



Spring Update



Ripon Rifle & Pistol Club

March 2009

Upcoming Events

Unfamiliar with shooting a handgun, or just not very sure of what IDPA is? No problem—

The 3rd Annual NRA Basic Pistol Course

will be Saturday, March 28th from 8am to 5pm.

Pre-registration is required. Call Gay at (920)602-0080 or email g.trepanier@charter.net.

Equipment needed: A pistol (preferably one you want to shoot in the future), eye/ear protection, baseball-style cap, and a good attitude. Cost is \$50 for RRPC members and can be paid at the range.

The IDPA Introductory Course

will be Saturday, April 4th from 8am to 4pm. It will cover IDPA rules, equipment, types of shooting, gun divisions, & shooter classifications. For info or to register, call (920)602-0080 or email Gay at gdtrepanier@yahoo.com.

Cost is a \$25 donation to the Safe Shooting Educational Foundation. Equipment needed: eye/ear protection, your pistol, holster, belt, baseball-style cap, 100 rounds of ammunition & tuition fee.

Introduction to Basic Pistol Course for Women

will be Saturday, May 2nd from 8-5pm. This course is designed for women with little or no knowledge of handguns. Equipment needed: eye/ear protection, a pistol, holster, belt, baseball-style cap, 100 rounds of ammunition & \$25 tuition fee (for land development fund) Handguns will be available to use if you haven't gotten one yet! Course will cover firearm parts, gun safety/handling, ammunition, accessory equipment, cleaning and more. Call Gay at (920)602-0080 or email gdtrepanier@yahoo.com.

So the outdoor shooting is about to begin...

The first Sundays May through August from 10-3 and Wednesdays 5-8 are once again open for Sporting Clays. The prices are yet to be set.

Trap will open on May 5th at 5pm with sign up for leagues then. Open trap shooting is done right along with league shooting. Membership is not required to shoot any event, but there is a price break for being a

RR&PC member.

IDPA and SASS begin their season in April. International Defensive Pistol meets every 2nd Saturday April through October. Single Action Cowboy Shooting meets on the 3rd Saturdays. Registration begins at 8:00am.

The IDPA State shoot will be August 1st this year. Applications can be

downloaded from www.wisconsinshooters.com. Safety officer applications are also there. For questions or more info, contact Gay Trepanier at (920) 602-0080. Please make note that the outdoor range will close early on the 2nd and 3rd Fridays of each month for IDPA and SASS setup.

New for 2009: Mounted SASS-more to come.

Land Development Project

The new land development is slowly proceeding. Layout configurations have been submitted to the DNR and suggestions have come back. We have a wetlands issue with the marsh, as well as drainage ditches worthy of a "navigable waters" qualification. A lane around the back of the

acreage will be in place this summer to allow fill to be hauled in. Anyone with information on where we can get free fill for berms, please call Joe Galica at (920) 748-5371. Others have been

**Drainage ditches
Qualify as
"Navigable waters."**

meeting to discuss building development, an archery range, shooting bays, etc. Anyone with an interest is welcome at our monthly meetings the 2nd Monday.

A fundraising brat fry is scheduled for Aug. 22nd at the Ripon Pick 'N Save. We had two last year. Volunteers are always welcome.

Donations and Dues

As always, without our volunteers, we would not have a club and foundation. We are grateful to those of you

who give so generously of your time, money, and talents. I would like to acknowledge all of you, but some are so "behind

the scenes", it is difficult to know just who you are. So no offense is meant if I don't list you here:

****CENTRAL
WISCONSIN GUN
COLLECTORS**

ASSOCIATION has given \$1,100 over the past 14 months.

****HOLLIDAY FOOD
AND SPORT-RIPON** has given \$600 to the Safe Shooting Educational Foundation, as well.

****Whitetails Unlimited** gave \$400 for youth shooting. Some of that money will be used to purchase new pellet guns.

****The Puchyan
Longbeards** with the National Wildlife Turkey Federation has given \$75 annually for the Junior Basic Marksmanship program.

****Joe Galica and
Mitch Sears** have taken up the contribution of a \$200 gift certificate at Holliday for the winner of the Junior Marksmanship shoot-off. This was previously given by **Chuck Sizer**.

****Tim Sweeney** donated \$200 for the Land Development Fund.

****Mike Mokler** gave \$55 for the Land Fund, as well.

****Time donors:**

Mike Musha- president of the club, key developer of the new range; Bill Osheim- vice-president of the club, new member orientation, sight-in organizer, range maintenance; Les Klawitter- club treasurer, you keep the IRS happy for the club AND the foundation; Stephanie Galica- yeah, I'm still the secretary and membership taker and website designer, and trap organizer; Joe Galica, Jr-what don't you do? Range officer, co-organizer for sporting clays, range upkeep (indoor and outdoor), my trusty trap assistant, bull's-eye pistol organizer, Jr. Basic Marksmanship instructor, open shoot organizer (indoor range), etc; Doug Schrader-co-organizer for sporting clays, .22 silhouette organizer, range maintenance, brat fry coordinator; Gay Trepanier-president of our foundation, IDPA

organizer, new range development ; Denise Musha-behind the scenes with SASS (camp cook) and IDPA; Nancy Trepanier- behind the scenes with IDPA and SASS; Dave Zimmerman-600yd long range coordinator; Don Zimmerman-IDPA Benefit Match, USPSA coordinator; Jim Williams-IDPA coordinator, set up the negotiations with Sauers for purchase of the new range; Joel Cler-SASS coordinator; Ken Pinnow-executive officer for the club, plows the indoor range; Joe Galica-assists with Jr. Marksmanship and bull's-eye pistol, great pig roaster!; Warren Gabriliska-.22 small bore instructor for young adults/adults; Vic Roeder and Mark Belau-for organizing and coaching the non-sanctioned scholastic Ripon Youth Trap teams.

I know there are so many more—the bartenders, set up and take down crews, scorekeepers, score recorders, trap kids, trash collectors, and so on and so on, but thank you, just the same.

**The Few,
The Proud,
The Volunteers!**

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We're on the Web!
www.ripogunclub.com

And finally, the part you have all been waiting for: dues for 2009. Life memberships remain at \$750.00, full memberships are still \$45.00, young adult memberships are \$20.00 (for ages 18-21; up to age 24 considered if in college), and limited memberships will still be \$20.00. Full memberships cover a husband and wife and children to 18(through

high school). A card with the combination on it will be sent after receipt of dues and a membership application with a signed waiver. Limited memberships are for one event only and do not get the combination to the outdoor range. Use of the range is for members only.

A one-time guest is permissible, but be reasonable. Safety is of utmost concern.

Vandalism and theft remain an active problem. Please notify me, or any club officer of misuse. Continued destruction costs all of us. We will be installing on sight cameras this year to attempt an elimination of these threats.

Please fill out, sign the waiver, and return the enclosed application for our records. If there isn't one, then I've already got one on file. 😊