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2009 WINTER LEAGUE Sign up early and SAVE \$\$\$!



GUN GIVEAWAY!
Browning Cenergy
20 gauge.
\$2500 Value!

If you sign up and renew your membership (if due) between November 15th and December 13th, you will receive an extra ticket for the gun drawing and also 4 free practice lines for Skeet or Trap. Sign up between Dec. 13th and Dec 31st and you will receive an extra ticket for the gun drawing. So sign up early and SAVE!!!

FOOD!
Tuesday Dinner Specials!
Thursday Steak Night!
Sat./Sun Breakfasts!

Important Dates

- ✓ Sign-up Starts: Sunday, November 15th, 2009
- ✓ First Week Starts: Sunday, December 13th, 2009
- ✓ Last Day of Shooting: Sunday, March 28th, 2010
- ✓ Banquet Date: Saturday, April 17th, 2010 (Deer Run- 6 p.m.).
- ✓ Club Championships: Sunday, April 18th, 2010
- ✓ 4 Rounds must be in by: Sunday, January 24th, 2010

Events

- ✓ Skeet
- ✓ Skeet Doubles
- ✓ Trap
- ✓ Sub-Gauge
- ✓ Pee-Wee
- ✓ 5-Stand
- ✓ Sporting Clays
- ✓ 2-Man Team
- ✓ Parent/Child

Event Fees

- ✓ First Event: \$40
- ✓ Second Event: \$30
- ✓ Other Events: \$20.00
- ✓ Junior 1st Event: \$40
- ✓ Junior other Event: \$10
- ✓ Parent/Child Event: \$10 each
- ✓ 2-Man Event: \$10 each

Punch Card Prices

- ✓ Skeet & Trap: \$57.00 (12 rds)
- ✓ 5-Stand: \$72.00 (12 rds)
- ✓ Sporting Clays: \$102 (6 rds of 50)
- ✓ Junior Punch Card: \$45.00 (12 rds)

Get professional skeet instruction from TARGET SOLUTIONS

Certified Skeet Instructor, Tim Wiley

Individual and group lessons for beginner to advanced shooters

Call 616-581-0471

Congratulations to Todd Wittinger who shot his first 25 straight in skeet on October 25th!



Kent County Conservation League SPORTSMAN

Skeet • Trap
Rifle • Pistol
Sporting Clays
5-Stand • Archery

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November 2009

From The Manager's Desk

On January 1st, 2010, it will be necessary to raise the price of skeet and trap from \$3.75 per line to \$4.25 per line. 10 or 20-line punch cards will cost \$40 or \$80 respectively for a net price of \$4.00 per line. We have not raised prices in 5 years, but due to a dramatic increase in costs we have no alternative but to increase prices. We have absorbed three increases in the minimum wage for pullers during the last 5 years and the cost of clays has nearly doubled, going from \$5.00 a case to \$9.00! We have put off a price hike for as long as we possibly can, but like most other clubs in the area now charging \$4.00 or more per line, there is simply no alternative. I am truly sorry if these new prices put a strain on anyone's budget. I don't want to see prices go up any more than you do.

Tim

KCCL Board of Directors

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| Thru March 2010 | Thru March 2011 |
| Ed Eckleberry | Barry Ott, Chair |
| Larry Mennetti | Pete Peterson |
| Terry Tobias | Brian Schwalm |
| Roger Hill | Red Shepard |
| Carter Huyser | Rich Smith |
| Steve Erickson | Sam Yeo |
| | Paul Zandee |

KCCL Officers

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| Vic Scudder |President |
| Open |1st VP |
| Roger Hill |2nd VP |
| Ralph Rader |Treasurer |
| Bruce Ford |Secretary |

KCCL Mission

To promote all shooting sports and sound environment, conservation, fish and wildlife management.

November 2009

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 Open 10-5 Breakfasts now available | 2 | 3 Open 4-10 | 4 | 5 Open 12-10 | 6 | 7 Open 10-5 Rifle Sight-in |
| 8 Open 10-5 Rifle Sight-in | 9 | 10 Open 4-10 | 11 | 12 Open 12-10 | 13 | 14 Open 10-5 |
| 15 Open 10-5 Winter League Sign-ups Start | 16 | 17 Open 4-10 Board Meeting 7:00 PM | 18 | 19 Open 12-10 | 20 | 21 Open 10-5 |
| 22 Open 10-5 | 23 | 24 Open 4-10 | 25 | 26 Closed for Thanksgiving | 27 | 28 Open 10-5 |
| 29 Open 10-5 | 30 | 1 Open 4-10 | 2 | 3 Open 12-10 | 4 | 5 Open 10-5 |

Minutes—KCCL Board of Directors Meeting October 21, 2009

Chairman Barry Ott called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The roll was called and the members present were Paul Zandee, Roger Hill, Terry Tobias, Bruce Ford, Ed Eckleberry, Cart Huyser, Barry Ott, Vic Scudder, Larry Menetti, Red Sheppard, Sam Yeo, Ralph Rader, Steve Erickson, Pete Peterson, and Brian Schwalm. The member excused was Rich Smith.

The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed and approved.

Manager's Report

Tim Wiley presented the Manager's report. Tim made a request to the board to raise line fees for skeet from the current \$3.75 to \$4.25 and a punch card price of \$4.00 per line. After much discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed (with 1 no vote) to raise the skeet line fees.

President's Report

President Vic Scudder has asked the Board to think about club participation in future sports shows. Vic would like club representation to provide information about KCCL to the public with the goal of recruiting new members. Vic suggested that a committee be formed to take on this project.

MUCC Delegate Report

No report.

Old Business

Terry Tobias, along with the Director of Zoning and Planning for Ada Township, presented a "License Agreement" to cover the use of KCCL property as part of a non-motorized vehicle path. After some discussion about path location and terms of the agreement, a motion was made, seconded, and

passed to allow Terry to sign the Agreement with Ada Township on behalf of KCCL.

Terry Tobias is working with a club member-accountant to gather information about the feasibility and benefit of changing the corporate status from 501(c)(4) to 501(c)(3). Terry will report back to the board.

New Business

KCCL has received a request from a member of the Grand Rapids police force to use the facilities for some private tactical training. The board instructed the club manager to get more information about the request and report back at the next board meeting.

Tim Wiley made a request to purchase 2 used machines for the Sporting Clays course at a cost of around \$5,000. The request was tabled until the next board meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Ralph Rader presented the financial report. The club's financial situation continues to improve. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the report. Ralph has scheduled a budget committee meeting for October 24 at 10 AM to prepare the 2010 budget. The budget committee members are Ralph Rader, Barry Ott, Carter Huyser, Terry Tobias, and Bruce Ford.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Bruce Ford
KCCL Secretary

KCCL NEEDS YOUR CURRENT EMAIL!

Please send your email address to info@kccl.org. Also let us know if you would be willing to have your *Sportsman* emailed to you instead of mailed.



From our kitchen ...

Tuesday Wing Night

The second and fourth Tuesdays will be "wing nights" at KCCL. In addition to special pricing, we'll be offering 6 different flavors of sauces.

Steak & Shrimp Thursdays 5:30-9:00 PM

Enjoy a steak or 12 garlic shrimp, baked potato, garlic bread, and salad every Thursday night for only \$12! Of course Julie also has a dessert for you. You won't go home hungry.

Breakfast now available 10:00 AM-12:00 PM Saturdays & Sundays

Great breakfast sandwiches, potatoes, and made-to-order breakfasts.



KCCL-hosted events a huge success!

A good time was had by all at the October 1 Bouma Corporation's "Clays for Kids" shoot. Over 80 participants enjoyed shooting skeet, trap, 5-stand, and sporting clays and were treated to a great lunch. The event raised over \$10,000 to help Grand Rapids Public Schools build a special new high school.

On October 5, Amway Aviation held its annual shooting event at KCCL. In addition to all the fun shooting activities, the aviators and their guests also enjoyed a tasty dinner of smoked brisket and ribs prepared by club member, Mark Giem.

Thanks to all of you who volunteered to make our guests feel welcome. Events like these are not only a great way to introduce others to the shooting sports but to create income for the club. Without the help of members who pitch in, these events would not be possible.

KCCL is not only one of the best shooting clubs in Michigan because of its facilities; it's one of the best because it has members who are always willing to share their time to "give back" to the club.

Kudos for a job well done!



Public Sight-in days are November 7th & 8th

As a service to hunters and a source of revenue for the club, KCCL opens up our rifle range to the public for a fee. Although you are free to sight-in on those days, please be aware that the rifle range could be more crowded than usual. To make sure that published safety rules are followed, KCCL will have a range master present on those days.

Volunteer of the Month: Pat Klott

Pat has been the club representative for the Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) for many years. She has put in hours and hours of service on behalf of our members to protect Michigan's natural resources and preserve our outdoor heritage. This is often a thankless job. So be sure to let Pat know your appreciation for her hard work.

(Pat and her husband, Bill, will both be having surgery in the near future. All of us at KCCL wish them well.)

