



NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The gun club will now be **closed on Mondays**. We do not have enough shooting on Mondays to cover our expenses. **We will also be changing Saturday & Sunday hours from 10:00am – 4:00pm.** Hours will remain the same on Wednesday.

INCOME/EXPENSE COMPARISON

Attached is a comparison of the income generated by rounds shot at the gun club. We have experienced a reduction of \$16,080 of income compared to this same time in 2006. This poses a serious concern for everyone.

The board is reviewing this information and is open to ideas for generating income and/or reducing expenses. Our next board meeting is Wednesday, December 12th at 7:00pm.

Welcome New Members!

Jon Bergquist
Dennis Scott
Dave Skeels
Jim Raskiewicz
TJ Musial
Steven Musial
Aaron Musial
Kurt Gillespie

2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your 2007 membership expires on December 31, 2007.
Regular annual membership - \$60.00
Senior annual membership - \$30.00

You have until January 31, 2008 to pay your dues. If paid after this date there will be a \$10.00 late fee assessed.

We do accept MC/VISA if this would be more convenient for you.

ADDRESSES NEEDED

David Duff
Jeff Cooke
Jim Cooper

4 FREE ROUNDS!!

Bring in a new member (not a renewal) to Seaway Gun Club and get 4 free rounds of trap or skeet. Bring in 2 new members get 4 free rounds of trap or skeet and a hat.

Upcoming Events

Winter League begins December 26, 2007!
Sign up now!!! See the attached flyer for more details.

LEGISLATION & LAWS

Parking Lot Gun Laws and the Right to Transport

Should people who lawfully possess firearms be able to leave them locked in their motor vehicles on business property? All 50 states allow the transportation of firearms in motor vehicles for all lawful purposes and 48 states allow the carrying of firearms in vehicles for personal protection – Illinois & Wisconsin do not. More than one of every four Americans 65 -80 million gun owners carries a firearm in his or her vehicle for protection.

The US Constitution and the constitutions of 46 states protect the right to arms and/or self defense. And since 1986, federal law has protected the right to transport firearms in vehicles interstate. However, over the last few years disagreement over the right of people to leave firearms locked in their vehicles on business property has arisen. As a result, five state legislatures have passed, and during their current legislative sessions additional states are considering passing, laws to protect that right.

The issue began in 2002 in Oklahoma when the Weyerhaeuser corporation fired employees for having guns in personal vehicles on company property. The Oklahoma legislature, voting 92-4, prohibited any policy or rule prohibiting law-abiding people from transporting and storing firearms in a locked vehicle.

Arguments raised against the right of people, particularly employees are unconvincing:

- A business owner's private property rights are not affected by a law preventing the micro-management of the lawful contents of a person's privately owned automobile.
- A commercial landowner is subject to numerous limits, imposed by the federal, state and local governments, on what may and may not occur on its property.
- Employees have a legitimate private property interest where their automobiles and their contents are concerned.
- Most gun-related violent crimes in workplaces are committed by non-employees.
- Anyone determined to commit a violent crime will not be prevented from doing so by a mere company policy against having guns in cars.
- Laws protecting the right to leave firearms in locked motor vehicles do not authorize a person to have a firearm outside his or her vehicle.
- Laws protecting the right to leave firearms in locked motor vehicles on business property specifically protect the property owner from liability for any related injuries or damages.
- The problem of workplace crimes has been exaggerated.

SNOWPLOWING BIDS BEING ACCEPTED

We would like to open up our snowplowing for bids. If you are interested, please contact Dennis Blankenship at 231-206-4073 by December 11th.

Snowplowing would include the parking lot, skeet & trap fields and the sporting clays course.

MUCC

Michigan United Conservation Club

2007 State Shoot

See the attached article published in the Michigan Out-of-Doors magazine regarding the state shoot. Great exposure for Seaway Gun Club!!

Advertising Opportunities

Place a business card size ad in our newsletter – 6 issues for \$60. Place a 12 month banner ad on our website for \$100.00!

Place an ad on the web and in the newsletter for \$150.00 – save \$10.00!! Our website is linked to MIClays, ATA, NSSA and Wings & Clays websites.

Please contact Sharon for more info. 231-670-1647

CCW CLASS OFFERED

Seaway Gun Club member, Barry Anderson, NRA Senior Training Counselor is offering a CCW at the Sparta Hunting & Fishing Club for Saturday, December 15th. Seaway Gun Club will receive \$25.00 for each gun club member that signs up & completes the class.

Registration begins at 8:45am. If you have any questions, please contact Barry through email at Barry45acp@aol.com or contact Sharon Prus at 670-1647 for a registration form.

WEBSITE.....WEBSITE!

Check out our new website! Event information and pictures will be updated as needed. Thank you Patrick for doing such a great job!! www.seawaygunclub.com.

ATA SHOOTS

Congratulations to the winners of our Sept 22 & 23 ATA Shoot!!

High Over All – Herb Herrygers 441

A – Tom Maxson 96
B – Don Sandel 93
C – Don Ammerman 98

Handicap 9/22/07
19 - 23 Mike Dykstra 91
Don Ammerman 91
24 – 27 Herb Herrygers 90

Doubles 9/22/07 - Herb Herrygers 86

Handicap 9/23/07
19 – 23 Jerry Bauman 92
24 – 27 Herb Herrygers 81

Handicap 9/23/07
19 – 23 Steve Siegel 92
24 – 27 Herb Herrygers 90

Congratulations to the winners of our Oct 21st ATA shoot:

A – Tom Maxson 94
B – Mike Dykstra 93
C – Don Ammerman 87
David Stein 87

Handicap
19 – 23 Loren Ambrose 92
24 – 27 Herb Herrygers 87

Doubles - Herb Herrygers 90

Congratulations to the winners of our Nov 4th ATA shoot:

A – Ken DeWild 99
B – Mike Dykstra 95
Herb Herrygers 95
C – John Barnhardt 91

Handicap
19 – 23 Paul Zandee
24 – 27 Herb Herrygers

Doubles - Mike Allen 87

MEET YOUR BOARD MEMBER!!

SHARON PRUS
Seaway Gun Club Treasurer

Sharon has been shooting at Seaway for four years. She enjoys all outdoor activities, hunting and fishing. She is President of the National Outdoor Women organization which offers events teaching women the basics of various outdoor activities. To learn more about the organization, visit our website www.nationaloutdoorwomen.com

Sharon is also the branch manager of Community Shores Bank – North Muskegon Office.

Sharon has two sons, Kris – 17 yrs old & Joe – 15 yrs old, both have participated in the Scholastic Shooting Team at Seaway Gun Club.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

To help reduce the cost of mailing the newsletter, please send your email address to Sharon Prus at sp74gto@aol.com. Thank you.

Also – if we have made any errors in your name or address, please notify us immediately so it can be corrected. Thank you.

2007 REGISTERED SHOOT DATES

ATA Shoot Dates:

December 2, 2007

2008 REGISTERED SHOOT DATES

ATA SHOOT DATES

APRIL 27TH – 500 SINGLES
JUNE 1ST

JUNE 21ST & 22ND – ZONE 3
SEPT 27TH & 28TH – FALL SHOOT

SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

JANUARY 13TH
APRIL 26TH - IRONMAN
MAY 25TH
JUNE 22 – W MI CLASSIC
JULY 18TH – GR LAKES PRELIM
SEPTEMBER 7TH – MICHIGAN CUP

2008 MTA Shoots

Work Dap – April 20th
Spring Team – May 2,3,4
Great Lakes Grand May 20-26
500 Singles – June 28

500 Doubles – June 30
State Shoot – June 30-July 6
MI Handicap – July 24-27
Fall Team – Sept 5,6,7

SPORTING CLAYS CLUTCH

Wednesdays – beginning December 5th stop in, shoot
and stay for lunch at noon!!

ARTICLES FOR SALE:

Remington 11-87 "Premier", 2 ¾ -3", extra full trap & mod tubes.
Excellent condition. Call Phil @ 231-894-6892

Ruger 77 – 7mm mag, Synthetic Stock/Stainless, Fox River Muzzle
Brake, Nikon scope. 231-557-2408

Krieghoff K-80, AAA Kolar Sub gauges, 410-28-20. Adjustable
comb, Briley cased. Nice wood. \$5,300 OBO Dave 616-842-3398

Ruger SP 101, 357/38, 5 shot, 2 inch, great shape with 650 rounds.
Factory reloads to police specs. \$325 call 616-531-0862 days.

Ruger Red Label, 28 ga. o/u, c/t (sk/sk) great shape w/wads,
powder, lead, 600 loader, 16 boxes shells (5 boxes once fired
reloads, 11 boxes new Winchester) \$1,150 call 616-531-0862
days.

Sig 12 ga 32 inches O/U – very good condition. \$1000
Call 231-750-0019

Beretta 12 ga. A1390 Sport 30" Barrel \$650

Mosberg 500 Full Woodland Camo 24" barrel, chokes \$125

Both guns in excellent condition. Call Scott @ 231-343-5347 or
231-798-1798.

Wanted: 28 ga. Browning 30" barrel – call Tom Storr 269-637-4308

DECEMBER 29TH FUN SHOOT!!

**SHOOT AT REGULAR PRICES AND JOIN IN FOR A
BURGER & BEVERAGE AFTERWARD!!**

SEAWAY GUN CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Dennis Blankenship – 893-4510
Vice President – Dave Bolen – 861-0307
Treasurer – Sharon Prus – 670-1647
Secretary – Mike Dykstra – 616-899-2644
Trustee – Mark Trent – 893-3720
Trustee – Mike Allen – 861-5858
Trustee – Jimmy Bronson – 744-2957
Trustee – Frank Kinsley – 744 – 5536

BOARD MEETINGS @ 7:00pm at the club

November 14, 2007
December 12, 2007

If you have any news articles, items for sale or pictures to add to the
newsletter, please send them by email to sp74gto@aol.com or drop
them off to Jeff at the counter.
Thank you

GOOD LUCK HUNTING!!