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No General Membership Meeting Feb. 4th

Election

2025 DSC ELECTION RESULTS

Hello everyone, the 2025 election results are in. This year we had one trustee and six directors up for election. There were 61 ballots cast with 1 void ballot for a total of 60 valid ballots. Results are as follows.

Trustee:
Corey Salo 46 votes

Directors:
Joe Lupi 54 votes
Jim Estes 54 votes
Dave Duey 52 votes
Dennis Vertrees 44 votes
Tad Blankenburg 40 votes
Tim Young 40 votes
Jeff Cunningham 21 votes, not elected

Congratulations to the successful candidates and thank you to all the for getting involved with the club and to everyone that voted. I would like to thank everyone that helped with this year's election.

Bob LaBounty 0656
Chairman 2025 election committee

Member of the Month

Bill Saylor congratulates December member of the month Dave Philp.

New Member

John Adams is welcomed to the club and shares his interests with the members present at the December general membership meeting. Welcome to the club.

Bob Savo and the CPL instruction team conducting a recent CPL class. Check the website for upcoming dates that begin again in January - and are scheduled monthly. The NRA basic pistol class is also taught, along with the CPL, and CPL refresher classes. Contact Bob Savo or the office for more information or flyers in the P & K.

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(Apr. - Sept.)
Wed. & Thur. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fri. 4-8 p.m. or dusk (May—Oct.)
(Year Round)
Sat.-Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
586-739-3502

Sporting Clays & 5-Stand
586-739-2210
(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 ~ *Ellen Studer*
Wed.—Fri 5 - 10 p.m.
Sat. 11 a.m.- 6 p.m., Sun. 12 - 6 p.m.
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Kitchen ~ Closed looking for a cook

DSC Horseshoe Lake Campground
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DSC AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Amateur Trapshooting Association
Civilian Marksmanship Program
Clinton River Watershed Council
Ducks Unlimited
Gun Owners of America
Int'l. Practical Shooting Confed. (IPSC)
Michigan Archers Association
Michigan Assoc. of RVs & Campgrounds
Michigan Bow Hunters
Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners
Michigan Gun Owners
Michigan Rifle & Pistol Association
Michigan Skeet Association
Nat'l Assoc. of RV Parks & Campgrounds
National Muzzle Loading Rifle Assoc.
National Rifle Association
National Skeet Shooting Association
National Sporting Clays Association
National Wild Turkey Federation
Single Action Shooting Society
Tri-County Archery Association
United States Practical Shooting Assoc.
Wolverine Rangers
USA Archery
USA Shooting

P & K Committee

Christine Tonegatto-Salo
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Corey Salo, Publisher
Angie Farmer, John Krisfalusi
Mailing Team

DSC Officers

President
Bill Saylor

1st Vice President
John Klobuchar

2nd Vice President
Randy Plante
(Safety)

Treasurer
Bob Savo

Secretary
Terry Crockatt

Terms thru 2026

Chairman of the Board
Joe Lupi
Term thru 2025

Senior Trustee
Tom Murphy
Term thru 2026

Trustee
Emil Silarski
Term thru 2027

Trustee
Corey Salo
Term thru 2028

DSC Directors

Term thru 2026

Director
John Barber
(Skeet & Trap, S. Clays & Juniors)

Director
Wayne Billings
(Rifle)

Director
Bob Labounty
(Camping & W.O.A.)

Director
Brian Matthews
(Archery)

Director
Dave Pierce
(Facebook & Website)

Director
Mark Thuemmel
(Pistol)

Term thru 2027

Director
Tad Blakenburg
(Education)

Director
Dave Duey
(Membership & Show, Conservation)

Director
Jim Estes
(Cowboy & Life)

Director
Joe Lupi
Chairman of the Board

Director
Dennis Vertrees
(Blackpowder)

Director
Tim Young
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P & K Submissions are due the **10th** of every month. Editable format only accepted. **dscpkemail@gmail.com** Photos make the paper.

Bob Ewart

Bob was a DSC member since 1996. He was very active with the rifle committee.

Bob was also a very active hunter and was a Safari Club of Detroit member .

DSC 90 Years

DSC website link for additional event photos

Clinton River Muzzleloaders 2026 Calendar of Events

7-Feb	Winterfest*	9-Aug	BP Woods Walk
8-Mar	BP Woods Walk	15-Aug	Centerfire Pistol WW*
12-Apr	BP Woods Walk	13-Sep	BP Woods Walk
3-May	BP Woods Walk	19-Sep	22 RF Rifle Woods Walk*
16-May	George Wildrick Service Rifle WW*	11-Oct	Memorial Shoot
14-Jun	BP Woods Walk	24-Oct	Centerfire Lever Action WW*
20-Jun	22 Pistol Woods Walk*	8-Nov	BP Woods Walk
12-Jul	BP Wood Walk	13-Dec	BP Woods Walk

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

The Detroit Sportsman's Congress and Clinton River Muzzleloaders are proud to present:

Winterfest 2026

Saturday, Feb. 7, 2026 Registration from 10 a.m. - Noon
15-Shot Match featuring Primitive and Novelty Targets, Tomahawk and Knife Throwing—Rain out date Feb. 14, 2026

Delaney Park, BP range, Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
49800 Dequindre Rd., Shelby Township, MI 48317
Phone: 586-739-3500 Web: www.dscweb.org
Day of Shoot: 586-382-9015

Other Black Powder events at DSC:

1 Mini-Rendezvous… Every Tuesday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Shoot'N Food 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 through September.
4 Open sight-in and practice on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays during the summer months, starting at 6p.m. on the Cowboy 50-yard Range.

CPL/CCW Refresher Course

LOCATION: Detroit Sportsmen's Congress, 49800 Dequindre Road, Utica, MI 48317 Phone: 586-739-3500 (Shotgun range building)

OBJECTIVES: **Class required for those who have a current CPL license to renew their license**.
Recommend taking this class **3-months prior to expiration.** Review changes to CPL and firearm laws.
Review fundamentals of handgun handling including, stance, aiming and shooting.
Includes structured practical handgun shooting exercises.

DATE & TIME: One-night class 7 - 10 p.m. ☐ Jan. 13 ☐ Feb. 10 ☐ Mar. 10 **check box for desired class.**

COST: Non DSC Member $75 DSC Member $60 Add $25, if gun and ammo are required and check box.

REGISTRATION: 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
Phone: 248-651-8667 Or Email: rmsavo@ameritech.net

Toys for Tots

Right: A few of the rifle shooters from the Toys for Tots Turkey Shoot Dec. 2.

Below: Archers pose with some of the donated toys from the 3D Archery Toys for Tots Shoot Dec. 7.

Note: Shotgun did not provide photos from their Toys for Tots event.

Archery won the Toys For Tots gift war again this year. They gathered 99 toys. Rifle was second, scrounging 90 toys. Shotgun did not have a total.

Of course the real winners are the children. Do not miss next year's shoots.

Above: Aviana Bradford tests her pistol skills.

Above: Marine Sgt. Swain tries a revolver to hit his target.

Archery

Happy New Year from the Archery Committee!!! To close out last year, the Archery Committee held the annual Toys for Tots Archery Shoot Dec. 7. Turnout was better than the previous year, even with the morning snow which caused poor road conditions. After the slow start due to the weather, we finished with 24 shooters and collected 99 toys. Something new the Archery Committee tried for the 2025 Toys for Tots event was having chili available for participants. For an additional donation to Toys for Tots, you could get a bowl of chili. This helped the Archery Committee collect an additional $100 in cash donations which was used to purchase more toys.

Thanks to everyone who helped with this event. It is a lot of work to set up, RO, tear down and clean up. Also, a special thank you to those who brought in chili, cookies, donuts, etc. The Archery Committee always goes above and beyond to make these events successful.

As long as I am thanking people, the Archery Committee would also like to thank everyone who came out to support the Archery Toys for Tots shoot. We had several people who could not shoot, but still traversed the slippery roads and donated toys to a great cause. Thank you!

Archery has the Indoor Spot League beginning Thursday, Jan. 8. This is a 10-week league Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. This league is in the heated indoor archery range where you shoot 6 flights of 5 arrows, take a short break, then shoot 6 more flights. There is also a banquet at the end of the league. See the flyer in the P & K.

Basic Archery class begins Saturday, Jan. 10 from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Class runs for 10 weeks and includes a lunch each week. The Basic Archery class will also be followed by a fun shoot and banquet. See the flyer in this months P & K for more information.

Jan. 18, DSC will be hosting the first leg of the Souper Shoot. This is an indoor 3D shoot collaboration with Frankenmuth-Forest Archers and Oakland County Sportsmen's Club. Frankenmuth has the second leg Feb. 8. OCSC hosts the last leg March 8. Come shoot the indoor 3D course and enjoy a hot bowl of soup.

Jamie Ploof

SHOTGUN WINTER FUN SHOOTS

Jan. 25, Sunday ~ SKEET
Feb. 22, Sunday ~ TRAP
Mar. 29, Sunday ~ 5-STAND

NO EVENT FEE

EVENT: 50 TARGETS (2 rounds)

WHERE: Shotgun Range Building

WHEN: See above dates

TIME: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
49800 Dequindre Rd, Shelby Twp. MI
ProShop: 586-739-3502

POKER FUN SHOOT

20TH MICHIGAN SHOOT-EM

Sunday, Jan. 4; 10 a.m. to Noon ~ Rifle Range

Open to the Public

Any caliber, gauge or powder

Any sights

Targets at 50 yards

Seven shots at the BACKSIDE
of playing card representation
Make your best five card poker hand.
Just the LUCK of the SHOT.

Fees: Adults $10, Juniors $5. Cash only. Fee includes one target.
Additional hands (targets) are $2 dollars each and create the pot money.
Shoot as many as you like
All Ages Welcome, Bring the Kids and Grandkids
Contact Corey Salo for more info. 586-944-3600

DSC Website

DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS
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Sponsored by the DSC Rifle Committee
DSC 49800 Dequindre, Utica, MI 48317
Office: 586-739-3500 Mon-Fri 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

CMP Rimfire Sporter Practices

DSC Basement Range

8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

2026 Dates: Jan. 11, 25; Feb. 8; March 8 & 22; April 26

CMP Rimfire Sporter Rifle offer shooters a recreation-oriented competition where they use .22 caliber sporter rifles (plinking and small game rifles) commonly owned by almost all gun enthusiasts. This is a unique match where all you need is a rifle and ammo. You fire with standard sporter-type rimfire rifles that can weigh no more than 7 ½ pounds, with sights and sling. Rifles may be manually operated or semi-automatic; shooters with manually operated actions are given extra time in rapid-fire to compensate for the difference.

There are three classes of competition – the standard "O Class" for open-sighted rifles, "T-Class" for telescope sighted and rear aperture sighted rifles and "Tactical Rimfire" class, which is a .22 caliber A4 or AR15 style rifle.

There are 60-shots in a match. All firing is done in 5-shot strings. You shoot 10-shots slow fire and 10-shots rapid fire in three positions. The positions are prone, sitting or kneeling and standing. You can shoot any position you can do.

For our practices, you can use any repeating .22. We shoot one 60-shot practice match each day. Since we only shoot once, you need to be on time at 8 a.m. Our practices are just that, practices. We are out to have fun. The only rule we follow are the course of fire and timing. Stop by and check it out, make sure you bring your firearm with you. Normal range fees apply.

Here is a QR code link to the rules and the address:

https://thecmp.org/wp-content/uploads/Rimfire.pdf

Rule book:

https://thecmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/2026-CMP-Games-Rules.pdf

For additional info:

Corey Salo
corey@cdsdes.com
586-944-3600

CMP Rimfire link

Detroit Sportsmen's Congress

BASIC ARCHERY CLASS

Are you interested in archery? **If so, enroll in our Basic Archery Class.**
This is a 10-*week class with a fun shoot and banquet.*

Dates: Saturdays: Jan. 10, 17, 24 & 31; Feb. 7, 14 & 21 (no class Feb. 28); March 7, 14 & 21.
March 21 is a fun shoot and banquet.

Location: Dean Burnett Indoor Archery Range (North side of pole barn near the DSC 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 $120 / Guests: $200 (Payable on the first day of class). This includes lunch each week for the archers, use of equipment and banquet at the end of class.

Equipment: All archery equipment provided, including personal safety equipment (arm guard, tab or glove).

Information: Contact Don Przybyski at 586-484-6563 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: _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Parental Consent Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Parental Consent Signature: _____

E-mail: _____

DSC Member # _____ **Guest:** _____

Detroit Sportsmen's Congress 49800 Dequindre Road
Shelby Twp., Michigan 48317 / (586) 739-3500 / www.dscweb.org

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. 2 – 5 p.m.

Black Powder
Hotline: 586-382-9015
(May.-Sep.) Mon. 6-8 p.m. R.R.
(Oct.-Apr.) Mon. 6-8 p.m. B.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
(May-Sept.) Outdoor
(Oct.-Apr.) Indoor
Fri. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

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
(Apr.-Sept.)
Wed. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
(May-Oct.)
Fri. 4 - 8 p.m. or dusk
(Year Round)
Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sporting Clays/5-Stand
586-739-2210 (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

January 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
IA - Indoor Archery **BA - Barn** **BR - Basement Range** **CG - Camp Ground** **CH - Clubhouse** **DP - Delaney Park** **PO - Pistol Outdoor** **RR - Rifle Range** **SG - Shotgun Building**	**NOTICE** **No FEBRUARY** **General Membership** **Meeting**	
4 Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm Rimfire Sporter 8am-10am BR Open Pistol 10am to 12pm BR Basic Pistol Class Noon-4pm BR Rifle Open 11am-3pm **Poker Shoot 10am-12pm RR** **S&T Meeting 2pm SG**	**5** SR Small Bore 2p-4p BR Open Pistol 6pm BR *Black Powder RO's available JOAD 10:30am-12pm **7-8pm Pistol Mtg SG**	**6** Mini-Rendezvous 9am-3pm DP Air Gun Silhouette Lg 6:30-9 IA USPSA Open Shoot 5pm-8pm BR
11 Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm Rimfire Sporter 8am-10am BR Rifle Open 11am-3pm Open Pistol 10am to 2pm BR **BP Woods Walk Reg 10am DP** **IntermediateCPL 5pm-7pm**	**12** SR Small Bore 2p-4p BR Open Pistol 6pm BR *Black Powder RO's available JOAD 10:30am-12pm **NRA CPL/PP 8pm BR**	**13** Mini-Rendezvous 9am-3pm DP USPSA Open Shoot 5pm-8pm BR Air Gun Silhouette Lg 6:30-9 IA **NRA CPL/PP 8pm BR**
18 Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm **Pistol CLOSED** Rifle Open 11am-3pm Archery Work Bee 3-5pm **USPSA Match 8am-4pm BR** **Archery Souper Shoot 9a-2p IA** **Biathlon Shoot 10am-12pm RR** **New Member Orientation 1pm CH**	**19** SR Small Bore 2p-4p BR Open Pistol 6pm BR *Black Powder RO's available JOAD 10:30am-12pm **NRA CPL/PP 8pm BR**	**20** Mini-Rendezvous 9am-3pm DP USPSA Open Shoot 5pm-8pm BR Air Gun Silhouette Lg 6:30-9 IA **CPL Refresher 8pm BR**
25 Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm Rimfire Sporter 8am-10am BR Open Pistol 10am to 2pm BR Rifle Open 11am-3pm **Basic CPL Practice 5-7pm** **Skeet Winter Fun Shoot** **10am-2pm SG**	**26** SR Small Bore 2p-4p BR Open Pistol 6pm BR *Black Powder RO's available JOAD 10:30am-12pm **BOD Meeting 6:30pm CH**	**27** Mini-Rendezvous 9am-3pm DP USPSA Open Shoot 5pm-8pm BR Air Gun Silhouette Lg 6:30-9 IA

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

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 31st	**1**	**2**	**3**
Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm **New Years Eve** **S&T Black Light Fun Shoot** **6:30 pm-9pm** **Office CLOSED** **Clubhouse CLOSED**	Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm **Happy New Year!!** **Office CLOSED** **Clubhouse CLOSED**	Open Pistol 10am - 2pm BR Jr. Pistol 6-7:30pm BR Jr. Rifle 7:30pm BR **Office CLOSED** **Clubhouse CLOSED**	Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm Open Pistol 10am-2pm BR USPSA Open Shooting 2:30-5:30pm BR Cowboy Practice 10am-12:30pm
7	**8**	**9**	**10**
Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm PPC 6pm-9pm BR JOAD 6pm-8pm **General Membership Mtg** **7pm CH** **Pulled Pork w/chips**	Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm Open Archery 4pm-5:30pm **Rifle Committee Mtg 7:30 CH**	Open Pistol 10am - 2pm BR Jr. Pistol 6-7:30pm BR Jr. Rifle 7:30pm BR	Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm USPSA Open Shooting 2:30-5:30pm BR Open Pistol 10am-2pm BR Cowboy Practice 10am-12:30pm Basic Archery 11-1pm IA
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Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm PPC 6pm-9pm BR JOAD 6pm-8pm	Sporting Clays 10am-4:00pm Bullseye 5pm BR Open Archery 4pm-5:30pm **WOA Meeting 7:00 SG**	Open Pistol 10am - 2pm BR Jr. Pistol 6-7:30pm BR Jr. Rifle 7:30pm BR	Sporting Clays 10am-3:30pm Skeet/Trap Open 10am-4pm **Pistol CLOSED** USPSA Match Setup 8am-4pm BR Basic Archery 11-1pm IA Archery Work Bee 1:30-3pm **Trade Gun Round Robin 10am DP** **Cowboy Mtg 10am DP**
21	**22**	**23**	**24**
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DETROIT SPORTSMEN'S CONGRESS ~ GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~ DEC. 3, 2025

President (B. Saylor) Recognized the past presidents and life members present. With winter weather here now, be cautious regarding snow and ice conditions. Each venue needs to ensure walkways, steps, ramps etc. are cleared and treated (salt) – and help at the clubhouse and office if you can. Additional salt is available – contact the office as needed – or just go pick it up. Back flow required testing was successful at the clubhouse, archery, and range buildings. Landfill pump needs to be replaced and is ordered. Reported that after over 11 years now, the SCTP program Midway USA endowment funding has now exceeded $250k (this is a $1 for $1 match from Midway USA). New goal is $500k.
1st Vice President: (J. Klobuchar) See clubhouse and skeet & trap reports below.
2nd Vice President: (R. Plante) Not present.
Secretary's Report: (T. Crockatt) Reminded members that the Nov. meeting minutes are in the P&K and in the clubhouse.
Treasurer's Report: (R. Savo) October financials: BOD approved (also posted in the clubhouse)
Oct: income = $72,215; expenses = $74,991; net = $(2,776). YTD: income = $931,107; expenses = $820,755; net = $110,352
Mr. Savo commented that October was a better month at almost break even. 2025 started strong but has seen rising expenses throughout the year.
Trustee: (T. Murphy) No report .
Trustee: (E. Silarski) Thanked the committees for getting their 2026 budgets submitted – which is now under BOD review for approval at the December meeting .
Trustee: (C. Salo) No report.
Chairman's Report: (J. Lupi) The Chairman reminded the committees that inventories were due Dec. 1 – and in excel format. Mentioned that a number of members were flagged using the 40 workhour discounted range rates that were not on the published list. These specific members are being contacted. Reminded everyone that your work hour totals are a rolling 12 months – so ensure your hours get reported promptly. Range Safety Officers were reminded to check members ID cards (which are required) and the 40 hour list as people sign in. Report any discrepancies to the office for resolution. The BOD met on Nov. 24 with these business items discussed:
Motions to approve the archery, skeet & trap, and blackpowder 2026 calendars were APPROVED
Motion to approve DSC 2026 Budget – POSTPONED (per DSC By-Laws)
Motion to approve 2 corporate tables for the SCTP banquet. Cost $1,400 – APPROVED
Motion to provide a gift basket to VFW raffle. Cost $600 - - APPROVED
Motion to approve (not to exceed) $16,000 for the new replacement of the landfill pump – APPROVED
Motion to approve purchase of materials necessary to enclose the 5 stand shotgun firing line. Labor donated by the Skeet & Trap committee. Not to exceed $20,000 – APPROVED
Elections: Elections Chairman Mr. LaBounty announced the election vote results and totals: 61 total ballots were cast (1 ballot was deemed invalid) Mr. Salo as the trustee (46). For the 6 directors, Mr. Lupi (54), Estes (54), Duey (52), Vertrees (44), Blankenburg (40), Young (40) and Mr. Cunningham (21) was not elected.
Operations Manager: Ms. Palmer strongly advised all committees to turn in work hour sheets monthly – and not to hold them for months until full.
Member of the Month: December member of the month is Dave Philp.
New Members: John Adams.
Committee Reports:
Archery: Winter JOAD is on-going through March on Wednesdays. A 3D toys-for-tots shoot is planned Sunday Dec. 7 9 am – 3 pm (bring an unwrapped toy). Indoor spot league starts in January on Friday.
Black Powder: Monday open shooting (6 – 8 pm) in the basement range. Dec 14 is the next woods walk with Tuesday mini rendezvous still on-going. Thanked everyone for great 2025!
Camping: Closed until April 1, 2026.
Clubhouse: Mr. Klobuchar reported a trivia night is planned for Jan. 30 – see P&K article for details.
Life Member: Next meeting Dec. 14 is moved to 3 pm in clubhouse due to the new member orientation.
Cowboy: Cowboy is practicing outdoors Saturday's 10 am – 12:30 pm – dependent on weather/temperatures. No matches until next spring. Mr. Estes is always looking for help painting – so contact him to help. Get salt as needed for your venues/ ranges.
Membership & Show, Conservation: Next new member is moved up 1 week to Dec. 14 at 1 pm in clubhouse. Numerous conservation topics from DNR, the highlights are: (see Mr. Duey for additional info).
DNR has a multitude of webinars available on topics such as: Protection tips for well sites, launch of the DNR environmental portal (Dec. 16), tips on selecting the appropriate tree, waste water information and guidelines and cyber security .

Info regarding the Saginaw bay re-forestation project. Spotted fly found in Jackson county. This time of year is prime time for Oaktree pruning (to prevent disease spread). CW disease found in a Alcona county deer. DNR has allocated $77 mils to restore brown fields. EGLE grants made to improve water quality. EGLE has information on Michigan's marijuana industry. EGLE information on proper composting. Information on how hunter's can help protect biological diversity. DNR website now has holiday gifts to purchase. EGLE hosting conference on MI stream management. DNR advisory issued on how hunters can protect themselves from bird flu. DNR has announced that PURE hunt passes are available for all (not by drawing). DNR veterinarian has issued advisory for horse owners engaged in barrel racing regarding flu concerns. DNR has a toys-4-tots "stuff-a-truck" toy collection initiative.

Education: Next CPL class is Dec. 16, 17, and 22. CPL-Refresher class is Dec. 23. See website for early 2026 class dates.

Promotion & Photography: Mr. Pierce commended Mr. Silarski for his efforts to keep the website and Facebook page updated. Reminder to contact Mr. Pierce for photos of your events to be posted on web and Facebook.

Pistol: December election results: Devin Koski – chairman, Brian Mathews vice chair, Bob Banaszek - secretary, Dave Philp - treasurer and Rob Ess - work hours. Basement range backstop refurbishment planned Dec 3 – 9: first, lead and rubber removal, then steel side wall installation, then new rubber installation (closed until completed).

P&K: Articles and photos (captions and full names) are always needed for the P&K - submissions due by ten of the month.

Rifle: Sight in season wrapped up last weekend – thanks to blackpowder for running this weekends range. Special mention, and thanks, were given to Mr. Mendola, Torres, and Behe for their constant sight in presence. Annual rimfire Christmas cookie 50 yard shoot (and ugly sweater competition) Sunday Dec. 21 at 10 am. Rifle banquet this Saturday evening. A poker shoot is planned for Sunday Jan. 4. Air gun league (rifle and/or pistol) runs through April, Tuesday evenings 6:30-9 pm starts in January. Open shooting is now Sundays 11 am – 3 pm. Check the P&K and website for more information. Next committee meeting is tomorrow night at 7:30 pm.

Skeet & Trap: Mr. Klobuchar mentioned the busy December activities planned: Toys-4-tots shoot Sunday (Dec. 7) from 10 am – 2 pm (bring an unwrapped ~$15 gift). Dec. 14 team 5-stand and annual Christmas get together. Dec. 31 black light shoot 6:30 – 9 pm.

Sporting Clays: President Saylor highlighted some changes coming. 5-stand will be temporarily closed as machines and stations get re-arranged in preparation for the 2026 SCTP southeast conference shoot. Our vendor, Promatic graciously allowed us to keep some additional machines to support our preparations. See the P&K or website for open times.

WOA: No report.

Website & Facebook: As always, submit articles and photos (with captions), and report committee changes to website (Mr. Silarski) and P&K.

Work Hours: Done and available next 1-2 days. Print full name legibly, fill in all entries, and use correct member number! Both the hard and electronic copies of the work sheets need to be submitted. Submit sheets monthly!

Member Comments: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business / Member Comments: President Saylor reported that the rifle range member memorial plaque had been updated to reflect passed members.

Monthly member drawing: Mr. Emanuel Goodman – was not in attendance. A 5 ticket drawing was subsequently held to distribute the $250 balance; winners were: Mr. Duey, Savo, Mendola, Lupi and Saylor.

50/50 drawing: Won by Mr. Jamie Ploof

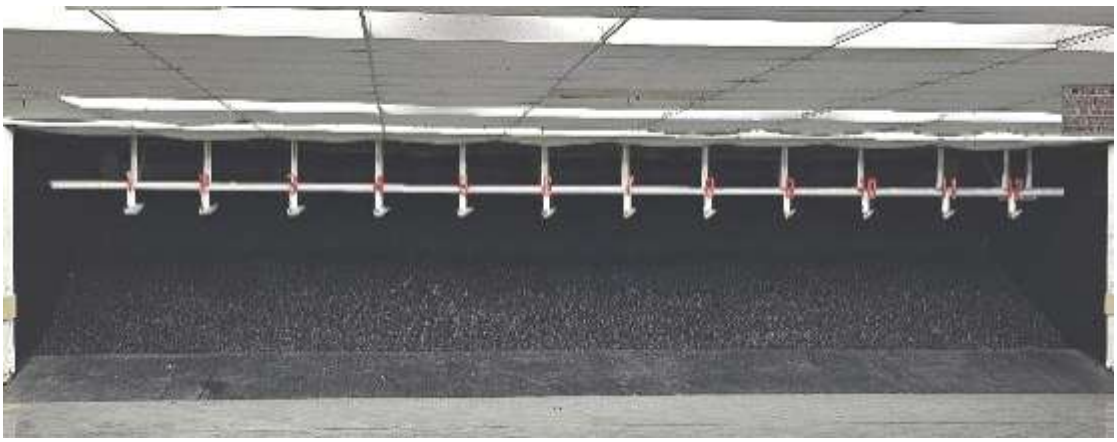
Meeting Adjourned: Motion approved at 8:57 pm.

Submitted by: Terry Crockatt, Secretary

Refurbished pistol range backstop. Back in operations as of Dec. 9.

Thanks to all who helped to finish this project ahead of schedule.

Come out and try it out.



2026 DSC WINTER INDOOR SILHOUETTE AIR GUN FUN LEAGUE

January through April

Get out once a week and shoot some air guns with friends. This is a 16-week fun league for both air rifle and air pistol. Instead of the traditional steel targets, we will be shooting paper targets.

Air rifle will be shot at 30 yards. Air pistol will be shot at 18 yards. All targets are sized for stated distance. All shooting is done from the standing position. There will be white or black targets to use, whichever the shooter prefers.

Location: Dean Burnett Indoor Archery Range.

Time: Tuesdays, 6:30 to 9 p.m. First night, Jan. 6, last night to record a score April 21. Banquet Thursday April 30.

Equipment: Any air gun of either .177 or .22 caliber is allowed. Sights can be iron or scope. There is no limit on magnification. Red dots are allowed. Pellets only, no BB's. No shooting jackets other than a shotgun vest and no slings allowed.

DSC Website

Course of Fire: Pistol is 10 shots per animal, four animals per target, 40 shots per target. The animals are chickens, pigs, turkeys and rams.
Rifle is five shots per animal, with two of each animal, 40 shots per target.
Scores are strictly hit or miss, so 40 is top score on a target. Any shot touching the target line will be scored a hit. Four half hour relays an evening are planned. No time limit, shoot at your own pace. Sighting targets are also included, as needed.

Divisions: We have four divisions. Optical and iron sights for each, rifle and pistol.

Fees: League $20, $25 for nonmembers for first division. Additional divisions at $5 each. Range fees are the normal rifle / pistol fees (member $8, member w/work hours $6, junior $5 and non-member $20). The league fees will go to prizes and a simple end of season banquet consisting of pizza, sandwiches or something similar.

Competition: Competitors must have eight scores submitted in their division to be eligible to win a prize. There is no limit to the number of scores that can be submitted. Winners will be determined by their eight highest scores. There must be at least two competitors per division to win an award. **You must beat someone.**

Rules: As is this a fun league, the rules are fairly lax. Basically shoot what you have and have fun. If you are interested in the official rules, here is the link: https://competitions.nra.org/media/8911/2023-silhouette-rifle-rules.pdf The rules cover all forms of silhouette shooting not just air gun.

Questions: More information contact Corey Salo 586-944-3600 corey@cdsdes.com

Notes: If you want to just come out and shoot an air gun that is fine as long as we have room. League shooters have precedence.

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Biathlon Shoot

NO SKIING OR RUNNING REQUIRED

Sunday, Jan. 18, 2026 from 10 a.m. to Noon, Rifle Range

Rimfire Shoot. This is not a run and gun shoot.

50-shot match shot at 50 yards

25-shots bench (arm support only) & 25-shots standing

Target is the biathlon prone (45mm) & standing (115mm) target 50m sizes.
Two 5-bull targets with 5-shots per bull per match
Bulls with excessive hits per bull, only 5 lowest shots are scored

Fees: Adult $10, Junior $5; Money Pot $5 (Cash only)
Juniors can shoot all from the bench

Any rimfire .22 or .17 rifle, any sights, no slings or shooting gloves

Open to the public
More info: Corey Salo 586-944-3600

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Proud to Present:

Winterfest 2026

Saturday, Feb. 7, 2026
Registration 10 a.m. - Noon
This is a 15 Shot Match featuring: Primitive and Novelty Targets, Tomahawk (Hawk) and Knife Throwing
Rainout Date is Feb. 14, 2026

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Phone: DSC Office - 586-739-3500 Day of Shoot: - 586-382-9015 Web: www.dscweb.org

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Rifle

Winter being in full swing, we tend to want to just stay home and keep warm and vegetate. But when you get tired of that, you can come on out to the DSC to enjoy a variety of rifle shooting activities in January and beyond.

The winter indoor silhouette air-gun fun league starts Jan. 6 and runs every Tuesday through April 21. You can shoot air-rifle or pistol. It is a fun league, and you can just come and shoot an air gun for fun if you want. This could be good practice for any of your summer leagues that have an offhand course of fire as all shooting in the league is offhand. There is banquet for the league Apr. 30.

Alternate Sunday mornings starting this month, there will be CMP rimfire sporter practice on the basement range starting at 8 a.m. The course of fire follows CMP rules, but this is practice so if you just want to shoot any .22 rifle and have a good time, just do it. We shoot three positions, prone, sitting or kneeling and standing. We shoot 10 shots of slow fire and 10 shots of rapid fire in each position, for a 60 shot match.

Special fun shoots start Jan. 4 with the Poker Shoot. It's a luck shoot - the targets are playing cards with the backside facing you. You can shoot any rifle, any caliber, any sights. You shoot seven shots to get seven cards to make your five card "poker hand".

The Biathlon Shoot is Jan. 16. The course of fire is simulated to match that used in the Olympics but don't worry, there is no skiing or running involved. We do use the correct Olympic sizes targets though. Remember this is an Olympic year.

Finally, my favorite special shoot is being held Feb. 1. This is the annual groundhog shoot. We don't actually shoot groundhogs but rather simulate them with diet 2-liter pop bottles set at 200 yards. Firing is off hand and there are awards for least shots or fastest time to shoot the six 2-liter bottles. Note, juniors shoot diet half-liter bottles at 50 yards.

You can find more information on these shoots elsewhere in this edition of the P&K or by going to the "Coming Events" page of the DSC website - https://dscweb.org/coming-events/. In summary, while the weather might not be ideal, there are plenty of rifle shooting activities to enjoy at the DSC this month.

Walter Opdycke

Education

Why Firearms Education Matters—Even for Experienced Shooters

At the Detroit Sportsmen's Congress, many of us spend countless hours on the pistol range, rifle range and walking the fields of skeet, trap and sporting clays. We take pride in our skills, our equipment and the traditions of responsible shooting sports. But one thing that often gets overlooked—even among seasoned shooters—is the value of ongoing firearms education.

Skills Fade Over Time

Shooting is a perishable skill. Whether you're working on trigger control with your pistol, adjusting optics on your rifle or perfecting your lead on clays, regular training helps reinforce good habits and correct the bad ones that tend to creep in. A structured class provides focused instruction that simple practice cannot. Certified instructors observe things you may not notice, offer coaching tailored to your abilities and help you refine your technique in ways that produce measurable improvement.

Safety Is Everyone's Responsibility

We all know the fundamental rules of gun safety—but knowing isn't the same as applying. Training classes keep safety at the forefront and offer refreshers that benefit shooters at every level.

From proper range etiquette to safe firearm handling during competitive and recreational shooting, these courses help us maintain the high safety standards DSC is known for.

Confidence Through Competence

Whether you're new to the club or have been shooting for decades, education builds confidence. Classes such as basic pistol, basic rifle, shotgun fundamentals or advanced clay-target instruction help shooters feel more comfortable and capable on every range. A confident shooter is not only more accurate and efficient, but also safer.

Support the Club and the Shooting Community

Participating in DSC-hosted classes directly supports the programs, instructors and facilities that keep our ranges thriving. It also helps foster a welcoming environment for new shooters and families—ensuring the future of our club and the shooting sports we depend on.

Courses that are offered at the DSC:

DSC offers a variety of classes throughout the year including Archery Instructor Certifications (IBPA), Basic Rifle, Basic Pistol, Basic Shotgun, Basic AR-15 Rifle, Home Firearm Safety, Hunter Safety Education and Certification, Instructor Training for DNR Classes and also for the various NRA and MCRGO Certifications, Muzzleloader Training for rifle, pistol or shotgun, CPL Classes (Beginner, With Handgun Experience already, Refresher for Renewals), Range Safety Officer Training and Certification, Refuse To Be A Victim, Reloading Training for metallic cartridges and Reloading Training for shotgun shells. Whether you're looking to sharpen your skills, learn something new or simply enjoy a structured day on the range, there's a class for every shooter.

Take the Next Step

Firearms education isn't just for beginners—it's for anyone who wants to shoot safer, smarter and better. Consider signing up for one of the Detroit Sportsmen's Congress' upcoming classes and continue building the skills that make our club a stronger, safer community.

Tad Blankenburg

Cowboy

Cowboy Range Schedule of Events
January 2026

Thursday, Jan. 1 – New Years Day

Saturday, Jan. 17, 2026
10 a.m. Cowboy Committee Meeting.
11 a.m. 2025 Cowboy of the Year Awards.

COWBOY PRACTICE EVERY SATURDAY

10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

24th ANNUAL

DSC Groundhog Day Shoot

Sunday, Feb. 1, 2026

Kids and Adults

Youth, .22 rifles at 50 yards
(6) 16-oz. hanging plastic soda bottles
Kids can shoot off the bench

Adults, any rifle at 200 yards, offhand
(6) 2-liter hanging plastic soda bottles
Kids can shoot the adult course
No Slings

DSC website

Fees

$10 adults, juniors $5
Money Pot ~ $5
Cash only

Two categories of prizes

Lowest number of rounds fired
Shortest amount of time
You can only win one.

DSC Rifle Range, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Open to the Public

Adults please bring six 2-liter soda bottles.
Juniors please bring six 16-oz. soda bottles.

DIET SODA ***Mandatory***

For ease of clean up

More info: Corey Salo 586-944-3600

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NRA Basic Pistol/Personal Protection Course (Feb.)

LOCATION: D.S.C., 49800 DEQUINDRE ROAD, UTICA, MI 48317 Phone: 586-739-3500 (Shotgun range building)

OBJECTIVES: Class designed for BEGINNERS & those having little or no firearms training. Geared 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 a 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: Feb. 1; Basic pistol class segment 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the DSC clubhouse.
Feb. 2, 3 & 9; CPL class segment ~ 7 to 10:30 p.m., Classes held in the DSC Shotgun range building.

COST: Non DSC Member $250 DSC Member $220

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: Feb. 1, 2026 Phone: 248-651-8667 Or Email: rmsavo@ameritech.net

CPL / NRA Personal Protection Course (Feb.)

LOCATION: D.S.C., 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, Feb. 2, 3 & 9. 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.

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DATED MATERIAL

2026 DSC Annual Outdoor .22 Steel Pistol Matches

Apr. 26*, May 24, June 28, July 26, Aug. 23, Sept. 27 & Oct. 25*
{* tentative/weather}

Location: DSC Outdoor Pistol; Side Bays 1, 2, & 3

.22 rimfire handguns or magazine-fed rifles {"Tactical Class"}

Firearms to be loaded on the firing line only. Removable magazine may be loaded between stages but **may not** be inserted until the shooter is on the firing line as instructed.

Empty Chamber Indicators required for all rifles.

Separate divisions for optical & iron sights.

Juniors **must** be accompanied by an adult.

Targets are steel plates.

4 stages, each shot 5-times, for best time each stage.

100 rounds minimum.

Matches may be called due to inclement weather.

Fee $10 {Match $9 + $1 Environmental}

Re-entry in another division $8.

Set-up. 8 a.m. Match Safety Briefing & Start. 9 a.m. Last sign-in. 11 a.m.

Additional info.: Dave Duey at djdmechanic@startmail.com

Welcome New DSC Members

Members, please welcome the to the club and your committee!

None

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.