

Stoney Creek Fishing & Hunting Club www.scfhclub.org

December 2018



From The Club President

First, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and yours!! We wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday during this quickly approaching season and year's end. Also, some may not have surviving family, estrangement, or may be experiencing hardship, so this time of year can ironically magnify depression, so please keep those in need of support in your prayers.

In terms of the club, last month we sent out a reminder of some of the recently updated Range-Rules (published September 14, 2018) with emphasis on first sighting in unverified sights and firearms at the 25-yard range. I'd like to also remind everyone of some other existing Range-Rules that require more frequent reinforcement, especially as many may visit the range during non-work leisure with friends, such as:

- A red/orange flag must be posted in the marked flag holder(s) when any person is down range for any reason. No handling of firearms is allowed on that part of the range where a flag is displayed.
- All firearms shall be kept unloaded with the actions open except when firing. Firearms shall be pointed in a safe direction at all times and only downrange while loaded. Accepted firearms safety practices must be observed at all times. No firearms, loaded or unloaded, are permitted downrange at any time. There will be no handling of firearms when anyone is downrange. Empty chamber flags will be used if available.
- ... Members are fully responsible for the actions of their guest. A guest will shoot under the direct supervision of the member. One shooting booth shall be shared for the use of the member and guest. Direct supervision means the member watches all of the shooting guest's actions including handling of firearms. Spotting must be done from behind the shooting guest.

In essence, follow safe firearm handling at ALL times. If you are shooting with a guest, please have your guest exit the booth and either accompany you down range or have them stand behind the red firing line; you don't want a guest unsupervised at any time, as that could lead to them accidentally handling a firearm while the range is safe. Also, if you experience a malfunction with your firearm, please secure that firearm and remove it from the range. Communicate the issue with fellow shooters, and do NOT allow the range to go safe until you have secured the malfunctioning firearm in its transport case, especially if a live round is in the chamber, and remove it from the range. If there is ANY doubt as to what action to take, pull out your membership card and start calling the officers on the back of your card, or call the caretaker (George) or knock on the door of the caretaker's residence (AFTER securing the firearm off the line, in your transport case, and in your vehicle trunk). We are all part of the club and here to help each other, and securing a malfunctioning firearm is everyone's concern for the safety of all on the line.

With that out of the way, we only have one meeting in December -- on the 14th. I hope to see you there!

Happy & Safe Holiday Season to all!

Nick D'Apice Club President

Club Dinner & General Meeting: December 14th

Dinner service begins at 6:30p Meeting begins at 8:00p

Events

The 2018 Fall Trap League recently concluded and held their post-league banquet. Thirty-two shooters participated in the 10-week league that began in late August. Each Sunday, the league shooters fired a round of trap from the 16-yard line and another round from their designated handicap distance.

The Spring Trap League, which is open to club members, families, and the general public, will begin in early 2019. Participating in the league is a great way to get out of the house for a few hours of fun each week. Thank you to Chuck Powers for volunteering his time & efforts in running the league.

Congratulations to all the shooters who participated in this years trap league!

High Overall: Reid Raynor

	A Class	B Class	C Class	D Class
1 st	Chris Colvin	Chuck Powers	Steve Van Deusen	Lauren Atwood
2 nd	Ted Kunkel	Sloane Franklin	Rob Tracey	
3 rd	Ron Colvin	Daryl Hauf	Rob Larsen	



A-Class winner Chris Colvin (right) with league chairman and B-Class winner Chuck Powers



C-Class winner Steve Van Deusen



D-Class winner Lauren Atwood



Events



Canvasback Award

At the November meeting, Gary Townsend (left) presented the Maryland Department of Natural Resources "Canvasback Award" to Ray Heslup (right) for 35 years of service as a Hunter Safety Instructor.

Congratulations Ray! The club membership is proud of your dedication to Maryland hunters.

Life Membership Awarded

Harold Brannon was presented with his Life Membership card, which is only awarded to those club members 65+ years of age, a member for at least 10 years, and performed some special work or service for the club. Harold was approved unanimously by the board at the 05/17/2018 meeting, and presented and voted upon by the membership at the 05/25/2018 general meeting.

Harold's label plate was added to the Life Membership Plaque on the wall near the kitchen entrance.

2019 Air Gun League

It's coming to a new year and time to start bringing out the air rifles and pistols. What a great way to shoot and have fun with friends and family. Sharing time and love for shooting with the kids, grand kids, spouse, friend, or simply to practice. Let's face it shooting inside during the winter is much nicer than in the cold outside and it gets dark so soon.

Shooting consists of:
40 bull's eye targets at 10 meters
20 Mini silhouette targets at 15 meters
For a total of 60 shots

10 shoots are required for end year scoring and prizes.

Shooters may use air Rifles, Pistols, or both. .177 pellets with a maximum velocity of 750 fps. Fee is \$8.00 per night or \$80 per season first gun, \$6.00 per night or \$60 per season for second gun. We have air rifles to loan if you do not own your own.

Email Brian Heslep at icedefender@yahoo.com or Raymond Heslep (opens range), at rpheslep@hotmail.com (please put Air League in Subject)

2018 Fall Flea Market

The club held its annual Fall Flea Market on November 4th. There were 14 tables of vendors this year and the Burrbender knife repair vendor with his mobile sharpening trailer.

There were deals to be had on all sorts of outdoor gear from ammunition to archery equipment.

The 50/50 Turkey Shoot completed two squads with the goal of being the closest shotgun pellet to the center of the target.

Our Bitchen' Kitchen provided outstanding food & refreshments throughout the event!







A heartfelt thank you to Rob Larsen for organizing the event, Jon Schweitzer & his kitchen staff for great eats, Ron Grubb & his trap team for a great shoot, and to all the club members who volunteered and made this years flea market one to remember.

2018 Fall Flea Market Turkey Shoot



Round one winner: Lauren Atwood



Round two winner: R Clay



All eyes & opinions on Trap Officer Ron Grubb while scoring



2018 End of Year Club Shoot Results

		Buffalo Shoot hel	d on 01/21/18		
High overall – John Grainger			Tailender- Chuck Hutchinson		
<u>Smokeless</u>			Black Powder		
1 st	Fred Fischer]	Ron Showacre		
2 nd	Ron Showacre	e (Chuck Hutchison		
3 rd	Sloane Frankl	in			
	:	Sniper Rifle Shoot l	neld on 02/18/18		
	<u>Vintage</u>	Unlimited	Open	<u>Chair</u>	
1 st	John Grainger	John Grainger	John Grainger	Bill Sansone	
2 nd	Ron Showacre	Ron Showacre	Doug Sansone	Fred Fischer	
3 rd	Doug Sansone		Mike Greenstreet		
	Lev	er Action Rifle Sho	ot held on 05/16/18		
	Open Sight	9	Scope Scope		
1 st	Ron Showacro	_	Dave Kreger		
2 nd	John Grainger		Dave Kleger		
3 rd	Nick D'Apice				
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		.22LR Rifle Shoot h	neld on 06/17/18		
	Optics		Open Sights		
1 st	John Grainger		Chris Stewart		
2 nd	Ron Showacre	e l	Lee Moran		
3 rd	Ray Baranows	ski			
		Pistol Shoot held	on 07/15/18		
High over	all – John Grainger				
	Center Fire	_	Rim Fire		
1 st	Bobby Dill	J	Jon Schweitzer		
2 nd	Jon Schweitze	er l	Bobby Dill		
3 rd	Chuck Ledley	•	Chuck Ledley		
		Trap Shoot held	on 08/05/18		
High over	all - Chuck Powers				
	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D	
1 st	Sloane Franklin	Wayne Teter	Karl Sovik	Gary Eitel	
2 nd	Gary Townsend	John Grainger	Rick Murphy	Fred Fischer	
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Get your hunting season photo into the January newsletter!

Steve Moody

Harris Howland

Send in your 2018 hunting photos to be featured in our January newsletter.

Email your fishing, hunting, or other outdoor photo to the newsletter link on the "contact us" section of our webpage.

Thank you to those who have already sent in photos!

2018 End of Year Club Shoot Results (Continued)

Military Rifle & Pistol Shoot held on 08/12/18

High overall - John Grainger

RiflePistol1stChris StewartChris Stewart2ndScott BaumgardnerScott Baumgardner

Side X Side Trap Shoot & 20 Gauge Challenge held on 09/22/2018

Side x Side Trap Shoot Results

High Gun - Ray Ten Kate

Class BClass CClass D1stJohn GraingerNick D'ApiceMike Koch2ndSloane FranklinRon Grubb

2ndSloane FranklinRon Grubb3rdReid RaynorKen Rimorin

20 Gauge Challenge Results

High Gun - John Grainger

All-Gun Shoot held on 09/30/18

High Overall- John Grainger

RiflePistolShotgun1stGeorge McCauleyJon SchweitzerGeorge McCauley2ndChris StewartNick D'ApiceRay Ten Kate3rdRay Ten KateSloane FranklinSloane Franklin

Rifle Shoot held on 11/04/18

High overall -

Open Sights Scope

2nd

Results Pending

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Reindeer Facts according to the National Wildlife Federation:

- The name "reindeer" is of Norse origin, from the Norse word "hreinn" which means deer and has nothing to do with reins of a sleigh.
- Both males & female reindeer grow antlers.
- Their noses are designed to warm the air before it enters their lungs.
 - Reindeer hooves expand in summer when the ground is wet, and shrink in winter when the ground is hard.



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Sloane Franklin

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Life Time Memberships: \$600

5-Year Memberships: \$100 3-Year Memberships: \$85 1-Year Membership: \$30

Renew using our club link at <u>www.scfhclub.org</u> to update your membership at these prices.

Simply click the eagle image on our "join SCFH" link. Email Scott Baumgardner through our webpage for NRA questions.

Club License Plates



Contact Stephen Moody

Quarterly Assessment Fees Due

Newer club members who have chosen to pay the Special Assessment Fee in quarterly installments are reminded that the next payment of \$35.00 is due to the Financial Secretary no later than January 1st.

Quarterly reminder statements are not mailed for these payments.

Please contact Karl Sovik through our club webpage for questions concerning membership dues.

Bench Rest League



Begins in January

Contact Tim Holbrook through our website if you are interested in the 2019 bench rest league.