

# SOUTHPORT MASTERS

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, INC.

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BULLET'N



May 2016



## A message from the President

- Tom Becker -

Welcome new members:

**Alaina Schmidt, Denny Quella,  
Ed Hollis, Bill Fumo**

Dear Southport Members,

June 14th, at 7:00PM, is our annual Election Meeting. All four elected club officers are subject to challenge each year and I encourage all members to take a turn at running the club.

I have been serving as club president for nearly 10 years. Although I have no intention of leaving the club, it seems appropriate that I pass along the gavel to another member. Throughout my tenure, we have been fortunate to have a very dedicated slate of officers and chairmen working together to keep the club viable. To them, I extend my sincere thanks for making my job easier. I will help to make the change seamless and may continue to serve as communications chair, if so appointed.

The president's job is certainly not difficult, but does require presiding at all club meetings and a dedicated execution of the club bylaws and policies, all in the interest of maintaining the club as intended by its founders. So, if you'd like to take on this responsibility for a year or two, or would like to nominate another member for consideration by the membership, please attend the June 14th meeting and participate in the election. A brief description of the officer responsibilities is provided on page 3 for consideration by everyone with at least one year's membership longevity.

Todd Ogren, Maintenance Chairman, will be working through a list of projects slated for this summer. Dues credits will apply to those members who volunteer to help. Be sure to say "yes" when Todd calls. The range will be closed during certain of the summer maintenance activities, so keep an eye on the website calendar to avoid conflicts.

A new tenant has rented the house next door. We are very fortunate to have Tony Del Frate serving as Rental Property Chairman. Tony competently managed showing the house and interviewing candidate tenants. During this transition period, he also replaced carpeting, and the water heater, sump pump and dehumidifier after cleaning up a flooded basement. He performed related plumbing, cleaning and maintenance activities almost singlehandedly. Thanks also to Jim Conte who did the lawn at least once and Ken Normandy who worked on electrical updates. Five windows have been professionally replaced and the property is again on the plus side of the balance sheet.

Bill Means has indicated that he would facilitate an air pistol league during the Fall/Winter season if the membership shows sufficient interest. Please give Bill a call if you have any questions or suggestions. (262) 697-1672.

Arlie Tucker, club member, would like to setup a morning pistol league throughout the year. Anyone interested is invited to give him a call to set up a weekly schedule. (847) 902-1890.

**Wishing you a great summer!**

**Tom**

## WISCONSIN INDOOR PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP



**Jennifer & Dale Milkus, Scott Lauder and Tom Becker at the Wisconsin Indoor Pistol Championships in Beloit**

Jennifer was High Wisconsin Woman with 1363-5X. She outscored your club president, and without remorse, wrote “Good shooting... Fun times were had by all.” (And she is right)! ☺

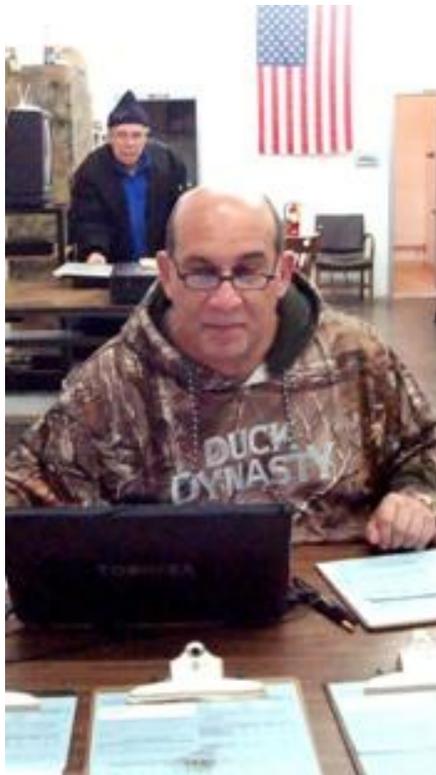
Other Southport representatives included Haig Derdarian who took 1st place in Expert class with 1648-48X, Ron Wolflick Expert with 1635-35X and Dora Potekin, Sharp Shooter, took High Woman, with 1578-18X.

## ILLINOIS PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP



Club member Dan Gutknecht took top honors in the Illinois Pistol Championship this Spring with a fantastic 1724-36X. Even with a malfunctioning 45, club Membership Co-chair, Dora Potekin was High Woman with a 1400-19X.

## A TRIBUTE TO NICK KASEMEOTES, PISTOL EVENT CHAIRMAN, AND JON NORTEMAN, NRA CERTIFIED REFEREE.



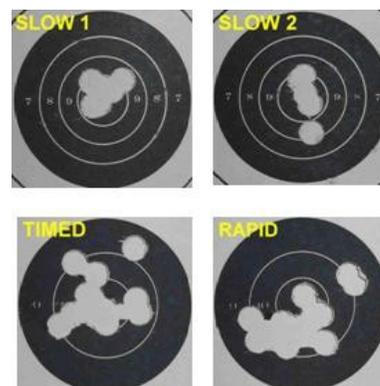
Many thanks to these dedicated shooting sportsmen. Nick, Southport Match Director (in front), has coordinated and operated our annual Octoberfest, NRA Sectionals, as well as the Wisconsin State Indoor Pistol Championships for the last few years. Jon, (behind) a representative of the Beloit Rifle Club, has served Southport for at least the last 25 years. Both provide the management skills required to consistently offer well-organized and successful competitive events.



## CHRIS JOHNSON FIRST 300 GALLERY WITH 45ACP



Chris Johnson, High Master, shot his first Centerfire 300 NMC (Gallery) during the Sunday afternoon relay of the 2016 Winter League.



After a 2-year sabbatical from complete shooting, Chris has come back to the sport with the same enthusiasm and skill as ever. Having no hesitation to share his knowledge with others, he continues to provide Bullseye clinics at the club. Congratulations Chris on the “300 Centerfire Gallery” and thanks much for your contributions to the club.

## COSTCO TO PROVIDE FREE 1-DAY MEMBERSHIP TO SOUTHPORT MASTERS MEMBERS

COSTCO has offered to provide a Flyer, specific to Southport, that entitles members to a 1-day free membership that can be used during the week of June 6th thru 12th. The club secretary will forward the Flyer to us in about a week. We will each be entitled to one free day of shopping. Our members will be required to print out and bring the flyer with them to the store.

## RANGE COURTESY REMINDER

Everyone throws a shot off once in awhile. If you just happen to break the target hanger please replace it. New cardboard and the wooden sticks are on the shelf by the Ladies room and extra bolts and tools are in the bucket at the back drop. ☺

## **ELECTIONS JUNE 14, 2016 Southport Gun Club, Inc. - Officer responsibilities:**

**PRESIDENT** The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club, the Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors. He shall be a member ex officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to his office. The President will not be required to pay dues while in office.

**VICE-PRESIDENT** The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the president, in his absence, or at his request. The Vice-President will not be required to pay dues while in office.

**SECRETARY** The Secretary shall conduct all official correspondence pertaining to the preparation and forwarding of all reports required of the Club by the N.R.A. He shall notify the members of the Executive Committee, and or the Board of Directors of all meetings concerning these groups, and shall notify all members of the Club of special meetings and annual meetings. He shall keep a true record of all meetings, of the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors, and of the membership meetings. He shall have in his custody the books, and papers of the club, except the treasurers book accounts. He shall perform all other duties normally associated with his office. The Secretary will not be required to pay dues while in office.

**TREASURER** The Treasurer shall maintain the book of accounts for the Club. He shall report the financial status of the Club at regularly scheduled meetings and advise of all receivables and payables, including operating costs, investments, taxes and corporate fees. He shall perform all other duties normally associated with his office. The Treasurer will not be required to pay dues while in office.



### **Official Club Jackets**

Club Jackets are available from The "Lettering Machine" in Kenosha. You can also have the club logo embroidered onto the front or back of any shirt, vest or jacket you own for about \$35.00. **A printable order form is available on the club's website, Members Only page, password "22caliber"**

Sizes: (Small, Medium, Large, XL, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X)

Personalized: Your name can be printed on the front.

Price: Small to XL - **\$70.00** 2X - 5X **\$75.00**

### **Winter Pistol League Banquet— Sunday, May 15th**

Birchwood Grill (Hwy 50 and I94), at 6:30PM. The entire club membership is invited to attend, whether or not you shot the Fall league. Dinner is \$15.00 per plate (includes tip) for the Birchwood standard buffet.

**No reservations necessary.**

### **Mid-range target placement for safety**

Because the ballistic steel in the bullet trap is comprised of 10 separate plates, there are gaps between them. The top of these plates are located about 10 inches below the top of the trap, thus creating another sharp edge. Therefore, to protect the trap and minimize bullet splatter, it is imperative that all shots are carefully aimed at a target that is placed on the target holders. If a mid-range target holder is used, it must be positioned so that the target is located directly between the individual shooters eye and the center of a ballistic steel plate. As shown in the photo below, the target must be posted exactly centered under one of the lane numbers that are just above the trap. It must also be located at the same visual height and between the adjacent target holders at either side.



### **CCW Training Policy Reminders**

A number of members are providing firearms safety classes for concealed carry weapons training. Please remember:

- CCW programs may not interfere with member access to the range.  
**Note: NRA courses do have priority over member access.**
- All participants must sign the Release and Indemnification form.
- A \$10.00 fee is required from participants using the range for live fire exercises.
- Guns introduced to the shooting line must be unloaded and in a case. Muzzles must remain pointed down-range at all times.
- Use of ECU's (empty chamber indicators) is required.
- No shooting from in front of the yellow line.  
**Note: an adjustable-height target holder may be placed at mid-range. To minimize damage to the plywood back splash panels, please use lanes #1 and #10 for CCW exercises.**
- No "quick draw," "shooting from the hip" or "spray and pray."
- No human images or human-like silhouette targets may be posted.
- More than 5 shooters requires additional range safety officers.
- All other range restrictions and maintenance activities apply.

# Southport Rifle Team Junior's Program

Report by: Clark Curtis

Southport Rifle Team started a junior program for smallbore rifle on October 24, 2015, meeting from 8:00-11:00 on Saturday mornings. Thirteen people have participated, ranging in age from 9 to Adult, with some parents shooting alongside their children. The students are earning awards from the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program. Their accomplishments are tabulated at the right:

Sharpshooter has 9 bars that are attached to the medal to signify increasing proficiency in each of the 4 positions: prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing. Coaches are Aaron Stempeck, Dave Christenson, and team captain Jon Speck. Dave and Jon recently received NRA Level 1 Smallbore Rifle Coaching certification. Statistician Clark Curtis also supports the program. Rifles and equipment are provided for participants. For more information, contact Jon Speck at [rifleteam@southportmasters.org](mailto:rifleteam@southportmasters.org) by email.

Name	Age	Total Qualifying Targets	Highest Rating Achieved
Ausdembruch, Gabriel	12	17	Pro-Marksman
Ausdembruch, Jonah	16	19	Pro-Marksman
Hollis, Ed	Adult	6	N/A
Hollis, Isabella	12	33	Marksman First Class
Hollis, Lauren	13	33	Marksman First Class
Howe, Mike	Adult	52	Sharpshooter
Howe, Samantha	14	108	Sharpshooter Bar 1-6
McFarland, Jeremy	14	42	Sharpshooter
Miller, Becky	16	14	Pro-Marksman
Romanowski, Andy	15	75	Sharpshooter Bar 1-3
Schmidt, Alaina	Adult	143	Sharpshooter Bar 1-5 and Bar 8-9
Smith, Jayden	9	30	Marksman First Class
Smith, Jody	Adult	35	Marksman First Class



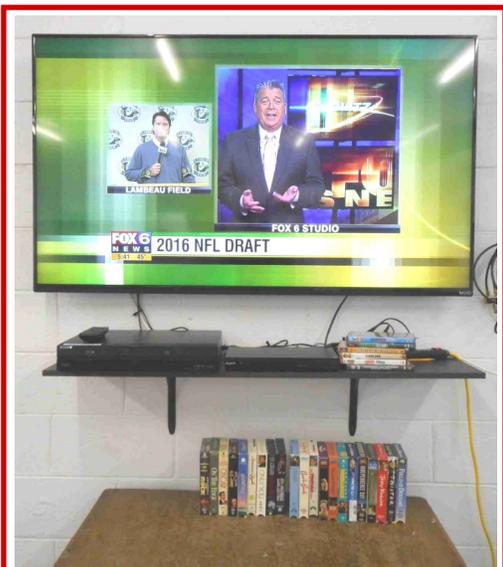
## Jon Speck and David Christenson Earn Level 1 NRA Certified Rifle Coach Credentials.

Congratulations Jon and David for attaining the Level 1 NRA Certified Rifle Coach, Credentials. Your experience will be a tremendous addition to the program in the coming years.



## Awards and Recognitions PIZZA PARTY

Juniors, Parents, spouses of rifle team members and last but not least, rifle team members, we are going to have a Junior Program and Rifle Team combined Pizza Party Thursday evening, May 26th at the Southport Gun Club range. In addition to getting together at the end of the season and celebrate, we will be awarding juniors for their progress over the course of this last season. We have a lot of awards to hand out!! Please come out and join us.



## A NICE PLACE TO VISIT

In addition to being a “good place to shoot,” we have improved the Southport clubhouse to make it a nice place to visit. A new HD T.V. has been added to facilitate instruction classes, posting of scores during matches and just plain entertainment. A new broadcast antenna was installed by Bill Bock, the T.V. was mounted by Ken Normandy and video recordings were donated by Nick Kasemeotes and others. Thanks!

A periodical (magazine) rack is also located to the right of the range door. Members are encouraged to share current issues with other members and guests by placing them in the rack. PLEASE do not take them home or “clean up” the rack until they are over six months old.

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For more information on club operations and events visit our website:

[WWW.SOUTHPORTGUNCLUB.ORG](http://WWW.SOUTHPORTGUNCLUB.ORG)



Todd Ogren has accepted the appointment of **Maintenance Chairman** for the club. Please report any maintenance needs to Todd and be sure to

respond positively when he calls for help with projects. (262) 620-6486

Southport Gun Club, Inc. is affiliated with the National Rifle Association, Wisconsin FORCE (Firearms Owners, Ranges, Clubs, and Educators) and the S.E. Wisconsin Rifle Association.

Pres. Tom Becker	(262) 694-1681
V.P. Ken Normandy	(847) 945-6669
Treas. Bill Means	(262) 697-1672
Sec. Scott Lauder	(847) 226-4519
Mem. Stephen Close	(847) 256-5134
Main. Todd Ogren	(262) 620-6486
Prop. Tony Del Frate	(262) 620-8585
M/D Nick Kasemeotes	(443) 421-5446
Rifle Capt. Jon Speck	(651) 336-4633

## HUNTER EDUCATION AND SAFETY INSTRUCTION

**Beau Bosovich**, certified Wisconsin DNR Hunter Education Instructor/trainer. For information on class schedules e-mail:

[huntereducation@southportmasters.org](mailto:huntereducation@southportmasters.org)



## FIREARMS SAFETY IS OUR FORMOST POLICY AT SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, INC.

- Legally carried personal protection weapons must remain holstered or concealed at all times.
- Uncased firearms must be unloaded with magazines removed, and slides locked back or cylinders open.
- On the range, there will be no handling of firearms while anyone is down range.
- All shooters and spectators must wear eye and ear protection on the range.



## Trevor Pack 353 Shoots BB Gun Challenge

April 19, 2016: 17 Cub Scouts from Pack 353 participated in a “BB Gun Challenge.” After a 20-minute firearms safety course, the boys were given instruction in the basic rifle shooting by Tom Becker. Each scout was issued five BB’s to be fired at each of two targets. Those shooting the highest scores were recognized by the Pack during their monthly meeting. Thanks to members Ed Delgadillo and Don Michalek who served as range safety officers.



## 2016 Summer CALENDAR

- Southport Rifle Team practice—Thursdays 6:30PM—10:00PM and Sundays 8:00AM—1:00PM

May 10	Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
May 26	Junior's Awards PIZZA PARTY at the club, 7:00PM
<b>June 14</b>	<b>Election Meeting 7:00 PM Club Officers Election</b>
June 11-12	Summer Warm-up 2700 Bullseye Tourney—BELOIT
July 12	Regular Meeting 7:00PM
August 9	Regular Meeting 7:00PM
August 27-28	Wis. Outdoor Pistol Championships—BELOIT
September 13	Regular Meeting 7:00PM

See *Southport website for Summer maintenance and training activities*. At [www.southportgunclub.org](http://www.southportgunclub.org) "Events Calendar" link.

**Wisconsin-FORCE** "Wisconsin Firearms Owners, Ranges, Clubs and Educators" is our State link to the NRA. It is are also our political link to the State Legislature. Consider joining Wisconsin-FORCE to support our gun rights and sporting activities. Visit [www.wiscosinforce.org](http://www.wiscosinforce.org) for details.

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## Years

### 1954-2016



## SOUTHPORT MASTERS Southport Gun Club, Inc.

### Serving the local community:

Firearms & Home Safety Instruction  
Wisconsin Hunter Education  
NRA Sanctioned Indoor Pistol and Rimfire Rifle Competitions  
Indoor Pistol and Rifle Leagues  
Small Bore Rifle Juniors' Program  
4-H Shooting Sports Program  
Union Grove Pistol Team through Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation  
Boy Scout Merit Badge  
Cub Scout BB-Gun Challenge

## HUNTER EDUCATION

The Hunter Education Team (Beau Bosovich, Jerry Buhnerkempe and Tom Brodsko) will offer two Hunter Education Classes in the fall of 2016. Starting on October 1st, the first group of students will start at 9:00 a.m., and the second group will started at 12 noon. The course objectives are to reduce the potential for hunting accidents and to reduce the potential for conflict between hunters, landowners and others using the natural resources as well as to promote safe, responsible and ethical use of the environment during the hunting seasons. The Hunter Education graduates receive a certificate that is accepted in all 50 states, as well as in the countries of Canada and Mexico. Please see our club's website, and go to "Community Service" and click Hunter Safety. Check out the "Events Calendar" for October 2016 for the dates and times. Any questions, please email Beau.

[huntereducation@southportmasters.org](mailto:huntereducation@southportmasters.org)

## Website Features

Members are encouraged to frequent the club's website. We strive to keep the events calendar accurate and up to date. Certain maintenance, training or shooting events will preempt member access to the range.

Renew your own NRA membership or promote acquaintances to join or renew on our website. Go to [www.southportgunclub.org](http://www.southportgunclub.org) home page and simply click on the "Join NRA" eagle and you'll be linked to our sign-up page.

Have something to sell, or interested in buying, refer to our Members Only page for the "Sell or Swap" service. To post items for sale, contact the club webmaster: [secretart@southportgunclub.org](mailto:secretart@southportgunclub.org) You'll also find recent meeting minutes, club newsletters, and inside details about the club. Password is "22caliber".



### RANGE COURTESY REMINDER

**Please clean up after yourself. Place target stands back into the storage area when done. NEVER leave the doors between the range and the office/storage areas propped open - each area has heating and ventilation systems that must be kept separate.**

Southport Gun Club, Inc. is a not-for-profit membership organization, established in 1954 to promote the shooting sports. The Club features a regulation, 10 station, indoor range with turning targets, suitable for Conventional Pistol and Small Bore Rifle shooting. Both pistol and rimfire rifle leagues, and competitions, are sponsored by the club. All members must be NRA members.