



The Clay Chapel Times

Fall Newsletter

SHOTGUN SPORTS

Kingston & District Trap Skeet and Sporting Clays Club

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- * Skeet League 2021
- * Memorial Shoot
- * President's Trophy SC Shoot
- * AGM
- * Turkey Fun Shoot

Ont. Skeet Championship

The weather was sunny and hot for the hosting of the 73rd Provincial Skeet Championships.

An OSSA run event that saw a full compliment of competitors totally 50 which managed to throw out some 21,000 targets.

Despite the protocols of COVID 19, all managed quite well around the range and we also accommodated 6 camper trailers for the overnights including a shooter who pitched a tent.

A few of our club members were participating including Matt Pomeroy, Andy Spooner, Bill Arthur, Mike Hartzman, Rick Robinson and Adrian Pang, well done gents.

A very special thanks to

the OSSA for accepting our bid to host this event.

With the help of some recent installs of newer machines on fields 1 and 4, we provided 4 x fully functional skeet fields for the shoot.

We hope in the future to host similar caliber events and perhaps spread into sporting clay competitions.

The Executive would like to also thank all the member volunteers who worked over the weekend to ensure the shoot ran smoothly for all competitors and organizers to enjoy.

All in all a huge success that put some money in our pocket, a feather in our cap and bigger pin on the map!

Thanks to all.

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Skeet League

Unfortunately the club Skeet League for 2020 will be postponed till 2021.

Despite the COVID 19 pandemic and protocol measures that were required to be put in place, the summer was very busy with the install of 4 x newer machines and the host-

ing of the Ontario Skeet Championships that saw 50 shooters competing in a four gun format.

With the significant increase in membership, would are confident this will continue into 2021 with renewals and provide for a very competitive and fun Skeet League.

Look for details in spring of 2021. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.



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First 25 Straight Skeet Accomplishments

Our club is very pleased to see our members achieve their very first straight in any discipline and this year since the spring, we have four members with 25 straight skeet.

These guys have worked extremely hard to achieve this milestone and we congratulate them. We hope to see many more straights from them as our club continues to grow.

We ask fellow members to pass on your congrats once again to these guys and let's assist newer members to achieve the same.

Kingston Clay Crushers!



Adrian Pang

Jason Fern



Trevor Teglas





New Skeet Machines

As a result of the unfortunate closing of Ottawa's Skeet Club at Connaught Ranges, the Ottawa Executive offered up 4 of their Matterelli target throwers + 2 Long Range Remote systems to purchase on a trial basis.

Our equipment manager along with Rick Robinson quickly installed the machines in fields 1 and 4 to replace the aging Winchester machines. We put the machines to the test during the Prov. Skeet Championships and

they worked without a flaw. It was then put to a vote to the membership of such a large expenditure (\$9K) to seek acceptance for the purchase.

On Aug 10th a majority vote from the members was received in favour of the expenditure and we now have all fields fitted with carousel skeet machines thus enhancing our range's ability to keep all four fields active for skeet at once. We in turn have sold the 4 x Winchester machines from the

club's inventory. Thanks to all members who voted, it was appreciated.

Enjoy!



COVID 19

An interesting season that started with a global pandemic that eventually forced many businesses and entities to close entirely, and we were no exception. Mid March saw the Executive forced to close the club for more than a couple of months as part of the direction from the Province forming part of the Emergency Order.

With the re-opening of our range, certain mandatory requirements had to be put in place as well as some policies to deal with social and physical distancing, group sizes, building occupancy and the direction to perform cleansing regularly of all surfaces frequently touched by members and equipment as well as the selfcleansing/washing of hands and mask-

This new way of life and way of doing business is not anticipated to lapse and return to a way of life previously enjoyed prior to March but will

become a new normal way of life. We thank all members for their cooperation and understanding in adhering to these policies.



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Thanks Bill

Bill Templeton has been a staple at the club as a volunteer who has dedicated many years to run the Wednesday day of operation as well as keeping the grounds neatly cut and trimmed.

Bill never hesitated to always attend the spring and fall clean-up days and take care of the flower bed which has always looked amazing.

A dedicated volunteer to ensure the club remains on its continued growth of success.

Bill has now decided that his work is done and will be retiring from his duties entirely starting in Feb 2021. The club is now looking for a replacement volunteer to assist with Wednesday day of operation and also for a member volunteer to take on the duty of cutting grass regularly.

The Executive cannot thank Bill enough for all his hard work, dedication, initiative, sense of responsibility and always a sense of humour. Bill will continue to be a member of our team but must now pass the reins to someone else.

If any member is willing to assist in either capacity of Wed staff or grounds-keeping, please help the rest of your team members out and let one of the Executive directors know you are willing to help. Thanks.



Bill Templeton

160+ Members!!

The Executive is extremely excited to announce that our membership has grown to 164 members to date. This is the largest membership on record and we continue to grow.

The credit to this success has been a collective effort of all members introducing new members, our advertising and our reputation of a welcoming atmosphere for shotgun sports.

We can also credit our success to the 4 fully functional skeet fields with all

newer machines and our trap field that continues to attract new trap shooters each season.

Our upgraded and restyled sporting clays range with adjusted and improved flight paths as per member's request, has gained interest and has seen an increase in squads taking to the trail.

Let's all maintain our momentum and welcome new members to our

range and enjoy the same benefits as your fellow members.

Good work everyone!



Sporting Clay — Trap Throwers

The sporting clays range has received a lot of attention and participation from members and some guests. The increased use can be attributed to the dedication, patience and hard work of the Sporting Clays Manager Chris Durham.

An added gratitude for their hard work, and willingness to support the club as member volunteers are Jessica Fern and Carter Bailey for running the trap machines on the sporting clays range for the many squads that run the trail each Sunday throughout the season.

Without their support, the use of the sporting clays range would suffer and not get the use it deserves, especially with the updated and adjusted target flight profiles to make the range more challenging.

A very special thanks to Jessica and Carter for being team members and supporting their club.

Thanks!!





Jessica Fern and Carter Bailey

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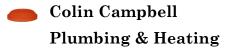


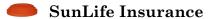




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