

Tuscola County Conservation Club *Hello 2024*



The new Skeet machines are here! They are the first new Skeet machines at TCCC in 60 years! This IS a big deal. No more malfunctions – targets are spot-on and no broken birds. What is next? We need your help in shooting up the 85,050 targets we also just bought! Here's a hint: Skeet League begins February 1 and runs thru the first week of April. We have an additional challenge this year: the first 100-straight on our new machines will receive a Ducks Unlimited framed print.

<u>Dave's Fundraiser:</u> April 11th – At the end of Skeet League, Dave is bringing back his infamous fundraiser with a dinner to be held in the great hall at TCCC. Tickets will be offered in advance - Tons of prizes – a great time for all! Anyone can participate in this fundraiser sponsoring the shooting sports at TCCC, you do not have to shoot league – Dinner tickets will be sold separately.

The Caro High School Clay Target Team is off to a great start! The team practices at TCCC and we are very proud of their first year. They will start-up again in the spring with Trap, Skeet, and Five Stand. This team is looking for additional sponsors, they have multi-levels of support choices, or if you know of a high schooler who may be interested in being a part of this team, we can help! Mayville is interested in forming a team also, so there may be an opportunity there for students. A student does not have to attend the sponsoring school, but they must shoot under the school colors. TCCC offers discounted ammunition and targets for all students. Lastly! Please know we are sponsoring an Invitational Clay Target Competition on May 18th at TCCC! We will bring more info to you soon. Head Coach Nick Montei 989-670-3964.

A current project – we are working on rebuilding the trap houses that were originally built over 50 years ago. This will include one newer trap machine and another wireless voice activated target launcher. We believe these improvements will make us the club of choice for the area high school trap, skeet and sporting clays clubs, as well as appeal for our membership. We deeply believe in investing in the youth of today to secure a base for members as well as people to defend and support our future heritage.

In the pipeline for this year, we hope to construct more cover on Bay's 1, 4 and 8, enabling the bays to be more accessible and comfortable during our Michigan rainy days and winter's while also reducing our noise factor. Also by investing in shelter, we believe the enhancement will make us the club of choice for pistol/rifle practice and matches.

DUES: You still have time to renew your TCCC Membership – grace period ends January 28th. **If you do not renew, you default to a new member** – sign up in person at the clubhouse on Thursday evenings 6:00pm until 8:00pm or Sunday afternoon 1:00pm to 4:00pm, or signup on the Membership page of our website http://www.tcccmi.com/membership.html. A single Membership includes your spouse and children through age 17. Memberships continue to be a calendar year (Jan-Dec). If you know someone who is interested in a Membership, but would like to have a tour before signing up, please contact us and we would be happy to meet them. TCCC offers a unique opportunity for the shooting sports enthusiast, and we value that by investing funds right back into the club.

Reminder: As a Member of TCCC, you are responsible for knowing the rules-they are posted in the clubhouse, on the Bays, on the website, and in your Welcome Packet. Re-familiarize yourself as a New Year's resolution. Some things are common sense, but no tannerite, no shooting anything other than designated club targets (steel & paper). Turn off lights and clean up after yourself. No shooting after 9pm. If you have questions, please reach out to us.

We appreciate and gratefully thank our sponsors who have donated generously toward making TCCC a premier shooting club in Michigan. We say THANK YOU to our volunteers – many who help with endless maintenance that goes into running the club. And thank you to our Membership, for making TCCC a club of choice. Let's make 2024 great – get involved, volunteer, maybe help with an event, or get involved with the youth programs. Come talk to us.



TCCC 2024 SCHEDULE*



February 1st - Winter Skeet League will begin Thursday, February 1 and ending Sunday, April 7th, shooting on Thursday evening and Sunday afternoon consisting of eight rounds (200 targets). Handicap applied. League fee is \$45, practice rounds are standard rate. Punch cards are available at a discounted rate. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes to be awarded.

April 11th - Dave's Fundraiser and Dinner.

April 18th – Sub-gauge League starts (Trap League follows the Sub-gauge league – watch for details)

April 8th – Pistol Practice Monday's starts: 5:30pm, Member cost is only \$5, and non-members are \$10. Contact: Troy Oliver 989-948-1243. An excellent opportunity to familiarize yourself with your firearm. Range officers present, beginners to experts - so bring a friend!

April 27th – TCCC Pistol match – first match of the season! (USPSA style rules/scoring) matches run every 4th Saturday, April thru September – link to sign-up on our website <u>www.tcccmi.com</u>. We can always use help setting up or taking down so even if you are not into shooting competitively, but would like to be involved to help others, want to shoot for practice not score, come on out!

May 18th – Youth Invitational Clay Target Competition

Multi-gun matches are generally held on the second Saturday of the month thru summer, however, starting off 2024 with a night match January 20 and a rifle match March 24 - register on Practiscore.

Contact: Bob Leavitt 989-891—7623 or Rich Cross at 989-737-6407. http://www.tcccmi.com/brass-3-gun.html

Youth indoor .22 rifle marksmanship training. January, February and March - ages 10 through 19, Thursday evenings 6:00pm until 9:00pm. Free to all participants courtesy of <u>Whitetails Unlimited</u>. Coach Craig Johnson 989-280-1558.

CPL Classes levels 1 and 2 – Ron Champagne, first Saturday of the month. Contact Ron @ 989-670-5234. Signup http://www.tcccmi.com/instruction-pistol.html. A second instructor at TCCC is Eric Stevens, eric.stevens9853@gmail.com, please reach out to him for available classes.

Battle Buddies is a working on returning this summer! They are a multi-gun competitive shooting organization for people with handicaps. <u>Everyone</u> is welcome to attend and always welcome to assist in the event. Check out their website at <u>www.tbbf.org</u> or <u>www.battlebuddiesusa.org</u>. *Everyone* is invited to participate or volunteer - this is a very popular event!

Please note: We are starting a clubhouse remodel in January. It will include a new ceiling, lighting, flooring, wall covering, door, and windows. This is a fifty-year leap for us, and we are thankful. It is a much-needed update, and it will look great!

To reach me, call 989-673-7938 or email 1060gunclubrd@tcccmi.com with questions or suggestions — especially if you would like to see a facet of shooting sponsored at the club you are interested in supporting.

See You On The Range!

Doug Kline, President

*Subject to change