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The final major event of the year is the IDPA Challenge Match in September. The IDPA crew has organized this event for several years running, and each year it improves. This is a multi-day competition, which emphasizes training, skill development, and safety; and it highlights our Club. Limited registration slots are still open. Visit https:// www.tcslidpa.org/ for information and registration materials. Email idpa@tcsl.org or Earl Austin with specific questions. The dates are Friday-Sunday, September 9-11. The ranges will be closed from Thursday through Sunday (or Monday) for setup, the match, and clean-up. Check the calendar for specifics. Help is always needed during setup, daily activities, and clean-up. Earn volunteer hours for helping.

Kids on The Range Day was a success again this year. We had a morning and an afternoon session. The kids were organized into younger and older groups and participated in activities consistent with their ages and their ability (or at least perceived ability) to control firearms of different calibers. Each session started with a safety briefing and ended with pizza and sides. Coaching was one-on-one, and I did notice that a large time period at each range was devoted to teaching the basics of the firearm or bow and emphasized technique and safety. We had 58 kids (out of a possible 60 available slots) combined in both sessions. We had 31 coaches and 27 other volunteers. A rewarding time was had by all. Thanks to our KORD Chair, Val Kabat, and all the volunteers. Special note goes to Avery Sykes (age 7) for helping Val at check-in.

Check the calendar for specific activities in September. In addition to the IDPA



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match, there are pin shoots for PCC and handguns; rifle will have a 100 and a 185 yard match; education has a Michigan CPL and an NRA CCW course; hunter education is conducting a workshop and a field day.

September will have both a Board and a Membership meeting. The meetings will be preceded by burger night, so join us for the meetings, enjoy a good meal at a modest price, and earn volunteer hours.

The Steak Fry is on the 23rd—another very good meal at a great price. There are many who work hard to put on the Steak Fry, with Mark Smokowicz leading the effort and ensuring all is up to our high standards. Jim Jewell, Jeff Gage, Jerry Marken, Sue Smokowicz, Val Kabat, Terry Hicks, and Nancy Arcy are regulars in the kitchen and on the serving line. Special recognition goes to our regular grill masters. This is hot job in any month, but it is a real facesearing job in the summer. July 22 was a very hot night, but the crew hung in there through the heat until each steak, salmon fillet, or chicken breast was cooked to perfection. That regular grill master crew is Bob Webb, Chris Leite, Bill Arcy and Diane Daniels. Of course, thanks go out to all who volunteer on a less regular basis.

Our grounds have been looking very good this summer. Peter Stumpo is the Grounds Chair and has organized a crew to keep the grounds looking good. Thank you, Pete and each member of your crew, for your work all year long—but especially in the heat of the summer. Volunteers are always welcome to join the crew.

The fall grounds clean-up day will be scheduled for late October or November.

Setting this date is always a roll of the dice, as we can never be sure when the trees will finally drop their leaves. On a nasty, wet day, we will postpone to a later week. Check the calendar, look for email blasts, and join us to keep the grounds looking great.

We will be organizing crews for some shingle work on the upper vestibules and resealing the main roof. If you are interested in the work, please let me know. Watch emails for specifics.

September 16 is Constitution Day. The U.S. Constitution was finalized and presented to the States in September 1787. The Framers knew history. The Framers knew the evolution of Liberty that began with the Charter of Liberties (1100) and progressed through the Magna Carta (1215), the Petition of Right (1628), the Grand Remonstrance (1641), and the Glorious Revolution and English Bill of Rights (1689). What we often take for granted was gained by centuries of struggles with royalty, clerics, and scoundrels. May we continue the struggle to keep Liberty here in the U.S. of A., and may it spread to all the oppressed people on Earth.

A provision of the English Bill of Rights in 1689 preceded Our Second Amendment by some 100 years. That provision is *Protestants may have arms for their defence [sic], suitable to their conditions and as allowed by law.* There is nothing new under the sun.

May we all have a productive and safe month.

Stuart Berry

Memorial & Wellbeing Celebration & Thanks

Please send items for this column to newsletter@tcsl.org.



Military Rifle Match Held

Our third standard Military Rifle Match for 2022 was held on Saturday, August 20th, at the 100-yard rifle range with three shooters.

Results of the match:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Rifle</u>	<u>Round</u>	<u>Score</u>
Iron Sight Divi	<u>sion</u>			
1 st Place	Jerry Marken	AR-15	223 Rem	309-5x
2 nd Place	Mark Smokowicz	AR-15	223 Rem	293-1x
3 rd Place	Dave Vandermark	1888 Austrian Mannlicher	223 Rem	196

Our next Military Rifle Match will be held on October 15th, and is open to all TCSL members and guests. Registration starts at 9am and the match begins at 10am. A short safety briefing will be held prior to the match. Fees for the match will be \$10 for members and \$15 for guests. You can compete with any military-style rifle (no full autos), foreign or domestic, modern or vintage, with iron sights or scope. You will need 45 rounds of safe ammunition, a shooting mat or something to lie on, safety or shooting glasses and ear protection. Spotting scopes and sling are helpful.

The course of fire for the event shall be: (5) rounds of slow fire in the prone position for sight-in within 5 minutes. For score; (10) rounds slow fire in the prone position, (10) rounds of rapid fire in the prone position, (10) rounds rapid fire in the sitting position and (10) rounds of slow fire in the standing unsupported position. For the slow-fire portion single fed rounds are fired within 8 minutes, while rapid fire is within 80 seconds with a magazine or stripper clip change. There will be a short safety briefing prior to the match. Please Note: You need not be a military member to compete, as they are surely welcome, you only need to own a military style rifle. For further information or questions contact Dave Vandermark at rifle@TCSL.org.

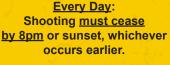




Third Annual Cavalry Match Held

On August 6, TCSL hosted its third annual Cavalry Match. It's purpose was to simulate shooting positions you might find yourself in as a cavalry trooper in the late 1800s—on horseback, kneeling, firing from behind your horse, and using your pistol off-hand as a last resort. It took place on both the 50- and 100-yard rifle ranges. Each shooter needed to bring a carbine (20" barrel or less, no scopes) that was capable of being single fed. Carbine stages included seated (on a rounded stool to simulate horseback), with 5 rounds facing the target, and 5 rounds facing perpendicular to the target at 50 yards, 10 rounds kneeling at 50 yards, and 10 rounds prone (but with an 18" high rest simulating a downed horse) at 100 yards. All three stages required the ammunition be single fed from a belt pouch and fired within 80 seconds. The pistol round was shot one-handed at 25 yards. When the timer started, the pistol was loaded with five rounds, fired, then loaded with 5 more rounds. This was done to make it more even between semi-auto pistols and revolvers (mags empty at start, only one mag allowed). All 10 rounds had to be fired within 80 seconds.







2022 Rifle Match Schedule

1/15 - 100 yd High Power Bench Match

2/19 - 100 yd High Power Bench Match

3/19 - 100 yd March Madness Match

4/16 - 100 yd 22LR Bench Match

5/7 – Lever Action Match

5/21 – Military Match

6/4 - Military Match

7/2 – Trench Match

7/16 - Military Match

8/6 - Cavalry Match

8/20 - Military Match

9/17 – 100 yd 22LR March Madness Match

9/24 - 185 yd Bench Match

10/1 - Trench Match

10/15 - Military Match

10/29 - 100 yd 22LR Bench Match

11/19 -185 yd Bench Match (starts at noon)

12/17 - White Elephant Match

<u>Dave Vandermark</u> <u>rifle@tcsl.org</u>



At Tri-County Sportsmen's League 8640 Moon Road, Saline

Take the night off from cooking and join us.
This is the best dinner money can buy!

Open to the public, so bring friends and family along. Great time to connect with other TCSL members!

Choose from a Steak, Chicken or Salmon, and watch it get cooked over a huge outdoor grill. Then choose from an assortment of side dishes.

Meal includes:

Salad, Roll, Potatoes, Vegetable, Baked Beans, and Dessert.

Now offering kids meals: Hamburger or Hot Dog, Mac & Cheese.



Ways to get your Volunteers hours in

Help out in the kitchen with Steak Frys, Burger Nights, Breakfasts, or catered events. Even if you can't cook, no worries! We're always looking for servers, dish washers, grill masters, helpers. Contact kitchen@tcsl.org

Help out on the grounds with grass-cutting, weeding, tree and grass trimming. Contact grounds@tcsl.org

Help out with handgun shoots. Contact pistol@tcsl.org

Become a bartender and get on the list to help out with events. Contact reservations@tcsl.org

Share an idea you want to work on, Contact president@tcsl.org

Thank You for Supporting Your Club!

MUCC Committee

Michigan United Conservation Clubs' convention is now behind us. Region 8, which is the southeastern corner of the state, has two new members on the MUCC Executive Board: Leonard Shaner and Eric Braden. Region 8's representatives on the MUCC Policy Board are Roger Calhoun, Rick Okerhjelm, Taylor Renton, and Zach Snyder. Leonard and Eric have both said that they hope to develop stronger relationships among the MUCC club members in Region 8. They plan to hold meetings throughout the region and to visit clubs over the next two years.

MUCC has scheduled a Policy Board meeting for Saturday, September 17, at Big Bear Sportsman's Club in Kaleva. Policy Board meetings are open to MUCC members; let me know if you'd like more information. The 2023 MUCC Annual Convention is planned for March in Mount Pleasant.

As you may remember, MUCC had to work extremely hard to staff the summer camp program. They held three of the weekly sessions, and those weeks went very well with sufficient staff. Then they were in the regrettable situation of neither having a cook nor the necessary number of counselors. As a result, MUCC had to cancel the final three weeks of camp. MUCC refunded the camp fees that had been paid for these weeks. This was a sad event for the MUCC Camp.

Leonard Shaner and Eric Braden are trying to set up a day at the Crystal Waters Game Area near Milan. All attending would get to participate in a tour of the area. Presently, efforts are being made to get the needed parking areas completed.

MUCC is asking clubs to support 4^{th} - and 5^{th} -grade classrooms in their area with subscriptions to MUCC's "Tracks" magazine for the 2022-23 school year. The cost per student this year is \$6 for 8 issues (October-May). "Tracks" is mailed to classroom teachers each month. Individual subscriptions for "Tracks" can be purchased on the MUCC website.

Jim and I plan to continue to be involved in MUCC and Region 8 programs and activities. We will keep the Club informed. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Jim Pryce, jpryce@aol.com, 734-368-2473 Kris Matthew, wkrismatt@aol.com, 734-646-3763

Bowling Pin Shoot - Open to The Public

Bowling pin shooting is a fun, but challenging, event. We welcome the skilled shooter, as well as the novice. We guarantee you'll enjoy yourself, while enhancing your shooting skills. Members and non-members are encouraged to bring friends/family along with them.

PCC & .22 Rifle Bowling Pin Shoot Sunday, September 4

11:30am until 4:00pm Shooting starts at 12:00noon.

The cost for each relay (20 pins = $5 \text{ pins } \times 4 \text{ tables}$) is \$5.00.

The shooter stands **20 yards** away from a structure, with 5 bowling pins on it. A safety officer, with a timer, will give the command to commence firing, at which time the shooter will begin shooting until all 6 pins are knocked down. The time it takes to knock 5 pins down is recorded. The average time of the shooter's best 3 tables will determine his/her score. Bragging rights are determined by the lowest shooter's score.

If you don't own a PCC or .22 rifle and would like to participate, there are several members on site who are willing to loan you their .22 rifle for this event.

Contact: Jim Walter • 734-478-3946 • idwalter54@comcast.net

Kids on the Range Day

It was another beautiful day in the neighborhood! After a two-year absence, KORD was welcomed back enthusiastically by participants, their families, and our volunteers. What could be better than 60 happy kids? Our volunteers gave them a great experience, and their families enjoyed watching the fun. I can't thank our volunteers enough and couldn't even begin to name them all. You know who you are, and I hope you know how much your willingness to give of your time and talents is valued and appreciated by the Club—and by me, personally. You're the best. Let's do it again next July (the 15th, to be exact)!

Thank you, all!

Val Kabat

Handgun Bowling Pin Shoot Sunday: September 18

11:30am until 4:00pm Shooting starts at 12:00noon.

The cost for each relay (20 pins = $5 \text{ pins } \times 4 \text{ tables}$) is \$5.00.

The shooter stands **25 feet** away from a structure, with 5 bowling pins on it. A safety officer with a timer will give the command to commence firing, at which time the shooter will begin shooting until all 5 pins are knocked down. The time it takes to knock 5 pins down is recorded. The average time of the shooter's best 3 tables will determine his/her score. Bragging rights are determined by the lowest shooter's score (time).

If you don't own a handgun, PCC or .22 rifle and would like to participate, there are several members on site who are willing to loan you their .22 handgun or rifle for this event.

Contact: Mike Cowhy • 313-530-7789 • car64mc@peoplepc.com



Results of the July 31 Bowling Pin Shoot

SHOOTERS BEST TIMES BY FIREARM USED

.22	Time		
	NAME	(seconds)	
Jason	Tizedes		2.14
Jom	Yost		2.44
Mike	Cowhy		3.18
Jim	Walter		3.32
Rick	Parsons		3.32
Jayden	Johnson		3.41
Joey	Johnson		3.82
Tom	Hammonds		4.10
Justin	Reed		4.12
Charles	Michael		4.18
Ron	Schworm		4.2
Evan	Penner	YOUTH	4.49
Nancy	Linderman		9.35
Emily	Tizedes	YOUTH	10.69
Bradyn	Penner	YOUTH	11.6
Ruth	Schworm		14.41
Caroline	Penner	YOUTH 14.6	

PC	Time		
	(seconds)		
Rick	Parsons		4.07
Tom	Lewandowski		5.35
Bradyn	Penner	YOUTH	13.84

Handgun - No Optics			Time
	NAME		(seconds)
Alan	Robertson		9.77

The PCC / .22 Rifle Bowling Pin Shoot took place July 31, 2022. We had a great beautiful day and a GREAT TURNOUT. Once again we had several youngsters come out with their parents and grand parents. I hope everyone had a great time. Thank you to all that participated.

Hunting Season is Approaching Fast.

It is time to get ready, qand ere are a few things you need to know.

All first-time hunters born on or after January 1, 1960, are required to take and pass a hunter safety course. You will not be able to purchase a base license (other than an apprentice license) unless you can prove successful completion of a hunter safety course.

This is new for this year:

"Online harvest reporting is a new requirement of every successful deer hunter to report their deer harvest through our website or online app beginning in 2022. The system will allow us a near real-time estimate of deer harvest as it occurs, something Michigan has never experienced before." - Chad Stewart, Deer, Elk and Moose Management Specialist, Michigan DNR.

Go to this link to answer some of your questions: https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/about/newsroom/press-kits/harvest-reporting-press-kit?utm_campaign=deer+harvest+reporting&utm_medium=pr&utm_source=govdelivery

I know it seems like a lot.

If you need a field day, TCSL class registration opened on August 22 and may be full at this time. Sign up on the waiting list, so that if someone drops out, you can get in. You can register here: https://michigan.storefront.kalkomey.com/em/programs.

Remember to get in that bow practice and get some trigger time to stay at your best.

Hope to see you at the range.

<u>Hunter Education Committee</u> Jon N Yost

WANTED

The club is still looking for a walk-in cooler refrigeration unit.

contact: Mark Smokowicz

October Newsletter

Absolute deadline for article submission: September 24 newsletter@tcsl.org

Membership

Eight people submitted applications this month and were approved by the board of directors. They include:

Nick Bowen - Probationary
Hume Getchell - Military
William Kiple - Probationary
Tim McCandless - Probationary
James Tartamella - Probationary
Joshua Yepez - Probationary Young Adult
Steven Devine - Probationary
Paul Evans - Probationary

Five people attended the August orientation session:

Nick Bowen - Probationary Grant Buehler - Junior John Mason - Probationary James Tartamella - Probationary William Kiple - Probationary

Current probationary members' renewal notices will be sent to them 4 to 6 weeks before their membership expires. Please check your membership card for the expiration date.

I would also like to remind everyone that we have returned to requiring volunteer hours. All regular, probationary, and young adult members that are under 65 years of age are required to put in a minimum of 10 hours per year. The cut-off, as usual, is November 30. There are plenty of opportunities to put in those hours. These include clubhouse events, breakfasts, dinners, board and membership meetings, grounds maintenance, range maintenance, etc. There will also be a fall cleanup day some weekend after the leaves fall.

Thanks

<u>Charlie Unbehaun</u> <u>Membership Secretary</u>

Range Closures for IDPA Match

Due to the scheduled IDPA Tier 3 Match on September 9, 10, and 11, it will be necessary to close the ranges for the match and also for setup. Please Review below:

Sunday and Monday, September 4 and 5 ALL of the Action Bays will be Closed. Tuesday thru Sunday, September 6-11: ALL of Tri-County Ranges will be Closed.

Thank You for your patience, and we are sorry for any inconvenience.

For further information, contact idpa@tcsl.org.

TCSL Booster Club.

It's that time of the year when membership dues are limited to new members. To off-set this dip in revenue, we normally see an increase in Hall Rental, Catering, and Events.

This year, we believe, a carry-over from the Covid shutdown, our Hall activity is good, but not want we have seen in past years.

Cash flow will be very tight through this period, and we will need to use funds from the Booster Club to carry us over to the Membership renewal period.

We would really appreciate your gift to the Booster Club! You can make a one-time gift or a recurring monthly gift through PayPal. Thank you for supporting your Club!

John Harden, Treasurer



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monthly donation.

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Thi-County Sportsmen's League
Attn: Booster Club

8640 Moon Road, Saline, MI 48176



The mission of the Booster Club is to raise funds to supplement TCSL's traditional funding through member dues. These funds will help to ensure that TCLS can continue to: Promote sportsmen and women in the betterment of hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, boating, shooting.

- Host social activities for our members.
- Provide leadership for our youth.
- Participate in citizen action in the legislative process.
- · Protect our environment.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
RSO On Duty: Charlie U.	RSO on Duty: Mark B.	5pm - IDPA Practice	RSO on Duty: Mark S.	12pm - Friends of		8am - Michigan CPL
2pm - Oakwood Church -	12pm - Friends of		10am - Wednesday Range			
	7pm - BSA Troop 439					
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	7pm - BSA Troop 439			7pm - Membership		
	7:30pm - Finance					
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Scout Campout @ 8640	RSO on Duty: Mark B.	5:30pm - Hunter	RSO on Duty: Mark S.	12pm - Friends of	5pm - Flame Broiled	12pm - 185 yd Rifle
RSO On Duty: Charlie U.	12pm - Friends of		10am - Wednesday Range			
8am - NRA CCW Course	7pm - BSA Troop 439		, . 3.			
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12pm - Handgun Bowling						
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For up-to-date information, please see the online calendar.

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	7pm - BSA Troop 439		6:30pm - Gun Safety			
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	7pm - BSA Troop 439			7pm - Membership		
	7:30pm - Finance					
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