

SOUTHPORT MASTERS



Indoor Pistol and Rimfire Rifle Range

NRA GOLD MEDAL CLUB

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, INC.

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(262) 694-9939

www.southportgunclub.org

BULLETIN



Fall 2017



A message from the President

Scott Lauder

Hi Southport Members,

Thank you for your confidence in the club's officers. The membership re-elected all of the current officers for another year's term. Our officers are: Scott Lauder, President; Ken Normandy, Vice President; Bill Means, Treasurer; and Jon Speck, Secretary. We also have an excellent cohort of directors and chairpersons who help do the vital work behind the scenes. These are: Steve Close, Membership Co-Chair; Dora Potekin, Match Director; Tom Becker, Communications Chair; Jim Conti, Maintenance Chair; Tony DelFrate, Rental Property Chair; and Beau Bosovich, Hunter Education Director. Bill Means has agreed to continue serve as Pistol League Director in addition to his duties as Treasurer and Jon Speck will continue as Rifle Team Captain as well as Secretary. These men and women are the key to making the club run smoothly.

This year's Fall .22 Caliber League will be 90 rounds in the Sectional course of fire, with a slow fire match, a timed fire match, a rapid fire match and a gallery match. The flyer is posted on the website. Sign-up for the league is the week of September 10th. Once again this year we will be offering an Air Pistol league, which will run from September 2017 through April 2018. Remember all leagues are open to the public; please encourage friends, family and potential new members to join.

*For the third year in a row, we have been designated as an **NRA Gold Medal Club**. Our thanks go out to Tom Becker for completing the application and compiling the documents for this distinction. In order to continue our Gold Medal status and to keep liability insurance up-to-date and as low as possible, we must all maintain and verify our NRA membership. We will be once again asking everyone to verify their membership in January 2018. At the August 2017 meeting we passed a modification to the validation requirement: Starting in 2018, Life Members must verify only once, all non-Life Members must verify annually. Life Members who validated in January 2017, will not be asked to validate moving forward. If you become a Life Member since the January validation process, please send a copy of your membership card to Steve Close. Please help our membership director, Steve Close, when he contacts you for verification.*

Dora and Jon are again coordinating our Annual Oktoberfest Match and Sporter Rifle Match. These will occur the weekend of October 27, 28, and 29th. These are fun events sponsored by Southport Masters. Sign-up and come enjoy some fine shooting with other club members and the general shooting community.

*Information about these and all of the Southport activities is available on our website and the Members Only Page. The password is: **50FootRange** Check out the website calendar for an up-to-date look at Southport activities and range closings.*

We are looking forward to an enjoyable and safe indoor shooting season. I look forward to seeing you on the range...

-Scott

Welcome new members:

Fawng and Shawn Walrath

ATTENTION MEMBERS MAINTENANCE PARTY Sat. August 26, 8:00AM

All members are invited to assist with the annual maintenance party. This is an opportunity to make good on your promise to help out at the club, earn dues credits and keep the properties safe and presentable. Please bring your garden gloves, chain saws and bush trimmers.

"OCTOBERFEST" INDOOR PISTOL 1800

October 27-28, 2017

Relays: Friday 6:00 PM
Sat. 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM

Fee: \$35.00

Contact: Dora Potekan

matchdirector@southportmasters.org

Please include your Name, classification, phone number, and relay desired.

"SQUIRREL GUN"

**22 Cal. Sporter Rifle Match
INDOOR SMALLBORE**

Sunday Morning, October 29, 2017

Relays: 9:00 AM, 10:30AM

This 'FUN SHOOT' course of fire
to be determined...

Fee: \$15.00

Contact: Jon Speck

(651) 336-4633

Southport Gun Club, Inc. is a private not-for-profit membership organization, established in 1954 to promote the shooting sports. The Club features a regulation 50-foot, 10-lane, indoor range with turning targets, suitable for Precision Pistol and Small Bore Rifle shooting. Firearm safety training and competitive leagues and competitions are sponsored by the club. All members must also be NRA members.

Smallbore Rifle Report

By Clark Curtis



Dave Christenson Shoots Perfect Score

Southport Members at the Small bore National Championships

Southport rifle team members **David Christenson** and **Jon Speck** competed in the Smallbore Conventional Prone National Championship, a grueling 4 day match with 4800 possible points. **Dave** scored 4766-288x and **Jon** scored 4675-193x. Dave won 1st Expert in the following 2 matches: Any Sight Dewar Day 1 and Any Sight 100 Yard Day 1. Dave won 2nd Expert in the following 2 matches: Any Sight 50 Meter Day 2 and Any Sight 100 Yard Day 2. **Dave** also was the highest scoring Expert in the following 2 matches: Any Sight Day 2 Aggregate and Any Sight Aggregate (both days). **Dave even beat Olympic shooter Michael McPhail in one match with a perfect 400!**

Southport Members at the Wisconsin State Outdoor Smallbore Championship

Southport rifle team members **David Christenson**, **Jon Speck**, and **Clark Curtis** competed in the Wisconsin Smallbore Outdoor 3-Position State Championship on August 12, with 1200 possible points. Match winner was Paula Lambert, from Illinois, with 1092 points. Wisconsin champion was Wayne Parrell with 1089 points. **Dave** was the second highest Wisconsin shooter with 1075 points. **Jon** scored 955 points, and **Clark** scored 862.

Midrange High Power Match at Racine County Line

by Jon Speck

Dave Christenson won the 600 yard match with a 1580-75x score. Dan Stone took 2nd place with a score of 1579-75x. "Very close competition!"

Congratulations to Dave and his rifle shooting teammates.



Winter Centerfire Pistol League Top Shooters

by Dr. William Means

Thirty-five shooters participated in the Winter CF league. 14 shot centerfire and rimfire galleries with 21 shooting rimfire galleries only. **Dan Gutknecht** took "Top Gun" with a 6714-145x aggregate score, 2nd place went to **Ed Delgadillo** with 6611-115x and 3rd to **Dora Potekin** with 6477-197, all shooting CF and RF pistols. **Scott Torola** took 1st place with 6585-091x, 2nd to **Tom Charlton** with 6438-134x and 3rd to **Rob Scheuneman** with 6349-64x shooting rimfire only.

Hunter Education Fall 2017 Classes Set

The Southport Masters Hunter Education Team will have two Hunter Education Classes this Fall. Class One sessions will be held on October 14th, 15th and 22nd. Class Two sessions will be held on November 4th, 5th and 11th. For information and enrollment email Beau Bosovich at:

HunterEducation@southportmasters.org

Air Pistol League

With the success of last years .177 cal. air pistol league, Bill Means has agreed to facilitate it again for the 2017-18 indoor season. Running during the entire Fall/Winter indoor season, members may sign up at the club. In addition to being a great way to improve your own scores, this is a great opportunity to get younger shooters started in competitive pistol sports.

The course of fire will be 5 shots at each of two NRA B-40, "10 Meter Air Pistol Target" every 2 weeks. Iron sights only! Targets are to be turned in on the 1st and 15th of each month beginning September 15th, self-scored with shooters name.

This league may be shot at the club or at home. At the range, targets are posted at 10 meters distance. Target holders are hung from the ceiling and the bullet trap plywood panels are opened to prevent pellets from bouncing back. At home, a simple 22 caliber steel trap, or a cardboard box filled with newspapers is appropriate. Most basements will provide a 10 meter (33 foot) distance to comply.

The fee will be \$5.00 to cover the cost of targets and awards.

A Daisy Model 777 single shot pump air pistol was standard competitive equipment in years past. Avanti is still offering the Model 714 and 747 which are similar. The Gamo Compact Target looks promising and if you're on a budget, the Beeman Model P17 should get you started. Similar air pistols can be found on the internet both used and new. Check out: www.airgundepot.com/competition-air-pistols.html

Please give Bill a call if you have any questions or suggestions. (262) 697-1672.

Looking for .22 cal. rimfire ammo?

This year, the Fall rimfire league will be back up to 90 rounds per week, simulating the NRA Sectional course of fire. Although the selections are still somewhat limited, a good supply of .22 ammo can be found at Durham's in Regency Mall in Racine. Dick's Sporting Goods also has a selection of HV and target ammo on the shelf. Although a brick of CCI target velocity is now going for about \$45.00, you can find 100 round boxes for less if you keep any eye out for the specials. HV 22's are also back on the shelves by the bucket!

So, if you've been skipping the leagues because of the recent shortage of ammo, please consider getting back to the range and support your local gun club!

Bill Means - Outstanding Service Award

Dr. William Means joined the club in the Fall of 1997. He came with a background that included: NRA Endowment Life Member, Camp Perry Coach for 20 years, helped write NRA safety program for training manuals still in use today, and NRA Counselor credentials for certifying NRA training instructors.

As a Southport member Bill has been active in all areas of club activities: offered and conducted numerous training sessions, providing Pistol, Rifle, Firearms Safety and Home Defense certified instructor credentials to club members, conducted Range Safety Officer sessions, assisted the Hunter Education program, participated in construction updates to the club's rental property in 2004, participated in construction update of the heating/ventilating system, participated in Cub Scout BB-Gun Challenge events and regularly participated in club maintenance parties.

Bill has served the club in a profession manner as an officer for 18 years to date: served as club Vice-President in Fall the 1999 to fill the vacant position, subsequently elected to office of Vice-President in June of 2000, elected as club Treasurer in May 2003, handles all aspects of club finances, including insurance, taxes, banking, income and expenditures, provides detailed financial reports at regular monthly meetings, collected historical documents on the club and re-established Wisconsin corporate status for the club, secured legal assistance to insure proper liability coverage, reporting and policies were in place to protect the club, 2003, accepted responsibilities of Pistol League Chairman in 2004, continuing to today, provided scheduling, scoring, reporting, banquet reservations, trophies and materials requisition single handedly for both Fall and Winter pistol leagues, promoted Southport Pistol Leagues in "Shooting Sports" periodical schedules, directed the revision and update of the club's By-Laws which were approved by the club officers in 2005, secured CMP (Civilian Marksmanship Program) membership for the club, researched legal guidance on establishing Federal "Not for Profit" status, regularly represents Southport at FNRA (Friends of the National Rifle Association) banquet/fundraisers.

The executive committee was pleased to recognize Bill's contributions to Southport Masters as his name is added to the Tom Becker Outstanding Service Award plaque at the June 2017 annual election meeting. Congratulations Bill for a well-earned accolade and for setting the highest of example to the membership.



RACINE/KENOSHA FRIENDS OF NRA BANQUET SPECIAL

Reserve your dinner seat (\$50.00) and raffle tickets (\$100.00 for \$220.00 worth of tickets) at the Southport Masters table(s). Contact: Bill Means, (262) 697-1672, by Sept. 12, 2017.

INFO: www.FriendsofNRA.org/WI

Join us and fellow PATRIOTS for the

12TH ANNUAL FRIENDS OF NRA

FUND-RAISING BANQUET

Friday, September 29th 2017

5:00PM Doors Open

Location: *Fountain* BANQUET HALL
FINEST PLACE TO GATHER & CELEBRATE
8505 Durand Ave., Sturtevant, WI

Tickets: \$50 per person **LIMITED SEATING!!**

RAFFLE PACK SPECIALS

\$200.00 worth for \$100.00 or

\$800.00 worth for \$350.00 or

Raffle Pack Specials expire September 25
(See Page 2 for Order Form and Contact Information)

As a 501 C(3) charitable organization, donations are tax deductible as to IRS Code and 100% of net proceeds fund public benefit programs such as firearm safety, Hunter Education, Eddie Eagle®, Women on Target®, Boy Scouts of America, High School Trap Teams, Shooting Range Development, and MUCH more!

1st NOTICE 2018 TO ALL SOUTHPORT MEMBERS: NRA Membership is Required to Maintain Southport Membership

According to the club's bylaws, all members must also be NRA members. All new members must provide their NRA number prior to acceptance into the club. To maintain our status as an NRA Gold Medal Club, we must also insure that club members remain NRA members; therefore, except for NRA Life Members, we must all validate NRA membership in January of each year.

Methods of Compliance:

Submit or photo copy the mailing label from your current NRA Magazine. Mail it to Stephen Close, 639 Ivy Court, Kenilworth, IL 60043, or e-mail to stephen.close@sbcglobal.net or bring it to the January club meeting.

The electronic access key for any member who does not comply by the end of February will be disabled. Subsequently, after validation, keys will be turned back on at the next regular meeting. Dues will not be recoverable for the time an individual key is shut down.

If you carry concealed, you may want to check out the new NRA-sponsored insurance program.

A 3-day EXPO in Milwaukee, WI August 25-27, 2017– is being offered to detail the program. <https://www.nracarryguardexpo.com/> Get your FREE "AFTERMATH" guide and learn what to do after you pull the trigger. 1-866-NRA-5050



SOUTHPORT MASTERS “A Good Place to Shoot”

For more information visit www.southportgunclub.org



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 is 50FootRange**

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

Personalized: Your name can be embroidered on the front.

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



HUNTER EDUCATION AND SAFETY INSTRUCTION

Beau Bosovich,
certified Wisconsin DNR
Hunter Education

Instructor/trainer. For information on class schedules e-mail:
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 actions 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.

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CCW Training Policy Reminders

A number of members are providing firearms safety classes for concealed carry weapons training. Any member providing training for personal monetary gain must carry the NRA \$1M liability insurance with Southport Gun Club, Inc., named as also insured.

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 maintenance donation is asked for live fire exercises.
- Guns to be introduced to the shooting line must be brought in unloaded and in a case. Muzzles must remain pointed down-range at all times.
- Use of ECU's (empty chamber indicators) is required.
- All shooting on this range must be done from behind the yellow line.
Note: an adjustable-height target holder may be placed between the yellow line and the bullet trap. 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.

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. 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. **TO AVOID INJURY FROM BULLET SPLATTER, ALL SHOOTING MUST BE DONE FROM BEHIND THE YELLOW LINE!**

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 at the right, 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 (or lower) than the target holders either side of the adjacent lanes.



Jim Conti

Maintenance Chairman

Please report any maintenance issues to Jim and respond positively when he calls for help with projects.

(262) 770-5415



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.

President Scott Lauder	(847) 226-4519
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Secretary Jon Speck	(651) 336-4633
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Property Tony DelFrate	(262) 620-8585
M/D Dora Potekin	(847) 266-0064
Rifle Captain Jon Speck	(651) 336-4633
Comm. Tom Becker	(262) 694-1681



2017 Fall CALENDAR

- Southport Rifle Team practice—Thursdays 6:30PM—10:00PM and Sun-days 8:00AM—1:00PM
- Union Grove Shooting Team uses the range November—April on Fridays 4:30PM—6:30PM

August 26 Annual Maintenance Party - 8:00AM to Noon
August 27 St. Anthony Men's Club 12:30PM - 5:00PM (Range Closed)
August 26-27 Wis. Outdoor Pistol Championships - BELOIT
Sept 4-10 Fall 22 Cal. Pistol League sign-up and practice week.
Sept 12 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
Sept 29 Oktoberfest Pistol 1800 (90 round 22, 90 rounds CF)
Sept 30 Rimfire Sporting Rifle "Squirrel Shoot."
Oct 10 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
Oct 12 Rimfire Rifle League begins Thursdays 6:30PM
Oct 14, Nov 4, 11 WI. HUNTER ED. - 8:00AM - 4:00PM (RANGE CLOSED)
Nov 14 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
Dec 12 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
Jan 9, 2018 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM
Jan 14, 2018 Pistol League Banquet - 6:30PM Burchwood Inn
Jan 26-28 NRA Pistol Sectional - Relays to be announced.

See southportgunclub.org for maintenance and training schedules.



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Serving the local community:

Firearms & Home Safety Instruction
 Wisconsin DNR 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

Attention MEMBERS

An updated "Members Manual" has been posted on the club's web-site, MEMBERS ONLY page. Password "50FootRange." Changes include details on the annual NRA membership validation rules.

The manual also includes information on the required liability insurance for anyone who is providing firearms training at the club for personal profit.

HOUSE FOR RENT

The club's rental property next door is vacant. Anyone interested in a two bedroom, central air, full basement house with a 1-car garage at \$900/month should contact Tony DelFrate, (262) 620-8585



7327-75th Street
Kenosha, WI

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

Ruger Model MARK IV Safety Recall



The firearm may discharge if the safety lever is not correctly utilized. Owners should go to Ruger.com/MarkIVRecall and follow the detailed instructions. For recall verification and further instructions visit Ruger.com.

Fall 22 Cal. Rimfire

Pistol League

90 rounds

(Sectional Format)

13 weeks

Registration and Practice

Week of Sept. 4, 2017

Members & Family \$35.00

Non-member

\$100.00

Bring a friend!

Sign up at the club
or contact

Bill Means

(262) 697-1672

leaguedirector@southportmasters.org



22 Cal. Rifle League

Four Position Exercise



New
Shooters
Welcome

18 matches—Thursdays

Practice starts Oct 12, 2017
6:30 PM (Matches start 7:30PM)

Southport members \$5.00/match

Non-members \$7.00/match

Contact:

Jon Speck, (651) 336-4633