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President's Report

We will close-out the year in a good fiscal position. And yet we have had some major expenses this year for building repairs. We are focusing on cash flow, rebuilding our reserves, and next year some improvements to the ranges and grounds. In addition, the Cover the Creek project is nearing completion. The early snow storm has delayed laying all of the creek panels. You'll notice panels have begun to be installed. And good news that the final phase is going much smoother than planned, no need for a crane. By early spring the project is expected to be completed.

If you have driven past the turkey range, you will notice many mounds of dirt piling up in that location. Additional bays are being planned for that area which could include the ability to move the plate racks and permanently mount them, and the possibility to add action target dual tree stands. Plans have not yet been finalized, and are in process. For next year we will also look at improving lighting throughout the property.

Kudos go out to our BSA Scout Troop 439, which held an overnight camping the weekend of November 16 on the south side of the property. Yes, the weekend after our snow-storm. They had no takers from club members for their snowball fight.

This month both a board meeting and membership meeting will be held on Thursday, December 19. It will also be a Burger Night. Catch a burger from 5-6:30pm before the board meeting that starts at 6:30, followed by a membership meeting. You will receive hours for attending. At the December meeting nominations will be taken for officers and directors positions, in addition to conducting normal business. (You will need permission to nominate someone).

We have Christmas parties booked in December that will need volunteers. Check out the event calendar and sign up in the book.

As the Holiday Season approaches, TCSL wants to wish you and your family and friends a safe and Happy Holiday Season and Best wishes for the New Year.

Mark Smokowicz



Women On Target/Kids on the Range Day

Women On Target's first meeting is January 7 at 6pm. We will meet downstairs of the clubhouse. As usual, we'll be combining WOT and KORD meetings, as most of our volunteers work both events. All range leads and any volunteers should attend the first meeting.

We will be preparing for the February meeting where the range leads will be trained on training the volunteers to insure safety for the ladies and kids on all ranges.

We will also cover any issues or concerns that occurred at the last WOT or KORD events.

We are also in need of an Archery Lead for WOT and KORD—only for WOT and KORD. Although the club is still seeking an overall Archery Chair, taking the lead for these two events will not make you the Archery Committee Chair (in case that would be a reason for you not to volunteer).

Once again we are accepting sponsorships or donations to offset the cost of the two events. All WOT sponsors will be advertised on the T-shirts the ladies receive—a very easy way to advertise!

for info on WOT: Carol or Sharon
for info on KORD: Val

Memorial & Well Being

Member Cyril Berry, Jr., age 73, of Saline passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, November 6. Cyril was born in Detroit to parents Cyril, Sr. and Lizzy (Lumpford) Berry and was the oldest of his siblings.



He is survived by his loving wife, Christine; his children, Cyril Matthew (Jennifer), Cheryl (Mark Cooke), Connie (Shawn Warren), and Clinton; his grandchildren, Brittany, Angelina, and Cyril Lucas; his siblings, Linda Faye (Fritz) Daniels and James (Jane) Berry. He will be deeply missed by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, November 13 at Nie Family Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the VA Hospital in Cyril's name.

Please keep Stuart Berry in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from surgery.

Please send Memorial/Well Being items, to newsletter@tcsl.org.

Ypsilanti Community Choir
and the
Depot Town Big Band


HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Hosted by Linda Yohn

Thursday, December 12
7:30 pm

Towsley Auditorium
Washtenaw Community College
free admission & parking

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Merry Christmas

During this holiday season,
we wish you all the best.



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Let's Go Hunting!

Let's Go Hunting is a community and resource created by the [National Shooting Sports Foundation](http://NationalShootingSportsFoundation.org) for hunters of all ages and experience levels.

Why should you get involved in hunting? Where do we begin?! Hunters are the largest contributors to conservation, paying for programs that benefit all Americans and wildlife.

Hunting is fun. Whether it's hitting the field with friends, an experience with wildlife or the final result of a successful hunt, hunting can bring a joy to sportsmen and women of all ages.

Hunting is healthy! Not only does hunting offer great opportunities to step outside and be active, but it also can lead to you harvesting some of the healthiest organic meat available.

Hunting offers time away from the fast-paced daily routine.

We hope you join the community and help us promote the fun of hunting with your friends and family. Always remember, firearms safety depends on you!

Visit letsghunting.org.

Remaining Dates for Deer Hunting Season

- Archery: Dec. 1-Jan. 1, 2020
- Muzzleloading:
 - ♦ Zone 1: Dec. 6-15
 - ♦ Zone 2: Dec. 6-5
 - ♦ Zone 3: Dec. 6-22
- Late Antlerless Firearms:
 - ♦ Dec. 23- Jan.1, 2020

Saline High School Trapshooting Team

Saline High School will soon be starting indoor practices for the 2020 spring trapshooting season at TCSL. We are looking for volunteers and range safety officers to attend practices and matches on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 4:30-7:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Assistant Coach [Steve Jolliffe](mailto:SteveJolliffe@salinehs.org).



If you know a high schooler who is attending Saline High and is interested in participating on the team, please let Head Coach [Susan Duda-Osborne](mailto:SusanDudaOsborne@salinehs.org) know the teenager's name and contact information.

TCSL will host the 1st Annual Early Bird Michigan High School Trapshooting League Invitational on Saturday, April 18. This all-day event will need numerous volunteers. Stay tuned for more information and how you can earn service hours by volunteering at this event.

[Susan Duda-Osborne](mailto:SusanDudaOsborne@salinehs.org)



Early Bird Invitational

Who: 20 Squads from MHSTL Teams

Date: Saturday, April 18th

Place: Tri-County Sportsmen's League, 8640 Moon Road
Saline, Michigan

Time: 9:30 a.m. check-in, 10:00 a.m. start

Cost: \$20/shooter or \$100/squad

Awards and Dessert Gala: During the presentation of awards a dessert buffet will be available. Awards include: Travel Trophy, High Gun Male, High Gun Female, Outstanding Performance at Invitational (1 for each team).

Lunch: Lunch will be provided in Clubhouse.

Entertainment: Vendors and guest speakers will be on-site providing presentations and demonstrations.

Tournament Details: Each athlete will shoot 50 birds each in back-to-back rounds, changing fields between rounds. The top 5 scores from each team will be used to calculate team score. We will follow MHSTL rules for ties.

Last Man Standing Fun Shoot: At the conclusion of the invitational, all athletes are invited to participate in the fun shoot. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Reserve Now: The first 20 squads to pay the \$100 squad registration fee will participate. Details on payment will be provided soon.





U.S. M1 Carbine

185-Yard Bench Rifle Match Held

Our second 185 yard Rifle Match of 2019 was held on Saturday November 16th at the 185 yard rifle range with 6 shooters.

Results of the match:

| <u>Place</u> | <u>Shooter</u> | <u>Rifle</u> | <u>Round</u> | <u>Score</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| <u>Iron Sight Division</u> | | | | |
| 1 st Place | Dave Vandermark | 1898 U.S. Krag | 30-40 Krag | 66 |
| <u>Scoped Division</u> | | | | |
| 1 st Place | Chris Lavery | Tikka Custom | ? | 100-4x |
| 2 nd Place | Jerry Marken | AR-15 | .223 Rem | 96-4x |
| 3 rd Place | Michael Degryse | Browning Bolt | 6.5 Creedmr | 92-1x |
| | Mark Smokowicz | AR-15 | .223 Rem | 86-2x |
| | Dave Harris | Howa 1500 | 6mm Creedmr | 60 |

Our next 185 Yard Bench Match will be sometime next year (date TBD), and is open to all TCSL members and guests. You can compete with **ANY** rifle (no full autos), foreign or domestic, modern or vintage, with iron sights or scope, as long as you can fire the 10 rounds in 10 minutes. You will need 20 rounds of safe ammunition, safety or shooting glasses, and ear protection. Spotting scopes are helpful.

The course of fire for the event shall be: (10) rounds of slow fire from the bench for sight-in within 10 minutes. For score; (10) rounds slow fire from the bench within 10 minutes. For the slow fire, single fed rounds are fired within 10 minutes. Shooters may elect to use their score from the sight-in stage, but in doing so would forfeit shooting the 2nd round.

For further information or questions contact Dave Vandermark at rifle@TCSL.org.



Proud Grandpa Moment



First time out hunting, six-year-old Colton Hovatter shot this 7-pointer at 120 yards. The heart shot dropped the deer in his tracks. Colton and family started shooting at Tri-County's PCC/22 rifle matches this

year. Shooting is his new love. This was no fluke. He has shot bowling pins at 75 yards consistently. Looks like we have a new generation of sharp shooters.

[Earl Austin](#)

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Tri-County Sportsmen League Events
Dec 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|-----|---|--|---|--|
| 1 8am - Breakfast at 12pm - RSO on 12pm - Trap | 2 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop | 3 | 4 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday | 5 9am - Friends of | 6 4pm - Scouts Lockin Overnight (Upstairs) 3pm - Saline Special | 7 9am - Monroe 3pm - Wicked Jeeps |
| 8 12pm - RSO on 12pm - Trap | 9 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop | 10 | 11 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday | 12 9am - Friends of 6pm - Edward Jones 6:30pm - Education | 13 10am - NRA Basic 5pm - Friends of | 14 8am - NRA Basic 8am - NRA 9am - 100 yd "White" |
| 15 8am - NRA 12pm - RSO on 12pm - Trap | 16 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7pm - BSA Troop | 17 | 18 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday | 19 9am - Friends of 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board 7pm - Membership | 20 4pm - Diversified | 21 9am - New Member |
| 22 10am - Lindemann 12pm - RSO on | 23 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop | 24 | 25 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday 6:30pm - Gun | 26 9am - Friends of | 27 | 28 |
| 29 8am - CPL NRA 12pm - RSO on 12pm - Trap | 30 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop | 31 | 1 9am - Friends of | 2 | 3 | 4 |

[For up-to-date information, please see the online calendar.](#)

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events
Jan 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 8am - Breakfast at 12pm - RSO on | 6 RSO on Duty: Mark 9am - Friends of 7pm - BSA Troop | 7 6pm - WOT/KORD | 8 RSO on Duty: Mark 10am - Wednesday | 9 9am - Friends of 6:30pm - Education | 10 5pm - Friends of | 11 |
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