

Dear friends,

Coming into fall and another successful year is almost over. Yearly dues will be due starting in October and must be paid by January 2015. We have had a successful summer trap league and several successful rifle range shoots this year. Our annual raffle and steak roast did well. Right now the club is financially in fair shape.

I plan to retire from work and do some traveling next year so this is my last year of being club president. I wish to thank all the people that have helped me over the years to make this what I feel is the best gun club around. Over the years we have brought this club from being broke and run down to being the fine shooting establishment it now is. I will not name all the people that have helped for fear of forgetting someone but they all know whom they are. I wish to thank the other officers and board of directors for making it easy to be president by working together. I hope whomever the club chooses to be president next will keep the ball rolling.

Election will soon be here. Last year gun owners lost a lot of rights by the passage of the New York SAFE act. Please remember when you go to cast your vote who was responsible for the passage of this act and vote them out. If every gun owner in New York took the time to register and vote we could easily control how gun legislation is handled by the power of the vote.

I don't know how many club members realize it but we have a great team of hunter safety and bow hunting state trainers, I wish to thank these members whom use their own personal time to teach and promote hunting and certify hundreds of people over the years. This is one of the things that make our club one of the best.

This past year we passed a rule to let any kids who took the hunters safety courses to join the club free. We have gotten quite a few applications and new members from this. If we are to keep hunting, fishing, shooting sports, and gun rights we need to get more young people involved. If you have any ideas please feel free to bring it up at a meeting.

We hope to have a new webmaster soon who will be taking over the club web page. Thank you Bob for your years of service in the past and good luck Mark for the future.

Please try to attend meeting the forth Monday of every month at 7:00 PM. Election of officers is in December. You need to attend meetings and be active to keep our club strong.

Thank you your president,

Steve Cowley

From The Rifle Range

At the time of this newsletter we will be almost through another season.

We are averaging 14 to 18 competitors per event. [Rim Fire and Center Fire]

The scores are getting better every month. In Center Fire we are very close to a perfect score. [200-40x] In the month of Sept.2014 we had seven 200's with Dick Testa shooting [200-39x]. In the month of Aug.2014 we had two [200-38x]

In the Rim Fire we have had several 200's with a count in the mid 30's.

We have had support from several local clubs and from Pennsylvania.

I would like to thank club members and competitors for making this a successful year.

Scooter

We just wrapped up the second season of the Civilian Marksmanship Program [CMP] matches in Springwater. These CMP matches are modeled after the National Matches shot each summer at Camp Perry, Ohio [this is the organization that sells the M-1 Grand rifles to the public] These matches are shot at 200 yards, using 'as issued' military rifles. That would mean, any rifle, issued to combat troops in any military throughout recent history. And yes, that means iron sights only. Most shooters do not have an old grand, or Mauser, so at Springwater we will permit nearly any rifle with iron sights [provided it is safe to fire] in these matches.

We will shoot from prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing positions, both rapid and slow fire. Forty rounds minimum are required, plus sighters. Shooters will need at least two magazines that hold a minimum of five rounds each.

While it is common to see most competition shooters using gear such as shooting jackets and gloves, they are in the minority here. The scores are separated into different classes based upon the gear you have, it's just not fair otherwise.

On Oct. 12 we are planning on shooting a new match, called the CMP RIMFIRE match. It calls for no special gear or rifle, as a matter of fact, the special shooting gear is banned in these matches [except the mat..they are just comply]. The rifle should be a plain ole 22, right off the shelf. Scoring classes are divided into Open Sights and Telescopic Sights, and calls for 60 rounds total to shoot the match. The matches shot in such a way as to not hinder ANY shooter based upon their rifles action [semi vs. bolt vs. lever]. The targets are nearly 24" square and shot from 50 and 25 yards away. This the perfect match to get that young shooter started.

Any questions regarding these matches can be directed to me, Charlie Meyer, at

CMPspringwater@gmail.com

From The Trap Line

This past season our trap team took second place in the Livingston County League but won the 'Shoot Off' at Hol-Field. The completion was close for both. We were only beaten by a few birds in the Livingston League and it came down to many shoot-offs to determine the winners of these events by classes at the "Shoot Off"
GREAT JOB TRAP TEAM

Our Summer League ended in September with a SHOOT OFF and a banquet to follow. Awards were given to six classes [AA, A, B, C, D and Senior Vet] A special Sportsman Award was given to Bob Moore for his 40 to 50 years of promoting the shooting sports. He was always there to teach a new shooter, help a shooter in any way and always available to open the club house in Perkinsville before it was closed to give shooters a chance to 'fine-tune' their game. Many of us shooting today got advise on shooting, reloading our shells and even repairing our guns from Bob. He always cared and went out of his way for us trap shooters and still does at Springwater Rod and Gun. Top Gun Award went to Bob Wyatt with a 49 out o 50 average. Great Shooting Bob!!!!

We were very fortunate this year to purchase two sets of wireless speakers for our club. We were given a donation to start promoting the upgrade to our trap field. A motion was made to purchase a set of speakers. We liked them so much that we wanted another set and the membership voted to do so. They are much easier to maintain and much easier to handle.

Thanks to Tom and Debbie Kalcevic donating the prizes for our banquet and the success of the league, we were able to generate enough income to pay for a good share of the one set of speakers. With any luck next year we will pay for the other set.

This was a very successful year for the Summer Trap League. We had shooters from different clubs shooting with us and they enjoyed our league and our updated club house We're fortunate to have this facility!

Tom Kalcevic are George Kuipers are starting a winter league to keep the trap shooting going forward. They would like to involve any junior shooters ages 12-18 who would be interested in learning to shoot trap and how to handle themselves on the trap field.

Our club's position is that any junior shooter that makes 6 of the 8 shoots will be reimbursed for their shells and the price of the birds at the end of the league. If any member knows of any junior shooters who would like to participate please notify Tom or George.

There is all the information you need on the back page.

Thanks for a great year and were looking forward to next years Summer League!!!!

SPRINGWATER FALL & WINTER TRAP LEAGUE

Work on improving your trap skills for next season!

150 Wobble Trap Birds over 8 shoots. Make 6 of the 8 shoots.

25 birds per round. **Sign up and shoot once or twice at each shoot.**

Your highest score round of 25 for the day counts towards league score.

Two rounds per day allowable.

Saturday mornings (sign-up 10 am to noon).

Make-ups can also be done on following Wednesdays.

One shoot in each of Oct., Nov., and Dec.

Oct. 18

Nov. 8

Dec. 13

Two shoots in each of Jan., Feb., and March; to be scheduled.

Second shoot in March is the trophy shoot.

Food, refreshments, and prizes at trophy shoot.

\$5.00 per league round.

The second trap field will only be open, weather and range conditions permitting, for 16 yard practice.

See Tom or George for questions!