

THE 3-F CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Newsletter – Spring 2007

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Social Events//Up Coming Activities

The first 3-F club social event for 2007 was held on Jan 27th. At first we were hoping to get 30 to 40 people, we had 88 people sign up for a great dinner. The menu was a nice steak, bake potato, salad, and a small desert and cocktails. The board would like to thank Kevin Norwich for heading up the evening, and also the guys that step up to help Kevin. Joe Jakubowski, Stan Pearce, Brain Pardee, Henry Andrews, Chris Gatehouse, and a very special thanks to our two chefs Bryan Meigs and Steve Zasucha.

We are planning an event for March 31, 2007. The menu will be different than the last event. You can see the details posted at the club or contact Kevin Norwich at 754-2293.

3F Golf during the Week: 3-F golf at Oak Run, We will be starting in mid May and the tee off times will be around 5:15 pm on Wednesdays. Tee times are limited. Please contact Kevin Norwich or Jim Perri if you are interested

Golf Tournament: We are planning a Golf Tournament for Saturday June 16, 2007. As it looks now we are planning on 16 foursomes. More information will be posted at the club as the date approaches. If Mr. Coffey and Mr. Tuttle aren't giving up strokes then something is just plain wrong.

Lower Niagara Shoot: The 5th annual Lower Niagara registered skeet shoot is slated for July 6, 7, and 8 in 2007. We will need volunteers to help with Grounds and Field clean up and repairs during the days leading up to the shoot and also on the days of the shoot. We also need to secure sponsors to make this happen. Anyone interested contact Steve Zappy, Tim Baldwin, or Rich Falcone. Please see pages 4 and 5 for information.

Kelly for Kids Foundation: On August 25, 2007 there will be an archery shoot for Jim Kelly and the Kelly for Kids Foundation. This will be an all day event. More information will be provided as the date draws near.

Conservation//Pheasant Program//Club Ground

Conservation: Not much to report. Nesting boxes on Club Property have yet to be checked. This should be done within the next few weeks. A full report of the findings will appear in the next Newsletter.

Pheasant Program: The Regular Program came to an end on Thursday, January 11, 2007. The Package Program continued on from this date and ended on Sunday, February 4, 2007. At this time we had a total of 30 Package Birds that were paid for but not shot. These birds were released to the wild. The wrap-up dinner (Pheasant Finale) was held on Saturday, February 10, 2007 with a total of 66 tickets sold at a cost of \$8.00 each. Again this year, Fred Vanoni and his helpers, Gerry Condren and Frank Wright, prepared the dinner. All in attendance enjoyed the evening.

Applications for Pheasant Program membership will be sent out to the 2006-2007 members sometime in June. These applications will be for the 2007-2008 Pheasant Program. We will again be looking for 80 3F Club members to fill the slots. 3F Club members on the waiting list will replace those not renewing their memberships until we have achieved our goal of 80. At the present time there are 43 3F Club members on the waiting list.

Grounds: Even though there is snow on the Club grounds it is not too early to prepare for the upcoming lawn-mowing season. Thanks to Bryan Meigs our single lawn tractor that needed repair has been taken care of. Also our Ford Tractor that is used for both brush hogging and lawn mowing has been repaired by Henry Andrews. The grounds crew appreciates the additional help!

Friday evenings at the 3F Club

Please put the word out that the 3F Club continues to present Joe's Country Catering Friday night Fish Fry. Along with different Fish Fry options Joe Jakubowski also has a full dinner menu available. The General public is welcome to come see our club while they enjoy a wonderful dinner on Friday evenings at the 3F Club. ***Joe's Country Catering also offers full service catering for all occasions. Texas Barbeque specialties are available. Contact Joe at 622-6020 or 745-7014.

Trap Fields

Thanks to Rich Falcone and Max Hillman there are now 2 trap fields open for use. Anyone interested in taking the required safety and instructional course for the skeet//Trap field use please see Steve Zappy, Tim Baldwin, Rich Falcone, Max Hillman, or inquire at the skeet cage.

General Skeet Information

----- The members of the skeet committee are looking for people to become involved and to help out. Please contact Steve Zappy, Tim Baldwin, or Rich Falcone.

Winter Skeet League

----- These are the latest stats from the winter skeet league after the position week. We have a tie for first and second places, Ventry's Heating and Friendly Fred's with 20 pts. Third place is Not Right with 18 pts Followed by Pardee's Automotive with 16 pts in fourth. Another tie for fifth and sixth places are Not To Serious and Rivera Enterprises with 14 pts. Still another tie for seventh and eighth with Den's Gun Shop and Fox Fence with 13 pts.

Here is more winter skeet league and lower Niagara shoot info, # shooters 111, # youth shooters 12, # teams 14, # new shooters 17, Juniors Scott Sobiegray 125 straight targets, Ryan Lucas First 50 straight for league, Mike Clarke Jr first 25 straight for league. First 25 straight adult for league, Mark Schoonmaker and Brian Meigs

Winter Skeet League Banquet: The Banquet is set for April 28th. \$20 per shooter or guest. Youth shooters are free. Youth guests are \$20 each. No ticket sales after Sunday, April 22nd, the day of the shoot offs. Contact your team Captain, or Tim Baldwin at 297-4887, or Steve Zappy at 791-4822. All ticket sales will be done at the skeet cage during shooting hours.

Genesee Country Skeet League 2007 The Three F Club will be participating in this travel league again this year. Rich Falcone, 754-2134, is the Captain. Shoot Dates are May 6th at East Aurora, May 20th at The Three F Club, June 17th at Medina, July 1st at Eden, July 15th at Hamburg, July 29th at Medina, and August 5th at Eden – Trophy Shoot. Contact Rich for more details.

Youth Group: We are looking for youths, ages 12-19, to join the 3F Club youth program and rifle team. No experience is required. Qualified instructors will teach you how to shoot safely and competitively. Learn about and participate in wildlife conservation. Other youth programs are available at the 3F Club. Meetings are held on the first, second, and fourth Tuesday of each Month at 6:30 pm at the club. For more information please contact Doug Walck at 282-0625 or Dale Shank 791-3809

3-F Club 5th Annual Lower Niagara Shoot

3F club, Lewiston, N.Y.

July 6, 7, & 8th 2007

4 gun shooters with doubles have preference

NSSA Referees to officiate

Added Money - Free HAA

Flight Times Friday, Saturday, Sunday

& Rotations Doubles .410 20 Ga 28 Ga 12 Ga

1 5:00pm 9:00am 1:30pm 10:30am 3:00pm

2 6:00pm 10:30am 3:00pm 12:00pm 4:30pm

3 7:00pm 12:00pm 4:30pm 9:00am 1:30pm

Five person squads should register together----Shoot-offs under the lights

A \$25.00 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED

FREE SPECIAL EVENT: "Shoot The Rapids"- Lowest score in classes B,C,D,&E
Shoot-off

REGISTER EARLY - LIMITED TO 60 SHOOTERS MAX

Registration postmark after April 1st, 2007

SQUAD SETUP WILL BE DETERMINED BY POSTMARKED DATE OF
ENTRY FORM

Squad setup will be done by mail only!!!

Limited space available for camper's w/water & electrical hook-ups (available at a
nominal fee)

CLUB HOUSE RESTAURANT and CASH BAR offers: Friday night fish fry and
open menu / Saturday night shooters supper {free to shooters and children.

Saturday and Sunday, breakfast and lunch available.

CONTACT: Rich Falcone 716-754-2134 Tim Baldwin 716-297-4887 Steve Zappy
716-791-9916

Entry Form - Please send all entries to: Jeff Ventry

5155 Townline Road

Sanborn N.Y. 14132

Name _____ Phone _____ Rotation 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___
Address _____ Doubles circle) y or n
City/State/Zip _____ Doubles choice: 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___

Please make checks payable to Jeff Ventry

Volunteers are needed for a registered skeet shoot to be held here at our club. The shoot will be taking place on the 2nd full weekend in July. Help is going to be needed before, during and after the shoot. The type of work to be done will include repairing skeet field fences, loading targets in houses, some painting, cleaning fields and edging sidewalks. During and after the events help will be needed with primarily field maintenance. All volunteers will be invited to the Saturday night dinner during the weekend of the shoot.

This upcoming shoot will be our 5th consecutive at our club since becoming active in hosting registered shoots after a layoff of approximately 15 years. Our club has received national attention and is very much enjoyed by the competitors who participate in our shoots. We are very lucky to have the level of a shooting facility we have, and we should all be very proud of it.

These shoots have grown to a size where those managing them need more members to help out. If you are able to help out please contact: Steve Zappy, Tim Baldwin, and Rich Falcone.

We are also looking for sponsors for the shoot events and ad patrons for our shoot brochure. For rates concerning sponsors and patrons, please contact the above.