





## The Newsletter of Southport Masters

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#### 2022-2023 Officers

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#### **2022-2023 Directors**

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Pistol League - Bill Means Rental Property – Tont Delfrate Smallbore Rifle – Jon Speck Webmaster - Jon Speck





## Greetings Valued Club Members,

Baby it's COLD outside!!....but refreshing!

The club has been very busy since January 1st 2022. Hosting four successful tournaments in total. (rifle and pistol). Though participant numbers have been down (insert reason why here)...they have been profitable, and continue to form great fellowship amongst our shooters.

The Executive Board members and Committee members have been very engaged in their volunteer responsibilities. Our club should be very proud of their selfless service....I KNOW I AM!.

WE NEED YOUR VOLUNTEERSHIP. We are looking for cleaning crew team members, range safety officers (during tournaments) and general volunteerism.

MAINTENANCE: Please help to us make our club facilities even better. Whether it is garbage removal, target gate repairs, or other general maintenance needs...please be helpful and considerate of our club space and our fellow members.

Should you see a repair need (that you cannot do yourself)...please let someone on our committee know so it can be resolved. Please step up! RENTAL: With great volunteer support....the rental remodeling was a great success and we have a very happy tenant. You should know

- the club invested \$10K in remodeling, never looked better....with NO COSTS to any member, and NO RAISE in membership fees.
- ASPHALT: With time and patience (BY ALL)....the asphalt parking lot (and rental drive) are complete....and look great. You should know the club invested \$28.8K in new construction....with NO COSTS to any member, and NO RAISE in membership fees.

Again, with careful monitoring of our club funds over these past few years by Bill Means (Club Treasurer) and our Executive Board....we have been able to complete these projects ALL CASH, NO ADDED DEBT. Unfortunately, our current cash reserves are low; but we will continue to save (rental payments, membership dues – less operational costs) for that 'next project' to better our club facility.

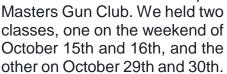
Going into the 2023 season, the club is looking for ways to RECRUIT new members. TIMES ARE A CHANGING!! With approval of the board, we formed a marketing sub-committee to recruit new members based on our current foundation of our clubs mission statement. We will allow this to move forward with promotions, etc...and monitor its success. Should we continue to have recruitment challenges....we will need to think about an ADAPT, IMPROVISE and OVERCOME methodology. What does that mean? Well, attend our monthly meetings to find out. We need to hear your valuable thoughts. See you soon!!

As Christmas approaches....I would like to say on behalf of our Executive Board and Committee....THANK YOU for your membership, for respecting our club By-Laws and continued care of facility usage. ALWAYS....SAFETY FIRST! We wish you a SAFE and ENJOYABLE Holiday Season!

## The Hunter Education



Team had another successful year in teaching our Hunter Education Program here at Southport





Between the two classes, we had 41 graduates earning their Hunter Education Certifications. They now can hunt in all 50 states, Canada and Mexico, and in several European countries along with opportunities to hunt in Africa and Asia. I would like to thank Jon Speck and Kurt Christiansen for their expertise and teaching abilities in making our program such a success.

Beau Bosovich, Director Hunter Education Programs

# Southport Rifle Team

The Southport rifle team started the 2022-2023 Southwestern Wisconsin Rifle League Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. The team competes against teams from Darlington, Black Earth and Belmont, WI.

Dylan Gregory, one of the advanced juniors, officially committed to being part of The Ohio State University Rifle team. He's a senior in high school and will be attending OSU the fall of



2023. Emme Walrath, an advanced Southport junior, earned her spot on the National Futures team after placing third (bronze) in Junior Women's Air Rifle at the 2022 National Championships.

#### https://usashooting.org/athlete/emme-walrath/

Emme was then selected to represent the USA at the ISSF World Championships Rifle/Pistol championships held in Cairo, Egypt. She finished the qualifying match with a 628.3 and earned a spot in the finals, the only US woman in the junior women air rifle finals. She finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the finals.

Members (*Emme Walrath*, *Dylan Gregory*, *Steve Thurmond*, *and Jon Speck*) of the Southport rifle team will be participating in the 2023 Nat Rifle League shooting air rifle. The Course of fire is 40 shots Standing on .177 air rifle, on the AR-5/10 target at 33'.



Great job to Emme Walrath on her 6th place finish in JR Women's Air Rifle at the 2022 World Championship! #USASWorlds #TeamUSA



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# CenterFire Pistol League – Winter 2022

The Southport Winter Precision Pistol (aka Bullsye) league was January to April 2022 for 13 weeks. Course of Fire was one National Match Course with a .22 and one National Match Course with a centerfire pistol for a total of 60 shots. Nine Shooters chose to shoot each phase with a .22 pistol. Ten shooters shot the first stage with a .22 and the second stage with a choice of a centerfire pistol. Centerfire pistols used included: 9mm, .32, .38, or .45 caliber.

High highest score for each match in each stage is used to determine ranking and awards to recipients. For awards, the shooters were grouped by .22 only, and .22 and centerfire. Individua ranking was made for each of the individual matches: 10 shots in slow fire (10 minutes), 10 shots in time fire (2 strings of 5 shots in 10 seconds), and 10 shots in rapid fire (2 strings of 5 shots in 10 seconds). Aggregate total matches were made in each stage. Total League Aggregate Winners were:

	Centerfire	.2 <mark>2</mark> Caliber On <mark>ly</mark>	
00	1st Place Gurol Yomut	6649-129x Rob Schueneman	6305-
88x 51x	2nd Place Ed Delgadillo	6495-103x Kendall Kreibich	5991-
52v	3rd Place Dan Gutknecht	6483-100x Jason Ruch	5965-

## **Perfect 100 point matches were shot by Gurol**

#### Yomut:

 Match 2 – 22 Time Fire
 100-10x on 3-15-22

 Match 6 – CF Time Fire
 100-5x on 3-01-22

At the end of the season a banquet was held at Birchwood Grill to recognize shooters and individual match winners.

Non-members of Southport can compete in the League with and additional nightly guest fees added to the base registration. Base registration fee included targets, banquet, and any awards earned.

## .22 Pistol League - Fall 2022

The Fall .22 Precision Pistol (Bullseyes League got underway on September 13, 2022. This fall shooters participate in relays on Monday and Tuesday evenings, and Sunday at 5:00 p.m. Course of Fire is:

Slow Fire -2 -matches of 10 Shots in 10 minutes

Time Fire -2 - matches comprised each of 2 strings of 5 shots in 20 seconds

Rapid Fire -2 – matches comprised each of 2 strings of 5 shots in 10 seconds.

#### **National Match Course**

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Time Fire – 2 strings of 5 shots in 20 seconds each Rapid Fire – 2 strings of 5 shots in 10 seconds each

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This fall league registration includes entry in the NRA .22 Sectional Match in January. The Course of Fire for the Sectional is the same as fired for the Fall .22 League Non-members of Southport can compete in the League with and additional nightly guest fees added to the base registration. Base registration fee included targets, banquet, and any awards earned.

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## SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB WINTER 2023 .22 CALIBER & CENTERFIRE BULLSEYE PISTOL LEAGUE

COURSE OF FIRE - 60 Rounds per week for 12 weeks Stage 1 - .22 Caliber Stage 2 - Centerfire .32, .38, .45 (or .22)

10 shots slow fire 10 shots slow fire 10 shots timed fire 10 shots timed fire 10 shots rapid fire 10 shots rapid fire

#### **RELAY TIMES**

Monday 6:15 pm & 7:30 pm Tuesday 6:30 pm & 8:00 pm

(2nd Tuesday of Month will fire at 5:30 pm)

Sunday 5:00 pm (Possible alternative day & time.)

Maximum of 10 shooters per relay. Last year's participants have priority to pick the same relay and lane as last year.

#### ENTRY FEES

Member of Southport Gun Club \$40.00

Non-Member of Southport Gun Club \$40.00 + \$65 Range

Fee = \$105.00

(Non-member will receive \$50 credit toward initiation fee if joins Southport Gun Club within one year.)

Entry fees includes:

Range time Targets & Trophies Banquet

#### **BULLSEYE PISTOL LEAGUE**

Practice Week January 8 – 10 (Register & Targets 1-9, 1-10)

Saturday, January 21 NRA .22 Sectional Match

Sunday January 22, 6:00 PM Fall League Banquet at Birchwood Grill

## For Those Illinois Folks with a CCL

This message was sent to my roommate and I though id pass it along...

This message is to notify you that, after reviewing our records, we believe you possess separate Firearm Owner's Identification (FOID) and Concealed Carry License (CCL) cards. All who receive this message should have valid FOIDs. As a result of P.A. 102-237, individuals with a valid Concealed Carry License had their FOID expiration date extended to match the expiration of their CCL or their FOID automatically renewed along with their CCL renewal. Regardless, some of you may possess a FOID that – although valid – appears expired on its face. We understand the uncertainty this can cause.

Therefore, we are beginning to distribute replacement combined FOID/CCL cards. Expect to see yours in the coming days. We hope you will find this helpful. Note that this new, single, combination card is not a renewal, but a replacement for your current cards. Once you receive it, simply destroy your old cards. We will continue to send

renewal notices for FOIDs and CCLs 180 days prior to their expiration.

Thank you

Illinois State Police

Firearms Services Bureau



Celebrating the December Holidays! There are many more days than only Christmas that are celebrated in December. Listed are a few of the most popular. Winter Solstice (Yule) — December 21st Winter Solstice or Yule is celebrated from December 21st through January 1st and marks the longest night of the year. Traditions include decorating evergreen trees, lighting fires, and giving gifts. For many Pagans, it is also a time to honor the Goddess as she gives birth to the Sun God. Summer Solstice for 2023 will occur on Wednesday, June 21st and marks the longest period of daylight for the year.

Hanukkah - Dec. 18th through Dec. 26th Hanukkah, also known as the Festival of Lights, is a Jewish holiday commemorating the Holy Temple's rededication in Jerusalem. Celebrations last for eight days and include the lighting of the menorah, eating fried foods, and exchanging gifts. Christmas - December 25th You'll find Christmas on every December global holidays list from 2020 to 2022 since it's one of the world's most popular festivities. In fact, in 2021, Americans planned to spend \$886 on Christmas gifts alone. This Christian holiday commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ, and traditions include decorating Christmas trees, attending church services, and exchanging gifts. Santa Claus, reindeers, and elves are also popular holiday symbols.

Boxing Day - December 26th Boxing Day is celebrated in many countries, including the UK, Canada, and Australia. The holiday originally started as a day to give gifts to less fortunate people. Nowadays, it's more of a general holiday where people can enjoy time with family and friends. Kwanzaa. - Dec. 26th to Jan. 1st Kwanzaa is a seven-day African-American holiday that celebrates family, community, and culture. The name comes from the Swahili phrase "matunda ya kwanza" which means "first fruits of the harvest." include lighting **Traditions** kinara (candleholder), exchanging gifts, and feasting. New Years Eve — December 31st New Year is celebrated all over the world. The most common traditions include attending parties, countdown

celebrations, and making resolutions for the new year (the most frequent being going to the gym).

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Your Contributions Matter We can't have much of a newsletter without news, and that's where you can play an important part! After all this is YOUR NEWSLETTER! Any contributions, large or small, are gratefully appreciated. Whether it be text, photos or graphics, they are all welcome. It could be important "hard" news - light (nice-to know) news - or even editorial opinions.

## There are only a few things we ask:

- ★Make sure your work is original, not just copied from another source (with your name as author);
- ★If you are briefly quoting a source, be sure to include the name of the source;
- ★Double-check to make sure the spelling of names and references are accurate;
- ★If you're submitting a photo, the larger the file size the better. DON'T bother editing it, I'll take care of that;
- ★If people can be easily recognized in your photo, be sure to include their name and title or position (i.e. Senator);
- ★If the photo is taken in public, a "release" shouldn't be necessary. But if the photo was taken in a private setting, legally your safest bet is to get a "release". After all, who can afford a lawsuit? (Contact us for more info)
- ★Most important: Include your name, contact information (phone, email) and topic source. Imagine Your name in print!!

## Wisconsin Firearm Owners Ranges, Clubs & Educators Inc. (WFO) WFO Mission:

- → To support, promote and preserve the Constitutional Rights of every American, specifically including the SECOND AMENDMENT.
- ◆ To protect and preserve the gun rights of all American citizens!
- ◆ To provide a respected, effective political voice for all Wisconsin citizens.
- ♦ To defend and preserve those rights against encroachment by political and anti-gun zealots.
- → To aid in the safe, effective and cost efficient establishment and perpetuation of public and private firearm ranges.
- **♦** To promote all forms of firearm safety.
- ◆ To provide safe and effective firearms education and training to both adults and youth.
- ◆ To support and promote the principals and objectives of the National Rifle Association.

Firearm Safety Wisconsin Firearm Owners (WFO) is committed to promoting Firearms Education and ensuring absolute firearm safety and the constant practice of all firearm rules of safety. Whether it be for recreation, hunting, concealed carry, competition or Law Enforcement, all facets of safety are emphasized. Club and Range Support Wisconsin Firearm Owners (WFO) is the recognized State expert for advising the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, as well as clubs, and businesses, WFO is the recognized resource for designing, improving and upgrading ranges. Competitions Wisconsin Firearm Owners (WFO) is proud to provide an on-line resource calendar for known matches and events throughout the State. NRA discipline championships are authorized and promoted through the WFO. Match Directors are encouraged to utilize our on-line registration to list their upcoming activities What Wisconsin Firearm Owner (WFO) Does WFO is the only NRA State Chartered Association in Wisconsin. WFO is your NRA and CMP State Association. WFO sanctions State Championships for multiple shooting disciplines. WFO is committed to advancing hunter rights and mentored hunting in Wisconsin. WFO's lobbying efforts have helped clean up Wisconsin's handgun restrictions. WFO, partnering with the NRA, led the lobbying efforts for Right to Carry. WFO, partnering with the NRA, led the lobbying efforts for The Shooting Ranges Protection Act. WFO provides Club and Range support for those looking to expand and improve their ranges. WFO actively provides you a voice in Madison's Capitol to protect your Second Amendment Rights. Join Us Today! Help Us - Protect Your Gun Rights. www.wisconsinfirearmowners.or

Wisconsin Gun Laws WI Department of Justice The official source for WI Concealed Carry information. Go to the WI DOJ Page WI Dept of Natural Resources (DNR) For hunting and recreational information. Go to the WI DNR Page WI Laws as codified by the NRA For a comprehensive listing of current\* Wisconsin laws and related Second amendment information. Go to the NRA Page Concealed Carry Information Provided by the U.S. Concealed Carry Association The USCCA page provides comprehensive Concealed Carry information. They also offer essential Concealed Carry insurance.

#### From Your Editor

FIRING LINE DEADLINES: Plan Ahead — Please allow up to two month's lead time to announce any date specific events. It typically takes a month to compile each newsletter for release the following month. Submission Deadline: The 10th of the month.

We'll folks, this was my first shot at doinjg a newletter, so everythings new to me.. I almost filled 6 pages.. Hopefully the next issue will be more packed with more information.. it would be reall helpful if anyone and everyone would contribute.. please send me something you think people might be interested in.. id rather not wait for 3 ro 4 months. Id like to do a news letter maybe every other month, or every 3 months, depends on how many people want to contribute...

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