Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club

4700 Old Stage Road, Morris, IL 60450 815-941-1366

June/July 2024 Newsletter



Thursday, July 4, 2024	

Save the Date! Sunday, August 18, 2024, DGSC Annual Picnic

Food, fun, family, and friends, Senior Members, Shooting Members, families and their guests are invited. There will be food and beverages for all after shooting ends at noon. Don't miss the "bucket raffle" for a variety of treasures, as well as the annual Gun Raffle.

Tickets for the Gun Raffle are now available at the Club or from several Senior members at \$10.00 each. 3 chances to win, a Barretta A300 12 ga Sporting Clays Shotgun, a Smith & Wesson M&P 45 Shield with 2 clips, or \$500.00 in cash. A limited number of tickets will be sold! Last year we ran out before the picnic.

Paul Burlington has asked for input and volunteers for the Annual DGSC 2024 Picnic. If you are able to sell tickets contact Paul Burlington: entertainment@downersgrovesc.com.

Presidents Message

The Bylaw review continued at the June Board Meeting. Adjusting Senior Membership requirements, updating procedures, and eliminating policies (Land Bonds) no longer current. The final draft was approved by the Board will be presented at the July Senior Membership Meeting for review and publication.

Membership

Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club was founded 74 years ago **as a volunteer** organization. Our membership is aging. Many of our dedicated volunteers are no longer able to devote the time and energy they once did. We need more Senior Members to "step up" and help. There is a list of "projects" we need to accomplish, we need help on the Trap Counter, and we will most likely have Board positions to be filled this fall. Be a member, not just a "customer" volunteer for a work party, committee, or consider running for the Board. Be a part of the management of the finest Clay Target facility in Northern Illinois.

We are currently at 96.49% of our 2023 membership, down 5 Sr. Members & 20 shooting members. All renewals submitted by June 30, 2024, have been processed. New badges are available at the counter. All members are reminded to "update" NRA & FOID information and expiration dates.

Buildings

We have contracted to upgrade DGSC Signs on Rte. 6,

NRA

Grundy County Friends of the NRA Dinner is scheduled for Saturday Nov. 2, 2024, 4:00pm at the Morris VFW. Tickets for a gold table is \$1300. Includes a table gun and 8 dinner tickets & 8 raffle tickets packages. See Ken or Keith for tickets

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Shotgun Sports:

YTD Shotgun Sports Chairman, Larry Chambers is looking for Committee members to operate the "Trap Counter" once a month, Saturday or Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 2::00 p.m. Contact Larry Chambers: shotgunsports@downersgrovesc.com

Youth & Community

An IDNR sanctioned Hunters Safety class has been scheduled for August 24 & 25, 2024 see Earl "Shorty" Fatlan for details : youth/community@downersgrovesc.com or sign up at the club, space is limited.

ATA

The Downers Grove SC ATA 2024 Events

27-Jul	Saturday	TARGET ONLY
14-Sep	Saturday	Northern Zone
15-Sep	Sunday	Northern Zone
13-Oct	Sunday	100 Hdcp - 100 Hdcp

NSSA

The Fall Tournament 7 - 8 Sept 2024

The club has engaged a factory trained service company to evaluate, adjust, and service the skeet machines on all 5 skeet fields. We are experiencing excessive target breakage and inspite of our best efforts have not been able to correct the problem.

2024 Projects

Replace Trap House Stairs
Painting of Trap Houses
Bench tops along trap/skeet fields
Completion of fence painting
Weed Control
Removal of fans inside pavilion
Edging of property
Water control on trap/skeet fields
Website Changes

See you at the Picnic!

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DGSC CALENDAR

July 14 Sunday 9:00 am DGSC Board & GM Meeting

- 18 Thursday DGSC ATA "Big 50" 9:00 to Noon (proposed)
- 27 Saturday ATA "Target Only" Registered Trap Event
- 28 Sunday German Shorthair Pointer Club of Illinois Sporting Clays
- 31 Wednesday Grand American Trap Shoot, Sparta Illinois

August

- 1-10 Thursday-Saturday. Grand American Trap Shoot, Sparta Illinois
- 9,10,11 Fri-Sun N Zone Skeet Shoot Peoria
- 18 Sunday DGSC Annual Picnic noon to?
- 24 & 25 DGSC IDNR Hunter Safety Class

September

- 7 Saturday DGSC Fall Skeet Tournament
- **8 Sunday DGSC Fall Skeet Tournament**
- 14 Saturday ATA "Northern Zone" ATA Registered Trap Event (200 singles)
- 15 Sunday ATA "Northern Zone" ATA Registered Trap Event (50 pr Doubles, 100 Hdcp)
- 18 Thursday TRMA Sporting Clays Shoot 9:00 a.m.
- 21 Saturday BSA Rainbow Council Sporting Clays Shoot
- 21 Saturday 9:00 am DGSC Board Meeting
- 22 Sunday LaSalle County Pheasants Forever Sporting Clays

October

- 12 Saturday 9:00 am DGSC Board Meeting
- 13 Sunday ATA Grundy County Handicap Registered Trap Events (100 Hdcp & 100 Hdcp)
- 27 Sunday ISSA Fall Meeting

November

- 10 Sunday 9:00 am DGSC Board & GM Meeting
- 16 DGSC Annual Turkey Shoot (usage form to follow)???

December

- 15 Sunday Board Meeting 9:00 a.m.
- 15 Sunday General Membership Meeting 9:00 a.m. (Election of Officers & Board)