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### President's Column

A few days after the March Board and Membership meeting, Dr. Phil Cardon made the decision to resign from the Board of Directors. We would like to thank him for his willingness to serve on the Board and wish him well. Following his resignation, a Board meeting was called. As First Vice President, I became the President. At that meeting, I appointed Steve Nesmith as the new First Vice President, and Brain Craig to replace Steve as the Recording Secretary. The rest of the Board of Directors remain the same.

The upstairs renovation is continuing under Carol Grubb's supervision. The hall (including the ceiling fans) has been painted. She is in the process of selecting and installing new window coverings. If you have a chance, please head upstairs and check out the progress.

John Vidolich has been appointed chairman of the Bylaws committee.

We have a fair number of events coming up this month. They include:

- Trap on Sundays from noon until around 4:30 and Wednesdays from 5pm until 7pm
- Euchre Night on Wednesdays, April 1 and 15, at 6:30pm
- KORD planning meeting Wednesday, April 8, at 6:30pm
- Hunter Education on Saturday, April 4 at 9am
- Gun Safety Seminar on Tuesday, April 7, at 6:30pm
- Handgun Bowling Pin Shoot on Sunday, April 12, at noon until about 4:30pm
- Harvest Moon Craft Show on Saturday, April 18, from 9am to 4pm
- PCC Bowling Pin Shoot on Sunday, April 26, at noon until about 4:30pm
- Education Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 14, at 6:30pm
- Board and Membership meeting and Burger Night on Thursday, April 16, at 6:30pm
- NRA CCW Class on Saturday, April 18, at 8am
- Military Rifle Match on Saturday, April 18, at 9am
- IDPA monthly club-level match on Saturday, April 25, 9am-3:30pm
- New Member Orientation on Saturday, April 25, at 10am

Please come out and enjoy the spring weather in Michigan and support and enjoy the Club activities.

Thank you.

[Jim Walter, president@tcsl.org](mailto:Jim.Walter@tcsl.org)

### Membership

Nine people submitted applications in March:

Craig Bowlby - Probationary  
Josh Cornyak - Probationary  
Traverse Cornyak - Junior  
Chad Holben - Probationary  
Evan Murphy - First Responder  
John Nitka - Probationary  
Gennero Ursillo - Probationary  
Jason White - Probationary  
Thomas Eberts - First Responder

Four people attended orientation in March:

Josh Cornyak - Probationary  
Traverse Cornyak - Junior  
Chad Holben - Probationary  
Paul Winston - Associate

Please welcome them to the Club.

The next orientation is scheduled for April 25. I will send an email to new applicants that need orientation a week or so before the date. Any current members are also welcome to attend as a refresher. We have had a couple of requests for a weekday orientation. If you would like to attend then, please let me know about possible date and time options.

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.

Below is our current membership by type:

Associates: 29  
LEO First Responder: 2  
Junior: 7  
Life: 17  
Military: 5  
Probationary: 52  
Past President: 9  
Probationary Young Adult: 1  
Regular: 210  
Senior: 82  
Young Adult: 1  
Total: 416

If you have any question regarding membership or volunteer hours, please contact me at [membership@tcsl.org](mailto:membership@tcsl.org).

Thanks,

[Charlie Unbehaun, Membership Secretary](mailto:Charlie.Unbehaun@tcsl.org)  
[membership@tcsl.org](mailto:membership@tcsl.org)



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BRANDY STRUK



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734-429-9930

## Hunter Education Hunter Education Field Day - March 7

On March 7, we held the first of seven classes that we'll hold a Tri-County Sportsman's League. The event went without a hitch, including the Live Fire and Tree Stand Safety demo. (We've not always been able to include those due to lack of staff.)

Our next classes will be (all Saturdays):

April 4  
May 2  
June 13  
July 11  
August 1  
September 26

My letter of thanks in recognition of the people who made this class work:

Thank you, all, for a fantastically executed class. I could not have asked for more—from everyone involved. (If you weren't able to make the event, I understand. You were truly missed.) From set-up to finish, from sign-in to handing out cards, from running the ranges in adverse weather and improvising in order to "make it work" to adding a very important Tree Stand Safety segment. Your dedication continued right down to the final sweep of the floor. What a crew! I am proud to work with you all.

Knowing that we, as a group, can contribute to the committee in such a positive way, all I can say is, "God bless you all."

Sincerely

[Jon N.Yost.huntereducation@tcsi.org](mailto:Jon.N.Yost.huntereducation@tcsi.org)

## 2026 Bowling Pin Shoot Schedule

→ Open to the Public ←

### PCC & .22 Rifle Bowling Pin Shoot

Sundays: Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28, Jul 26, Aug 23, Sep 20  
11:30am until 4:00pm (or until we run out of shooters)  
Shooting starts at noon.

The cost for each relay (20 pins = 5 pins x 4 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 5 pins are knocked down. The time it takes to knock 5 pins down is recorded. Bragging rights are determined by the shooter's lowest score (time).

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.jdwalter54@comcast.net](mailto:Jim.Walter.jdwalter54@comcast.net), 734-478-3946

### Handgun Bowling Pin Shoot

Sundays: Apr 12, May 3, Jun 14, Jul 13, Aug 9, Sep 6, Oct 4  
11:30am until 4:00pm (or until we run out of shooters)  
Shooting starts at noon.

The cost for each relay (20 pins = 5 pins x 4 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. Bragging rights are determined by the shooter's lowest 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.car64mc@peoplepc.com](mailto:Mike.Cowhy.car64mc@peoplepc.com), 313-530-7789

Pin shooting is a fun, but challenging, event. We welcome the skilled shooter, as well as the novice to participate. We guarantee you will enjoy yourself, while enhancing your shooting skills. Participants are encouraged to bring friends/family along.

Editor's Note: If you've ever been curious about these events—maybe you thought they sounded like fun, but you're inexperienced, don't have the right firearms, etc., I encourage you to c'mon down on a Sunday afternoon. I have not shot a firearm in at least five years, no longer own any of my own, and was extremely hesitant to give this a try. But these guys were EXTREMELY patient and kind and made me feel comfortable from the start. As advertised, they were happy to lend their own firearms and give step-by-step instruction. What I feared would be a totally embarrassing afternoon turned out to be great fun. Give it a try! I don't think you'll be disappointed!

Val Kabat

## Something New at Tri-County

On a trip to the range, have you ever seen someone shooting a firearm that caught your attention? Or heard a gunshot that sounded a little different and wondered, "What is that?" Have you ever considered buying a gun but wished you could try one first? Well, TCSL will be hosting an event that just might help answer those questions.

Saturday, June 6  
first ever "TCSL Meet & Greet & Shoot"  
9:00am-3:30pm  
Online Preregistration Required (look for the email blast)

This event is being organized as a member group shoot. Let's all meet at the ranges and meet the other members, and see and shoot their firearms and just plain have fun.

The event is open to members and one guest. Each participant may bring up to 3 firearms. They can be your favorites, ones you want to show off, or just some that you haven't shot in a while. In addition to the firearms, you need to bring ammo for each one. If you have a guest, they may also bring up to three firearms and ammo. Because of limited range space, please bring either rifles (the kind used on rifle range) or firearms that can be used on the action ranges.

Participants will be divided into two squads (A & B). Half of the people (Squad A) will setup their assigned range and the firing line with their firearms, while the other half (Squad B) looks over what Squad A has brought. You can talk, shoot, or both. After a break for lunch, the roles will be reversed. Squad B will have their guns out, and Squad A will look over Squad B's wares. At the end of the day, Squad B will also tear down the range. Set-up/tear-down will be minimal—very much like a normal trip to the range. The distances for rifles will be approximately 40 yards. Pistol targets will be 5-12 yards. All firearms not in use must be flagged. (Please bring flags, but if you forget, we will have some available).

Here is how the day is planned:  
9:00-9:20 • sign in & range assignments  
9:20 • safety briefing  
9:30-10:00 • range setup (Squad A)  
10-noon • first shoot session  
noon-1:00 • clear ranges, afternoon firearm squad setup, lunch  
1:00-3:00 • second shoot session  
300-3:30 — range tear down (squad B)  
3:30 — bragging at bar (optional)

We are still working on lunch options, including food trucks and similar food services. Worse case you might have to bring a bag lunch. We want to keep this event as simple as possible and not tie up our members with work assignments.

- Set the date aside on your calendars.
- Start thinking of what firearms you want to bring.
- Help spread the word.
- Register with the QR code below.

[Tom Lewandowski, tomlew2012@yahoo.com](mailto:Tom Lewandowski, tomlew2012@yahoo.com)



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## Booster Club

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Attn: Booster Club  
8640 Moon Rd., Saline, MI 48176



**... for your generous support!**  
Please note: Contributions to TCSL are NOT  
tax deductible as charitable contributions.

The mission of the Booster Club is to supplement TCSL's traditional funding through member dues. These funds will help to ensure that TCSL can continue to: Promote sportsmen and women in the betterment of hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, boating, and shooting; and to offer social activities for our members, provide leadership for our youth, participate in citizen action in the legislative process, and protect our environment.



## May Newsletter

Absolute deadline for article submission:  
April 24

[newsletter@tcsl.org](mailto:newsletter@tcsl.org)

For advertising information:†  
[tcsl.org/newsletters](http://tcsl.org/newsletters)

## Kids on the Range Day Saturday, July 18, 2026

Remember: No meeting in March.

We'll get together again on Wednesday, April 8, at 6:30pm at the clubhouse.

The format will be the same as always, but now's the time to speak up if you see things that should be changed. I'm open to suggestions.

Range Leads are actively recruiting, so get in touch with them if you'd like to work on their range.

Action - Jon Yost, [huntereducation@tcsl.org](mailto:huntereducation@tcsl.org)  
Archery - Coach AJ, [archery@tcsl.org](mailto:archery@tcsl.org)  
Pin Shoot - Jim Walter, [v1president@tcsl.org](mailto:v1president@tcsl.org)  
Pistol - Dick Cupka, [pistol@tcsl.org](mailto:pistol@tcsl.org)  
Rifle - Dave Vandermark, [rifle@tcsl.org](mailto:rifle@tcsl.org)  
Trap - Nick Coburn, [trap@tcsl.org](mailto:trap@tcsl.org)

I'm also recruiting for other volunteers: Range Rovers (two people). It's a job that will keep you busy from first thing in the morning till the event is over, but I think a couple of friends working together would have a good time. And you get to ride around in Vic Chevrette's (thank you Vic) Polaris all day. If you're interested and would like to know more, please contact me.

Remember that all KORD volunteers must provide a background check done through the Michigan State Police's ICHAT website. Just type "ICCHAT" into your browser, and it will get you there. The process is fairly straight forward but can be a bit temperamental, so if you'd rather not deal with it, I'll be happy to do it for you. I'll just need your birthdate and reimbursement for the \$10 fee.

Questions? Comments? Let me know.



[Val Kabat.kord@tcsl.org](mailto:Val.Kabat.kord@tcsl.org)

KORD 2026 Planning Meetings  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm

April 8  
May 13 (maybe)  
June 10  
July 8

Online registration for  
**KIDS ON THE RANGE DAY**  
is now open!



## Tri-County Euchre



Mark your calendar to come out and enjoy a fun night playing euchre at the Club. We play on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Upcoming dates: April 1 & 15 and May 6 & 20.

Cover charge is \$5. Play starts at 7pm. We will be serving Domino's Pizza from shortly after 6pm on. The cost is \$2.50 per slice. The cash bar is open and the popcorn is free.

Carol Grubb, 734-417-9599



## Memorial & Wellbeing

Lawrence Miller passed away on February 28 at the age of 69. Once known as Rob Bolog's "Twin Brother," Lawrence was Tri-County's long-time Kitchen Chairman and was instrumental in raising the quality of food served at the many events hosted by the Tri-County catering team. As a result, Tri-County experienced a large increase in bookings and revenue during his tenure as Kitchen Chair.

In addition to working full time for more than 40 years at St. Joe Hospital, Lawrence founded and ran Bone Brothers Quality catering for years.

He is survived by his wife Teresa, his daughter Erica, son Jordon, and grandkids.



Please send items for this column to:  
[newsletter@tcsl.org](mailto:newsletter@tcsl.org)

## New Bylaws & Rules Committee

If you've ever had an interest in knowing more about the Club's bylaws and/or had an idea for a change, this is the committee whose meetings you should attend. Meetings are open to all members of Tri-County who are interested in participating in the behind-the-scenes process of changing the government document of Tri-County and in educating the membership about what the bylaws actually say and mean.

Meetings will be held at 6:30 on the Monday of the week prior to the Board Meeting (i.e., the week prior to the Finance and Safety meetings). They will be held in person in the lower level of the clubhouse unless/until there's a consensus to move to an alternative format (e.g., Zoom) meeting schedule:

April 6  
May 11  
June 8  
July 6  
August 10  
September - no meeting  
October 5

In general, proposed agendas will be distributed by the close of business on the Friday before regularly scheduled meetings. Agendas will be distributed as far in-advance as possible for ad hoc (or impromptu) meetings. Let me know if you'd like your email address added to the distribution list for meetings and other announcements.

For more information contact

John Vidolich, [bylaws@tcsl.org](mailto:bylaws@tcsl.org)

## TCSL RANGE HOURS

**Monday-Saturday:**  
Shooting may begin  
no earlier than 10am

**Sunday:**  
Shooting may begin  
no earlier than 12noon

**Every Day:**  
Shooting must cease  
by 8pm or sunset, whichever  
occurs earlier.

## 2026 (March 26) March Madness Match

### Vinner's Bracket



## 2026 TCSL Rifle Match Schedule

(All Saturdays)

- Apr 4 – Lever Action Match
- Apr 18 – Military Match
- May 2 – Kentucky Windage Match
- May 16 – Cavalry Match
- Jun 13 – Military Match
- Jun 27 – Black Powder Match
- Jul 2 – IBS 22LR Match
- Jul 11 – 185-Yard Bench Match
- Jul 23 – IBS 22LR Match
- Aug 06 – IBS 22LR Match
- Aug 15 – Slug Match
- Aug 27 – IBS 22LR Match
- Aug 29 – Military Match
- Sep 19 – March Madness Match
- Oct 3 – Military Assault Match
- Oct 24 – 185-Yard Bench Match
- Nov 14 – Trench Match
- Dec 12 – White Elephant Match

[Dave Vandermark, rifle@tcsl.org](mailto:Dave.Vandermark.rifle@tcsl.org)

## Hall Renovation Project

### Name The Hall Contest

Get your creative juices flowing to name the hall!

As it's now time to give the upstairs event hall a name, a Name The Hall Contest seems to be in order. We are looking for your ideas.

We want to give the event hall an identity of its own while keeping it securely attached to Tri-County, for example, "The Pines at Tri-County." The chosen name will be used in advertising pieces both printed and online. We want the name to be something a person will remember and recognize as an event destination.

To enter the contest, please send your idea for a name to [v2president@tcsl.org](mailto:v2president@tcsl.org). Along with your entry, be sure to include your name and phone number. Entries should be received by April 8. We will put together a list of five suggested names and send them out in an email blast by April 11, asking members to send in their votes for the name they like best. Votes will be accepted until April 27. The winning name will be announced in the May 1 Newsletter. The winner will receive two tickets to any upcoming dinner event at Tri-County.

### In Other Renovation News

The painting has been completed. We are now moving on to replacing broken and stained ceiling tiles, replacing window blinds, and reworking and rehanging the front curtain. Advertising plans are being worked on, as well as a new landing webpage.

When you are at the Club, take a moment to poke your head in upstairs to see the progress. We are sure you will be pleased. We are hoping to have an open house event when the project is finished. Our goal is to have you be pleased enough to recommend the space to your friends and family for their next very special event.



Carol Grubb, 734-417-9599

### Donate Stuff to TCSL

While you're doing your spring cleaning, remember that TCSL can use your unwanted items to bring in money for the Club. Maybe you sold a rifle but found a box or two of ammo for it lying around. Or, you need to get rid of some camping gear you're never going to use. You're so set on ammo that you don't need reloading equipment any longer. Maybe your kids left some stuff when they moved out 20 years ago. Whatever it is, we can probably sell it in one of our sales. We've sold everything from a firing pin to a boat. Found something to donate? Email me, and we'll figure out how to get it to the right spot. Once we get enough built up, we'll schedule another sale.

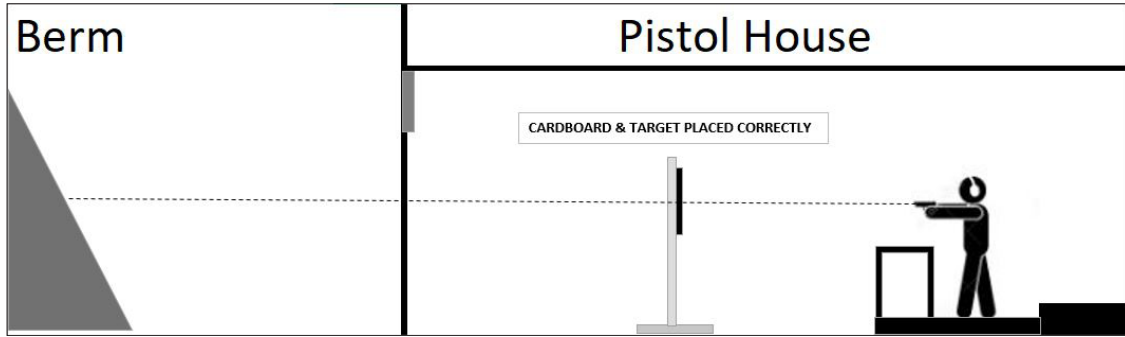
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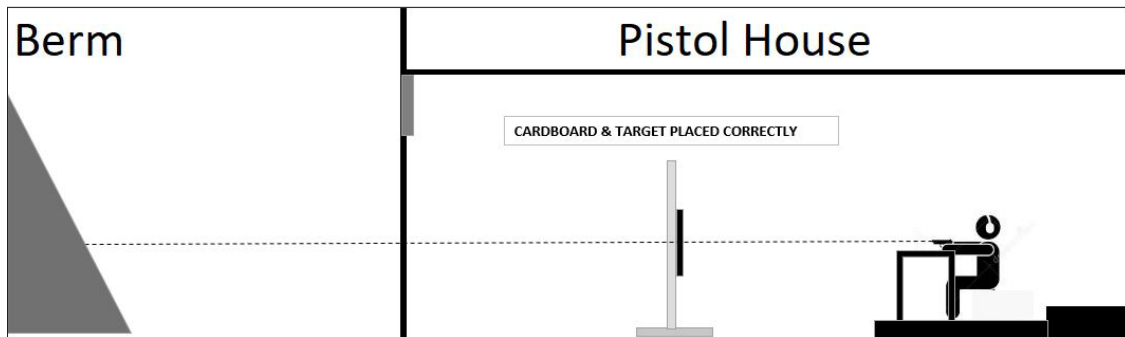
## Target Alignment: A Top Priority!

At Tri-County target placement and sight alignment are very important to the overall safety of our ranges. Knowing your target and what is behind it is one of the fundamentals of safe shooting.

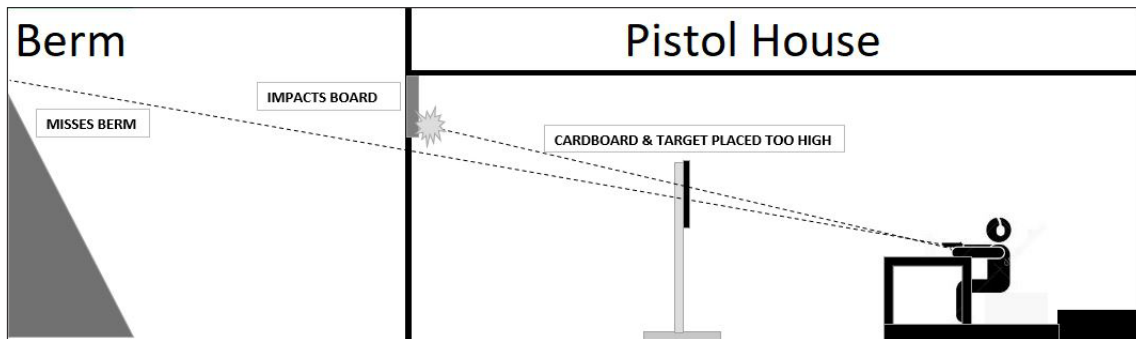
In the Pistol House we strive to place the cardboard target backers at the correct standing positions for average shooters, however people come in all sizes.



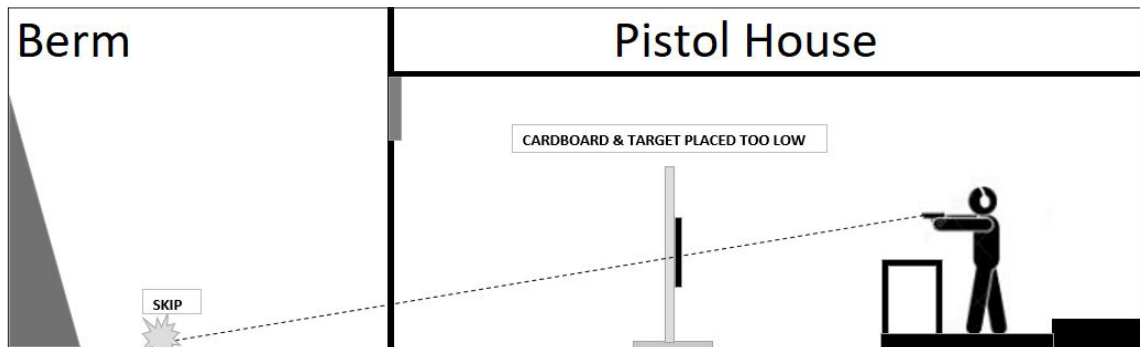
Many people enjoy shooting while seated or sighting in their pistols using a bench rest. This requires the cardboard and target to be placed at a lower position to properly impact the berm.



It is very important to remember to lower the cardboard and target to ensure proper target alignment, failing to do so can result in damage to the building or missing the berm entirely.



We ask that if you lower the cardboard for sitting you replace it to the original higher position when you have completed shooting. Shooters have been observed negligently shooting at low cardboard from a standing position. Remember you must always check your target alignment to prevent skips, this is especially important in the winter when the ground may be frozen.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - PCC Rifle	30 12pm - Friends of	31	1 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - Euchre Night @ 	2 12pm - Friends of	3	4 6am - 50/100 yd Lever 9am - Hunter Education
5 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 	6 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Bylaws & Rules	7 6:30pm - Gun Safety	8 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - KORD Planning	9 12pm - Friends of	10	11 9am - Harvest Moon Craft
12 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - Handgun	13 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm Finance 7:30pm - Safety	14 6:30pm - TCSL Education	15 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - Euchre Night @	16 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Board Meeting 7pm - Membership	17	18 Pistol Range reserved for 8am - NRA CCW course 9am - Military Match
19 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	20	21	22 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 	23	24	25 9am - IDPA Club Level 10am - Orientation Class
26 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - PCC Rifle	27	28	29 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap	30	1	2 9am - Hunter Education 9am - Kentucky Windage



Please always see the online calendar for up-to-date information!



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26 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - PCC Rifle	27	28	29 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap	30	1 	2 9am - Hunter Education 9am - Kentucky Windage
3 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	4 9am - U of M Police 12pm - Friends of	5 9am - U of M Police 6:30pm - Gun Safety 	6 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - Euchre Night @	7 12pm - Friends of	8	9 10am - Orientation Class
10 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	11 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Bylaws & Rules	12 6:30pm - TCSL Education	13 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - KORD Planning	14 12pm - Friends of	15	16 Pistol Range reserved for 8am - NRA CCW course 9am - Cavalry Match 
17 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	18 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Finance 7:30pm - Safety	19	20 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap 6:30pm - Euchre Night @	21 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Board Meeting 7pm - Membership	22	23 9am - IDPA Club Level
24 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - PCC Rifle	25 12pm - Friends of 	26	27 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap	28 12pm - Friends of	29	30
31 RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	1 12pm - Friends of	2 6:30pm - Gun Safety	3 10am - Wednesday Range 5pm - Wed Evening Trap	4 12pm - Friends of	5	6 9am - TCSL Meet & Greet