

Swamp Road Sportsmen's Club
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Christmas Raffle The end of the year is coming up fast. The last raffle for the season will be December 20th. So 'Tis the season to fill your gun rack! These tickets go fast and remember there are only 150 books sold. The event is on December 20th at the club. There will be a 50-bird trap shoot along with a rifle shoot for 3 shot groups at 100 yards, 200 yards, 300 yards and one shot at a clay bird, so 10 shots. Eggnog, guns and missile toe, only the good life at the Swamp Road Sportsman's club. The tickets are about all sold out. If you would like to support our club call, text or email me about tickets before they are gone. The following is on the ticket this year.

- 1st Remington Model 700 SPS .243 or \$575 Cash
- 2nd CZ Bobwhite DBL 12 GA or \$500 Cash
- 3rd \$100 cash
- 4th \$100 cash
- 5th \$100 cash

Club Safety I'm going to say this to everyone that uses the club property, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY. We do NOT lock ourselves in when on club property! We keep the speed down on range roads or in the club parking lot. We use ear and eye protection when shooting. We ensure the range is clear before shooting or checking targets. We always use good firearm safety. We help new shooters out. A good rule of thumb would be if you tell your buddy to "hold my beer and watch this" it shouldn't take place here. One stupid move by one and we all could lose our club!

Gun Board Tom Tidquist won the gun board with the Ruger American chambered .22 Creedmoor. He elected to take the cash for the gun. At the time of the newsletter, I do not have a gun board but will have one shortly. Call, email, text or track me down if you would like to get on the next board. You can't win if you don't play.

New Skeet Range The new addition to our club is 99% complete. For those that have never shot skeet before I will have an introduction to skeet day next spring for you to try skeet and learn what the game is about.

Thank You I would like to thank and recognize the following people for their donations or working on the skeet range. Without club members donating resources, donating their help and donating their skills our club will not grow. Even if you don't shoot shotgun this is an asset to our club that brings more shooters and helps pay the bills at the club.

Mike O'Leary	Project Manager	Dave Meisegeier	Dirt donation
John O'Leary	Concrete Forman	Mike Cera	Laborer/Clean-up/sniper
Brad Kostka	Donation-Plywood, Windows	Mark Upward	Equipment owner operator
John Liazuk	Electrical Engineer/Dirt Hauler	Dick Moore	Landscaper/equipment owner
Jim Booth	Concrete Mixer/Laborer	Robert Hooker	Chauffeur/Apprentice
Alex Stone	Apprentice	Les Wildbore	Dirt and equipment donation
Pam O'Leary	Head Electrical Engineer and CFO		

Rifle Range Garbage It's been a busy November at the ranges this year. The range looks fairly clean but just as a reminder please pick up the range after you shoot. Don't leave your targets down range. Don't drag pallets or other make-shift target stands down range, take them home with you. If you would like to make a target stand donation, please come to the next club meeting for approval. Just remember, MORCA, Make Our Range Clean Again!

Club Project Bucket List Let's focus on this short list and if we get that done, we can really dig in. And again, thank you to all that has helped so far.

1. Brushing the club parking-lot borders and roads.
2. Clean junk up around storage garage.
3. Shovel and snow blow walks and ranges

Upcoming Shoots Below is a list of the club events this year. Post them and put them in your fun calendar. Any questions on the shoot contact Earl Fisk or myself.

- December 20th Christmas trap and 3 group rifle shoot

Recipe of the Month *Classic Christmas Goose* Prepare 1 10-to-12-pound Goose: Remove the giblets and neck from the goose cavity. Trim any large pads of excess fat from the inside. Pat the goose dry inside and out with paper towels; very dry skin is key to crispiness. Generously season the inside cavity with salt and pepper. Place 2 medium apples peeled and quartered, 1 medium orange, and 1 medium lemon quarters inside the cavity. Place the goose, breast-side up, on a rack in a large, shallow roasting pan. Using a fork or sharp knife, prick the skin well all over, particularly on the breast and thighs, to help the fat render out during cooking. Pour 1 cup of hot water into the bottom of the pan. Roast the goose, uncovered, in a preheated oven at 350°F (175°C). Cook for approximately 2 1/4 to 3 hours, or until a meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the thigh reads 170°F (77°C). As fat accumulates in the pan, carefully drain it off every 30-45 minutes to prevent smoking and burning. This rendered goose fat can be saved and is excellent for roasting potatoes. Once cooked, remove the goose from the oven. Cover it loosely with foil and let it rest for at least 20-30 minutes before carving. Resting allows the juices to redistribute throughout the meat, ensuring it remains moist. Discard the fruit from the cavity before serving.

Crystal Ball November 27th Thanksgiving, December 5th club meeting, December 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor was attacked, December 20th Christmas trap and rifle shoot, December 25th Christmas, January 1st New Years day.

Next Meeting The next meeting will be December 5th at 7 pm. This will focus on getting the club ready for the long winter. If there is anything else that needs urgent attention, be sure to contact the board prior to the meeting.

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