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Pirate, Rick Standfield pulls for Rene Cruz.

## Skeet & Trap

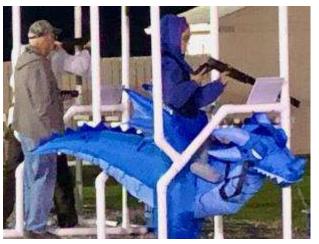
The first Skeet and Trap Fall Fun Shoot was held Saturday, Oct. 28, 2023. Billed as a Devils Night Shoot with the participants shooting Scrap and 5-Stand under the lights. For many of the shooters, it was the first time shooting under the lights, shooting 5-Stand or shooting Scrap. Scrap being a contest where clay targets are launched from a trap house but shot from the eight skeet positions.

Several of the participants joined in the spirit of the Halloween season by dressing in costume. There were a pair of jedi masters, a pirate, a junior shooter riding a blue dragon, a pooh bear, a grim reaper and a very, scary clown. Best costume award went to Sydney Wells for her blue dragon.

There were 25 shooters, with Jim Rhodes winning high overall, scoring 34 out of 50. Several gift certificates were awarded based on Lewis Class scoring.

The next Skeet and Trap event will be the Annual DSC Christmas Fun Shoot and Pot Luck Lunch, Dec. 10, 2023. See the flyer on Page 20.

John Klobuchar



Dragon
Sydney
Wells
models
her
winning
Costume
as Bill
Saylor,
stands in
the background.

Blue

## Campground

The watercraft have been pulled from the lake, the RVs have been winterized and the campers have returned to their homes. All is quiet. Alas, we have come to the conclusion of the camping season.

A big thank you from Bill O'Connell to everyone who worked to help keep the campground neat, tidy, organized, fun and safe this year, and to those who also assisted with our campground new improvement projects like the siding on the pump house, dock and the beginnings of a campground office (foundation, frame, windows). Additionally new sheathing, security lighting and recessed lighting have been installed on the pavilion's exterior with the LED lighting inside and the grading behind the pavilion was improved for additional parking needs.



Opening day is just 122 days away. Between now and then take some time to relax, reflect and recharge. Take in a deep breath. Be mindful of where you are and where you are going...and take the time to just be. Be kind. Be gentle. Be thankful.

Carolyn Doak



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(Year Round)
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(Nov. - Mar.)
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(Apr. - May & Oct.)
Wed & Thur. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(June - Sept.)

Wed. & Thur. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Clubhouse ~ Ellen Studer

Wed.—Fri 5 - 10 p.m. Sat. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun. 12 - 6 p.m. 586-739-3501

Kitchen ~ Closed Looking for a cook

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P & K Submissions are due the 15th of every month. Editable format only accepted. dscpkemail@gmail.com Photos make the paper.

# Clinton River Muzzleloaders 2023 Calendar of Events

## Dec. 10 BP Woodswalk

\*In case of cancellation, the makeup date will be the following Saturday

> Blackpowder Hotline: 586-382-9015

## Other Black Powder events at DSC:

- Mini-Rendezvous...Every Tuesday, 9 a.m.3 p.m. Shoot'en NFood N Fun.
- 2 Indoor Range Shooting in the Shotgun Building Basement Most Mondays from October through April, 6-8 p.m.
- 3 Open Shooting on the Rifle Range Mondays from 5:30 p.m. - dusk May - September
- 4 Open sight-in and practice on the 1st and 3d Thursdays during the summer months, starting at 6 p.m. on the Cowboy 50-yard Range.



DSC website link for additional event photos

### **New Life Members**



Bill Saylor congratulates new life member Rick Trawinski



Bill Saylor congratulates new life member Jim Rhodes

## DSC Archery's

16<sup>th</sup> Annual TOYS 4 TOTS

3D SHOOT (30 targets)

Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.



Donate a new unwrapped toy (\$10 min. suggested value)

Shoot the Outdoor 3D Course for \$1

Clubhouse opens at 8 a.m.
Coffee & Donuts for Early Birds

#### Toys that are not Accepted:

Toy Guns (e.g. Nerf guns), Playdough, Bubbles, Aerosol based toys (e.g. air horns), or similar type toys

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## **Dean Burnett**Archer, Bowhunter, Educator, Coach

Dean Burnett became a member of the Detroit Sportsmen's Congress in the spring of 2000. A few years later, in 2003, he volunteered as archery chair when archery activities at the club were threatened to be terminated for lack of leadership. Because of this action by Dean, we now enjoy the many archery-related events and programs our club offers.

Updating the outdoor archery range was an early priority. He wanted to be sure that all archers and bowhunters would feel welcome and would be able to enjoy the ranges no mater their skill level or what kind of bow they used.

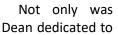


Dean mentioned several times that his proudest accomplishment was the establishment of the Youth Archery Program. During Basic Archery Classes, Coach Dean had the ability to teach archery to kids and make sure they had fun doing it. Parents could be assured their child would benefit from professional archery instruction. Within hours of instruction, the kids would be hitting the targets and enjoying the program. Another highlight of the day was break time when the kids would gobble down cookies made by Terry, Dean's wife.

Another very popular program, Dean started, is our Junior Olympic Archery Development program. Dean and the other coaches would guide and mentor these promising archers along their journey. The young archers would learn to turn their failures into learning opportunities that allowed them to improve. While attending tournaments at other locations, the youngsters were also taught how to compete with motivation but to never be sore a loser.

He also organized and administered all Monday Archery Leagues since becoming archery chair. The Hunter Education and International Bowhunter Education Program in Michigan also benefited from Dean's involvement and dedication.

He served on the DSC board as a director and a trustee. Dean also served as representative to other club committees while а board member. In addition, he worked and attended many events such MUCC Outdoorama, Hunter Ed Classes, the DSC Annual Fireworks Parking, Adopt-a-Highway pick-up & Open House, the Woods and Water Show, Blood Drive, the Poker Run and others.





Dean Burnett and Tom Lukasik walk the course.

this club, he was very involved with the Michigan Bowhunters Association. He served as lieutenant governor and DSC club representative in District 10 for many years. Because of his devotion to JOAD, the Youth Archery Programs and IBEP, he was awarded the Eccleston Meritorious Award in 2017.

At the 2022 Michigan Bowhunter Yearly Banquet, Dean was named Michigan Bowhunter of the Year. This most prestigious award is presented to a MBH member who has made a substantial contribution to bowhunting in the State of Michigan and to the Michigan Bow Hunters Association.

His contributions to the Detroit Sportsmen's Congress and the Michigan Bowhunters Association highlight his dedication to the sporting community, archery and bowhunting. For the above reasons and more, the DSC has named the new range the Dean Burnett Indoor Archery Range in Dean's honor. It is a most fitting tribute.

**Thomas Morang** 



(Left to right) Norah Lesner, Dean Burnett, and Stefan Lancaster share some down time between relays.

# Thank you from Terry Burnett

I would like to express my sincere thank you to the DSC president, first vice president, board and last, but not least, the Archery Committee, for the honor that was given to my husband Dean. He would absolutely be humbled (as am I).

He was very passionate about archery and dedicated to promoting, teaching and coaching the sport of archery. BUT he did not do it alone.

The archery committee and volunteers worked very hard to make archery a fun and learning experience for the students. The work bees weren't always easy, but you always managed to get things done. Kudos to all who make the spring and fall leagues, the indoor spot league, beginning archery and JOAD work.

Let's not forget that when Dean and the other archers attended events at other clubs, the DSC Archery shirts were in prominent view and everyone knew the DSC. Archers – keep up the good work! Dean will be watching you.

Terry Burnett



## DSC ARCHERY Indoor Spot League



### DSC Indoor Archery Range

5 - Spot targets (see example below)
5 Arrows per flight – 6 Flights per round
Two rounds per night with a total of 60 shots

## Thursday Nights

Jan. 11 March 14 (10 weeks) Shooting Starts at 6 p.m.

Banquet with food for all will follow the and of the league (March 21)

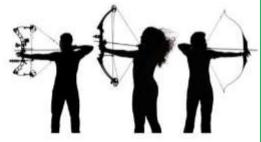


REGISTRATION
STARTS
Jam. 11 at 5:30 p.m.
Dean Burnett Indoor
Archery Range
(Last Day to Register
Jam. 25)

COST: (Includes all leagues fees and banquet)

DSC MEMBERS ADULTS \$60 YOUTH \$30 GUEST ADULTS \$100 YOUTH \$65

All fees must be paid by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of league.



#### SEE YOU ON THE RANGE!

Detroit Sportsmen's Congress 49800 Dequindre Road Shelby Township, MI 48317 Information Contact: Byron Hamm bhbass@aol.com

## **Attention:**

#### Law Enforcement RSOs are needed.

Members, if you are a RSO the DSC needs you to help supervise our law enforcement rentals weekdays. Rentals days vary.

Remember, many hands make for little work.

If you can volunteer some of your time and earn work hours, contact the DSC office.

Email for P & K submissions dscpkemail @gmail.com

Please send in editable format (text) only. Include photos when available

# Detroit Sportsmen's Congress BASIC ARCHERY CLASS

## Are you interested in archery?

If so, enroll in our Basic Archery Class. This is 10-week class with a fun shoot and banquet.

Dates: Saturdays, Jan. 13 through March 23. March 23 is a fun shoot and banquet.

Location: DSC indoor archery range, north side of pole barn, near the clubhouse.

Time: 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Objectives: The objective is to teach the basic knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for the safe and proper use of archery. This course is designed for both youth and adults. We provide archery training in the following: The types of archery - proper form for shooting - safety - development of mental preparation. Class is open to all ages and genders. All instruction is under the direction and supervision of Certified Instructors. Fee: DSC Members \$80 Guests: \$160 (Payable on the first day of class) includes lunch for the archers. Equipment: All archery equipment provided, including Personal Safety Equipment (Arm Guard, Tab or Glove). Information: Please Contact Shannan Lancaster at 248-766-3912 for additional information. Registration: If you email the form without the parental signature, please bring the signed parental consent form with you on the day of class or you can sign the first day of class. Must have the parental consent signed to participate. Payment due first day of class. Name: \_\_\_\_ Address: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_ Parental Consent Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Parental Consent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: DSC Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_

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## **Sporting Clays**

Seasons greetings from the Sporting Clays Committee!!! We wish all members of the DSC family a safe and happy holiday season.

First, let me start by extending our sincere apologies for not including a Sporting Clays article in the Plaid & Khaki for a very long time. The only excuse we can offer is the lack of a volunteer to prepare the monthly document. If anyone is interested in helping us out in this regard, please let us know. We will endeavor to do better in the future.

Now that the 2023 Summer and Fall seasons are drawing to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to several DSC members who have been very busy keeping the Sporting Clays course in great shape for your use. I would first like to extend our thanks to Bill Saylor, John Klobuchar and Dave Oles for building a brand new raised platform to replace the rickety one we have been using for years. They did an excellent job, and we can be assured that the station will be sturdy for years to come. Dave Oles is also owed my sincere thanks for his assistance in handling a myriad of maintenance issues, both on and off the course, all year long. Our beautifully manicured grass is due to the lawn mowing expertise of Dennis Boudia. Ralph and Joan Hollowell also help keep the place looking nice by painting signs and benches and other miscellaneous projects. Finally, we would be nowhere without our excellent cashier, Leah Hunawill. She keeps everything running smoothly and greets our customers with a friendly smile and helpful demeanor.

The Sporting Clays Committee was finally able (post-Covid) to host a Customer Appreciation Day for the Sporting Clays shooters Saturday, Sept. 16. Shooters were treated to a delicious lunch consisting of fried chicken wings, mostaccioli and meat sauce, corn-on-the-cob, macaroni salad, tossed salad and cookies for dessert. The weather was beautiful, so we were able to eat under a tent on the lawn. Our sincere thanks to all who helped with set up, tear down and food preparation.

By the time you read this, the Sporting Clays Summer League will be completed. The final results of this competition will be posted in the Sporting Clays Range Building. There will be a banquet to honor the winners of the Summer League Saturday, Dec. 9, at the DSC Clubhouse.

If the above-mentioned league sounds challenging and fun, you are invited to participate in the DSC Winter Sporting Clays League, which is scheduled to begin the first of January. Sign-up for the Winter League began Dec. 1 and will run all the way through December, with the first two rounds due by the end of January. The Sporting Clays League will consist of two-man teams and 500 targets (10 rounds of 50 birds). Further details are available in the Sporting Clays Range Building. We'd love to have you join us for some exciting shooting throughout the winter.

Speaking of winter shooting, the Sporting Clays schedule for the upcoming holiday season will be as follows: open Saturday, Dec. 23 and closed Sunday, Dec. 24; open Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 27 and 28; and open Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 30 and 31.

Finally, with the end of Daylight Savings Time, regular hours for the Sporting Clays course have returned to 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays.

Hope to see you on the course and good shooting!!!

Al McGee



Left to right: Shannan Lancaster, Dakota Gentry, Jason Gentry, Tony Monterosso and Stefan Lancaster show off their pheasants.

## **Upland Hunting**

Welcome to the Skeet & Trap, Upland Hunting Adventures. We had our first hunt of the season Oct. 22, 2023 at Dead End Pheasant Farm in Almont, Mich.

It was a fantastic day! Dogs can make outdoor activities like hunting even more enjoyable. Georgia, Chris Tomkow's steadfast dog, was quite the skilled companion. As the crisp autumn air enveloped our upland hunt, DSC members, some with daughter and son, eagerly anticipated the exhilarating pheasant-hunting experience. Armed with their shotguns and guided by Georgia, they ventured into the fields. The camaraderie among friends deepened with each step, as shared excitement and determination filled the atmosphere. With keen eyes and steady hands, they walked the fields as they tracked the elusive pheasants, their hearts racing with the thrill of the hunt. Amidst the thrill of the hunt, companionship of like-minded enthusiasts created an unforgettable tapestry of adventure and camarade-

You can also experience the thrill of upland hunting by contacting Rick Stanfield, DSC member, at (rstanf5683@aol.com).

## **Notice:**

Remember, to notify the P & K and the DSC webmaster regarding any changes to the officers of your committees.

## 2023-2024 DSC Air Rifle/Pistol E-Postal League

Brought to you by the Life Member Committee. All profits donated to the Junior Programs

League Season: November 1 thru March 31

Participants: Any adult DSC member or adult family member (juniors can shoot for fun and there is no charge but they will not be entered for prizes or league champion).

League Fee: \$10 for each division entry. Multiple division entries are permitted and encouraged. All league fees and target fees will be donated from the Life Member Committee to the Junior Programs. Juniors are free.

Air Gun: Any safe air rifle/pistol/BB Gun (.22 or smaller caliber).

Sights: Any safe optical/telescopic sights OR any fixed iron/aperture sights.

Pellets/BB's: Any safe pellets or BB's of any weight or shape (.22 or smaller caliber)

Divisions: RIFLE - Optical Standing; Iron-Standing PISTOL - Optical Standing; Iron-Standing

Distance: 10 Meters (32.8 feet) - All rifles/pistols and equipment must remain behind the firing line during shooting.

Targets: AR-5 for the Rifle Divisions and B-40 for the Pistol Divisions; Competitors can purchase commercial targets (usually \$10 per 100) or print them out from the internet. A limited number of these targets available for purchase at membership meetings and select committee meetings for \$1/10 targets.

Equipment: An appropriate and safe backstop and pellet trap for your air pistol/rifle; Spotting scopes are permitted.

Positions: Standing - RIFLE - Standing unsupported, silhouette style; Slings, butt plate hooks, palm rests, shooting jackets/pants/shoes, etc are NOT permitted.

Standing - PISTOL - One handed, standing unsupported, bullseye style. Competitors non-shooting hand must be arranged at his/her side during all shooting. Ransom rests, slings, arm braces, straps, or other artificial support, etc. are NOT permitted. Custom or specially molded grips ARE permitted.

Course of Fire: Each course of fire consists of ten (10) pellets/bb's fired on the appropriate target(s). If scoring becomes difficult, multiple targets may be used to score the ten (10) rounds required for each course of fire.

Scoring: All scoring will be done by the shooter, on the honor system. No need to scan and email targets. X count will be used to break any ties and if we still have a tie there will be a shoot off to be arranged at that time. On the B40 targets if a shot breaks the inner-most ring, it is scored as a 10-X. On the A-5 target if the center dot is completely shot out by the pellet it is scored a 10-X. Scoring plugs or overlays are not necessary but help a lot with scoring.

Reporting: Scores for record must be emailed to me at <u>tmurphy1596@gmail.com</u>. Competitors must keep their ten (10) best targets for scoring verification at the conclusion of the league.

Division Champion: Competitors wishing to compete for Division Champion (and related prizes), must score and record at least ten (10) courses of fire on or before 03/31/2024. There is NO LIMIT to the number of courses of fire that may be scored and recorded for each competitor in any division. Competitors may submit up to seven (7) scores each week during the league. Competitor's ten (10) best scores will be used for the final standings as well as weekly standings.

For an entry form: download from the website or pick one up at the club.



## Rifle ~ Sight-In

The 2023 DSC Sight-In season that ran Oct. 6 through Nov. 26 is now over. Rifle range winter hours, Sundays only from 11 a.m.—3 p.m. are now in effect through April.

As you know, Sight-In is a big event for the rifle committee but also affects the black powder committee as they run the range for the last 4 days. Approximately 45% of the yearly rifle range income is earned during Sight-In. This, in turn, represents about 24% of the total rifle income for the year. It's an important event.

I worked four weekend days during Sight-In. The following are some of my observations.

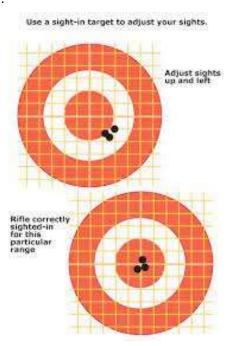
**Shooters:** Sight-In 2023 is really not just deer rifle sight-in as in days of old. While deer hunters make up a large fraction of the Sight-In shooters, I don't think they are the majority. These shooters are the easiest to help. They are familiar with their firearms and they can quickly get sighted in with minimal help from the range officers. Another group is experienced shooters that are either practicing for a competition or just shooting because its fun. This group also requires little help from the ROs. A third group is the family group. Dad is taking the family out to shoot. This group requires more effort because the new shooters need help ranging from a higher shooting stool to keeping Dad from getting frustrated if the youngster is a little slow at learning the ropes. Another group that is common are the guys, usually young men who have a general but virtual knowledge of firearms that they have learned by gaming or on the internet. They generally have AR-15 type rifles with the latest sights and three or four gizmos attached to the rifle. These guys can require more work for two reasons. The first is that their equipment is usually brand new and required sighting in (hopefully they brought the manual for their new-fangled sight. Secondly, while their theoretical knowledge is good, they don't always want to listen to the practical advice given by the experienced ROs.

Finally, there is a group that I think DSC attracts in great numbers. These are the shooters that are new to guns and to shooting. They have an interest and they buy a new gun at Bass Pro or Dunham's along with some ammo. They come to the DSC because they know they will get the help they need to get started. They arrive with the gun and ammo in the original boxes. They have never been to a rifle range. They don't know about ear and eye protection or the general range commands. This group can occupy a lot of your time as an RO. I think the DSC has the corner on this market. State ranges are good for safety but who is going to help them when they barely know how a gun functions. There are other clubs but I don't think any of them serve the basic beginner class as well as we do

**Firearms:** The popularity of the AR-15 platform is undeniable. It appears that nearly half of the rifles we see at sight-in are AR-15 based. They certainly are versatile. There is a myriad of variations and calibers available and we see them all. My only

complaint here is that I see a lot of brand new shooters and their first rifle is a centerfire AR-15 rifle. Whatever happened to starting out with a bolt action .22LR or Ruger 10/22? Most of the rifles shooting the new straight-walled cartridges such as .350 Legend or .450 Bushmaster seem very accurate. I think the rifle and ammo makers got this combination right. Their popularity has resulted in fewer slug guns being seen during Sight-In. Muzzle breaks continue to proliferate. You know, muzzle breaks are great if you are alone out hunting in the woods. They reduce recoil and this in turn should help you shoot better. However, the noise and blast of multiple muzzle breaks shooting under the covered DSC range is very hard on the adjacent shooter and the ROs that are attending all day. While we still see a few in-line muzzleloading rifles, it is not as many as in the past. Thank God! The average level of maintenance for the in-lines appears to be very low. Some may clean the bore. Some may not. The idea that the action may need cleaning has not crossed their minds. Consequently, you see more misfires with these guns that any other type. It got so bad, I started betting some of the other ROs if they thought the gun would go off or not on the first shot. It was pretty much a 50/50 proposition.

The Range: I keep dreaming of a time when we have only one target height and I no longer need to go through the kabuki dance of asking the customer "What caliber are you shooting?" cyphering whether he need a short or a tall frame, while the customer stands by with a confused look on their face. I can't wait to just take their money, assign them a bench and just hand them a frame. We had enough ROs to finish the 2023 Sight-in season -



just barely. We have a smaller group of ROs each year as the membership gets older. To me, the real issue is that only a small minority of ROs sign up on the list. Mostly it goes blank up until perhaps the day before the scheduled shoot. Consequently, one never knows who is going to be there for open shooting. It is likely that Mark Mendola will be there and there is a good possibility that Paul Behe will be there but you never know how many walk-ons will show up. It could be none or it could be five. It would be nice to know in advance.

Walter Opdycke

For printable and most up to date calendar go to the DSC website. http://dscweb.org/coming-events or use QR code.

Click on:

Club monthly master calendar at the top of the page



#### RANGE HOURS

#### Archery 3D Outdoor

(Apr. - Sept.)

**Sat. & Sun.** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### **Archery Indoor**

(Nov.—Mar.)

**Sun.** 1 –5 p.m., **Fri.** 5 –8 p.m.

#### Black Powder

Hotline: 586-382-9015

**Mon.** 6 p.m. - Dusk ~ R.R.

**Tue.** 9 a.m.—3 p.m. ~ BP

#### **Cowboy Action**

(Apr.-Oct.) Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

(Nov.-Mar.) Sat. 10 a.m.-Noon

(May-Sept.) Wed. 6 p.m.-Dusk

#### **Pistol**

<u>586-739-3502</u>

(May-Sept.) Outdoor

(Oct.-Apr.) Indoor

**Fri.**10 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Sat. & Sun.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### Rifle Rifle

(May-Sept.)

**Sat. & Sun.** 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

(**Dec.**-**Apr.**) **Sun.** 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

(Oct.-Nov.)

Check website or sight-in flyer for dates and times

#### Pro Shop Skeet/Trap/5-Stand

586-739-3502

**Wed. & Thur.** 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Sat. & Sun.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### **Sporting Clays/5-Stand**

<u>586-739-2210</u> (Year Round)

**Sat. & Sun.** 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

(Nov.-Mar.)

Wed. & Thur. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

(Apr., May & Oct.)

**Wed. & Thur.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

(June-Sept.)

Wed. & Thur. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Clubhouse 586-739-3501

#### December 2023

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#### Notice! This calendar may change after publication, please verify events with the venue and/or website. {See left margin.}

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		Open Pistol 10am - 2pm BR	Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm
General Membership		Jr. Pistol 6pm-7:30pm BR	Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm
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JOAD 6pm-8pm PPC 6pm-9pm BR	Bullseye 5pm-8:30pm BR	Jr. Rifle 7:30pm BR Archery Indoor 6pm-8pm	Open Pistol 10am-2pm BR Cowboy Practice 10am-12pm DP
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		BR - Basement Range	
		CG - Camp Ground	
		CH - Clubhouse	
		DP - Delaney Park	
		PO - Pistol Outdoor	
		RR - Rifle Range	
		SG - Shotgun Building	

#### DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOV. 1, 2023

**President B. Saylor** opened the meeting at 7p.m. with the following comments:

Recognized the past presidents and life members present

Recognition of passed members and moment of silence for:

Dean Burnett, Carl Voelker, Phil Finazzo, Rob Skinner, Bob Bove

Urged caution now that slippery leaves and snow/ice conditions are starting

Dequindre Road project will start this Monday Nov. 6 – north section first – so access to DSC will be from the south.

Fall push to complete projects underway:

Skeet/trap bldgs. Are 100% complete

Campground building structure is up and progressing (Mr. Savo reported that the electrical has been installed)

Sporting Clays elevated platform (#4/5) is being re-built

"Dean Burnett Indoor Archery Range" sign has been hung on building north wall in time for the Oct. 29 remembrance gathering and thanked Mr. Klobuchar for his efforts.

Help is always welcome and needed for the projects – good way to get work hours.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: (J. Estes) Reported that 17 of 49 projects were completed so far in 2023 – as were 11 of the 28 painting projects. Those open projects will roll into 2024, along with the Pistol outdoor range and Cowboy Action buildings. Mr. Estes reminded members that help is always needed to clear snow and ice at our venues and around buildings.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: (J. Rhodes) Reported no incidents last month. Use caution around wet leaves and snow/ice as they present a slip/fall risk. If salt or snow shovels are needed let the office know (and then go pick it up – it won't be delivered). Emphasized that all club members, not just RSOs, have a role to play in monitoring our activities and ranges to keep them safe. RSO #1 priority is running a safe range, but members can help especially during busy range times. RSOs are needed for sight in, and any member can show up and help.

**Secretary's Report**: (T. Crockatt) Oct. 4 General membership minutes are available and also posted behind the bar. Urged members to vote in the upcoming election – starts Nov. 20. Members were also urged to help advertise club activities and upcoming education classes.

Treasurer's Report: (R. Savo) the September financial report was reviewed, the highlights are:

Sept: income = \$72,831; expenses = \$86,059; for a net loss = \$(13,228). Sept loss due:

Skeet &Trap property taxes (\$4700) and maintenance costs (\$1250) hit in Sept

Water bill hit this month as well

YTD (thru Sept): income = \$911,240; expense = \$776,552; for a net gain = \$144,688

Motion to accept treasurers report was approved

Senior Trustee: (T. Murphy) Trustee no report. The air pistol & rifle postal league is starting up.

Trustee's Report: (E. Silarski) 2024 budgets are all in and trustee approved – and will be reviewed and voted on at Dec. BOD meeting.

Mr. Saylor reminded that inventories are due by Dec. 1.

Trustee's Report: (C. Salo) No report

Chairman's Report: (J. Lupi) Reported on the Oct. 23 BOD meeting business items:

Approved motion to nominate Mr. Trawinski & Mr. Rhodes as life members.

Approved motion to accept Cowboy Action, Education, Life Membership, Skeet &Trap 2024 calendars. Overdue committee calendars are due ASAP

Approved motion for Meijer holiday gifts cars for employees – up to \$400

Approved motion to purchase and install backup generator for clubhouse – up to \$10,000

Approved motion to post "NO alcohol..." signs at all club venues & ranges – up to \$750

Approved motion to provide lunch at the Dean Burnett Oct. 29 remembrance gathering - up to \$1,200

Approved motion to designate the indoor archery range as the "Dean Burnett Indoor Archery Range", and add sign to north wall of building – up to \$900

Reminder that inventories are due in Excel format by Dec. 1

**Operations Manager:** (B. Palmer) reported the cost of the Dean Burnett remembrance gathering lunch of \$317; and that \$962 in donations were received (for junior archery programs)

**Member of the Month** (B. Saylor) November Member of the month was Mr. Dave Philp for his efforts in support of Pistol. Mr. Saylor also recognized and welcomed Mr. Trawinski and Mr. Rhodes as life members.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Archery:** Committee elections will be held in January. Toys for Tots shoot is Dec. 3, with a work bee Dec. 2, then again right after the shoot. **Black Powder:** Now in basement range Monday's 6 – 8 p.m. – open to all. Last woods walk on Dec. 12. Black Powder will be open for sight in Nov. 4-6. Next committee meeting Nov. 15.

Camping: (Mr. Mathews) No report – Campground now closed

**Clubhouse**: (Mrs. Tonegatto-Salo) Now is time to sign-up for the kids Christmas party (by Dec. 10) – with the gift wrapping party on Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. (bring scissors). Reminder to buy & donate for Toys for Tots by Nov 28. Reminder to send topics for Facebook posting and P&K articles (by 15 of month), and to provide a caption for any photos submitted.

Cowboy: (J. Estes) Cowboy Action has one remaining outdoor shoot Nov. 5. Service rifle @ 40 yards (registration starts at 8:30 a.m.)

Life Member: (J. Estes) Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. in clubhouse is next life committee meeting.

**Membership & Show, Conservation:** Next new member orientation is Nov. 19 - 1 p.m. in clubhouse. Conservation topics:

This Friday DNR just opened a new range in Barry county, and have extended range hours on Ortonville and Rose lake ranges.

DNR 10 best practices for deer season has been re-published and is available.

Listing of monthly DNR meetings is available.

First reported case of CWD was found in a Ogemaw county deer.

DNR celebrating 50 years of successful collaboration in preserving the "big wild".

DNR "bat week" was last week with info on it available.

DNR veterinarian found west nile virus in a Berrien county camel.

DNR mushroom hunting info is available.

Major efforts underway in Michigan to use engineered lumber for large outside structures.

DNR hosting webinar series on invasive species including phragmites – next is Nov. 7.

Big changes in Michigan fishing regs regarding artic grayling and northern pike – info available.

West nile also found in an unvaccinated horse on Clare county.

**Education**: Fall classes are on the website and in the P&K – contact the instructors for any questions. The NRA pistol and CPL classes begin again in December through February. Youth Basic Rifle class is this coming weekend Nov. 4 & 5 and there are still openings. Members were encouraged to help enlist students for our classes

**Elections & Promotion** (Mr. Lupi reporting for Mr. Pierce) Promotion no report. Mr. Lupi introduced the seven candidates for this year's elections who were given 3 minutes each to introduce themselves to the membership; starting with Mr. Murphy for trustee. The six candidates for director then followed with their introductions: Mr. Young, Mr. Lupi, Mr. Duey, Mr. Surratt, Mr. Plante, Mr. Klobuchar. Note that voting starts Nov. 20, and runs up to 8 p.m. Dec. 6.

**Pistol**: Outdoor range is closed. However, pistol outdoor (for shotgun, pistol, and straight wall cartridge rifles) will open to assist sight in this weekend (Nov. 2-5, from noon – 4 p.m.) – RSOs are needed. Monthly CPL practices have started. USPSA practices Tuesday & Saturday nights, with a match third Sunday monthly. Wednesday is PPC, and Thursday bullseye.

P&K: Submit articles and pictures (with caption) by the 15 to be included in next month's P&K.

**Rifle**: (D. Carbery) Leagues are now done and banquet is Dec. 2 in clubhouse. Sight-in started Oct. 6 (see flyer for details) and RSOs are needed (new RSOs can "OJT" during sight in days). Nov. 28 is Turkey Shoot for Toys for Tots, bring a \$10-\$20 unwrapped toy. Senior small bore started in the basement range and runs 2-4 p.m. Mondays. Junior rifle class is this weekend. Next committee meeting is Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to sight in before the general rush.

**Skeet & Trap**: (Rick Stanfield) Skeet houses are complete. Devils night shoot Oct. 28 was big success and lots of fun (cider & donuts provided) – and great costumes – Mr. Rhodes was high gun and Sydney Wells won best costume. Initiative to have juniors refereeing shoots has started. Mr. Trawinski's 400 & 800 league accomplishments were highlighted. First pheasant hunt was held at dead end pheasant farm near Almont, thanks to Chris Tomkow and his dog Georgia. Fun league is still on-going. Fun shoot (\$10) and pot luck (bring dish to pass) scheduled for Dec. 10. SCTP banquet is Jan. 27 at the DSC. Juniors 2024 championship schedule is:

SCTP S.E. Michigan Regional is May 18 at DSC

Michigan State Shoot will be June 28-29 at Michigan Trapshooting Association in Mason, Mich.

SCTP Nationals at the Cardinal Center in Marengo, Ohio July 13 – 20.

**Sporting Clays**: Banquet is being planned, and leagues still on-going.

WOA: (V. Billings) WOA bake sale is on NOW! Next committee meeting is Jan. 11, 2024 at 7 p.m. range building.

Work Hours: Will be posted by end of week. Due date is 25 of the month to be included in the next month's report.

**New Members**: No new members in attendance.

#### **Member Comments:**

(Mr. Silarski) December general membership meeting starts at 8 p.m. (not 7 p.m.) and voting will close that night at 8 p.m.

(Mr. Purdie) Devils night skeet shoot was great. His comments then emphasized that:

continued close attention is needed by the BOD and members as to how the club is operating – particularly financially. (understanding the cost & revenue details is a key – e.g. knowing what it costs monthly to operate DSC as one example).

These are challenging times requiring focus on the details, but also keeping the future in mind.

(Mr. Estes) Two new (switchable) trimmers with power heads were purchased that can be signed-out with him – and to be returned directly to him when done – no long term sign-outs allowed. These new tools will help cut down phragmites – which can then be safely burned in small piles (requires prior coordination with the fire department).

Mr. Saylor emphasized to let someone know if a tool is broken.

Mr. Mendola mentioned that Michigan police departments are seeing counterfeit \$20 bills in our area (and some \$100 bills as well).

So, watch closely and report any suspicious currency. Mr. Silarski mentioned that DSC does not accept \$100 bills at our ranges.

New Business: None

Monthly drawing: (no winner - have to be present to win) Member Jon Stanley was drawn.

50/50 drawing: Won by John Barber

**Meeting Adjourned**: Motion approved at 8:41p.m.

Submitted by: Terry Crockatt Secretary

	CPL/CCW Refres	her Cou	ırse	
LOCATION:	Detroit Sportsmen's Congress 49800 Dequindre Road, Utica, MI	48317 586-739-350	00 (Shotgun Range Building)	
OBJECTIVES:	Class required for those who have a current CPL license to renew Recommend taking this class 3-months prior to expiration. Review fundamentals of handgun handling including, stance, aim Includes structured practical handgun shooting exercises.	ew changes to CPL	and firearm laws.	
DATE & TIME	E: One-night class 7 - 10 p.m. Jan. 16 Feb.	13 Mar. 1	.2 check box for desired class	
COST:	Non DSC Member \$75 DSC Member \$60 Add \$25, if gun a	nd ammo are requ	ired and check box.	
REGISTRATIO	<u>ON:</u> REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLASS SIZE LIMITED. RETURN FORM	TO ADDRESS BELO	OW, PAYMENT DUE AT CLASS.	
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City:		State:	Zip:	
Email:		(for confirm	nation/reminder only)	
DSC Memb	bership #: Return form to: Bob Savo	•	e, Shelby Twp., MI 48316 mail: rmsavo@ameritech.net	

## **Cowboy Action**

#### **Cowboy Range Events for December**

Except for cowboy practice every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., regularly scheduled Cowboy Range Matches will be shut down until April 2024. Thanks to all for your support throughout the 2023 shooting season.

#### **Cowboy Match Results**

Oct. 22 – Cowboy Action Match. We had 14 competitors. Top three DSC Cowboys were: (1) Joe Lupi-J. J. Longley + Clean Match; (2) Kerry Hammer-Shelby Kid; (3) Rick Nakula-Rifle Rick.

**Nov. 5 – Cowboy Service Rifle Match.** There were 26 competitors. This was a forty shot match. Ties were decided by scoring two rounds in the bull's eye target. Top shooters were: (1) Tony Gonzalez; (2) Gary Mitchell; (3) Craig Papcun; (4) Mike Alsip.

Cowboy Practice Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 12p.m.

On behalf of the DSC Cowboys, We wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS

### **Pistol**

As I was doing some searching online, I ran across an interesting piece written by someone who used the pseudonym of Sgt. Gunner. I have never heard of Sgt. Gunner so I know nothing about his knowledge, experience or credibility. The article's title was: The Top 10 Greatest Handguns Ever Made. According to the Sgt. it went like this:

1. Colt 1911 .45; 2. Glock 19; 3. Beretta 92FS; 4. Smith & Wesson Model 29; 5. Colt Peacemaker; 6. Luger; 7. Wilson Combat X9; 8. Walther PPK; 9. Colt 1851; & 10. Remington 1858.

Reading through his list gave me an idea for December's Pistol article. So, I messaged several local handgun experts and asked this question: If you could own only one handgun what would it be and why? Some of the responses might surprise you like they surprised me.

If I could own only one handgun....I would choose....I can't....it's like Sophie's Choice! I just can't. Eric Lakits #3247

For me, nothing can top the 1911 pistol. It's design is more than 100 years old and it can still do what is needed whether for defense or just for fun shooting at steel gongs.

Richard Hegelman #1946

You ask a tough question, but after much reflection, I have to go with the Browning Hi-Power (P35). It has been in production 88 years and used by the armies of over 50 nations. FN stopped production but started again because of demand. It's an incredibly comfortable pistol to shoot and is good looking to boot. With a magazine capacity of 13 + 1 and 2 extra mags, you have 40 rounds available. If that can't get you out of trouble, you might consider a belt-fed weapon. Full disclosure - the 1911 is a very close second. Bob Banaszak

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# HRA BASIC YOUTH PISTOL COURSE

#### LOCATION:

DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS 49800 Dequindre Road, Utica, MI 48317 Office: 586-739-3500 Class is held in the Shotgun range building, next to electronic sign.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

The objective is to teach the basic knowledge, skills, and attitude necessary for the safe and proper use of pistols. This course is designed and intended for juniors, 10 years and up.

The course is mandatory for juniors to participate in the D.S.C. junior pistol program.

This course includes 12-hours of training on safety, gun parts, operation, ammunition, cleaning, storage, shooting fundamentals, pistol sports and activities. Additionally, students participate in live fire range exercises. All instruction is under the direction and supervision of NRA Certified Instructors.

#### DATES & TIME:

This is a six-week course held Friday evenings, 6 - 8 p.m. Dates: Jan. 5 through Feb. 9, 2024

#### FEE:

DSC Member \$50 Guest \$75 All classroom and shooting material provided.



DSC Website

### Open to the Public



wamalo@gmail.com

#### REGISTRATION:

(Registration required to ensure sufficient class materials)

Limited to 15 students. Registration until class is full or Jan. 5.

This is a fillable word form. Email completed form to <a href="wamalo@gmail.com">wamalo@gmail.com</a>
For juniors, if you email the form without the parental signature please bring the signed parental consent form with you on the day of class or you can sign the first day of class. Must have the parental consent signed to participate.

Macomb , MI 48042-1759

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If I could own only one handgun it would be my Springfield Armory 3" 1911 EMP 9mm. It is small enough to be great for everyday carry yet just heavy enough to be a pleasure to shoot. The smaller frame makes it easy to get a good grip on with average hands not to mention it looks great with the stainless slide and barrel with a black haricot on the frame. It's a 1911 so it is not for everyone. But, with thousand several rounds through mine, it is still my favorite.

Daryl Wilton #3588

Replies are interesting and expected. My take is somewhat different. As an American, this question is currently academic. Three scenarios may apply however: 1. Awayfrom-home personal defense would be my current EDC pistol, a Springfield XD, is the obvious choice. 2. A tyrannical government (democrats). A pistol wouldn't do at all. A long gun such as an AR 15 would be necessary. 3. TEOTWAWKI the end of the world as we know it (also democrats). In this case my choice would be a 12 gauge shotgun and edged weapons.

Stan Surratt Pistol Chairman

Colt Diamondback .38 Special nickel plated!
Jerry Davis #2713

For an all-around reliable handgun ready for home defense or pleasure shooting, choose the Ruger Security -Six revolver. Its durable .357 Magnum chambering handles powerful rounds and packs a punch on steel targets. Use .38 Special ammo when on the

# D.S.C. 22th Annual Christmas Cookie Rimfire Rifle Shoot





Rimfires, 17's, 22lr, 22 mags

Sunday Dec. 17, 2023

DSC RIFLE RANGE

10 a.m. to 12 p.m.



#### Course of Fire:

25 Rounds Sitting Position ~ No Slings 50 yards

#### Fees:

\$10 Adults \$5 Juniors Money Pot \$5 Includes \$1 environmental fee

Rifles and Ammo Provided or Bring Your Own

#### Public Welcome



#### Shooting categories:

Junior Adult Iron Adult Scope

Non-Shooting Category
Best Ugly Sweater

Win your entry fee back



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nightstand to hurt your ears less if you have to fire indoors. Mark Thuemmel #3274

My choice is the iconic Smith & Wesson model 29 .44 Magnum made famous by Clint Eastwood's character Dirty Harry Callahan. A truly capable handgun back-up for big game hunters as well as undeniably the most intimidating and attractive firearm at the range. Brian Mathews #3017

I would have to go to the good old Ruger MK1 through 4. The pistol gives you massive bang for your ammo dollars and as a tool for introducing children to pistol shooting

there is not much better. Denis Mikitchook

I think context matters when trying to answer a question like this. Is it a handgun you possess to admire or has sentimental value (i.e., like my grandfather's 1911 he carried in World War I) or is it a gun you have around that you might have to bet your life on (even if that is a very remote possibility)?

If it is the latter, it would be my Glock 19 as much as I hate to say it. G19 ergonomics (grip/grip angle) are horrible, as well as stock sights (which I replaced), but I've learned to shoot it well. It is reliable, shoots almost any

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ammo, parts and mags (of various capacities) are plentiful, easy to work on and lots of them are around. That said, it is not what I carry and is far from my favorite handgun. But, if I had to carry just 1 into the unknown, G19 would be it. Terry Crockatt #0337

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Kimber K6S 2" .358 Magnum. Comfortable carry options galore; slim cut 6-round cylinder; hammerless double action; high visibility sights; smooth trigger; (is this correct Corey?) light crisp brake; packs a big punch if you want it. .357 Magnum but you could shoot all day with .38 Special. Stainless steel for durability and clean up. Fun mods: lighted trigger spring, titanium firing pin, green sight tube, complete polishing job, Altamony grips, DYI holster.

Martin Benke

A difficult question because it's hard to find a "jack of all trades" handgun that does everything comfortably. For reliability, weight considerations, firepower, ammo availability/price and pinpoint accuracy, nothing beats my Glock 19. Love them or hate them, Glock does the job for me! Tom Gralinski #0957

I would have to say the Sig P320 Fire Control Unit! It can be configured as a compact for self defense or a competition shooter. I can set it up in full size (X-Series) to shoot USPCA or configure it as a compact (Nitron) for self defense. I love the flat trigger at about 4.5 pounds and the recoil is very manageable in full size 9mm





## SHOTGUN FUN SHOOT SKEET - SCRAP - 5 STAND

ONE ROUND OF YOUR CHOICE (25 SHOTS)

Your new unwrapped gift is entry into the event

(\$15 min. suggested value)

## DOOR PRIZE GIVE AWAY 20 MIN. HELICOPTER RIDE IF 25 GIFTS ARE COLLECTED

#### **OPEN TO ALL (MEMBERS - GUESTS- & PUBLIC WELCOME)**

EVENT: One round of your choice (25 shots) - Trap/Skeet/5 Stand

WHERE: SHOTGUN RANGE BUILDING

WHEN: SUNDAY, DEC. 3 TIME: 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

Shoot as many rounds as you would like and select your best score (all rounds

paid in the pro-shop)

Shoot awards based on Lewis Class system.

#### Toys not Accepted:

Toy Guns (e.g., Nerf guns), Playdough, Bubbles, Aerosol based toys (e.g., air horns), or similar type toys

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form. You can choose your cartridge in 9mm, .45, .357 SIG or 10mm. Good accuracy and decent quality. Configurations can be pricey! The FCU will run about \$400 and an additional \$300 for a compact configuration. A full-blown X-Series kit is over \$800. It would be easy to spend \$1400 overall on a complete full size build.

Patrick Causley #3527

I would have to pick 9mm as the caliber due to its popularity, pricing and availability. The pistol would have to be a 1911 model. The propensity of Striker Fired pistols on the market that have no safeties other than the trigger do not lend themselves to safely carrying in my opinion. The 1911 with grip and manual safeties is the better option (again in my opinion). Larry Hafner #3315

My favorite concealed carry gun is my Colt pocketlite .380. It's light weight and you can put it anywhere and it's all metal. Paul Storrs

Stephen Gartland

## **DSC KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

**SATURDAY, DEC. 16, 2023 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.** 

List the children's names and ages attending the party. Children 12 and under are eligible. Choose gift preference, boy, girl, or gender indifferent, so an appropriate gift can be bought for each child (i.e. if a girl doesn't like dolls or girl-oriented toys, choose gender indifferent and a gift like a game can be purchased). Or if your child has a favorite toy, like Barbie, My Little Pony, Hot Wheels, Legos, dinosaurs etc, list that instead. If possible, we'll try to get that type of present. Also, list # of adults who will be eating breakfast. Finally, please note member's name, phone and card # for family identification. Kids will be listed under the members' name at check-in. Call the DSC Office at (586) 739-3500 if you have any questions.

Check-in begins at 9:45 a.m. (please don't arrive before then) and children will see Santa in order of their arrival. Breakfast will be served, starting at 10:15 a.m. Children receive a free breakfast. Adult breakfast price is \$8. Games and songs will follow with Santa arriving last.

Please print: NAME (FIRST & LAST)	AGE	GIFT: BOY / GIRL / GENDER INDIF	FERENT
# OF ADULTS ATTENDING:		PHONE #:	
MEMBER NAME & CARD #:		are listed under this name at check-in	
Yes, I would like to donate (	Circle appro	opriate donation item):	
Table snacks	candy	desserts raffle items money	

Please drop off donated items prior to the party at the office or clubhouse. Return form to the Clubhouse, office or mail to the Club at:

Detroit Sportsmen's Congress, 49800 Dequindre Road, Utica, MI 48317

DEADLINE FOR SIGN UP IS DEC. 10, 2023

## NRA Basic Pistol/Personal Protection Course (Jan.)

LOCATION: DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS, 49800 DEQUINDRE ROAD, UTICA, MI 48317 Phone 586-739-3500

**OBJECTIVES:** Class designed for BEGINNERS & those having little or no firearms training. Designed for the instructional needs and concerns of women.

Review handgun knowledge, safe gun handling, storage and child safety; review fundamentals of handgun shooting,

practical range handgun shooting exercises, firearms and the law - Includes CCW Certification

Certified NRA & CCW instructors and local attorney will teach this course. Review all of the fundamentals as well as practical range experience in proper handling, aiming, and shooting of a handgun. Citizen's rights and responsibilities as it pertains to firearms will be addressed. State laws pertaining to purchase, transport, and concealed carry will be taught. Attendance earns NRA & CCW certificates.

TIMES AND DATES: (This is a 4-session course) Jan. 7, Basic Pistol #1 & 2 ~ 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the DSC Clubhouse.

Jan. 8, 9 & 15; CPL class segment ~ 7 until 10:30 p.m., Classes in the DSC Shotgun range building.

COST: Non DSC Member \$250 DSC Member \$220

TO REGISTER: REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED. RETURN FORM TO ADDRESS BELOW, PAYMENT DUE AT CLASS.

Try a DSC Education Class. If you would like a class that is currently not offered, contact the Education Committee, maybe you are not the only one and we can schedule a class.

## **CPL / NRA Personal Protection Course (Jan.)**

LOCATION: DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS, 49800 DEQUINDRE ROAD, UTICA, MI 48317 Phone 586-739-3500 (Shotgun range building)

OBJECTIVES: Class has been designed for those having prior handgun experience but no formal class. Review handgun knowledge, safe gun

handling and storage, review fundamentals of handgun shooting, practical range hand gun shooting exercises, firearms and the law - **Includes CPL Certification.** Introduction to personal protection in the home.

Certified NRA & CCW instructors & local attorney will teach this course. Review all of the fundamentals as well as practical range experience in proper handling, aiming and shooting of a handgun. Citizen's rights & responsibilities as it pertains to firearms will be addressed. State laws pertaining to purchase, transport & concealed carry will be taught. Class attendance earns NRA and CPL certificates.

TIMES AND DATES: (3-session course) Evenings: Jan. 8, 9 & 15. All classes run 7 to 10:30 p.m., in the DSC Shotgun range building.

**COST:** Non DSC Member \$100 DSC Member \$80 Add \$50, if gun & ammo are required and check box.

TO REGISTER: REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CLASS SIZE LIMITED. RETURN FORM TO ADDRESS BELOW, PAYMENT DUE AT CLASS.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: 21 or older SEX:\_\_\_\_\_ 
(Name exactly as on your Driver's License)

Address:\_\_\_\_\_ Phone:\_\_\_\_\_

City:\_\_\_\_\_\_ State:\_\_\_\_ Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

Email:\_\_\_\_\_\_(for confirmation/reminder only)

DSC Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Return form to: Bob Savo 53741 Tidal Lane, Shelby Twp., MI 48316
Start Jan. 8, 2024 Phone: 248-651-8667 Or Email: rmsavo@ameritech.net

#### DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS 49800 DEQUINDRE ROAD UTICA, MI 48317

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED DATED MATERIAL

## ANNUAL DSC CHRISTMAS FUN SHOOT SKEET+SCRAP+5 STAND PLUS- TEAM FLURRY

#### PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH FOR OUR POT-LUCK CHRISTMAS EVENT

PRIZES AWARDED TO LEWIS CLASS WINNERS

#### OPEN TO ALL (MEMBERS -GUESTS- DIRECTORS- PUBLIC)

#### **EVENT**

100 TARGETS- 25- SKEET, 25-SCRAP, 25- 5-STAND + 25 TEAM FLURRY TEAM FLURRY – 2 SHOOTERS CHOSEN AT RANDOM – 50 TARGETS. YOUR TEAM FLURRY SCORE WILL BE HALF THE TOTAL BROKEN Pay for your 4 rounds (100 targets) in the pro-shop on the day of the shoot.

WHERE: SHOTGUN RANGE BUILDING

WHEN: SUNDAY, DEC. 10 TIME: 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.

REGISTER AT THE PRO-SHOP: NOV. 18 - DEC. 10. OPEN HOURS: WED., THUR., SAT. & SUN.

(ADVANCE REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED TO PICK YOUR DESIRED START TIME)

THREE FLIGHTS TO CHOOSE FROM – 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m. (CHOOSE ONLY ONE) FLURRY START TIME 1:30 p.m.

P & K Submissions are due the <u>15th</u> of every month. Editable format only accepted. Email: dscpkemail@gmail.com Photos make the paper.



The DSC welcomes new members. Being active in the club does not mean work; it means enjoyment and camaraderie. Thank you for joining.

#### Please make them feel welcome!

Crabtree	Brian	Kennedy	Lawrence A.
Froio	Theodore	Selke	Amy
Guisgand	Tommy	Smith	Gary A.
Hubbard	Gary		

### **Conservation Pledge**

I give my pledge as an American, to save and faithfully defend from waste, the natural resources of my country, its air, soil and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife.

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