a fun day of shooting, please come out and join us next year.

NRL-22

The NRL-22 matches will be continuing for the summer, usually the last Saturday of the month at 11 AM. Check the club calendar for exact dates. You do not need special equipment, bring a .22 and come shoot! Sign up and practice starts at 10am the match starts at 11:00am. There is a \$10 entry fee. Contact Eric Stephens for details (917-300-8511). Detailed info can also be located on the NRL-22 website nrl22.org

Events

We hosted the Ruffed Grouse Society of CNY for a Sporting Clays shoot on Sunday, August 1st. We dodged the raindrops but had a fun shoot. We also hosted the CNY Wildfowlers on Sunday August 15th, we had great weather and lots of shooting. Thank you to the Volunteers who made these events possible. We will be hosting a Women in Nature rifle clinic on Sunday August 29th. The rifle/pistol range will be closed for this event until 1:00 PM.

Grounds Maintenance

Weekly maintenance is usually on Monday morning with lawn mowing, trimming, etc. Please be respectful of these volunteers and refrain from shooting until they are finished downrange. If you are bored at home, tired of shooting, or have no ammo, you are welcome to join those volunteers! This is a volunteer club; we need your help to keep it running. If you have time or a special skill to offer, contact us via e-mail. Thank you!

A FEW NOTES ON RANGE SAFETY

Please do your part to keep our ranges clean. Some members have been leaving their targets up and are not cleaning up their empty cartridges after they finish shooting. Please do not leave this task for others to do. Please put your brass (no steel or aluminum) in the empty brass containers, as the club

receives money for recycling the brass. Shotgun shooters please pick up your empty shells. Don't forget to fill out the range shooting logs in the house on the Archery range.

It is permissible to sight in your shotgun on the rifle range with a deer slug, however, shooting birdshot/buckshot at targets on the orange netting is prohibited. If you need to pattern your shotgun with birdshot/buckshot please provide your own target (cardboard). Birdshot/buckshot leaves huge holes in the netting. Prop up the cardboard away from the rifle targets. A patterning board for birdshot #9, #8 or #7 ½ ONLY is located on the East side of the Sporting Clays field. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Steel targets on our pistol/rifle range have been very popular, and fun to shoot. Please be safe and help preserve our targets by following some simple rules:

- No magnums on pistol targets.
- .22LR only on the 22 targets, they will NOT withstand centerfire!
- No Steel core or steel tipped ammo.
- No targets may be placed on wooden structures.
- Shoot all targets straight on to avoid ricochets.

Other select range rules:

Use the rifle/pistol range safety light system. Be aware of others downrange at all times.

Do NOT touch or handle firearms while others are downrange.

Place targets so that shots will impact the berm, no targets on the ground

Eye and ear protection are mandatory.

No rapid fire.

The aforementioned rules are important, but please follow all the safety rules. Thank you.

You must lock the gate when entering or leaving the club parking lot.

Please remember that the ranges close and ALL shooting is to cease at 15 minutes before sundown!

Do not forget to check out our website for current events and updates between newsletters. The website is: www.bvillerodandgun.com.

See you at the Club!

Joe Bill, President