# March/April 2019 Newsletter

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#### Remember . . . This is the DGSC Membership Newsletter . . . SO . . .

Entire Board: dgscboard@downersgrovesc.com; Webmaster: dgsc@downersgrovesc.com

Email dgsc\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com - the board will review and as long as its appropriate we will post it in the next upcoming newsletter.

If you have trouble with getting your newsletter electronically let us know we will work with you and get it addressed. Just send us issues or questions at dgsc\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com

<sup>\*</sup> Have something you would like to say in newsletter or have pictures you would like posted in newsletter



Till we meet again for another round!

Friends enter and leave our lives, but the impressions they make on our hearts stay with us forever. Last month DGSC received the said news of the passing of a previous Treasurer and long time DGSC member Pat Moran. Our thoughts and condolences to the Moran family.

From The President's Desk: Due to a scheduling conflict, the next General Member meeting has been moved to April 7.

It's been brought to my attention the Maintenance Director Jan Gronych is in need of help to get the Sporting course and the 5 stand up and running. Contact him if you can help.

Please, do **NOT** go into the trap houses to adjust the machines. Call the counter to get them adjusted.

By now you all should know that we lost Pat (PJ) Moran. He was a former Treasurer, fine storyteller and a valued member. My sympathies to his family and friends, he'll be missed.

Warmer weather is near, get on out to YOUR Club and break some targets. Remember to pick up your empties and your coffee cups. Your mother ain't here to pick up after you.

That's it for this month. Grump (Larry Novak)

Vice President Remarks: Hello Membership,

We have a few members who have not completed their Probationary work hours, and/or meeting attendance requirements. If you are in need of an extension please contact me ASAP so you are not bounced back to the shooting membership.

Shotgun Sport Announcements: The 2nd and 3rd JackRabbit shoots were held in Feb and March. Results are posted on our & Winterjackrabbit websites.

> The 'Polish Fishing & Hunting Club' had their event here on February 24th. They had 25 Shooters.

Friday night shooting will start up again on April 5th. The 'Games' will begin and we will have open Trap & Skeet shooting. The 'Parkview Christian Academy Trapshooting League' will also start again on Fridays for 8 weeks.

The 'SWAP MEET' is March 23rd. There are a few tables left, so contact me asap if you want one.

The Sporting Clays Field has been closed because of the weather but if the weather improves soon it will be reopened, call ahead before coming out. The Sporting Clay field is really muddy right now so wear appropriate footwear.

## **Authorized Personal Only**

It was brought to our Board of Directors attention that shooters are going down into the Trap Houses & adjusting the Machines. The Board decided only authorized people will be allowed to adjust machines. This will apply to all machines, Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays. The list of Authorized Persons will be kept by the Trap Committee. The main reasons are for safety and not adjusting our machines properly. If you feel a machine is out of adjustment (too high, too low), contact whoever is working the Trap Counter & they will have the machine checked & re-adjusted if necessary. Larry Chambers

## Maintenance Team - > WANTED: ALIVE and WELL

If are looking at a set of aged, well used Craftsman tools.... you might be a mechanic.

If the smell of WD-40 and Lithium Grease is comforting.....you might be a mechanic.

If you see a hot chick in a red convertible and think how can you make the car go faster....you might be a mechanic. If dirt under your fingernails is a badge of pride...... you might be a mechanic.

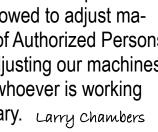
If you think duct tape is more important than a new Perazzi .....you might be a mechanic.

Have you figured it out?

Our maintenance director, Jan Gronych, is in need of a fellow mechanic (or two/or three) to help work on the sporting clay target machines as well as the "soon to be" 5 stand machines. You MUST know your way around tools and machines but this is not brain surgery. Mostly cleaning and maintenance of machines after a long winter in the field. Jan is more than willing to teach anyone willing to help but, as with most mechanics, he is a wrencher.

Jan works in the maintenance shed on the weekends. Your club desperately needs your skills to get these machines purring like a kitten, ready for another season of Pull.....Bang!!!

Give Jan a call 630-759-5971 or email maintenance@downersgrovesc.com



running.

ADDICTED

TO THOSE

FRIDAY NIGHT

## SENIOR MEMBERS ONLY - Hunting/Fishing News



Last bird release (40 birds) for the 2019 hunting season was on March 16th. Last day Senior Members can pheasant hunt -> April 15th!

NOTE: There is no limit on the number of birds. Cost per bird up to end of our season April 15th: \$10.00

Charlie Zib

**REMINDER:** The farmer is going to start planting. All blinds in field need to be removed.



## REMEMBER CHECK YOUR **EMAILS**

We can not stress enough to please remember to check your emails and watch for DGSC broadcasts. There are lots of events coming up and we will do our best to send out weekly/ bi-weekly reminders. If you are not getting broadcasts please let someone on the board or the membership communications chair know. We can fix only what we know about and can even help you get free email setup if you don't have an email yet..



Taking Care of Grounds: Clean up and some equipment review has been ongoing during the cold weather. An additional order of ice melt was needed during February, but hopefully its the last for this winter.

Anyone needing hours or an excuse to get out of the house give me a call. We will schedule a work day late this month or early April. Lunch will be provided. jím olín











Have a pocket/wallet full of shooting cards you have purchased for DGSC Here is IMPORTANT NEWS . . .

All Shooting Cards issued up till December 31, 2018 will expire December 31, 2019 - after which they will no longer be valid. All shooting cards issued after December 31, 2018 will have a 1 year expiration date.

NOTE: As of January 1, 2019 cards will have 10 rounds (the 11th round free is no longer offered).



Thank

Jed and Melissa Davis, both members of Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club, launched Rusty Bust in late 2017. Rusty Bust is an apparel and clay target gear company for the shot-gun sports of skeet, sporting clays, and trap. Rusty Bust was actually the trapshooting nickname of Jed's uncle. Some of Jed's earliest memories are hunting and shooting with Uncle Russ. All the gear is 100% designed and fulfilled in America.

## Appreciation Dinner

The Annual Appreciation
Dinner, held on Saturday
2-16.19, was very well attended. This dinner
and gift presentation is intended to recognize
and honor those members and their wives/
significant other who volunteer their skills
and time to maintain our club so all members
can enjoy the sport of shotgun shooting.

Top shelf cocktails were served by a professional mixologist!! Appetizers, a baked potato bar and a "TO DIE FOR" pork tenderloin dinner was served by Kassman Catering. A BIG thank you to George Adelmann, his wife Bev, Larry Chambers and the Kassman sisters for making this night possible!!!

This gathering is by invitation only. We had 51 attendees this year!!! Hopefully, with your spirit of volunteerism we will look forward to inviting many, many more members next year!! George Adelmann

They created a code for the members of Downers Grove. Simply use code DGSC15 for 15% your purchase. Check them out at <a href="http://rustybust.com/">http://rustybust.com/</a>. They offer hats, hoodies, shirts, towels, and more.

## League Help Needed



The Spring Trap League is looking for a computer literate person to:

- Create a spreadsheet of individual shooters/teams
- Check in team/individuals weekly
- Record scores weekly
- ⇒ Forward results to Debbie Fredrick for next day publication on the website

PLEASE let Entertainment Director George Adelmann know if you know someone or you yourself may be willing.

Note: Rest assured you will NOT have to be present every week. I can back this person up



# Spring Trap League beginning in April!

Do you have your team members lined up?

How about a cool, catchy name for your team??

From the comments I have received, members are anxious for this league!! However, if by some odd circumstance we cannot field 6 teams, league will not happen.

if you are unable to find a team but would like to participate, NO WORRIES!!

We will find a team for you! Complete the eregistration with your contact info and we'll do the rest!!!

Deadline to register is Thu 4-18-19 but would appreciate earlier.

Dates of the league are Saturday 4-20-19, 4-27-19, 5-4-19, 5-11-19, 5-18-19.

E-registration and League rules are posted on club website, url and more details are on the 1 page flyer later in this newsletter.

EXCITED??? You bet!!!

Break 'me all!!
Contact George with Questions

Call/text (815)347-1270

Email entertainment@downersgrovesc.com

George Adelmann

# Humor makes days brighter Thanks To Entertainment Director George Adelmann

This Spring forward thing would be a lot more popular if we moved clocks ahead at 2PM on Friday.

"Dumb Employees

True questions to Human Resources:

\*Every day my supervisor tells me to stop chatting and get back to work. Can he do that??

\*Will you give me a raise if I stop smoking Marijuana?

"\*Can my supervisor require me to have specific work hours??

Inspirational messages from leaders:

"^Bonuses in my department are awarded "to team players who have demonstrated an appreciation for my leadership.

AWhat this department lacks is leadership.

^I know my plan won't work, but don't disagree with me in front of others.

How was copper wire invented? Two trapshooters pulling in opposite directions on a penny.





### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27



#### SPECIAL KEYNOTE SPEAKER David A. Keene

- NRA President, 2011-13
- · Editor at Large, The Washington Times
- Author of Shall Not Be Infringed: The New Assaults on your Second Amendment
- Awarded Lifetime Achievement Award from the Second Amendment Foundation

Join us in Springfield to protect your Second Amendment rights.

March with thousands of other gun owners on the Illinois state Capitol.

Reserve your personal day, vacation day, paid-time-off day.



#### BANK OF SPRINGFIELD CENTER

(Formerly Prairie Capital Convention Center)

Doors open at 10:30AM. Take your seat promptly at 11:30AM. Program starts at 11:45AM.

Visit www.igold.isra.org

DGSC is a NRA

recruiter, you can
renew your NRA
memberships, or enroll as a new member,
at the club or you can
use the link on our
website.

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## NRA/STATE NEWS: IT'S TIME TO GET INVOLVED!!->

IGOLD rally day is March 27th. Buses are available, information can be found on isra.org The 2019 NRA annual meeting is Indianapolis,IN April 26-28. I went to the meeting in Dallas last year. If you are going, I would recommend attending the Leadership Forum on Friday, the 26th. The speakers are both informative and entertaining. The exhibit hall had everything you could imagine, it took the whole day to see everything.

In closing, I am getting on the soap box again and asking everyone to call, write or email their legislators in Springfield and Washington DC.

It seems everyone is trying to outdo each other with who can introduce the worst anti-gun bill. There is a list of current bills, both pro and con, in the legislative section of the ISRA website.

So stay informed and get involved. Chuck Feuillan







WHEN: Sunday June 30th, 2019 -> 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

WHERE: Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club, 4700 West Old Stage Road, Morris, IL 60450

DGSC will be hosting a Vintage Clay Target Tournament. This is an all gauge event open to side by side and pump action guns. The tournament will consist of 100 targets divided into 25 Vintage Skeet targets, 25 5-Stand targets, and 50 Sporting Clay targets.

#### HANDICAPS FOR GAUGES:



12 gauge	0 targets / 100 targets
16 gauge	4 targets / 100 targets
20 gauge	5 targets / 100 targets
28 gauge	7 targets / 100 targets
410 bore	9 targets / 100 targets

#### **RULES:**

**FEDERAL** 

- Skeet targets will be on a zero to 3 second **delayed release** with a **low gun** starting position. This requires the heel of the butt to be below the armpit when the target is called for. Guns cannot be mounted until the target is thrown.
- The remaining 75 targets (5 Stand and Sporting Clays) will be without delay and the gun pre-mounted if desired.
- Participants must use the same gun for the entire program.
- Removable insert sub-gauge tubes are allowed, but only one gauge may be used for the entire program.
- Maximum score with handicap will be 99, only natural straights will score as 100.
- Ties will be reconciled by reverse score.
- Shooters of all types of shotguns are invited to participate, but only shooters of side by side and pump action guns will receive prizes.
- Reshoots are allowed, but will not count towards prizes.
- Disputes must be brought to the attention of shoot management for a final decision. All decisions by management are final.

**PRE-REGISTRATION:** www.downersgrovesc.com/VintageShoot.php **FEES:** 

Pre-registration (until June 23rd): \$30.00

Registration on day of shoot: \$35.00

Reshoot fee (no prizes): \$20.00



Lunch Follows the Shoot (part of entrance fee)





SIGN UP DEADLINE: April 18, 2019 (Earlier the better - much appreciated) SIGN UP:

E-Registration: http://www.downersgrovesc.com/SpringLeague.php

• Email: dgsc.springleague@downersgrovesc.com

**SHOOTING DATES:** Saturdays -> 4-20-19, 4-27-19, 5-4-19, 5-11-19, and 5-18-19

Last day to make up missed rounds will be 5-16-19

Sign In begins promptly @ 11:30am and shooting ends promptly @ 2:30pm

NOTE: League shoots will be completed with exception of lightening/power outages

**MAKE UP ROUNDS:** May be made up during clubs regular business hours before 1pm, excluding Friday night. IF TIME ALLOWS, on league day after league shooting is completed. No more than 1 make up round will be allowed to qualify for league end prizes.

**TEAM SIZE:** 3 members with 1 alternate

NOTE: If we can't field 6 teams league will not run

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE:** Sr. members, Shooting members as well as members guests. Our youth team, led by Jed Davis, will also be eligible to participate

**HOW MANY TARGETS PER WK:** 25 singles (16yrd) and 25 handicap (yardage equivalent to teams average score from afternoon shooting; not < than 19yrds)

Weekly team and individual scores posted to club website ASAP

There will be a "27 yard drawing" shot weekly (optional) at end of shooting

\*\* How Cool Is This \*\* -> Singles (16yard) will be eligible to qualify as ATA certified targets.

Club will pay all fees to ATA to certify - must be ATA member in good standing.

PRIZES: Lewis (optional participation) prizes will be awarded to individuals weekly on the following Saturday

#### **PRICING & FEES:**



- \$25 one time fee, for prizes and food will be collected on the first day of shooting
- Each week:
- Sr members and youth will pay \$8.00 (\$40.00 total league)
- Shooting members will pay \$11.00 (\$55.00 total league)
- Guests will pay\$14.00 (\$70.00 total league)

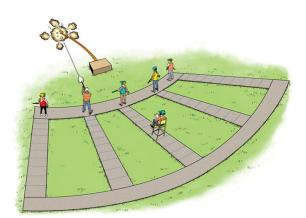
To keep our league accounting simple, cash or checks paid weekly will be the payment method. Remember shooters are responsible for their own shells!



**COOKOUT:** Immediately following our last Saturday, 5-18-19, there will be a "cook out" with prizes being awarded. BYOB

TOURNAMENT CONTACT: George Adelmann Email: dgsc.springleague@downersgrovesc.com

Phone: (815)347-1270



## **Upcoming DGSC 2018 ATA Events:**

ATA Registered Shoots:

April 28, 2019

June 23, 2019

September 7 & 8 2019

October 6, 2019

Marathon Doubles: April 11, 2019

April 25, 2019

May 9, 2019 May 23, 2019



Other Local ATA Events: Other local club dates will be posted to the website and upcoming newsletters soon.



SWAP MEET March 23rd, 2019



Your not mistaken the targets are moving . . . Starting in January - every 2nd Saturday a field will be open for Wobble Trap





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Remember the Newsletter is no longer being officially sent out via postage mail. The newsletter will be available via the website, emails are sent out when the newsletter is ready, as well as a message posted on DGSC Facebook page, and copies printed out and put at the counter.

If you would like an email but forgot to update your email on your renewal please contact

dgsc\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com
If you would like assistance setting up a
free email account or would like to make
other arrangements please contact
membershipcomms.dgsc@downersgrovesc.com and
someone can assist.

If you have any other questions please contact one of the emails above and/or one of your board members.

## Vintage Tournament

Save the Date: June 30th



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Board Meeting 1:00 PM @ DGSC

3/9, 4/13,5/11, 6/8,7/13, 8/10,9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14

General Membership (Senior Member) Meeting 9:00 @ DGSC 4/7/2019, 5/19/2019, 7/21/2019, 9/15/2019, 11/17/2019, 12/15/2019



## NRA Renewal via DGSC:

Available via club/main counter or online via the DGSC Website.



#### Protecting your personal information.

The board continues to agree to protect your personal information turned in on renewal forms. There has been a request though for a directory. If this is finalized your membership renewal form would have a question/check box to opt in or out of the directory. Please pay close attention to your renewal forms and be sure to answer that question if it is there. Watch your next newsletter for more information and be sure to attend the upcoming meetings for more details and/or to discuss if your have an opinion on this topic.



We are creating a roster/list of DGSC Members or people nearby whom are NRA Instructors or are planning on renewing/obtaining an NRA Instructor Certification.

We have lots of new shooters interested in our sport and it would help if we had a current list of NRA Instructors among the club. Email Ken or Deb.



