

Brooklyn Sportsman's Club

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From the President

John Calhoun

As we enter the new year, it's a great time to reflect on the strides that this club has made in the past year in fulfilling our mission statement. In our By-Laws, it states that the objective of the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club is to promote hunter education, the shooting sports, sportsmanship, environment and the conservation of natural resources. I think we are well on our way to meeting all of those stated objectives and more.

I participated in two hunter safety classes in 2022 as we returned from the protocols of the pandemic to normal operations. We had dozens of new hunters afield as a result of those classes. As with all things, though, time takes a toll on the leaders who donate their time and resources to our mission. Through the leadership of Jim "Moose" Dickman, we built a very informative and safe environment for the kids (and adults) to gain the necessary requirements for licensing in Michigan. "Moose" has had some health issues and was no longer able to spearhead the lead instructor role for our club. Fortunately, Dave Tamagne stepped into the role that Moose held and we have been able to carry on. It is time to get some new blood in the program and I am hoping that we have some new volunteers to donate a couple of days a year to provide training for new hunters. Use the "Contact Us" tab on our website to volunteer some time to this worthwhile effort.

Our shooting sports are second to none in the area with the ample pistol bays, sporting clay course, the five-stand course, trap field and specialty shoots that have allowed us to expand the menu for shooters. My thanks to Carmi McRoberts and Ken Lane Jr. for using their imaginations and experience to create exciting target presentations for both shotgun shooters and pistol participants.

Speaking of pistol events, we had another successful Area 5 USPSA event at our club in June. We received a very positive article in a USPSA magazine on our courses, design of stages and difficulty. Brace yourself, because 2023 will bring the Area 5 event back to Brooklyn Sportsman's Club. We need volunteers!! It's a large event with lots of moving parts and we are calling for "all hand's on deck" to make the 2023 event a fun one for participants from all over the United States and Canada.

As we barrel into the new year, we are looking at possibly expanding our acreage to accommodate even more opportunities. As always, we strive to protect our interests from potential developers or commercial enterprises that would conflict with our purpose and charter. With the help of the membership and current property owners, we hope to be able to report progress on this important issue in the next few months. So with that quick recap of 2022, I wish you all the very best in the New Year and let's plan on making 2023 the best yet for Brooklyn Sportsman's Club. Onward and Upward!

Community Awareness on Radon

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January is Radon Action Month and the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club has asked Michael Holmes of Holmes Inspections, LLC to educate the community about Radon gas, how it affects you, and what you do about it.

Holmes has been certified in Radon testing for about 16 years with National Radon Proficiency Program and has been conducting Radon test in Michigan since 2007.

By the end of the Community Radon Awareness presentation, attendees will:

- Be able to identify three characteristics of Radon gas.
- Be able to visually recognize the location of the different potential zones in MI.
- Be able to list the one major health risk associated with Radon exposure.
- Be familiar with the most common testing devices used for Radon in air.

- Recognize the value in utilizing qualified Radon testing professionals.

Be able to list at least two different types of mitigation systems available.

WHERE: 475 MONROE ST.
BROOKLYN, MI 49230

WHEN: SATURDAY JANUARY 21, 2023

TIME: 8:00am, about 1 hour

COST: FREE, NO CHARGE



Shop With A Cop

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The Brooklyn Sportsman's Club has been associated with the Shop with a Cop program for more than a decade.

This year monies were raised by special shoots, donations, and the generosity of or members.

Donations were given to each of the four agencies, Jackson County Sherriff, Columbia Township, Cambridge Township, and Napoleon Township.



On Tuesday December 12th and 13th the selected children were picked up by motor coach and transported to the store for shopping.

Afterwards they were taken to BSC for lunch and wrapping of their gifts, the kids were assisted with this task with help from several volunteers.

The program was expanded this year to 15 kids each day.



USPSA / SASP

Once again Brooklyn Sportsman's Club will host two USPSA events in 2023.

The first is the Michigan Sectional

Match runs April 14th-16th

And the second is Area 5

Match run May 31st-June 4th

These are both big projects and require a lot of help.

Many ranges will be closed during the setup as it takes several days, please check the Club's calendar before driving out.

Bay 17, behind the garage will be open.

Also we will be Hosting the SASP Regional Shoot Saturday & Sunday May 20-21 2023. Set-up will start on Thursday May 18th.

Event bays 1-4 and Mid bays 12-15 will be closed for general membership shooting.

Help that's needed:

- Parking cars
- Filling coolers
- Emptying trash
- General running
- Set up & clean up



NRA Safety Classes

The Club has two NRA safety classes on the books for 2023, the first is Saturday January 7th, this is the Range Safety Office (RSO) and is a full day.

The second will be the Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO) this is a instructor level class and is a two full day class that will be given over two consecutive Sundays January 22nd & January 29th.

Individuals holding the CRSO designation can teach the RSO class.



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Secretary's Report

Lisa Poet

We had 31 new members for the year for a total of 235. with a break down of 182 General Members, 50 Life Members & 3 Honorary.

Orientation is required for membership.

Orientation happens on the fourth Saturday of the month at 3:00p.m. check the Club calendar for special dates.

Your 2023 dues will be considered late and you'll be dropped from the rolls if not paid by January 31, 2023. Please pay promptly.

Meet & Greet Dinner

It was October 20, 2022 when the Brooklyn Sportsman's Club held its second members Meet & Greet dinner.

These are setup as an RSVP event and a head count is needed for the food purchases.

We had a special guest Paul Palazek, who made a donation of several African mounts. He was also our guest speaker and told us about the safari hunts and what each animal was. The members found the stories very interesting as many were domestic hunters.

The mounts were collected by (transported to the club) John Calhoun, Mike Dood, Mick Holmes, Floyd Pratt, Mike Warden, & Terry Watts.

We also had several domestic mounts donated by the late Mike (Warren) Spaan.

Then over several days the mount were taken down cleaned and re-organized and re-hung by, John Calhoun, Carmi McRoberts, John Ofchar, Chuck Rogers, & Terry Watts, Beautiful job by all and the Club looks great.

The President (John Calhoun) and MC of the event kept things moving from the Turkey Shoot to the much needed and long overdue closet cleaning game of Love It or Leave It. For those who did not attend, you missed out on a great time.



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Love It or Leave It

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Shotgun News

John Calhoun

All shotgun events have been completed for the year and we are looking forward to a bigger turnout in 2023. As always, Carmi McRobert is challenging us with interesting target presentations and you never know what's up next.

Winter shotgun enthusiasts will be pleased to know our Winter Sporting Clay League begins January 8th, 2023. As usual, the cost \$125 per shooter. Besides the fun of freezing for scores, there are prizes and Prime Rib dinner banquet after the final shoot.

A weekly pot is up for grabs for the highest team score, the second highest and third highest scores. It only costs \$5 per shooter if interested, and because you never know who your team consists of until after the card draw, everyone has an equal chance. Come out and join in the fun. We have 12 gauge ammunition available for purchase.

Sign up sheet is at the desk.

BSC Legacy Fundraiser "Be Remembered"

The patio has been installed and is a continuing Fundraiser for the Club, when a brick is purchased, a plain brick will be removed from the patio and the newly inscribed brick will take its place.

Many thanks to Willbee Concrete for the delivery of our bricks and Wilcox Landscaping for the installation these companies are also donors.

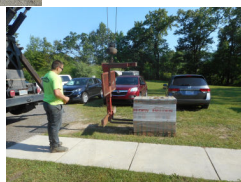
Mission statement;

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

The Brooklyn Sportsman's Club is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization located in Brooklyn, Michigan nestled in the beautiful Irish Hills.

See the attached order form or go to our website under the new Donations tab and order and pay there.

www.fundraisingbrick.com/bsclegacy/



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