

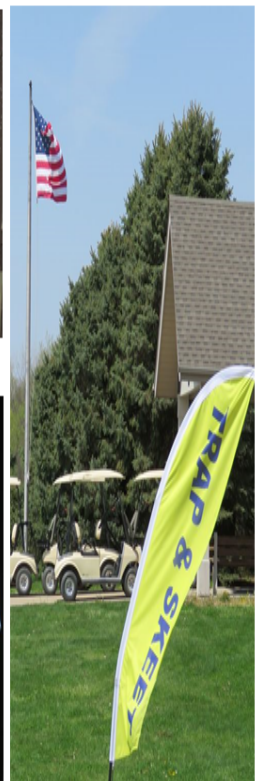
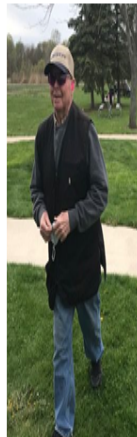
# Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club



## 2021 VOLUME 5 NEWSLETTER



Hopefully  
only a little  
big longer



**Upcoming Meetings:** Board Meeting -> Saturday May 15, 2021 1:00 PM @ DGSC | General Membership Meeting -> May 23 8:30 AM @ DGSC



## **Desk of DGSC President**

Let's give a round of applause to DGSC V.P., George Adelman for the "Scape, Sand, & Stain" Work Party on April 7. George convinced 18 or 20 members to come out and prep the club for the upcoming ATA & NSSA Events. New members, long time members, Board Members, even a "Past President, came out to lend a hand. Picnic tables & benches were repaired, sanded & stained, trap & skeet fields mowed, edged, & cleaned of hulls (please remember to pick up your empties), trash barrels emptied, Trap houses renumbered. Tom Scroppo provided a hot lunch, meat balls and Italian Beef Sandwiches. The Club really looks good.

The event was so successful, I have asked George if he would schedule a similar event in June. We have needed to update our equipment inventory for our insurance policy for quite some time. No tools or heavy lifting required, just clipboards and pencils. We need to list every trap, skeet, sporting clays machine, as well as golf carts, mowers, trimmers with a description, location, make, model, and serial number. This information is critical should we need to make any sort of insurance claim in the future. It would be an enormous task for two or three people, but a dozen or more volunteers should be able to accomplish this in a few hours. Please consider volunteering .

On another note, at the April 17 meeting, the Board approved the Memorial project in Memory of Past President, Karen VanderVeen. The project, funded by a group of members recognizing the services Karen provided as a member, Board Member, and President, will consist of an outdoor "message center" with acrylic doors on two sides. It will be strategically placed at the east end of the patio. The original message board was lost to wind, weather, and time several winters ago, I understand the original was constructed by Karen's father, Roy Krohner and Hal Peterson. The new center is a commercially made "weather-proof" product suitable for parks and public areas and should last many years to come. Presently being built to order, we expect installation around Memorial Day. Thanks to all that donated to this tribute.s

*Ken Cechura DGSC President*



## **Vice President Remarks**

Please welcome new shooting member John McGrath. Previously, John was a shooting member in the past and has decided to rejoin our great club! Welcome back John!  
Have fun!! Shoot often!!

The month of May offers great shooting conditions to enjoy your club! Cool temps with low humidity are ideal to enjoy the outdoors!!!

5 stand has a whole new look with several new target presentations. Check it out!!

*George Adelman, DGSC Vice President*



# Secretary Notes

Nothing significant to report from the secretary. It's mostly business as usual this time of year.

Our youth team is off and running with roughly 55 shooters. Here's a BIG thanks to the members helping with coaching week after week, your time is invaluable! The Chicago Tribune is doing a piece on the team, so keep an eye out. I'll try and post a link in the discussion forums once it's live, should be some good publicity for the club!

I hope to meet some of you on the line soon. I'll be shooting most Tuesdays and Thursdays around lunch time. Please stop me and say hi.

Jed Davis, DGSC Secretary



## Shotgun Sports

Summer hours are now in effect – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please arrive early enough to complete your rounds, especially Sporting Clay. We don't want to turn anyone away.

The Parkview Cristian Academy Trapshooting League is still shooting on Friday Nights. They are all finished by 7 - 7:30. The Trap & Skeet fields will be fully open for practice. Many of the league shooters will be attending the Illinois State High School Clay Target League's 2021 State Tournament on June 5th at Brittany Shooting Park. Wish them a good time, they did very well last year. Special thanks to Jed Davis and his crew in organizing & running this event.

If you are able to help us on May 16 – ATA May Shoot – please contact me or Stan Systo.

Larry Chambers, DGSC Shotgun Sports Director

# DGSC Entertainment / Events / Marketing

We have started the processes of cleaning the kitchen. It is expected that process will take a few more weeks to complete. In the meantime please refrain from cooking in the kitchen. Many items from the kitchen have been removed, most stored in the barn. If you need to use an item in the kitchen make sure it is washed before and after each use.

On Saturday, May 22nd at 10 am, the club will be holding a practice NSSA shoot in preparation for the Grand Prairie Tournament in June. The shoot will be a 50 bird event, any gauge is welcomed. This is an opportunity for club members to discover what registered skeet is all about without extra fees, dues, or the pressures of registered shooting. Shooters will only need to pay for targets at their regular rate. Your questions are invited. Please contact Tim Donnell, Paul Davenport, or myself for questions or comments.

The club picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 29th. At present the prizes for the raffle include a Beretta A400, 12ga, 30 inch barrel, Sporting Clays gun and a 24 gun safe. Tickets will be available soon. Other items, including gun cases, knives, fishing equipment, etc, will be raffled off the day of the picnic. Volunteers are needed to make this a great club event. Please let me know if you are available to help.

On Sunday, 26 September, the club will be holding a vintage gun shoot. The program, while subject to change, is expected to be 100 birds of 25 each at wobble trap, low gun skeet, 5 stand, and sporting clays. Look for additional information in the near future.

*Ed Shannon, DGSC Entertainment Director and Marketing Chairman*





# ATA Shoots

The Downers Grove Sportsman's Club held its first registered ATA Trapshoot this year on April 25th 2021. The weather was fantastic and 56 people advance registered to shoot.

We had 39 shooters in Doubles, 59 shooters in singles and 50 shooters in Handicap. There were approximately 15-20 Junior shooters.

Senior Club Member Jerry Freiders broke 100 straight in the singles and took home the Veteran trophy.

Handicap was won with a 95 by Joe Schubert.

David Peace won doubles with a 93.

Thank you to all who helped out, as you know its volunteers that make the shoots possible.



Downers Grove Sportsman's Club  
Spring Opener  
2021 Target Year

HOA Champion KYLE FABISIAK 273

Spring Opener Doubles (39) April 25, 2021

TAD HORTON	84	A	Winner
DAVID PEACE	93	B	Winner
JIM OLIN	80	C	Winner
JOHN SEMPRINI	81	D	Winner

Spring Opener Singles (59) April 25, 2021

FRANK BENTLEY III	96	A	Winner
GREGORY GARBS	94	B	Winner
RAYMOND ETLUNG	96	C	Winner
DAVID KRALUSE	94	D	Winner
JERRY FRIEDERS	100	VET	Winner
CONNIE SYSTO	84	LADY	Winner
LOGAN HAWKINS	97	JUNIOR	Winner

Spring Opener Handicap (50) April 25, 2021

JOSEPH SCHUBERT	95	Champion	Winner
TIMOTHY DILLER	84	26 - 27	Winner
ADAM FABISIAK	90	24 - 25	Winner
DOUG WEBER	87	22 - 23	Winner
RONALD ACKERMAN	93	19 - 21	Winner
RONNIE MILBY	92	VET	Winner
CONNIE SYSTO	84	LADY	Winner
KYLE FABISIAK	93	JUNIOR	Winner



Thank you to John Mantsch for the pictures

Our next ATA shoot is May 16th. Any volunteers are appreciated and should contact Larry Chambers or I.

**May Shoot Sunday May 16th 2021**

Downers Grove Sportsman's Club  
47000 Old Stage Road, Morris, IL 60450  
Club Phone: 815-943-1366  
Club information and directions on our website at: [www.downersgrovesc.com](http://www.downersgrovesc.com)

- All Pot Traps with wireless CVR on practice and program fields
- Skip the Line! Presquad on presquad.com until May 14

**Event No. 1 Sunday - 5/16**  
**50 pair Doubles Targets**  
Start 9:00 a.m. Entries Close 10:00

Entry Fee . . . . . \$34.00  
(includes ISTA Fee)  
Lewis Purse . . . . . \$10.00  
3 Classes (Ties Divide)  
100 birds per trap - 3 traps

**Awards: (4 classes)**  
**DGSC - Cash Prizes**

**Classifications:**  
A . . . . . 90 and Above  
B . . . . . 85 and Under 90  
C . . . . . 78 and Under 85  
D . . . . . Under 78

**Event No. 2 Sunday - 5/16**  
**100 16-Yard Targets**  
Entries Close @ 12:00 p.m.

Entry Fee . . . . . \$34.00  
(includes ISTA Fee)  
Lewis Purse . . . . . \$10.00  
4 Classes (Ties Divide)

**Awards: (4 classes)**  
**DGSC - Cash Prizes**

1st Place & 3 special (vet, Lady, Junior)

**Classifications:**  
A . . . . . 95 and Above  
B . . . . . 92 and Under 95  
C . . . . . 89 and Under 92  
D . . . . . Under 89

**High Overall Cash Prize**

**Event No. 3 Sunday - 5/16**  
**100 - Handicap Targets**  
Entries Close @ 1:00 p.m.

Entry Fee . . . . . \$34.00  
(includes ISTA Fee)  
Lewis Purse . . . . . \$10.00  
4 Classes (Ties Divide)  
Perpetual Purse . . . \$18.00

**Awards: DGSC Champion Handicap & 4 yardage groups**

1st Place & 3 special (vet, Lady, Junior)  
Champion Cash Prize  
1st Place Yardage Cash Prize

\*Ties determined by reverse score

**Yardage Groups:**  
(19 - 21) (22 - 23) (24 - 25) (26 - 27)

**Thank You Perpetual Purse Sponsors!**

<b>Perpetual Purse Total</b>	<b>\$6181.75</b>
Trap 1 & 2 Bentley Heating & Cooling	\$737.50
Trap 1 & 3 Eric Weikum Memorial	\$396.75
Trap 1 & 4 E-Z Air Inc. Heating & AC	\$3065.00
Trap 2 & 3 Don Folks Memorial	\$585.50
Trap 2 & 4 Gota Hav It	\$774.50
Trap 3 & 4 Romar Cabinets	\$622.50

Participants playing "options" will be required to furnish appropriate information. DGSC will comply with IRS directives and issue forms 1099 where required.

**Information**

7:30a.m.: Doors Open  
8:00 a.m.: Registration Opens  
8:45 a.m.: Bench Call  
9:00 a.m.: Program Begins  
Late Pre-Squad Shooters will shoot make up targets.  
Eight (8) Fields Six (6) Program Fields  
Two (2) Practice Traps

- \$3.00 ATA Daily Fee added to 1st event per day.
- Shooters who declare a special category must take the special category trophy over their shooting category trophy if the score qualifies for both.
- All Shoot Offs will be at the conclusion of the last event of each day.
  - All Ties for Champion will be Shot Off
  - All others will be decided by reverse score
- Jr. & Sub-Jr. Shooters: \$20.00 per 100 targets (includes ISTA fee) plus ATA fees if NO OPTIONS are played.
- Per ATA rules, no more than 1 yard difference between posts & 2 yards total for 18, 19 & 20 yard shooters.
- The Management reserves the right to refuse any entry without explanation or refund the entry of anyone interfering with the harmony of the shoot.
- The Management reserves the right to change, postpone or cancel any portion of the program in the event of conditions beyond our control.
- Shells Available for purchase
- Participants are required to observe all State & Federal firearm regulations
- Breakfast & Lunch Available
- Climate Controlled Facility
- No entry may be changed unless the shooter withdraws from the event.**

Stan Systo, DGSC ATA Chairman and ISTA Northern Zone Director



# NSSA Shoots

On May 13, we will have a test setup for our MySkeet software. We will setup the computers and printers to verify proper operation. This will also be a good time for anyone volunteering to get acquainted with the software. Fingers crossed we do have volunteers!

On May 22, we will again setup all the equipment and do a dry run of the process. This time shooting could be an option. We see this as both practice for the crew and a opportunity for members to learn more about registered skeet. How the register, select options, elect a squad and payment options would be explained.

Our first NSSA registered shoot is Jsune 19th & 20th.



## Downers Grove Sportsmen's Club

June 19 & 20

### The Grand Prairie Tournament



**Registered Skeet returns to DGSC!**

Open Tournament \$60.00 per event includes fees

Saturday & Sunday Lunch included

Shooters are encouraged to register and squad ahead of time

Signup online at [MySkeet.com](http://MySkeet.com)

Schedule	6/19 - 12ga	6/19 - 20ga	6/20 - 28ga	6/20 - 410 Bore
Rotation #1	9:00 am	1:00 pm	10:30 am	2:30 pm
Rotation #2	10:30 am	2:30 pm	9:00 am	1:00 pm

For more information or to Sign Up Please visit [www.MySkeet.com](http://www.MySkeet.com)  
Or Email Tim Donnell / Paul Burlington @ [nssa.dgsc@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:nssa.dgsc@downersgrovesc.com)



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Tim Donnell, DGSC NSSA Chairman, and Paul Burlington



# **Member Broadcast/Website/Social Media**

If you have an email account and are not receiving DGSC Broadcast please first add [dgsc\\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:dgsc_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com) to your Address Book/Contacts. Then email [dgsc\\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:dgsc_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com) and let us know you are not getting emails.

For those that do not have emails or know someone that doesn't have email and/or is not getting DGSC Announcements, setting up a GMAIL or YAHOO email is extremely easy and we can help but you need to ask and let us know you need help doing so.

We are always looking for photos for the newsletter and website, please email [dgsc\\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:dgsc_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com) and or share on Facebook any pictures you have or take and we will add them to newsletters and the website.

There is a lot going on in our sport from events at DGSC, other clubs, hunting, and youth leagues - we like to advertise on the website, facebook etc. about our sports so please if you have something that you think would be great to display on the website etc. please email [dgsc\\_webmaster@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:dgsc_webmaster@downersgrovesc.com).

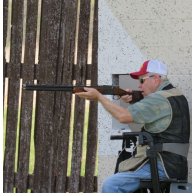
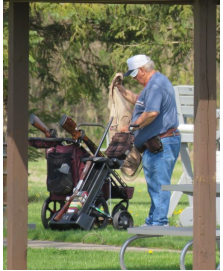
A huge thank you to Sandy Melovic who has been taking some amazing pictures of members enjoying DGSC and our sport. Here are just a few of the latest (we are working on getting these all in a sport on the website).











Debra Fredrick, DGSC Membership Communications | Webmaster | IT Chairman



Friends and family enter and leave our lives, but the impressions they make on our hearts stay with us forever. DGSC is saddened to share news of the passing of ...

--Mary Vaccarello (Mother to Senior Members Joe and Matt Vaccarello)

Our thoughts and condolences go out to the Vaccarello Family.



# **Discussion Forum**

The club discussion forum continues to be a great way for everyone to stay in touch and chat while having to social distance and not gather as much.

DGSC Discussion Forum can be accessed by [Clicking Here \(http://www.downersgrovesc.com/Discussion.html\)](http://www.downersgrovesc.com/Discussion.html)

Anyone can read the threads/posts, but in order to reply or create new topics/threads/posts you must register. To register please click the Register link right side of screen on discussion forum page.

*Ed Shannon, DGSC Entertainment Director and Marketing Chairman*

# Calendar

MAY 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ladies Day in observance of Mother's Day on May 9th - Ladies Targets are Free  ATA Shoot May 16th (SC/5 Stand is Open)						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM  ISSA Board Visit 10 AM Vol 5 Newsletter Release		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
In observance of Mother's Day Ladies targets are free		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Board Meeting 1:00pm @ DGSC
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
ATA Shoot @ DGSC SC/5Stand Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Learn to Shoot Registered Skeet 10 AM
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
GM Meeting 8:30AM	May 24 - May 28 - Submit Newsletter Articles					Last Chance to Submit Articles for Newsletter
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
30	31					
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Memorial Day					

JUNE 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Vol 6 Newsletter Release	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Tentative Registered Skeet Shoot @ DGSC
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Tentative Registered Skeet Shoot @ DGSC Trap/SC/5Stand Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		June 22 - June 26 - Submit Newsletter Articles				
		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
27	28	29	30			
ATA Shoot @ DGSC SC/5Stand Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM		Last Chance to Submit Articles for Newsletter				
		Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM				

[Click here for DGSC Full Calendar](#)

Some Important 2021 save the dates -> ATA (May 16, June 27, July 25, September 11/12, October 10) | Registered Skeet (June 19/20) | Annual Picnic (August 29)

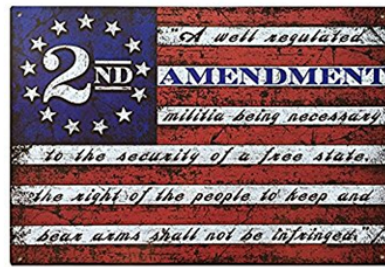
Next Board Meeting: May 15th 1 PM | Next General Membership Meeting May 23rd 8:30 AM





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POCs: Chuck Feuillan, George Adelman, Ken Cechura, and Larry Chambers

# Wobble

Your not mistaken the targets are moving ...  
Every 2nd Saturday a field will be open for  
Wobble Trap

**Protecting your personal information.** The board continues to agree to protect your personal information turned in on renewal forms. There has been a request for a directory. Information like phone number and email is available for those that agreed via question/check box to opt in to a directory. If you need to contact someone please reach out to the Vice President, membership communications chairman or call the club and they will get you in touch with someone who can assist you in making contact with the member you need to reach.

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