

# Springwater Rod & Gun Club

## Spring 2016 Newsletter

### From The President: (Pat Hillyard)

Hi everyone. I want to thank all those who caught and cooked the pickerel for the Pickerel Party. It was absolutely delicious. There is a new sink in the ladies room, thank you very much Jason. Hopefully this year we can put gutters on the new trap pavilion and fix the doors on the big pavilion, maybe even get the antenna up so we can watch football, NASCAR or whatever on the TV's in the club house. One of the TV's was bought for and is used during the Hunter Safety Program. Our building is in need of some tender loving care on the outside, also more lighting on the parking lot is needed. July 16<sup>th</sup> is our Steak Roast. We sure can use some help with the Steak Roast so members please let me know if you can volunteer. We have an awesome Club here and I am honored to be your President. Hopefully I can live up to the standards of our past Presidents.

### From The Vice President: (Mark Wolfanger)

Elections were held at the end of last December with a vacancy at the position of President. Scooter graciously said he would continue month to month until a new person was found. During the month of January Pat Hillyard volunteered to become President and I accepted the call to become Vice President. For those of you who do not know me, I have been with the club for about 4 years and have lived in Wayland for most of my life. When I joined the club it was with the intent to have a safe place to practice shooting firearms. After joining, I've tried to attend meetings as regularly as possible and volunteer where I can, especially for the Summer Steak Roast which is our largest fundraising endeavor. As I became more involved with the club that led to last year's undertaking of creating a new website for the club. I had some basic knowledge of website construction as I am president of the local snowmobile club based out of Atlanta, and maintain a site for them as well. I hope to provide some new insight to the club and help direct improvements were needed. I am looking forward to serving our membership and Board members in the coming months.

### Website Update: (Mark Wolfanger)

The new website has been active for over a year now. During this time many positive comments have been coming in and in general our membership is happy with the new format and content. Since the website went live, we have had 13,181 total visitors and average 881 per month which I feel is a great success for our club. Just a reminder the address is [www.springwaterrodandgunclub.com](http://www.springwaterrodandgunclub.com). New information is posted frequently with the goal to keep our membership informed with the latest news, events, range rules, shoot dates and general information. If you have not had the opportunity to visit the club's site, we would invite you to do so and stop back every so often to see what is new.

Calling all members, send in your email address this year when you renew, if you have not renewed yet. The club has transitioned to email distribution for newsletters and general

information as we move into the future. When you are on the website, you can click a link to join the email distribution list if you are not already receiving emails from us. This bulk email service is the most cost effective way for the club to get information out to our membership. If you think you are on the distribution list and are not getting the emails, check your spam folder.

## Springwater Rod And Gun Club Membership Details:

As of the end of March 2016, The Club Membership is as follows:

1. The club has 222 annual members.
2. Of these, 24 are juniors who are annual members, dues free, until they reach 18 years old when they become regular dues paying members.
3. The club has 63 Life Members
4. The club also has 77 Senior Life Members

**Total Club Membership is 386 Members:**

Information for annual members:

1. The annual member's dues of \$25 becomes payable on Oct. 1 of each year, for the new membership year.
2. If the annual dues are not paid by Jan.31 of the new membership year, a \$20 late fee will be added to the dues, for a total of \$45 to renew their membership.
3. If the dues are not paid by March 1 of the new membership year, those members lose all club privileges until all past dues and late fees are paid in full.
4. After two years of nonpayment of all dues and late fees, the member must reapply for club membership and be voted into the club again.

## FROM THE TRAP LINE: (Tom Kalcevic)

The Springwater Winter Wobble Trap League completed the season with a trophy shoot and banquet on Saturday, March 12. There were 32 shooters in the league, including three juniors. High gun average for the season was Howie Parmelee, who was presented shotgun shells and a plaque. Class winners and runner-ups were: (Class A) Tom Walter and Bob McAllister; (Class B) Jim Woodhams and Charlie Kline; (Class C) John Kuipers and Terry Davis; (Class D) George Kuipers and Chan Vandoran. They were awarded shotgun shells for prizes. Junior shooters Darren Kuipers, Alyson Kuipers, and Cody Vandoran also received shotgun shells, along with shoot tickets from the club for the summer season, and plaques. We thank all the shooters in the league for their help throughout the season. The league and banquet were enjoyed by all and everyone is looking forward to the Summer Singles Trap League. The summer league schedule follows.

## FROM THE RIFLE RANGE: (Charlie Meyer)

Things are getting ready to start up at the rifle range, now that the snow is melting off. Dates for the upcoming shoots, not only for the Rimfire and Centerfire matches, and the CMP matches can be found online. This year we are looking to see more of the Defensive

Pistol Shoots on the pistol range. Dates for these, too, can be found online. Defensive Pistol shoots involve drawing from a holster and engaging multiple targets while on the move and under time. Penalties are assessed for missing targets entirely, or accidentally hitting NO-SHOOT targets. Each stage is different and challenging. Some stages even involve moving targets.

The CMP Matches will continue this year, shooting a rifle with iron sights in the prone, sitting and standing positions out to 200 yards. These are the same type matches you would see at the National Matches (theCMP.org) at Camp Perry each summer. While our matches are not 'official,' they try to mirror the match regulations within reason, and give you the feel of what to expect if you were to travel out there for the Nationals, as several of us have done. There may be a few CMP Pistol shoots, which resemble the old 'bullseye' pistol matches. Those dates are TBA.

We are also hosting two Rimfire Sniper matches in August and October. Competitors will engage ¼ scale targets at random distances out to the full length of the rifle range using a rimfire rifle. Shooters MUST know how their rifle shoots and where to hold-off/adjust scope turrets for ranges from 50-200 yards. It is shot prone, bipods and back bags permitted. Two classes will be scored, one in which the distance to the target is provided to the shooter, the second in which the shooter must figure it out on their own (this is why you own a mil-dot scope!). We hope to have one moving target.

Additionally, the Rimfire match will see a new class added to the scoring. This class (meaning these shooters will be scored separately from the rest of the competitors) will be for those shooting a Ruger 10/22. The only stipulation is that the rifle be constructed from a 'stock' Ruger receiver. No modifications can be made to the receiver itself, but aftermarket barrels, triggers, stocks etc.... are permitted (there are a few accurizing tricks involving extensive (and very expensive) work to the receiver that will not be permitted, in the interest of keeping the competition fair).

For those that use the rifle and pistol ranges, we ask that you please return the target backers to the covered areas, and not leave them out in the weather. They are just rotting away out there, and are an expense to the club. Usually you can find them stacked up on one of the picnic benches.

Hope to see you out there!

Competition is really heating up on both center fire and rim fire shoots. Last year there were good scores but this year there have been quite a few perfect 200 scores with 40x's. The CMP Shoots have been well received and the scores have been great. If you haven't seen the rifle range or pistol range lately, come see what a great field we have. Everyone who shoots here from other clubs and Penn, rave about how nice it is. For future scheduled events, check the calendar in the club house.

## FROM THE PISTOL RANGE part 1: (Dave Johnson)

We had our first NRA BASIC PISTOL COURSE the weekend of March 19 and 20, and it seems to have been a big success. Everyone seemed intense on learning all the facets of owning a pistol. There was coverage from safety, different kinds of pistols and their

operation, gripping the pistol, making sure that the ammo matched the caliber of the pistol, how to aim, fire and even clean the pistols. There was a great deal of classroom preparation before the actual firing of different types of pistols. Everyone seemed to come away with a lot more knowledge, confidence, respect, and feeling secure around handguns. If there is enough interest, we will have another 8 hour class on the weekend of June 10 and 11. –Friday 6/10 from 5:30-9:30 pm and Sat.6/11 from 9:00am to 2:00pm.

If anyone is interested in taking the class contact: Brian Dermody at BDermody10@gmail.com or 585 752 3241, You won't be sorry!

## FROM THE PISTOL RANGE part 2: (Steve Leven)

### Defensive Pistol Match

Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday August 21<sup>st</sup>  
Saturday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Saturday October 15<sup>th</sup>

The style of competition is similar to IDPA matches but the regulations are not as strict (other than safety, **safety is our top priority**). This match is open to members and non-members.

There will be a safety briefing at **9:15 am** at the pistol range, if you plan on participating, make sure to be at the range prior to 9:15am. **The match will start at 9:30 sharp.** Depending on the number of participants, the match should be completed no later than noon.

What equipment is needed:

1. Eye and ear protection
2. A pistol, in good working order, semi-automatic or revolver, 9mm or above in caliber
3. An outside the waist band holster
4. 2-3 magazines or speed loaders
5. 60-80 rounds of appropriate ammunition **NO MAGNUM OR +P LOADS**
6. Magazine or speedloader pouches/holders (*optional but recommended*)

The entry fee is \$10 per person.

There will be prizes for the top shooter, supplied by Hyperion Arms and Ammo and OGSAMMUNTION.COM

Contact Steve Leven for more info or to sign up in advance.

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