

# 2021 VOLUME 10 NEWSLETTER



**Upcoming Meetings:** Board Meeting -> Saturday November 6, 2021 1 PM @ DGSC | General Membership Meeting -> Sunday November 14, 2021 9:00 AM @ DGSC





## **Desk of DGSC President**

If you were unable to attend this years DGSC Picnic, you missed a great event. Ed Shannon and his Entertainment committee did a fine job. Ed, with help from Jan Shannon, Rick Frey, Dan Bellus, Nicko Salas, Tim Donell, and several Board Members, Kevin McCaully, Jan Gronych, George Adeleman, Don Cox, and Charlie Zib, fed us sweet corn, burgers, brats, hot dogs, and Corona. It was a very relaxing social afternoon. The weather was warm but tolerable in the shade of the pavilion. I will apologize now if I missed anyone!

August was a month of progress at Downers Grove. Don Cox completed a host of ongoing projects

1. ComEd lighting project including 5 trap & skeet fields was completed
2. New safety fences erected & stained
3. VanderVeen information Center installed on the patio
4. The Kitchen was cleaned and sanitized (with help from Ed & Jan Shannon, Pat & Larry Novak, Mark Matteson, Chuck Feulian,) thank you all.
5. Clubhouse floors were professionally stripped and waxed

Again, I apologize for anyone I missed. As always, the grounds and building look fantastic!

On another note, I was approached at the picnic with an idea from several of the ladies. They asked if the club had ever considered a “Women’s Committee or Ladies Auxiliary”. I thought it was a fantastic idea! On more than one occasion Jan Cox, Pat Novak, Jan Shannon, Sandy Feullian, Connie Systo, Irene Cechura, and other members wives have helped with various shoots, events, or projects. I propose an “ad hoc” committee that would advise the Board with input regarding social events and other club functions. Their responsibility would be similar to that of the ATA, NSSA, Farm, Grants or IT committees. If you or someone you know would be interested in participating contact Ken Cechura, President DGSC.

This is the time of year we ask Senior Members to consider serving on the Board of Directors. We need qualified individuals to run for Board positions. If you have an interest with skills, or experience that may be helpful in managing our organization, please contact a member of the nominating committee. Don Cox, Rich Kelly, and Larry Novak, accepted the appointments as the 2022 nominating committee.

This is your Club, use it, enjoy it, and help us remain the finest club in the Midwest!

*Ken Cechura DGSC President*





## Vice President Remarks

Please welcome the following new Shooting Members to our great club! Marcus "Chris" McCarty, (John Scott, sponsor) Eric Anderson (Mark Matteson, sponsor) Mike Petrizzi (George Adelman, sponsor) Paul Kuczmierczyk (George Adelman, Sponsor) Mathew "Matt" Skrobitt (Larry Chambers, sponsor) George Brouwer (Larry Chambers, sponsor) Brian McCulloch (Larry Chambers, sponsor) and Ray Troksa (George Adelman, sponsor). Also please welcome new shooting member Tim Childress. Tim resides in Morris and is sponsored by myself, George Adelman. His son, Connor, shoots on the Parkview trap team. Watched Tim and Connor shoot together this past Sunday. Father and son enjoying our great sport together!!! Good stuff!!!!

Your clubhouse is cleaned and disinfected extensively on a regular basis in an attempt to prevent the spread of Covid - 19. Masks and distancing have been and continue to be a mandatory requirement for entry to clubhouse. To those who comply, THANK YOU!!!! However, there are a few members who repeatedly disregard your club's safety precautions and place all of us at higher risk. Please feel free, in a polite and mature manner, to remind these individuals that masks are required.

Winter cart storage continues to be available at your club!!! Grounds are well lit and secure!! Contact [vicepresident@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:vicepresident@downersgrovesc.com) for more info.

All shooting members are eligible to become Senior members. The benefits of Senior membership are many!!!! Applications are accepted one time per year beginning in January. Please consider this more flexible type of membership.

*Have fun, Shoot Often! Break 'em All!!! George Adelman, DGSC Vice President*



## Secretary Minutes

For senior members access to meeting minutes are once again available via the Senior Member Access Page of the DGSC Website. This page was used during COVID - but the login has been updated so if you have not contacted your Communications/IT/Webmaster Chairman Debby Fredrick for directions and login information - [dgsc\\_webmaster@downersgrovesc.com](mailto:dgsc_webmaster@downersgrovesc.com) - please do so.

Please be sure to download and read previous meeting minutes, or print yourself a copy if you prefer, prior to General Membership Meetings.

*John Semprini, DGSC Secretary*



# DGSC Entertainment / Events / Marketing

The 27 shooters who participated in our 2nd Vintage Shoot faced heavy winds and hard targets to celebrate old guns and some old, and new, friends. At the end of the day the high gun was Don Morgan, using an L.C. Smith 12 ga., who dropped only 20 targets. For those who haven't shot the vintage shoot you'll need to try it as a score of 80 is a very difficult feat of shooting skill even without the wind. Also, our Lewis Class winners were, 2nd place Dale Kubis, 3rd place Scott Nelson, 4th place Dan Levanthal. Prizes are being held for our Lewis winners. Please see or contact Ed Shannon concerning them. A list of all scores will be posted in the clubhouse.

We anticipate doing this shoot again next year. Thank you for your participation and thank you to all our members who kindly assisted in the shoot. Without volunteer members we could not have had this shoot.

Don Morgan	80	George Ketter	80
Jim Lee	24	Scott Nelson	50
Chuck Backhaus	61	Bill Ericksen	53
Charlie Smith	58	Rick Frey	20
Rick Frey	50	Larry Novak	54
Chuck Feuille	75	Ralph Mastroianni	34
Dale Kubis	69	John Braun	50
Michael Thomas	72	Pete Blocker	61
George Adelman	63	Mike Pietrzak	41
Jan Gronych	64	Hunter Davis	72
Pat Murray	58	Nick Kornack	72
Dan Levinthal	42	Dave Elliott	32
Bill Taylor	71	Ed Shannon	59
Paul Burlington	73		

Ed Shannon, DGSC Entertainment Director and Marketing Chairman





# Hunting Report

## Senior Members Only

Archery season for deer begins October 1st.

Anyone planning to hunt in archery season please sign in and hang your name badge on board and put a post it note on board with where you will be hunting.

Ground blinds can be used, but not in the CRP area.

Ground blinds must be tagged on board and have safety orange or a flag on them.

Please make sure all stands are safe before you use them.

If anyone is planning to put a stand up please contact me for help and location.

Saturday October 16 is the first bird release date. 30 birds are being put out using 2 fields. CRP field south of first tree line and the field north of eagles nest. Cost this year for each bird is \$16.00.

2 bird minimum payment on day of release for senior members only. No bird limit.

300 birds will be released this year. An increase of 50 due to a very productive last year season.

Release dates are: Oct. 16, Nov. 27, Dec. 18, Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Feb. 26, Mar. 5, and Mar. 26

Please note these dates are subject to change due to weather and extra days may be added. If changes are made I will post them on DGSC web site and have Debby send out an e-mail.

Charlie Zib, DGSC Hunting/Fishing Director





# ATA Shoots

Our fourth ATA Trapshoot of the year is history. We had a lower than normal turnout due to a number of factors, but it was an enjoyable and successful event. Junior club member Logan Hawkins broke the lone 99 in the singles to win the Junior Trophy. Downers Grove club members John Semprini, Jerry Frieders, and Connie Systo also won their respective classes. We thank those who came out to shoot on a "less humid" summer day along with the volunteers, who without their help these shoots would not be successful. The Entertainment Committee provided our group with lunch, which is a welcome service to the shooters - Thank you! What a busy month for DGSC! The Northern Illinois Zone ATA Trap Shoot was one of the events offered by our club. It was held September 11-12, 2021. It is unique because of its anticipated heavy attendance and it takes place over the course of two days.

Attendance was more than anticipated. We had a total of 243 entries in the three events – Singles, Doubles and Handicap. We lucked out and the weather was fantastic both days, albeit a little breezy. We had 11 State Team members, six All American shooters and our Illinois State ATA Delegate join us.

Taking home Trophies were club members Jim Olin, Logan Hawkins, Frank Bentley III, Connie Systo, Judd Mann and John Semprini. Congratulations to these and all club members that came out to shoot. We also had a 200 straight by Leland Hassler to win the Singles Championship – his FIRST 200 and hopefully not his last!

A big thanks to Ed Shannon, Don Cox and Ken Cechura for preparing and serving another hearty noon meal! All the shooters and non-shooters really appreciate this service that our club members provide.

Another big thanks to the many members that help set up, classify, squad, cashier, proce

And then there's ANOTHER big thanks to all who helped outside. Due to lack of trap help that usually does our ATA shoot scoring on the chairs, we THANK ALL THE SHOOTERS that volunteered to score. Without both in zone and out of zone shooters stepping in to score, we never would have been able to make this shoot happen. A special thanks to Jerry Frieders and Mark Mattson. There were simply too many more here to name each one!

I am SO sorry if I missed anyone, there were SO many helping out! All in all this shoot was a great success due to everyone who participated and volunteered. Next year's shoot dates determined October 13th will soon be posted on the DGSC, ITA and ATA websites.

Stan Systo, DGSC ATA Chairman and ISTA Northern Zone Director









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

If you have an email account and are not receiving DGSC Broadcast please first add dgsc\_newsletter@downersgrovesc.com to your Address Book/Contacts, then email 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.

Debra Fredrick, DGSC Membership Communications | Webmaster | IT Chairman



# Calendar

OCTOBER 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Parkview Youth League 6pm Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	2 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM BFA Committee Meeting Noon Vol 10 Newsletter Release
3 General Membership Meeting 8:30 AM Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	4	5 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	6	7 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	8 Parkview Youth League 6pm Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	9 Board Meeting 1pm Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
10 ATA Shoot @ DGSC SC/ISSland Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	11 Columbus Day	12 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	13	14 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	15 Parkview Youth League 6pm Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	16 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
17 Hosting ISSA Meeting 10 AM Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	18	19 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	20	21 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	22 Parkview Youth League 6pm Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	23 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
24	25	26	27	28	29 Parkview Youth League 6pm Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	30 Last Chance to Submit Articles for Newsletter Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
October 24 - October 28 - Submit Newsletter Articles						
31 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM						

NOVEMBER 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM Vol 11 Newsletter Release	3	4 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	5 IRMA Sporting Clays Event 9:00 a.m. Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	6 Board Meeting 1pm Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
7 TBD Breakfast Shoot Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	8	9 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	10	11 Veterans Day Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	12 Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	13 DGSC Annual Meat Shoot Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
14 General Membership Meeting 9 AM Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	15	16 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	17	18 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	19 Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	20 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
21 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	22	23 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	24 November 24 - November 27 - Submit Newsletter Articles	25 Thanksgiving Day DGSC Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving	26 Open 6:00PM - 10:00PM	27 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM
28 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM	29 Last Chance to Submit Articles for Newsletter	30 Open 9:00AM - 2:00PM				

DECEMBER 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
DGSC is operating at Winter Hours - we highly suggest that you always check the website or even call if the weather is questionable to verify we are still open and not closing early.			1	2 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM Vol 12 Newsletter Release	3	4 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM
5 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	6	7 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	8	9 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	10	11 Board Meeting 1 PM Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM
12 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	13	14 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	15	16 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	17	18 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM
19 DGSC Election & General Membership Meeting 9 AM Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	20	21 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	22	23 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	24	25 Christmas DGSC Closed in Observance of Christmas
26 December 26 - December 29 - Submit Newsletter Articles Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	27	28 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	29 Last Chance to Submit Articles for Newsletter	30 Open 9:30AM - 1:30PM	31	

## Save the Dates List:

### October

Saturday Oct. 9 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting  
 Sunday Oct. 10 All day ATA Herman Welch Shoot  
 Sunday Oct. 17 10a.m. Hosting ISSA Meeting

### November

Sunday Nov. 6 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting  
 Saturday Nov. 13 9:00 a.m. DGSC Meat Shoot (TBD)  
 Sunday Nov. 14 9:00 a.m. General Membership Meeting

### December

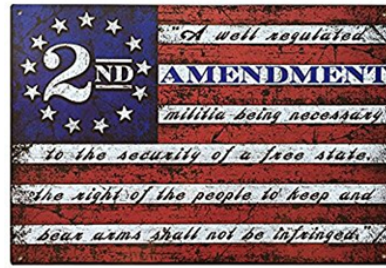
Saturday Dec. 11 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting  
 Sunday Dec. 19 9:00 a.m. DGSC Election / General Membership Meeting





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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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