



KENT COUNTY CONSERVATION LEAGUE Sportsman

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From the Manager....

Hey, it's that time of the year again for "YOUR" club elections!.. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors this is your chance. I hope my staff and I are taking "your" club down the same road you want it to go down. This is your chance to join in and help. If you would like to see something different this is your chance to have input on where you want to see the club to go. We look forward to, with your help, keeping this "The Premier Shooting Sports Facility in West Michigan."

Board of Directors

Thru March 2016	Thru March 2017
Mike Daly	Dean Devries
Mark Jacobson	Liz Helmer
Bob Novosad, <i>Chairman</i>	
Peter Lozicki	Tim Kraai
Cameron Meyer	Larry Menetti
	Scott Treichel

KCCL Officers

Vic Scudder	President
Thad Bembenista	Vice President
Todd Cook	Treasurer
Bob Sacha	Secretary

KCCL Mission

To promote all shooting sports and sound environment, conservation, fish and wild-life management.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	Open 4-10 2 Winter League Week 6	Open 2-8 3	Open 12-10 4 Mostaccioli	5	Open 10-5 6 Ladies CPL 8-5
Open 10-5 7 Ladies CPL 8-5	8	Open 4-10 9 Winter League Week 7	Open 2-8 10	Open 12-10 11 Rifle Range Closed 12-3 Legends Cocktail Party 5-9 Cranberry Chicken Salad Wraps	12	Open 10-5 13 CPL Class 10-3
Open 10-5 14	15	Open 4-10 16 Membership/BOD Meeting 7 pm Winter League Week 8	Open 2-8 17	Open 12-10 18 Cobb Salad	19	Open 10-5 20 MUCC Regional Meeting at KCCL
Open 10-5 21 Ladies CPL 8-5	22	Open 4-10 23 Winter League Week 9	Open 2-8 24	Open 12-10 25 Chicken Marsala	26	Open 10-5 27 Plaid Shirt Night 6-9
Open 10-5 28	29				<i>February 2016</i>	

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Last day of shooting: - March 27th, 2016

Banquet Date: - Saturday, April 16th, 2016 at Deer Run

Club Championships: - Sunday, April 17th, 2016

Winter League Update:

We have about 288 shooters this year, which is an outstanding turn out. By now everyone is in classes and we are going into week six. I want to thank all shooters on adapting well to the new changes this year. With that being said remember to stay current and you can shoot up to 4 lines ahead. You do not want to fall behind and lose that bird. You know how the saying goes "I lost by one bird".

Dinner Specials

February 4: *Mostaccioli*

February 11: *Cranberry Chicken Salad Wraps*

February 18: *Cobb Salad*

February 25: *Chicken Marsala*

ON SALE NOW!!

Winter League Gun Raffle

Browning Citori Crossover 12ga. Skeet

1 ticket for \$20 • 3 tickets for \$50 • 10 tickets for \$100

Tickets available to all members

KITCHEN UPDATE!!

We have a new cook!! Fabian Delarosa is our new cook. Fabian has been studying in the culinary field for 8 years. He worked under Chef Vince Bardens in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. He is very excited about bringing new ideas and flavors to our "Shooter's Grill". So stop out and see and taste some new creations. We will also be making some additions to our menu in the near future.



RIFLE AND PISTOL RANGE UPDATE

AS OF MARCH 1ST THE DAILY RANGE FEE WILL BE INCREASED TO \$5.00. OVER THE PAST 5 YEARS THE CLUB HAS IMPROVED BOTH RANGES WITH OVER \$40,000 OF IMPROVEMENTS. THERE WILL BE A RANGE SAFETY OFFICER AVAILABLE THE DAYS WE ARE OPEN ON THE PISTOL RANGE. WE WILL BE CONTINUING TO UP DATE THE RANGES AS NEEDED AS WELL.

'GOURMET GONE WILD' & SKEET-SHOOTING BASICS FOR MEN & WOMEN ON SAT. 04-30-2016

Calling all millennials or shotgun neophytes -- KCCL will host an introductory skeet shooting event on Sat, 04-30-16, from 1-4 pm where participants can learn to shoot and then enjoy a wild-game cooking demonstration with hors d'oeuvres prepared by a chef from the "Gourmet Gone Wild" (GGW) program.

Registration fee is \$25 and attendance will be limited to the first 45 attendees. Sign-up forms will be available at the clubhouse and in the newsletter by March 1st.

Gourmet Gone Wild (GGW) is an outreach program made possible by the Michigan DNR, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Michigan State University, Boone & Crockett Club, Great Lakes Fishery Trust, the National Shooting Sports Foundation, the Glassen Foundation and other groups to help "promote healthy, local eating..... by participating in hunting and fishing and the conservation and stewardship of our natural resources."

Questions? Contact Bob Novosad at 437-0200 or bob@novosadre.com. Stay tuned for further details!

CPL UPCOMING DATES:

LADIES ONLY:

Saturday, February 6th, 2016 8-5

Sunday, February 7th, 2016 8-5

Sunday, February 21st, 2016 8-5

Saturday, March 5th, 2016 8-5

Co-Ed:

Saturday, February 13th, 2016 8-5

Saturday, March 12th, 2016 8-5

Saturday, April 23rd, 2016 8-5

We are also available for private sessions and basic firearm safety classes as well as personal defense classes upon request. Please contact us at info@todaysweapons.com to sign up for any class.

ALL NEW HESS KNIVES IN STOCK

Stop in and check them out!

All are on sale 20%

Corporate Outings Available

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come try something new!!

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Professional Skeet Instruction

from *Target Solutions*

Coach and Instructor for Jr. All Americans, Jr. World Champions, World Skeet Champions, Skeet State and National SCTP Champions.

Call Tim Wiley at 616-581-0471

Orange Crushers 100 Club

Please consider sending in your tax deductible \$100 donation to help sustain our youth shooting program. You will get a great lapel pin to wear on your shooting bag or vest. These kids are the future of the shooting sports.



WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings, everyone. Winter League is well underway and so is KCCL's new program year. We have a lot going on at the club in coming months:

- Plaid Shirt Night is Sat. 02-27-16. We're honored to have Dr. Russ Mason, Chief of the Michigan DNR Wildlife Division and Member Dr. Bryan Judge, as speakers for the event. Come and express your opinion on how our wildlife is being managed. Also, Dr. Bryan Judge will be talking about a recent hunting experience.
- At its Jan. meeting, the board approved a \$2,000 expense to hire Jeff Battershall of Warner, Norcross & Judd to lead a comprehensive review and revision of the club's bylaws and constitution. This was last done in 1994 so the job is long overdue.
- Please attend board meetings and offer your comments on how we can have a better club. Better yet, offer to serve on a board committee. Members are the single most important asset that we have here so please get involved.
- Our board has many items to address in coming months. We need board members who are willing to step up, dig in and work. Elections are coming up soon. If you are interested in serving on the board, please let me or Tim or Julie Wiley know so we can get your name on the late-Feb. ballot. You can contact them by info@kccl.org or in person at the club.
- We have "Meet the Candidates" sessions planned for March. Dates will be announced later. Come on out and meet the candidates, and see what they can bring to the table to make KCCL a better club. KCCL is your club. Don't hesitate to let me, the staff or any board member know what you like or don't like about the operation.

Vic Scudder
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PLAID SHIRT NIGHT

Plaid Shirt Night on Sat. Feb. 27 promises to be extra-special this year with two great speakers and nearly \$5,000 in giveaways and raffle items. Here is the agenda for the night:

- 6:00 – 6:30 pm: Hors d'oeuvres
- 6:30 – 7:00 pm: Dr. Russ Mason, Ph.D., Chief of the Wildlife Division, Mich. Dept. of Natural Resources with an update on deer hunting, chronic wasting disease, wolves and more.
- 7:00 – 8:00 pm: Wild Game Dinner
- 8:15 – 8:45 pm: Dr. Bryan S. Judge, MD, with tales of his latest article from Sport Afield entitled "Ancient Highways" where the evening rush hour consist of throngs of caribou.
- 8:45 to 9:30 pm: Raffles, Giveaways, Blitzes & more.

Remember there are only 125 tickets being sold. The tickets are \$75 per person. You don't want to wait, as we normally sell out!!

Please let Julie know if you can donate any wild game!

Looking for Candidates for BOD

If interested in running for an officer or BOD position for the upcoming election please email me at info@kccl.org or stop in and see Julie. We are always looking for new, energetic, friendly faces and ideas to help in continuing KCCL to hold its reputation of being "West Michigan's Premier Sports Shooting Facility". Please let me know soon so I can get your picture and have some information put together on you. I would like to have your information together in time for the February BOD meeting.

Thank You

A big "Thank You" to Joe Pedersen and Legends Taxidermy for providing a nice set-up of Taxidermy in the clubhouse. They are still in the process of filling both rooms up. Stop by and see how nice the rooms look. We appreciate the continuing support from our members as we continue to strive to be the best club in West Michigan.

Kent County Conservation League • Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Minutes

1.19.16

Due to the resignation of Board member, Dean Devries, President Vic Scudder called for the board to elect a replacement. The Board voted Adam Nelson.

The Board nominated a Nominating committee for the upcoming election. Roger Hill is the Chairman, Todd Cook, Julie Wiley, and Tim Moore.

The Board meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm.

Present were, Vic Scudder, Thad Bembenista, Todd Cook, Robert Sacha, Mark Jacobson, Bob Novosad, Cameron Meyer, Liz Helmer, Tim Kraai, Larry Mennetti, Scott Treichel, excused were Pete Lozicki and Mike Daly.

No members were present. December minutes were reviewed and accepted as published.

Presidents report: Vic welcomed Adam Nelson to the board. Vic also announced he will not run for president. He will serve on the board for one year as per the by-laws.

Managers' Report: Tim announced the Winter League shooters is at 288. The new sporting clays machines have been installed. Presently our membership is at 883. The Lowell Chamber of Commerce is holding the Lowell Expo on March 26th at the Lowell High School from 900 am to 3:00 pm. We will have two tables. We will need volunteers. Thad advised he will volunteer.

Treasurers Report: There were some errors in the October, November and December report and they are being corrected in the 2015 finance report. Todd also announced he will not run for re-election due to work conflicts.

MUCC report: Mrs Klott advised a New bulletin board will be installed in the club and have information reference Guns, Fishing, Michigan NRA News. On March 29th at the Delta Plex, a Poaching conference by the DNR will be presented. An "Outdoor News" newspaper will have 100 copies delivered by MUSS for our members. A subscription cost is \$22.00 a year. On March 17th, 18th, and 19th, at the Sport and Boat show the MUCC will have a booth. There is a New booklet for the YOUTH CAMPS program. There is a Resolution before the DNR, to make it easier to get a doe license. John Benson, MUCC

rep, reported there are 650 wolves in Michigan and 2 wolves confirmed in Lower Michigan. The UP hunters saw very few bucks this hunting season, John Benson has been appointed as the New Range Safety Officer for KCCL.

Committee Reports: Finance. Due to the dedicated work of James, Vic recommended a bonus for him. The motioned was seconded by Todd and was passed.

Long Range Planning: Bob Novosad made a motion to hire an attorney firm to review and revise the by-laws of KCCL. The motion was passed and by-laws of other Michigan Clubs will used as a reference. Bob Novosad also presented a motion for a new program a Kids and Women's Outreach Program. The goal is to raise funding thru raffle and donations. First, 2, \$500.00 Scholarships for members only, senior's high school students. Second, A women's shooting program to include handguns and shotguns and any related self-protection program. Third, \$1500.00 Youth Camp program. The goal is to raise \$4500.00. Bob Novosad donated \$500.00 to the program. Motioned was second by Thad and was passed.

Pistol and Rifle: The committee is looking at a 3 gun event, pistol, rifle and shotgun for members only with one guest TBA. The cost may be \$25.00 for this event. The committee is also looking at a future CMP, Civilian Marksman ship Program, and the matches have to be held at KCCL. The committee is recommending moving the 25 yard rifle range barricades all the way to the right to accommodate pistol shooters. They have to look at a berm height for this to be accomplished.

Please vote in the upcoming 2016 election. Voting will setup on our Website. Please use the website to vote. The cost of mailing paper ballots is \$2000.00. However there will paper ballots available at the club.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm



KCCL Presents

PLAID SHIRT NIGHT

Saturday

Feburary 27th, 2016

Appetizers: 6:00

Dinner: 7:00

WILD GAME
DINNER

ONLY 125
TICKETS
SOLD

TICKETS \$75.00

RAFFLE GUN

Glock 9mm Pro

46" Flat Screen TV

A-17 - 17HMR w/ 400 rds

Value Over \$2000

OVER \$2,500 WORTH OF DOOR PRIZES

DOOR PRIZES: 1. Pheasant Hunt 2. Zeiss Binoculars

3. Ruger All American 22-250 4. 870 Tactical

5. Hess Knife 6. Basket of Bourban/Vodka

SURPRISE BLITZ AND ADDITIONAL GIVEAWAYS



Outfitters Night

Legends Taxidermy & Outfitting with special assistance from the Michigan Chapter of Safari Club International will be hosting an outfitters night at KCCL (Kent County Conservation League)

**Thursday February 11th 2016
5:00- 9:00 pm.**

We are pleased to announce that SCI Life Member, professional hunter and world-renowned wildlife author Craig Boddington will be our Special Guest. Outfitters from Africa, the South Pacific and North America will be on hand for you to visit with and plan your next hunt.

**Appetizers & Refreshments
will be served**

**Craig will be
signing copies of his new
book, Deadly Encounters,
which can be purchased at
the Event.**



All are encouraged to attend this exciting event!

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