

Brooklyn Sportsman's Club

BSC SIGHT PICTURE

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Special points of interest:

- By-laws change
- TWAW presentation & donation
- Membership / Elections
- Help wanted
- Shop With A Cop Program

From the President

John Calhoun

Summer is in full swing and so are the activities at the Club. We have returned to normal (actually we have been pretty much normal) as far as putting the health edicts behind us and operating restrictions free. Pistol events, shotgun events and youth events are in place to be better than ever and believe me, we are ready.

The club hosted the National Scholastic Action Shooting Program event May 14-16th with teams from surrounding states and as far away as Missouri competing against our local kids in pistol and rifle stages. Coaches Scott and Lisa Poet reported that the club received many compliments on how great the club looks. The match earned the club \$2,010 and this year the check was not lost by the club President and the funds are safely deposited! Scott is looking to do this event annually on the third weekend in May. (Photos on page 4)

This year's spring cleanup was a smashing success with workers clearing brush on the drive, upgrading bays and installing a dock at the north property line for the kayak launch. The kayak launch is now operational (see pictures in the newsletter) and we received grants from the Greater Irish Hills Chamber of Commerce and Brooklyn Village to purchase the launch assist. (Photos page 4)

Another great addition to our club is the newly opened trap range just west of the Events Bays in an area that was overgrown with brush. Thanks to Carmi McRobert's bulldozing skills, we now have a nice asphalt covered parking area and an excellent trap range. We will be adding a skeet field in the future. Local area high-school trap teams used the facility for practice prior to going to the state and national competitions. The trap field will be open to the general membership on Wednesday afternoons throughout the year. (Photos page 2 & 3)

I will close with this; we have many talented individuals in this club. From instructors, to gardeners, to mechanics, to heating and cooling experts, we are truly blessed with members who go the extra mile to make sure this club is one of the most beautiful and friendly clubs in the area. Take advantage of what we have to offer and enjoy your time here in the beauty of the Irish Hills.

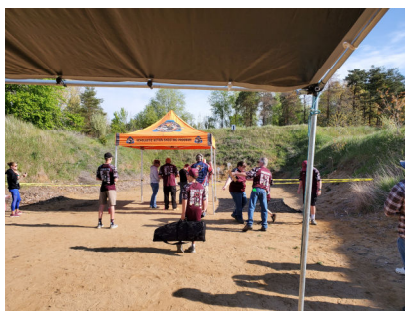
SASP



BSC hosted the 2nd Great Lakes Regional Match for the Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) on May 14th-16th. These student athletes came from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Missouri to compete. Seven teams had a total of 201 shooting entries: Rimfire Pistol, Centerfire Pistol, 1911, Iron



Sight
Rimfire
Rifle,
Optic
Sight
Rimfire
Rifle and
Pistol
Caliber
Carbine.



SASP is a youth development program for student athletes 5th grade and under, through full time college students.

If you would like more information, please visit <http://www.michigansasp.net> and contact the Michigan SASP state Advisors Scott & Lisa Poet also Head Coaches for Pistol Prodigies Youth Pistol and Rifle Team. More photos on page 4.

[Www.pistolprodigies.org](http://www.pistolprodigies.org)

Scott & Lisa Poet



Membership

Just around the corner is the annual Membership Meeting and Election of new Board members.

The meeting is Wednesday August 11th at 7:00 p.m.

The process is a simple one, nominations are made from the floor or by letter to the Club Secretary no later than noon August 11th.

The positions that are a one year term are;

President

1st Vice President

2nd Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Along with 2 Directors which is a three year term.

This is your opportunity to get involved change the direction of the Club if you're not satisfied.

We have been looking for help for a year now, with positions still open, they

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are; Membership Committee to help the Secretary and Treasurer

Kitchen Chair

Marketing

Newsletter Editor or Committee

Information Technology (IT & website)

The Club has reached the point that when our members don't volunteer we are having to go outside the Club and pay for services.

Trap

The Brooklyn Sportsman's club is Happy to announce the Trap field is fully operational and will be open on Wednesday evenings starting June 30th from 6pm to 8pm to our members, guest and the public.

It is located between stations two and three of the sporting clays field and shares the parking with the events bays.

The cost per round for this will be as follows:

\$4.00 for youth

\$4.00 for Members

\$7.00 for guest & public

Hope to see you out there.

From conception January 28th to our first practice May 5th the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club made it happen, believed in helping the Columbia Central

Steve Low

High School Trap Team who were traveling much further to practice.

This allows team more time for shooting and less travel distance.



Trap continued



Mitten Match Re-cap



We would like to thank all of the members who helped out with the Mitten Match held on May 1st & 2nd.

Without your help it would not have been successful match.

We will be asking for your support next year as we will be having the Mitten Match again in May, The Michigan Sectional in June and the Area 5 Championship in August.

It will be a busy year next year and will be needing your support.

Thank you for all of those who helped.

Ken Lane, Walt Paegel, Svetlana Paegel and Mike Barrera



Walt Paegel



Treasurer's Report



BSC has an inventory of Club logoed clothing for sale.

We have hats, crying towels, tee shirts, hooded sweat shirts-pull over and zippered-and jackets. Prices range from \$5.00 to \$60.00. Stop in and check it out.

Sporting Clay's savings, Members that shoot Sporting Clays can purchase a punch card for \$100.00, it allows for ten rounds.

Diana Peacock



SASP



Spring Clean-up



April 3rd & 17th



Kayak Launch

photos



Shop With A Cop

The Club was presented with a plaque for its long term connection with The Shop With A Cop program. This program provides gifts at Christmas time to families in need.

The Club held a Swap Meet April 24th and donated the table rental monies to this program, along with pistol & shotgun events.

Making the presentation were left to right, Angie Mason Cambridge officer,

Jackson County Sheriff Gary Schuette, Chief Duaine Pittman Napoleon Twp, and Chief Jay Niles Columbia Twp. President John Calhoun receiving for the Club.



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BROOKLYN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

To promote youth hunter's, education, community service and education, the shooting sports, sportsmanship, environment, and conservation of natural resources.

Proposed By-Laws Change

The items in red are changes or additions to the current bylaws of the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club and will be voted on at the August General Membership and Elections August 11, 2021 at 7:00p.m..

Article II. Membership

Section 2.1. Classes. Qualifications, rights, and responsibilities for the various classifications of members shall be established by the Board of Directors. Membership is nontransferable and shall be one of **five (5) classes**:

(a) Regular. Any natural person interested in the promotion and development of the Brooklyn Sportsman Club is eligible for regular membership. Regular members have voting rights.

(b) Executive. In order to receive "Executive" status, The Brooklyn Sportsman Club Board of Directors will vote regarding recognition of "Exemplary Status".

(c) Life. **Present Life members shall be grandfathered. No members shall be added to the Life member class after December 31, 2021.** Annual dues for Life Members are to be determined by the Board. Requirements for Life membership are that the member is at least 65 years of age or older and has at least ten (10) years of consecutive years of membership. As a Life Member, we would also like to ask for your participation as a mentor for new members. **Life members have voting rights.**

(d) Senior. **Any person age 65 at time of admission to active membership. If a member turns 65 during the calendar year they shall qualify for senior dues the following year. Senior members have voting rights.**

(e) Honorary. Any natural person, other than a regular member, may be designated as an honorary member by board resolution. Honorary members do not have voting rights.

Fundraiser / Donations / Membership Drive

With the most recent Land Use Committee meeting, several ideas and proposals were suggested with regard to the last land purchase where the membership received an assessment to pay for the property. Keeping this in mind, how do we pay for the additional wants of the Club. Which may include Trap/Skeet range, re-design to see if we are using the property to its maximum potential, moving dirt, storage sheds, alleviating or repositioning the Mid-Bays that currently face south.

Should we assess the members again? Probably not. Should we borrow the money while the interest rates are low? Should we do a Fundraiser? Ask for Donations? Push a Membership Drive?

What will be the economic and political climate be in 2022, 2023, 2024. Will clubs like ours have the ability to survive?

With big events (money makers) for the club we need to start as early as the spring of 2021.



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The Well Armed Woman



Last week, co-leaders Svetlana Paegel and Marcy Jankovich of the local chapter of TAW (The Well Armed Woman) Shooting Chapters presented a check to John Calhoun, President of the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club (BSC) in the amount of \$150 earmarked for the annual **Shop with a Cop program**. Plans are in the works for the ladies of TAW to sponsor a party for the children and law enforcement at the club with all the supplies provided for the kids to wrap the presents they have purchased on their shopping trip. Refreshments will include cookies and cocoa for the kids and coffee and donuts for the cops!

Shop with a Cop is an event that focuses on underprivileged children and families within a local community. Police officers spend time with the children and shop with them in a local store. During the event, the children are given a gift certificate to purchase any items they want in the store to buy Christmas presents for their families. The police officer acts as a chaperone and companion to the children throughout the day as they shop for items. Local schools provide the names of students selected to participate in the program.

TAW Shooting Chapters is a nationwide organization with over 365 chapters in 47 states, including eight chapters throughout Michigan. Nationwide membership is well over 10,000 women. Our mission is to Educate, Equip, and Empower women in the safe handling of firearms. We are women helping women discover passion, develop skills, and build new relationships within our communities.

"The national office designated June as Host Range Appreciation Month," explained co-leader Marcy Jankovich. "BSC has been incredibly supportive of our chapter since we launched in January of 2016 and we wanted to give back," she continued. "The Chapter also wanted to do something to recognize Police week, so we had a T-shirt fundraiser to raise money to support this worthwhile program," she concluded.

TAW Jackson meets at BSC, 475 Monroe Street in Brooklyn, MI the third Saturday of every month for one hour classroom instruction along with one hour of certified instructor supervised live fire. Since the chapter launched in 2016 it has trained 6 certified instructors and several Range Safety Officers. Annual dues are \$50 and range fees are \$3.50 each meeting. Ladies should plan to bring eye and ear protection, close toed shoes, and a hat with a bill such as a baseball cap. Firearm rental is not available at the club. The chapter suggests that shooters bring at least 50 rounds of ammunition. Ladies must be able to legally own a gun and do NOT have to have a CPL to participate. TAW is a program for every level of shooter from brand new beginner to experts. A first meeting is free.

For more information about TAW visit www.TAWshootingchapters.org. Email the local chapter at TWAWjackson@gmail.com or call the hotline sponsored by Michigan Combat Dynamix at 517-782-0433.



www.brooklynsportsmansclub.com

Open to the public. Any age, boys, girls, men and women.

Brooklyn Sportsman's Club will be having an Intro to Action Shooting on Saturday July 17, 2021 at 475 Monroe St. Brooklyn, Michigan starting at 12:00p.m. (noon).

Do you want to learn about action shooting but were afraid to ask. This is the class for you.

This class is tailored for those who have questions, concerns as well as those unsure about the action shooting sports.

The class will cover the safety aspects.

What to expect, how the matches are ran, what to do, where to do it, and how to do it, before the match.

We will be covering disciplines that the club supports as well as those the club does not.

Equipment, Items to bring, etc.

What to do while the match is underway.

And what happens after the match.

If you have a 22lr to 45 ACP Hand gun or Rifle please bring it along as well as ammo.

If you would like, you will be able to shoot to try it out. This is not a match.
Please keep firearms in your car until we go to the range.

Speakers will be:

Mike Barrera – IDPA Area Director

Svetlana Paegel – The Well Armed Woman Co-Chair, USPSA and Steel Challenge CRO (Chief Range Officer)

Walt Paegel – USPSA, Steel Challenge, Multi-Gun - Range Master

Mick Holmes – IDPA CSO (Chief Safety Officer), Executive Chief Range Officer for the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club

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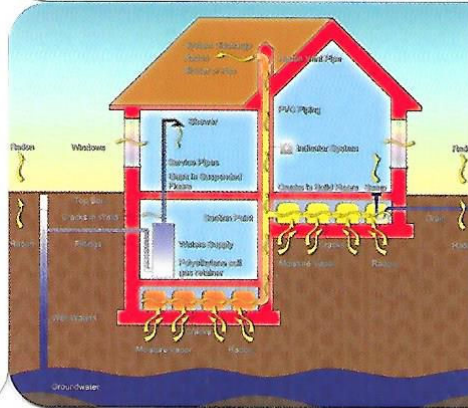
A close-up photograph of a handgun, specifically a revolver, resting on a document. The document features the text "We the People" in a large, elegant script, followed by "Article I" in a similar font. The handgun is positioned diagonally across the frame, with its barrel pointing towards the upper left. The revolver's cylinder is visible, showing a brass-colored interior. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the metallic surfaces of the gun and the texture of the paper.



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