



# KENT COUNTY CONSERVATION LEAGUE Sportsman

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## From the Manager....

Happy 4th of July! I hope everyone is having a fun, safe summer. We have been busy continuing to improve your club this summer. The rifle range now has a prone shooting station for you rifle shooters. We have also just reset the sporting clays course, giving you clays shooters a fresh, new course. If you haven't come out and tried it yet, I encourage you to do so. Now that we're open on Wednesdays you have even more time to enjoy your club. We are also running specials in the kitchen during the week. Tuesdays are now 2 dollar taco Tuesdays, and every Thursday Kayden will be offering a new entrée not usually found on our menu. Lastly, outing season is right around the corner. As always, we could use some volunteers to help with some of the big outings this fall. Below I've listed some dates of the big outings. If you would like to help please let me know and I can give you some more information. I hope to see you all at your club soon!

Outing Dates: August 8th, August 14th, August 15th, September 14th, October 3rd, October 4th, October 5th, October 11th, and October 19th.

Thank You  
James VanderLaan

### BOD Officers

President: Scott Treichel  
Chairman: Mark Jacobson  
Vice President/Treasurer: Adam Nelson  
Vice Chairman: Doug Bacon  
Manager/Secretary: James VanderLaan

### Terms ending April of 2019

Doug Bacon, Thad Bembenista, Adam Nelson

### Terms ending April of 2020

James Widdis, Mark Jacobson, Larry Mennetti

### Terms ending April of 2021

David Held, Dale Ringerwole, Scott Treichel

### KCCL Mission

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

## July 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Open 10-5 <b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	Open 4-9 <b>3</b> SCTP Practice 4-8	Closed <b>4</b> <b>Independence Day</b>	Open 12-9 <b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	Open 10-5 <b>7</b>
Open 10-5 <b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	Open 4-9 <b>10</b> SCTP Practice 4-8	Open 3-8 <b>11</b>	Open 12-9 <b>12</b> <b>Rifle Range Closed 12-5</b> SCTP Practice 4-8	<b>13</b>	Open 10-5 <b>14</b>
Open 10-5 <b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	Open 4-9 <b>17</b> Membership & BOD Meeting 7 pm	Open 3-8 <b>18</b> Steel Challenge 7 pm Cast & Blast Shoot	Open 12-9 <b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	Open 10-5 <b>21</b> CPL Classes 8-5
Open 10-5 <b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	Open 4-9 <b>24</b>	Open 3-8 <b>25</b> Steel Challenge 7 pm	Open 12-9 <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	Open 10-5 <b>28</b>
Open 10-5 <b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	Open 4-9 <b>31</b>				

## From the KCCL Rifle Range

Greetings fellow long-gun aficionados. Summer has just begun and we hope that you are either enjoying our rifle range or plan to do so very soon.

Safety on our ranges is the primary concern for members and neighbors through the habits of safe firearm handling and control of the muzzle at all times to assure that bullets are sent downrange and not out of the property. Protection of our property is also a concern and as you may have noticed in our recent newsletter the use of 5.56 x 45mm "green tip" (XM855) ammo is prohibited, and that would hold true for ALL armor piercing (AP) bullets. We're seeing lead core - steel jacketed (FMJ) bullets in .223 and 7.62 x 39mm (.308) calibers with steel cases. The bullets are often copper plated for anti-corrosion, but the plating also disguise their content. It's doubtful whether the steel FMJ bullets are significantly damaging our steel plate (AR500) targets as shown below.



Some AP bullets pass through them seemingly unimpeded. The only way to be certain to avoid penetrator rounds is to test them with a magnet, and the RSO has one if there are any doubts. Please

also realize that if you're using steel jacketed bullets unknowingly then you may be incurring excessive wear on your barrel. If you're not sure then check your ammo or ask the RSO to do so.

As always, please be safe and considerate of others. And if there are any recommendations that you may have to improve safety or the pleasure of the facility please let us know.

Kevin Belhumeur (Instructor and CRSO)

## CPL UPCOMING DATES:

Co-Ed: Sunday, July 21, 2018, 8-5

Co-Ed: Saturday, August 18, 2018, 8-5

Co-Ed: Saturday, September 15, 2018, 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](mailto:info@todaysweapons.com) to sign up for any class.

## Summer Hours

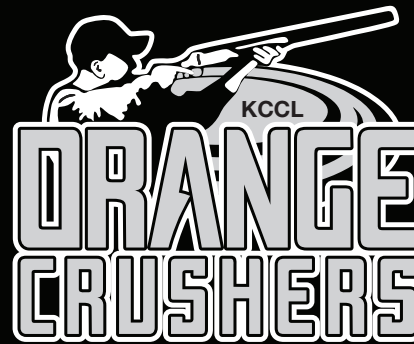
Tuesdays 4 PM - 9 PM

Wednesdays 3 PM - 8 PM

Thursdays 12 PM - 9 PM

Saturdays 10 AM - 5 PM

Sundays 10 AM - 5 PM



We are taking 22 shooters to Marengo, OH for the **SCTP Nationals** the week of July 15-20. **Wish them luck!**

Saturday, June 16, 2018

**SCTP State Championships for JV, Varsity and Collegiate**

Sunday, June 17, 2018

**SCTP State Championships for Intermediate and Rookie**

### STATE SKEET

**1st Place Varsity** with 293

Soren Hanson, Jadon Butler, Jake Lotterman

**2nd Place IE** with 216

Cole Herring, Wyatt Kooistra, Cole Meyer

**3rd Place Collegiate** with 275

Joe DeYoung, Nick Truba, Logan Wilcox

**3rd Place JV** with 259

Will Rechner, Reece Hanson, Benton Kuhns

### CLUB TEAM AWARDS

(Senior Division Only)

**1st Place Varsity**

Soren Hanson, Jadon Butler, Jake Lotterman

### STATE SPORTING CLAY

**1st Place Varsity** with 274

Zach Bemben, Evan Deward, Ethan Meyer

**2nd Place Collegiate** with 263

Joe DeYoung, Nick Truba, Logan Wilcox

**2nd Place JV** with 259

Will Rechner, Reece Hanson, Benton Kuhns

**2nd Place IE** with 214

Cole Herring, Wyatt Kooistra, Cole Meyer

### CLUB TEAM AWARDS

(Senior Division Only)

**1st Place Varsity**

Zach Bemben, Evan DeWard, Ethan Meyer

**2nd Place Varsity**

Soren Hanson, Jadon Butler, Jake Lotterman



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*Meeting Minutes***Membership Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

1. 6 Members were present.
  - a. Wanted an update of the club's financial status.
  - b. Questioned how signage worked for advertising at the club.
  - c. Dennis DeRidder requested that the Board look into shade sales for a couple fields to help limit shooters exposure to the hot sun and UV rays.
2. MUCC Report.
  - a. No report given.

**Board of Directors Meeting**

1. Call meeting to order at 7:15 PM
2. Roll Call
  - a. Present: Mark Jacobson, Scott Treichel, David Held, Larry Mennetti, Russ Luke, Thad Bembenista, Adam Nelson, Dale Ringerwole, James VanderLaan
  - b. Excused: Doug Bacon
3. Additions & Deletions to Agenda
  - a. None.
4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Approval of Minutes from Previous BOD meeting.
    - i. 2nd By Thad
    - ii. Motion Passed unanimously
5. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Cash Balance
    - i. Checking-\$15,634.65
    - ii. Long Term Savings- \$5,963.29
    - iii. Line of Credit – Not Used
    - iv. Capital Campaign Fund- \$658.29
    - v. Loan Amounts
      1. Clubhouse Addition- \$27,019.48
      2. Kubota \$2,400.00
    - vi. Accounts Receivable Balance
    - vii. Accounts Payable Balance \$6,067.53
6. Managers Report
  - a. Membership Numbers
    - i. Current Count- 861
    - ii. June 25 Renewed so far.
    - iii. July 49 Up for renewal.
  - b. Events and Outings
    - i. McDonald Outing July 14th
    - ii. Cast and Blast Outing July 18th
  - c. Grounds and Equipment
    - i. Been grading the road to keep smooth
    - ii. Received a quote of \$850.00 to apply Liquid Calcium Chloride to control dust on road.
      1. Dale Ringerwole made a motion to approve spending on road.
        - a. Thad Bembenista Seconded the motion
        - b. Motion Passed unanimously
    - iii. The Golf carts the club leases are up for renewal.
      1. Dale Ringerwole made a motion to approve releasing the carts
        - a. David Held seconded the motion
        - b. The motion passed unanimously.
    - iv. We have begun spraying for mosquitos.
    - v. Looking into having an Open to the Public weekend, where non-members can come look at the club's facility.

7. Committee Reports
  - a. Building and grounds
    - i. None
  - b. Pistol/Rifle Committee
    - i. Rifle range is looking very clean, a new prone lane has been added.
    - ii. Pistol Steel challenge is growing.
  - c. Marketing.
    - i. Working on Issues with website.
  - d. Long Range Planning
    - i. Looking at ways to reach out to members for input on long range planning.
    - ii. Long Range planning meeting scheduled for July 12th at 6 PM
  - e. Skeet/Trap/Clays
    - i. New system being used to hoop skeet fields to insure they are hooped regularly.
    - ii. Clays course was just reset.
  - f. Membership/Hospitality Committee.
    - i. No New Business
  - g. By-Law and Policy Review
    - i. No New Business
  - h. KCCL Orange Crusher Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP)
    - i. The Kids performed very well at the State Shoot, bringing home multiple medals.
    - ii. The Kids had a sporting clays clinic put on by Matt Gay at KCCL
    - iii. There is a coaches' clinic on Tuesday June 26th to help KCCL coaches.
    - iv. Funding for orange crushers is lower this year heading into nationals.
    - v. Casino Night has been set for Friday, September 28.
    - vi. Head Coach, David Held wanted to thank all the coaches for all their help this year.
8. Old Business
  - a. 2018 Plan of Action-Update
    - i. Annual Budget
      1. Working through budget with Jay Bylsma
    - ii. Calendar of Member Events
    - iii. Programs (Conservation, Shooting, Member Hospitality, External Marketing)
    - iv. Capital Improvements
    - v. Investments
    - vi. Orange Crushers 501(c)(3)- how does KCCL plan to support during current year.
  - b. New Member Welcome Package- Include the following:
    - i. Welcome letter from BOD and Management
    - ii. Current Pricing List of Games and other member events
    - iii. Calendar of member events
    - iv. Copy of Bylaws and Policies
    - v. List of services available to members. (classes, special events, tools, rentals, etc.)
    - vi. Contact List of Board members and management staff



9. New Business
  - a. Treasurer's Bond.
    - i. Need to get information to get Treasurers bond.
  - b. Jay Bylsma
    - i. Accounting Contract
  - c. Request five – 9 am to 9 pm Weekend days for outings from Township
    - i. Wanting to look into getting more special shoot times from the township to host special weekend shoots.
  - d. Raffle License application Update
  - e. BOD member update.
    - i. Russ Luke resignation.
      1. Russ resigned from the BOD due to moving to Florida.
      2. A motion was made by Adam Nelson to accept Russ's resignation and move to appoint Jim Widdis.
        - a. Mark Jacobson 2nd the motion
        - b. The motion passed unanimously
    - ii. Mark Jacobson made a motion to remove Steve Rechner as Treasurer and appoint Adam Nelson.
      1. David Held 2nd the motion
      2. The motion passed unanimously
10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45

**Next Board of Directors meeting:**  
**Tuesday July 17th, 2018 @ 7:00 PM at KCCL Clubhouse**

## Hunter Safety Instructors

KCCL is still looking for a few members interested in running the Hunter Safety program at the club. We would like to be able to provide 2 hunter safety classes per year. Ideally we would like around 5 people on a hunter safety committee to organize and run these classes. Already being certified as a hunter safety instructor is a plus, but if you are not, we are willing to help get you certified if you're interested. If you are interested please contact Doug Brown.

Phone # 1-616-818-5909

Email- BrownDouglasT@sbcglobal.net

## Tuesday Night Archery League

Starting May 1st

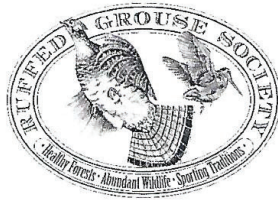
From 4 PM-8 PM

\$3 for Members and \$5 for Non Members

## Steel Challenge

We will be resuming the steel challenge in the training range every Wednesday, starting at 7 PM.

# GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER



## RGS/TU 2018 Cast & Blast

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

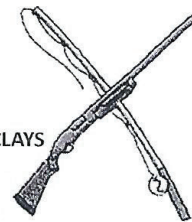
Kent County Conservation League  
 8461 Conservation Street NE  
 Ada, MI 49301

### AGENDA

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. REGISTRATION

3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Scored 50 round fun shoot SPORTING CLAYS  
 & Scored 25 point FLY CASTING.

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Steak Dinner – RAFFLES, PRIZES & FUN!!!



### COST

Early registration – received by JULY 9 is \$80/person or \$350/team of 5.

Registration *after July 9 and at the Door* will be \$100/person.

Includes: 50 Round Sporting Clays (shells not included),  
 25 Point Fly Casting, Social Hour, Steak Dinner.

You Do Not Need To Be An RGS or TU Member To Attend!  
 EVERYONE IS WELCOME ---- JOIN US!!!

Early Registration will be pre-paid by checks

made payable to:

Grand Rapids Ruffed Grouse Society

And Mailed To:

Bill Seniura • c/o My Personal Credit Union  
 1414 Burton SW • Wyoming, MI 49509

ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE AT:

[www.swmtu.org](http://www.swmtu.org)

*Mark Your Calendar!*

RGS Grand Rapids Chapter  
 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
 CONSERVATION &  
 SPORTSMEN'S BANQUET

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

THOUSANDS OAKS  
 COUNTRY CLUB  
 4100 Thousand Oaks Dr.  
 Grand Rapids, MI 49525