



# Stoney Creek Fishing & Hunting Club

[www.scfhclub.org](http://www.scfhclub.org)

January 2019



## From The Club President

Happy New Year and welcome to 2019! I'd like to wish everyone a very blessed and happy start to a new calendar year!

As usual, our calendar is once again filled with events for 2019. We'll do our best to keep you informed, but please take a minute and look thru the calendar and see if you wish to participate in any of the many club events; they are a blast! For example, the Air Gun League, chaired by Brian Heslep, is a great way to inexpensively keep your shooting skills honed during the winter months! The upcoming Club Buffalo Shoot is a fun way to shoot big bore long guns in a competitive environment! In February, the Bench Rest League, chaired by Tim Holbrook, will start. In March, the Pistol League, chaired by Denise Hoffman, and the M1/AR League, chaired by our newest volunteer, Rob Clay (thanks Rob!), will kick-off. Also in March, we look forward to the restart of Tuesday Night Trap (and hopefully the Trap League too!).

So if you are interested and need assistance with preparation for events, please ask! We have some of the most accomplished marksmen and craftsmen in the area who are club members that will gladly help you get ready. There are no dumb questions!

Lastly, as we start the first quarter of 2019, please keep in mind that club elections are quickly approaching in March, and committee formation will again occur in April under the guidance of our next elected club president. So please consider running for office, the board, chairing a committee, or assisting a committee in 2019!

So, welcome 2019! And get involved. It is our club; make it what you want it!

*Nick D'Apice*  
Club President

### **Club Dinner & General Meeting:**

**January 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner service begins at 6:30p

Meeting begins at 8:00p

## Events

### From the Clay Targets Officer

Tuesday Night Trap is over for the year and will reopen in March 12, 2019. I want to thank several club members for the help they provided throughout 2018.

Thanks to Fred Fischer who built the scorekeeper's stand for trap # 1, and repaired, with Rick Murphy, trap scorekeeper's stand for trap #2. Thanks to Rick Murphy, Wayne Teter, and Chris Stewart for building the pad the stand sits on and for painting all the benches and tables on the trap ranges and for painting the trap houses. Thanks to Karl Sovik for refilling (twice) the straw wall between the two trap houses, for the maintenance on the patterning board and for running the Spring Trap League and to Chuck Powers for running the Fall Trap League and thanks to Chuck, Karl, Fred, Wayne, Rick, and Lauren Atwell, Ted Mathison, Harris Howland, and Joseph Donley for also showing up on Tuesdays to score squads of shooters, fill the traps, and open and close the trap ranges properly after each shoot. Thanks to Ray Ten Kate and Mike Goddard for rebuilding trap machine #1, and thanks to Mike Goddard for being available every Tuesday to troubleshoot any problems that arose with the trap machines.

Lastly, thanks to George McCauley helping to rebuild trap machine #1, fill straw walls, building scoring stand pads, repairing lights on the trap field and more specifically for his advice on how to get things done efficiently.

We look forward to seeing all of our club members & their families at our Tuesday Night Trap events in the coming year.

*Ron Grubb*  
Clay Targets Officer

### Air Gun League

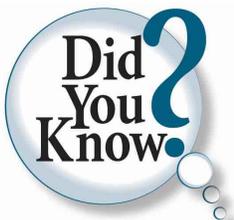
The Air Gun League has formed, but there is still time to join it! The league is an excellent way to introduce kids into the discipline of safe shooting and is an equally important way for adults to hone their shooting skills while staying inside our warm clubhouse.

Sign-up is held in our clubhouse from 5pm to 8pm each of the match nights.

Club members who are interested in helping run the matches can contact the Air Gun League Chairman via email through our webpage.

All of the match dates are listed on our 2019 Events Calendar.

Hope to see you & your family there!



**Farmers & Hunters Feeding the Hungry Program (FHFH)** provides vital high protein, low fat meat to hundreds of Maryland organizations such as food banks & church pantries.

According to their website, over 900 animals (deer/elk/livestock) were donated to FHFH this season. And provided over 40,000 pounds of meat to needy feeding programs throughout the United States.

Details on donations are at: <https://www.fhfh.org>

# Upcoming Club Shoots

## 2019 Club Shoots

The club will be hosting **11** shoots throughout 2019 that are open to club members in good standing. These no-charge shoots range from black powder rifles to pistol challenges. The shoots are normally held from 10am to 2pm on the match day. The shoots are designed to be fun with friendly competition among club members, and to promote friendship & camaraderie while helping members improve shooting skills.

Remember that our club shoots are open to your immediate family members as well (as defined in Article III, Section 7 of our by-laws). However, some shoots may be altered for participating family members.

Ask any club member who competed in the 2018 club shoots and they will agree that they had a great day of shooting with old & new friends.

## Buffalo Shoot

The club will be holding our annual Buffalo Shoot on **January 13<sup>th</sup>**. This club shoot is open to club members who are in good standing and their immediate families.

- This is a 20 round match for rifles .40 caliber and larger.
- Sights must not contain glass or lenses of any type.
- No Slings allowed.
- Only lead bullets will be allowed for this match.

Categories & Classes are:

- | <u>Cartridge</u>              | <u>Muzzle Loader</u>          |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a. Smokeless                  | a. Smokeless                  |
| b. Black powder or equivalent | b. Black powder or equivalent |

Certificates will be awarded for first, second, and third in each class. Refer to your club booklet for additional details and rules.

## Sniper Rifle Shoot

The club will be holding our annual Sniper Rifle Shoot on **February 10<sup>th</sup>**. This club shoot is open to club members who are in good standing and their immediate families and is designed for scoped rifles only.

There are three categories for the match and the same rifle cannot be fired in more than one category:

- Vintage: Any scoped rifle or clone as issued by a military in 1953 or earlier.
- Unlimited: Any scoped rifle or clone as issued by a military in 1954 or later.
- Open: Any scoped rifle, commercial or military, that will not fall into the vintage or unlimited category.

Shooting mats, slings, and recoil reducer may be used in this match.

A club member may shoot once in more than one category using a different qualifying rifle.

The competitor will fire 20 rounds at various targets that will be announced the day of the match.

Certificates will be awarded for first, second, and third in each category. Refer to your club booklet for additional details and rules.

# 2018 Fall Hunting Season Photos

**Congratulations to all of our club members on their successful hunting season!**

Chris Stewart on an early October squirrel hunt



Lauren Atwood completed her first hunting season in 2018!



A 4-year old Mallard drake banded in Quebec, Canada



There's nothing like a hunting camp breakfast



Rick Murphy & family after a chilly December waterfowl 4-man limit including a 2yr old banded Mallard drake



A beautiful November sunrise on the Chesapeake Bay



Our Club President, Nick D'Apice, counting sheep after a morning hunt



**President**

Nick D'Apice

**Vice President**

George McCauley

**Secretary**

Frank Burger

**Treasurer**

Sloane Franklin

**Financial Secretary**

Karl Sovik

**Sergeant at Arms**

Tom Bell

**Range Officer**

Lee Moran

**Clay Targets Officer**

Ron Grubb

**Kitchen Officer**

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Richard Brooks

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John Grainger

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Jon Schweitzer

Ron Showacre

Gary Townsend

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Brian Loher

**NRA Recruiter**

Scott Baumgardner

**Public Relations**

Richard Brooks

**Newsletter Editor**

Rick Murphy



**Life Time Memberships: \$1,000**

**5-Year Memberships: \$100**

**3-Year Memberships: \$85**

**1-Year Membership: \$30**

**Renew using our club link at [www.scfhclub.org](http://www.scfhclub.org) 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 Elections

Club members in good standing who are interested in an elected club position are encouraged to contact the Nominating Committee Chairman via email through our webpage in order to get your name on the slate of nominees.

Qualified nominees will be slated at the first general meeting in March.

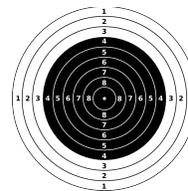
Refer to our club by-laws for qualifications and duty descriptions. An elected position is a rewarding way to become involved in your club.

### Happy New Year!

In the first days of the New Year, forgive the past and embrace friendships at our club again.

Let's greet each other at the next club general meeting!

### Bench Rest League



### Begins February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Contact Tim Holbrook through our webpage if you are interested in the 2019 Bench Rest League.