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September 2026

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President's Column

On August 11, at our request, Andrew Pulvermacher, NRA Range Technical Team National Supervisor, and two trainees came to TCSL and did a review of all the ranges. We will receive a full report from the NRA in approximately 30 days. Once the report is received, it will be posted on the Members Only page of the website.

Currently, we are in the process of reviewing the improvements to the ranges that were suggested during the inspection. These suggestions will be prioritized by importance and cost. This will be an ongoing process until all the ranges are updated with the suggested improvements.

The Tri-County Sportsmen's Challenge is coming up September 11-13. Anyone who would like to help out on any of these three days, please contact Earl Austin or Steve Nesmith. There is much to be done!

I would like to thank the people who consistently arrange for "Open to the Public" shooting events:

Dave Vandermark at the Rifle Range offers several different competitions for both large-caliber and .22LR rifles. My favorites are the .22LR events.
1. March Madness - shooting hanging clays at 100 yards for fast time.
2. IBS 22LR Match – shooting for accuracy at 100 yards.
3. Kentucky Windage 22LR - shooting for accuracy at 50, 100 and 185 yards with no sight in.

The Bowling Pin Shoot group (Mike Cowhy, Rick Parsons, Nancy Lindemann, Tom Hammon, and Val Kabat) for their continued support of running the Bowling Pin Shoots. There are two monthly Bowling Pin Shoots.
1. Handgun shoot – using any handgun at 25 feet.
2. PCC & .22 rifle – pins are shot from 20 yards.

The strength of Tri-County Sportsmen's League has always been its members. Every volunteer, participant, supporter, and family member plays a part in making our Club successful. As we move forward, let's continue to support one another, promote safe and responsible sportsmanship, and introduce the next generation to the outdoor traditions that brought so many of us here. Thank you for all you do for Tri-County, and I look forward to everything we can accomplish together.

Jim Walter, president@tcsl.org

Finance News

The Finance Committee met on Monday, August 17, and the monthly financial statements were reviewed in detail as usual.

Items discussed at the August meeting included possible upcoming large expenses related to range modifications as a result of the August 11 NRA range review, go-ahead for minor maintenance items to be handled in the upstairs clubhouse hall, and first-aid trauma kits for installation at the ranges.

The Finance Committee voting is limited to committee members; however, meetings are open to all cCub members. Watch the TCSL calendar for the next Finance Committee meeting.

Steven Nesmith, v1president@tcsl.org

Membership

Eight new people applied for membership in late July and early August:

Madison Benyard - Junior
Morgan Benyard - Junior
David Allen - Probationary
Stewart Andrews - Probationary
Richard Dyk - Probationary
Peter Orlando - Military
Eddie Warren - Probationary Young Adult
Terrell Moran - Probationary

Six people attended orientation in August:

Madison Benyard - Junior
Morgan Benyard - Junior
Steven Benyard - Probationary
Mathew Parsons - Probationary
Brian G Pease - Probationary
Lawyer Vaughn - Probationary

Please welcome them to the Club.

The next orientation is scheduled for Saturday, September 5, at 10am. I will email new applicants who need orientation a week or so before the date as a reminder. Any current members are also welcome to attend as a refresher. We have a couple of requests for a weekday orientation; so 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 four to six weeks before their memberships expire. Please check your membership card for the expiration date.

Below is our current membership by type:

Associates: 27
LEO First Responder: 9
Junior: 6
Life: 15
Military: 6
Probationary: 57
Past President: 8
Probationary Young Adult: 5
Regular: 199
Senior: 71
Young Adult: 3
Total: 406

If you have any question regarding membership or volunteer hours, please contact me:

Charlie Unbehaun, Membership Secretary
membership@tcsl.org

IPDA

9/11, a date we should never forget, will be here soon. It also corresponds with the TCSL Sportsmen Challenge. Our major yearly IDPA match is known by many as the 9/11 match. If you're a Club member who doesn't know about this match, you're missing the biggest event of the year. Planning and work have been going on since the last shot at last year's match. If you get a chance, come out and see what it's all about.

If you're interested, we can always use help. Stages are currently being built. Bays are being prepped. There is plenty to do. Match days are Friday, September 11, through Sunday, September 13. Help during those days would also be appreciated.

See you on the range!

Earl Austin, eaustin@adriansteel.com

Action Pistol News

The action pistol bays continue to see heavy use this summer, with member open shooting, Hit Factor, and IDPA matches. GPA matches have been held this summer as well, but this match type is currently on stand-by.

Please keep an eye on the TCSL calendar for the most current action bay activities, particularly in early September as action bays are progressively closed in preparation for the upcoming Sportsman Challenge event which opens September 11 and runs through September 13.

Please also note that, while the pistol house is closed temporarily, the range itself is open down range within 20 yards of the backstop for general membership use until closure for the Challenge set-up. Again, please watch the TCSL calendar online for the latest updates.

Steve Nesmith, idpa@tcsl.org

2026 Bowling Pin Shoot Schedule

Open to the Public

PCC & .22 Rifle Bowling Pin Shoot

Sunday: 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 partici-pate, there are several members on site who are willing to loan you their .22 rifle for this event.

Contact: Jim Walter, jdwalter54@comcast.net, 734-478-3946

Handgun Bowling Pin Shoot

Sundays: 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 com-mence 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, 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.

2026 TCSL Rifle Match Schedule

(All Saturdays)

09/19 - March Madness Match
10/03 - Military Assault Match
10/24 - 185-Yd Bench Match
11/14 - Trench Match
12/12 - White Elephant Match

Dave Vandermark, rifle@tcsl.org

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Next TCSL Sale Is September 26!

We have finally scheduled the next TCSL sale. It will be on Saturday, September 26, in the downstairs of the clubhouse. Doors will open at 9am. No early browsing please. (We need the time to get set up). The sale will end at 2pm.

Along with the regular assortment of hunting, shooting, fishing, and camping accessories, we will also have some firearms for sale: muzzleloaders, shotguns, and rifles. Come early to get the best selection. All firearms will require a valid CPL or purchase permit for transfer, so be prepared. More information on them will be provided via email blast about a week before the sale.

Please enter by the downstairs vestibule, as we con't want to disturb the Hunter Ed class going on upstairs.

There is still time to get your donations in! Contact me to make arrangements for drop off. Pick-ups may also be available.

Dave Vandermark, rifle@tcsl.org

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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.

First Ever Slug Match Held

On Saturday, August 15, three shooters met to compete in our first Slug Match at TCSL. Shooters were given 10 minutes to put 10 shots from the bench at 100 yards on a 200-yard NRA target. There were a possible 100 points on target, plus 10 bonus points for using open sights and another 10 bonus points for using a smoothbore (no rifled barrel or chokes). Any shotgun 12 gage or smaller was allowed. We will likely have this match again next year, and maybe by then our shoulders will have healed. Here are the results:

Place	Name	Rifle	Score
1st Place	Dave Vandermark	Mossberg 500 ATP, 12 ga	102
2nd Place	Tony Roberts	Citadel Boss 25, 12 ga	82
3rd Place	Julius Roberts	Benelli Supernova, 12 ga	79

For any questions, contact

Dave Vandermark, rifle@tcsl.org

Third Season Third IBS 100 Yard 22LR Match Held

On Thursday evening, August 6, five shooters met to compete in an IBS 100-yard 22LR rifle match at TCSL. Shooters were given 20 minutes to complete a 6-bull IBS 100-yard target, with 5 shots on each bull. The first bull was for sighting, then the next 5 bulls (25 shots) were for score. Each bullseye is only about 4" in diameter, with the 10 ring not much bigger than the 22 bullet. There will be one more of these Thursday night IBS matches this summer. heck the calendar for dates and times. Here are the results:

Place	Name	Rifle	Score
1st Place	Larry Walton	Bergara	227
2nd Place	Jerry Marken	CZ 457	213
3rd Place	Chris Leite	Springfield 2020	181
	Roland Tadd	CZ 457	179-1x
	Dave Vandermark	Ruger 10/22	166

For further information or questions, contact

Dave Vandermark, rifle@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.

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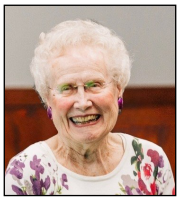

Marlene Joy Barr, 91, died peacefully on August 23, 2026. She was born on February 25, 1935, in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. Marlene earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University and a Master's in Education from Eastern Michigan University. It was at MSU that she met John Barr. He survives her after nearly 72 years of marriage. Together, they raised three children: John M. Barr, Jr., Karl A. Barr (Kaeli Garcia), and Elizabeth M. Barr Letter (Dean Letter). She was a beloved grandmother to Oliver Barr, Karl (Zander) Barr II, Elena (Garcia), Isaac Letter, and Ariana Letter.

Marlene's greatest joy was teaching, and she taught fifth grade in the Ypsilanti Public Schools from 1956 to 1966. She also worked as a receptionist for several years at John's law firm, Barr, Anhut & Associates.

A longtime member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Marlene was active in numerous community organizations throughout the years. A lifelong lover of history and genealogy, she also authored several books,

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7pm on Thursday, September 3, at Nie Funeral Home (320 N. Washington, Ypsilanti). The funeral service will take place at 11am on Friday, September 4, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church (201 N. River, Ypsilanti), followed by a luncheon. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery in Ypsilanti. Read the full obituary here: https://obits.mlive.com/us/obituaries/annarbor/name/marlene-barr-obituary?id=62291292.

William "Bill" Lindemann, a lifelong farmer, dedicated public servant, and respected member of the community, passed away peacefully with family by his side on Monday, August 17, 2026, at the age of 81. He was born on Flag Day, June 14, 1945. Bill was a proud farmer who helped run and care for his family's farm. He was also a proud Army National Guardsman and devoted many years to serving his community, including 25 years as a City of Ann Arbor as a firefighter.

After retirement he enjoyed working for the Washtenaw County Farm Council Grounds. He served as a trustee for Lodi Township, Lodi Township zoning inspector, member of the Saline Fire Department Board, Director of the Washtenaw County Farm Council, and manager of the Tri-County Sportsmen's League. He was known for his strong work ethic, sense of responsibility, and willingness to serve his neighbors and community.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Phyllis Jean Lindemann; and his stepson, Anthony Flint; and he leaves behind his three daughters, Cathy (Neil) Heller, Carol (Greg) Winkler, Chrissy (Mike) Kane and his sister, Karen (Gary) Weidmayer. He is also survived by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

To read the full obituary or to leave a memory you or his guestbook please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

On Saturday, October 3, at 10am, Past President Jim Pryce will be ordained a Permanent Deacon for the Archdiocese of Detroit. The ordination is by invitation only but it is available by livestream at AOD.org.

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

Hunter Education

Saturday, September 26 will be the last TCSL Hunter Education Field Day. The September classes typically fill-up early in open registration, so I'm putting this out there. We're keeping some slots open for TCSL members to make sure that you (and your family and friends) can get a spot.

You will still need to follow the same procedure: Take the online course, make an account with Kalkomey, and register for the field day. But you will have a spot in the class and receive your certificate at the end of the class.

I encourage you, your family and friends to go through the process. For one thing, it's a lifetime achievement. Also, taking the class may get you interested in hunting, even if you're not a hunter now. And if someone invites you to join them in a hunt, you will be ready.

The class isn't just for 12 -and 13-year-olds any more. The average age is now 25, but ages run fall the way from 7 to 60, so you're never too young or too old to get started.

If you're into the "tactical practical" aspect of the shooting sports, hunting is a good way to hone your, survival skills: how to be stealthy in the fields and woods and knowing how to process a renewable resource for food. Some of the best snipers in WWII were farm boys who grew up hunting for food. You can apply your skills as you see fit. Being a marksman and knowing safe gun-handling skill gives you a head start in becoming a successful hunter. You probably already have most of the gear you need to spend the day out in the wilderness (well, maybe not the hunters orange), and game doesn't shoot back.

Registration is open until the day of the class: https://michigan.storefront.kalkomey.com/em/programs.

Take the on-line class: https://www.hunter-ed.com/.

After completing the online course, print your certificate of completion/voucher, and follow the instructions at the class registration for the Hunter Education – Field Day at Tri-County Sportsmen's League September 26 class. Follow the "about this event " instructions.

For further information or questions about the process you can contact me:

Jon N.Yost, huntereducation@tcsl.org
The Hunter Education Committee

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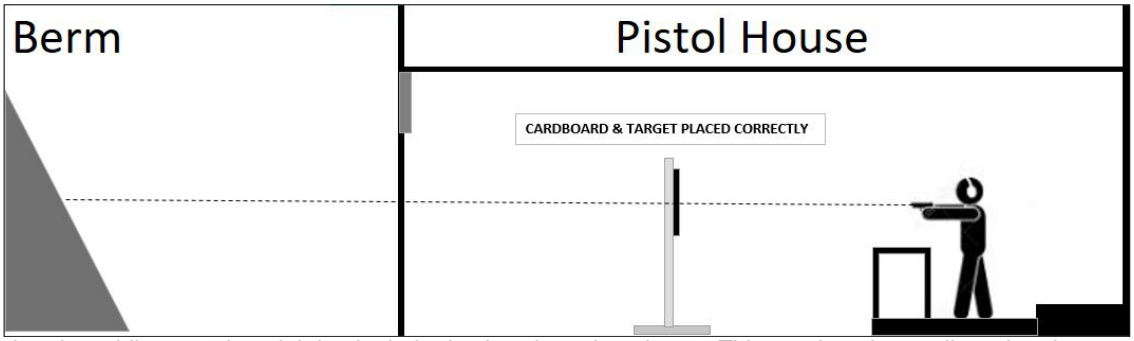
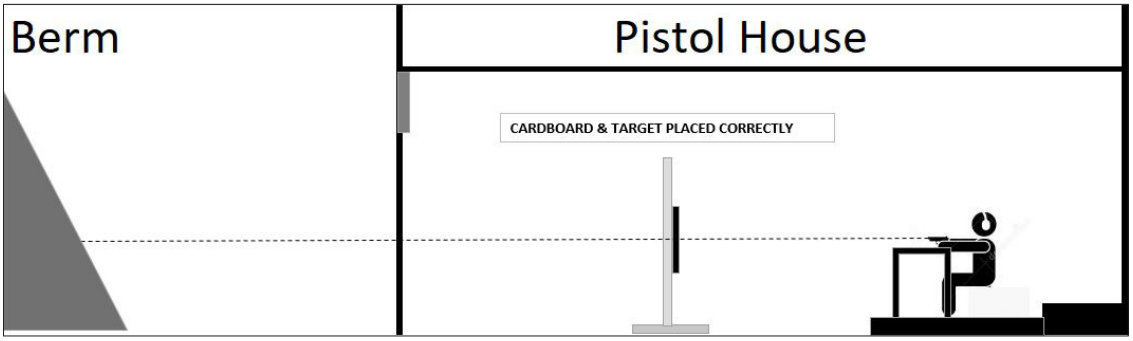
Target Alignment: A Top Priority!

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.

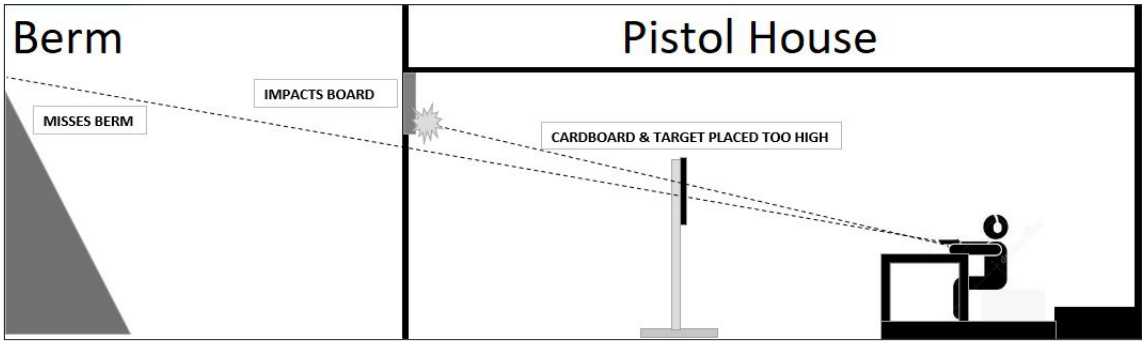
In the Pistol House we strive to place the carboard target backers at the correct standing positions for average shooters, however people come in all sizes.



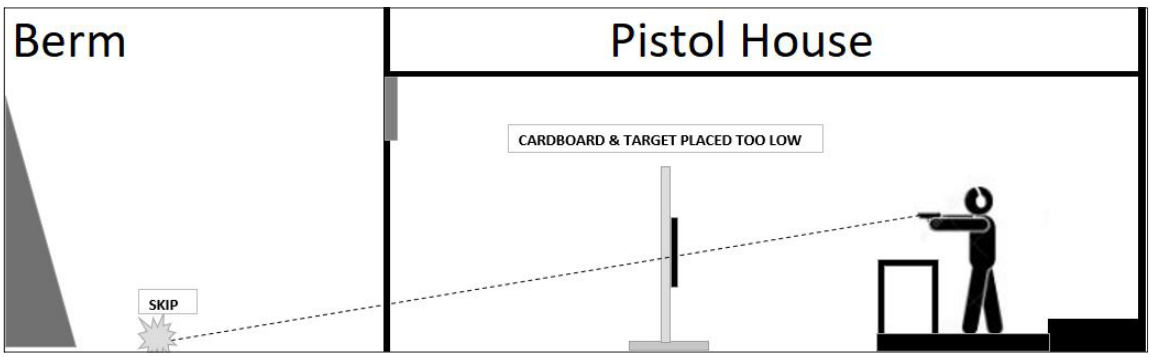
Many people enjoy shooting while seated or sighting in their pistols using a bench rest. This requires the cardboard and target to be placed at a lower position to properly impact the berm.



It is very import 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 especial important in the winter when the ground may be frozen.



Dick Cupka, Pistol Chair

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events

Sep 2026 (Eastern Time - New York

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
Pistol House & Turkey Bay 2 CLOSED @ 8640 Moon RoadSaline , MI 48176USA						
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Hit Factor August 12pm - Trap Shooting @		6:30pm - Gun Safety	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	9am - Private Event	9am - Private Event	12am - IDPA Tier 3 Match 10am - Orientation Class
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
RSO On Duty: Charlie U IDPA Tier 3 Match Setup (Limited Range Use) @ Tri-County Sportsmen'sLeague, 8640 Moon Rd, Saline, MI 48176, 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - Handgun		6:30pm - TCSL Education	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	8am - IDPA Tier 3 Match (All Pistol & Rifle Ranges closed) @ Tri-CountySportsmen's		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
RSO On Duty: Charlie U IDPA Tier 3 Match (All 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7:30pm - Finance	9am - WCSO Range	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Board Meeting 7pm - Membership		Pistol Range reserved for 8am - NRA CCW course 9am - March Madness
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - PCC Rifle	12pm - Friends of	9am - WCSO Range	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		9am - Hunter Education 9am - TCSL Rummage
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	12pm - Friends of		10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		9am - Harvest Moon Craft 9am - Military Assault

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

Tri-County Sportsmen League Events

Oct 2026 (Eastern Time - New York

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	12pm - Friends of		10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		9am - Harvest Moon Craft 9am - Military Assault
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 12pm - Handgun	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Bylaws & Rules	6:30pm - Gun Safety	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		10am - Orientation Class
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7:30pm - Finance	6:30pm - TCSL Education	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening 	12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Board Meeting 7pm - Membership		Pistol Range reserved for 8am - NRA CCW course
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	12pm - Friends of	9am - WCSO Range	10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		9am - 185 Yd Bench 9am - IDPA Club Level 10am - Birthday Party
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
RSO On Duty: Charlie U 12pm - Trap Shooting @	12pm - Friends of		10am - Wednesday Range 4:30pm - Wed Evening	12pm - Friends of		