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50th Anniversary Event

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Our celebration of our 50th Anniversary was finally conducted on Oct 22, 2023. After much planning, re-planning and flexibility, we managed to pull it off.

The event's weather did not cooperate so well with most of the day under rain showers but shooters were glad to participate and acknowledge our accomplishment, none the less.

The meal included BBQ steaks, baked potatoes and the fixing's and then followed up by a cake.

A total of 28 shooters participated which were mostly club members.

The winners of the two events for trap and skeet were as follows:

HOA Trap

Steve Ashurst Score of 43/50

HOA Skeet

Bill Langridge Score of 50/50.

Both winners received a handmade charcuterie board made by Mark Santoni that housed an embedded 50th Anniversary Coin, as well as a smaller personal trophy for each winner. Well done gents!

Congrats to both winners and trust all had a great time.

Finally the 50/50 winner of \$40 was Gerald Cote.

Thanks to all that participated.



Steve Ashurst



Bill Langridge

Points of interest:

- Butter Tart Shoot
- * Memorial Shoot
- * Range Day/Open House
- * Trap Event
- * Members Trap Clinic

New Sporting Clay Manager

Please welcome our new Sporting Clay Manager Hai -Qi Liu who has volunteered to become a board member and manage the sporting clay discipline effective Jan 2024.

Hai-Qi joined our team in Jan of 2023 and has become more involved with assisting with our sporting clay trail. He has some great ideas and plans to enhance the trail so stay tuned.

Welcome to our team and we look forward to continuing the momentum for shooting sporting clay targets.



Turkey Fun Shoot

Our annual Turkey Fun Shoot took place on Dec 10th, 2023 and received a decent turnout of shooters. The meal of the day was BBQ sausage, salad and a beverage.

This event always includes 4 fun shooting events and this year was no exception.

The winners were as follows:

Chip & Break—Bill Arthur Pickle Shoot—Matt Pomeroy

Walk Up Stn 8–Matt Pomeroy

Wipe your Eye—Steve Ashurst & John Sherbino

MNRF Visit

Early October 2023, the club received a request from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry for a team of their members to use a portion of the club's footprint to practice training in the use of target tranquilizing.

After approval received from the Board members and a scheduled date put on the calendar, their team arrived at the range on Oct 19th, 2023.

Their team was extremely gracious

The 50/50 winner was also President Matt Pomeroy.

Congrats to all winners.







for our hospitality in permitting the use of the range footprint for live target training.

They are currently consulting to perhaps becoming a club supporter.

We look forward to their support and have communicated to their department that our range is available for further training if they require based upon our schedule.



MNRF Team

Trap House Warning Device

With the club's aim of always promoting firearm safety and the safety of others in a live shooting range environment, the observation and concern over those members accessing the trap house on field 4 while other field shooting rounds were taking place was addressed.

After consultation with Range Officer/Field Capt Bob Black, it was decided that a visual warning device needed to be erected. The design of a movable, red stop sign device was created and approved and installed on the barrier fencing between fields 3 and 4. This device is to be displayed by anyone who has to enter the trap house to indicate to shooters of fields 1 **AND** 2 station 1 high house and station 8 low house to immediately cease firing.

The complete policy is posted on the bulletin board within the shelter for all to read and abide by. Thanks for your cooperation.



Donated Duck Decoy

During our 50th Anniversary event, long time member George Merry was very kind enough to bring in a donated carved duck decoy with magnificent details made by a local artist.

George has always managed to provide such donations as part of his love for the sport.

After the bidding started, it didn't take long for one of our very own members, Tim Rose to have his eye on the prize and announced his bid of \$300.

This turned out to be the winning bid overall and thanks to George Merry and Tim Rose, the club received that donation of \$300.

The Executive thanked both George and Tim for their continued support and gladly accepted the donation.

It takes club volunteers to maintain the club's continued operation from year to year and this is one example of such support.





George Merry

First Aid/CPR Training

Through the kindness of fellow member, Stephen Giberson, he offered to conduct our first ever FA/CPR Training session for anyone wishing to obtain this extremely worthy qualification.

This training provides an individual with the immediate first aid skills to administer, by permission only to a victim as a result of an emergency situation or accident.

This could easily be a life or death

difference depending on the circumstances of the emergency incident or accident.

A total of 5 club members signed up and attended the training that is valid for 3 years.

We thank Stephen for his generosity for offering and conducting the training to our members. This is a very valuable skill that we encourage everyone at some point in their lives to obtain and maintain.

Thanks to those that attended.



Skeet League

Our Skeet Manager Tony Raponi is planning to resurrect the club's Skeet League in May with a potential start date of Jun 2nd, 2024.

This will be a friendly competitive league of skeet amongst the membership for those that register.

Tony has mentioned that a sufficient interest to register must be evident in order to constitute the commitment of resources to run the league. Usually there is a trophy for the winner with the best results at the end of the season and of course, bragging rights.

If you are interested in participating in the skeet league then please make it known to Tony and register via the sign-up sheet that will be made available soon.

Come have some fun and challenge your fellow members to some genuine shooting skills.





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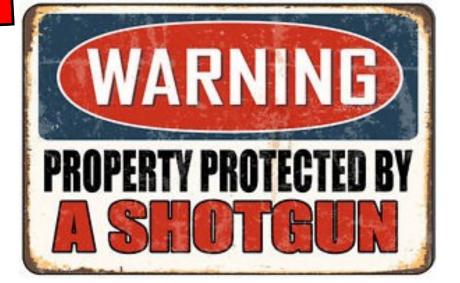
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