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# Millvale Sportsmen's Club

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## The President's Corner

For some time now I have expressed the importance of youth involvement at M.S.C.I., and with shooting sports in general. As most of you know, M.S.C.I. hosted the Boy Scouts' Spring Camporee in April. By all accounts of those who attended, it was a great success. One hundred plus Scouts had a great time. I would like to extend a special thank you to those who made it such a special weekend for the Scouts. Wayne Seiling and the guys at the rifle range and Rege Guckert and the guys at the shotgun ranges. It was your time and patience that made it so memorable for the youngsters and left a lasting impression on them and their parents.

Hopefully, we will have opportunities in the future to influence our youth in a positive manner, such as this. It was a great event for the Club and for the future of our shooting sports.

In closing, I hope you all have a safe and relaxing summer.

Many thanks,

*Dave Amstutz, President*

## Club Meetings

General Membership meetings will be conducted at the clubhouse at 8:00 p.m. on July 26, August 30, September 27, 2007. Please make every effort to attend. Your input is vital in order for Millvale Sportsmen's Club to continue being the great Club that it is.

Board of Directors meetings will be conducted at the clubhouse at 8:00 p.m. on July 5, August 2, September 6, 2007.

## Membership

Dave Kaczmarek

I would like to thank the Board for appointing me as Membership Director. I would also like to thank Jerry Werner for making the transition as seamless and

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flawless as possible. Jerry's improvements in the membership process, his flowcharts and notes, have made the monthly duties so easy a caveman could do them. Unfortunately, I am not as smart as a caveman so I'll need to ask for your patience for a few months while I learn the process. If you have not received a response to a request you've made in the past few months, send me a reminder, or two. I promise to get you a quick response.

We have approximately 1420 paid senior members. But we also have 13 pending members who have paid their \$50 deposit but have not attended the orientation meeting. We also have 17 pending senior members just approved by the Board on June 7, 2007. If everyone makes it to the orientation meeting on June 28, Senior membership will be at 1449. We are on track to reach our Senior membership cap of 1500 members this fall. So, have your friends get their applications in early or risk being put on the waiting list.

By the time you receive this newsletter the deadline for the membership drive would have passed (June 30, 2007). We fell just short of our goal of 1500 members so there will be no pay out for

this years membership drive. But, I would like to thank everyone who sponsored a member this year for a great effort. This past year we have increased membership levels in all categories. Seniors, spouses, students and juniors. Keep up the great work.

If you have a membership card that is not working properly, please send the card to the club address, attention Membership. As long as the card is not visibly broken, it will be replaced free of charge. However, there is a \$20 replacement fee for all lost, stolen or broken cards. Remember, the access card you have in your possession is permanent and should not be thrown away.

If you have any questions, you can email me at [davkaz@comcast.net](mailto:davkaz@comcast.net) or call (724) 831-9200.

## C.M.P. & Ranges

Wayne Seiling

Rifle and pistol ranges are open from 9:00 a.m. to dusk.

The cost for CMP shoots is \$10.00 and the cost for Slow Fire shoots is \$5.00. All shooters between the ages of 12 and 20 are free. Ammunition is not available at this time.


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C.M.P. Shoots for July, August, and September, 2007 are as follows. Sign up begins at 8:30 a.m. with a 9:00 a.m. start. Shoots are finished by 1:00 p.m.:

- Sun, July 1 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
Sat, July 7 10X Targets 40 Shot  
Slow Fire  
Sat, July 14 10X Targets 40 Shot  
Slow Fire  
Sun, July 22 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
  
Sun, Aug 5 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
Sat, Aug 11 10X Targets 40 Shot  
Slow Fire  
Sun, Aug 19 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
Sat, Aug 25 1,000 Point Match 100  
Shot 10X  
Sun, Aug 26 PA Short Range  
Championship CMP 50  
Shot 10X  
  
Sat. Sept 1 10X Targets 40 Shot  
Slow Fire  
Sun, Sept 9 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
Sun, Sept 16 CMP 50 Shot 10X  
Sat, Sept 22 10X Targets 40 Shot  
Slow Fire

The ranges will be closed on the following days:

- All Ranges – Sat, July 21<sup>st</sup> - All Day (Youth Day)  
All Ranges - Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> - All Day – Family Picnic  
Rifle Range - Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. – Special Event  
Pistol Range – Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. – Special Event

Work nights continue at 7:00 p.m. until dark every Tuesday through October. All ranges are closed at this time for repair and maintenance.

Jr. C.M.P. has ended for the summer and will start up again on Wednesday, September 5, 2007 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

The card access for the indoor 22 range is up and running. Everyone must sign the book and pay range fee before using the indoor range. Remember to place all targets inside the red target area when using the indoor 22 range.

## Trap

Ron Gilson

The summer Trap League is going well. We have 62 league shooters and numerous double shooters and those that come out to practice and socialize. To

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date our Hi-Gun is Rich Painter with a 49.23 average. Runner-up is Bob Verdoni with a 49 average and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up is Doug Bogolea with a 48.15 average.

The Summer Trap League Banquet will be on September 22, 2007. You need 19 shoots to be eligible for the banquet and 22 shoots to be eligible for trophies.

I would like to thank all the members who came out to help on work day. We had approximately 20 members help on the trap fields. We were able to exceed our work goals. Thank you!

## Lake

Jack McKinney

The Boy Scouts camped out at the lake on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. There were around 125 scouts and 45 adults. It rained most of the weekend, but they didn't even notice it.

They had a wonderful time. The area around the lake looked like a small city. There were tents every place some of them not even level, some with running water (remember it rained most of the weekend.) For their service project they told us they would cut brush around the lake. Take a look at the back side of the dam and you will see what a bunch of Scouts can do in a short period of time!

Many thanks to Scout leader, Norm Volgler and all the Scouts for their help. Check out the lake page of the Club website for some pictures.

Work day was Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. The turn out was very good with a lot of projects completed at the lake. We had a very good group that cleaned out brush from the edges of the lake and around the outflow below the dam. Thanks to you all very much. Paul Spark dove to the valve in the lake to clean out the area. He will come back at a later date after the water clears to check out the valve and see what it will take to repair it.

On May 23<sup>rd</sup> we stocked for the final time this year. That makes three times we stocked this year. Shortly after we stocked, one of our new members called to tell me she caught and released a very nice 30 inch rainbow trout. I told you we stocked some big fish. M.S.C.I. members do not need a PA fishing license for M.S.C.I. lake.

July 28<sup>th</sup> is the Blue Gill contest from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. It is open to all kids 12 years old and under, both members and guests. There are no fees and the Club will provide hot dogs and pop for lunch.

Please bring your own fishing tackle and bait. The top 3 catches (most fish) will get a trophy.



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## Education/Entertainment

Sue Werner

M.S.C.I.'s ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC will be held on Saturday, July 28, 2007 with a 2:00 p.m. kickoff. Live entertainment, hay rides, kids stuff, food, beer, and pop will be provided. Please bring a covered dish to share. All are welcome.

A Gun Bash will be held on September 8, 2007 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. tickets are \$30.00 each at the Club or see Dave Riddle. Free food and refreshments will be served.

## Archery

Matt Schultz

The 3D archery course will be closed for a portion of the Summer for the logging that is suppose to take place. Check the bulletin board to see if the course is open or closed. Our next 3D shoots at Millvale are July 29<sup>th</sup>, August 26<sup>th</sup>, September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. These shoots Will be held regardless if they are logging or not.

The traveling 3D League is going well. Currently Millvale is fourth. The next league shoots are July 15<sup>th</sup> at

August 29<sup>th</sup> at Connequenessing. Anyone from the clubs can participate in the League shoots. For each shooter over the top five the Club gets five points per person. The League scores and standings are posted on the bulletin board.


## Skeet

Bill Walls

Thanks to all who participated in the Club workday at the skeet house and fields. A lot of work was done, and hopefully we can finish up some of the projects while the good weather is upon us.

The Briley token system boxes are mounted. They will be hooked up sometime this summer. Advance notice will be provided so that tokens can be purchased. No cash can be used. Further information will be posted at the main clubhouse, skeet building, and website.

There are a number of M.S.C.I. Skeet shooters who deserve recognition for their shooting ability during last season to include: **Scratch Champion, Mike Stark, Jr.; Handicap Champion, Ken Darroch;** Jim Hoehle, Doug Taylor, Rege Guckert, Rolin Engle, Scott Grossett, Ian Darroch, Ron Henzler, Paul Gabriel Jim Bakaj, Marissa Milbert and



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Mike Stark, Sr. Congratulations to all and hope to see you representing M.S.C.I. next season!

The Skeet League will kick off the 2007-2008 season on September 16, 2007 with all clubs shooting at Washington of Library. More details to follow.

If you have any concerns, please contact me at [wjwalls@mdwecg.com](mailto:wjwalls@mdwecg.com).

Skeet times are as follows:

Mondays from 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Tuesdays from 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Saturdays from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM\* \*\*

Sundays from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

\*Saturday shooting is restricted if outdoor picnic shelter has been reserved.

\*\*There will be registered targets for skeet on Saturday mornings in the summer.

## Safety

Mark Retter

There are a number of things you can do to help avoid mosquito bites and control the number of mosquitoes in and around your home. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offers the following tips:

When possible, wear long-sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors. Consider staying indoors at dawn, dusk, and in the early evening, which are peak mosquito biting times. Use an insect repellent containing DEET to help reduce exposure to mosquitoes. Spray clothes with repellent containing permethrin or DEET for extra protection. (Don't apply repellents containing permethrin directly to skin. Do not spray repellent containing DEET on the skin under your clothing.) Take extra care to use repellent and protective clothing during evening and early morning – or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times. Place mosquito netting over infant carriers when you are outdoors. Install or repair window and door screens so that mosquitoes cannot get indoors. At least once or twice a week, empty water from flower pots, pet food and water dishes, birdbaths, swimming pool covers, buckets, barrels, and cans. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by getting rid of items that hold water, such as old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, or bottles. Check for clogged rain gutters and clean them out. Be sure to check for containers or trash in places that may be hard to see, such as under bushes or under your home. Check with local health authorities to see if there is an organized mosquito control program in

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your area. If no program exists, work with your local government officials to establish a program. Neighborhood clean-up days can be organized by civic or youth organizations to pick up containers from vacant lots and parks, and to encourage people to keep their yards free of standing water.

The American Academy of Pediatrics generally recommends maximum DEET concentrations of 30% for children and infants older than 2 months of age. Lower concentrations are not as long lasting, requiring more frequent application.

Dog owners can provide protection to their pets from mosquitoes and other biting pests by using repellent products approved for use on dogs. These products are commercially available from veterinarians and protect against mosquito bites, which can transmit WNV and heartworms; and tick bites, which can transmit Lyme Disease. Safe use requires closely following label directions. These products are not approved for use on cats. Cat owners should keep their pets indoors to avoid exposure to mosquitoes.

Do not use DEET on pets, as it can be dangerous if they ingest it.

## Up and Coming Events at M.S.C.I.

July 21<sup>st</sup> - Youth Day

July 28<sup>th</sup> - Blue Gill Contest &  
Club Picnic

September 8 - Gun Bash at MSCI

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# Millvale Sportsmen's Club July 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 CMP 50 Shot 10X Trap & Skeet (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)	2 Skeet (6:00 - 10:00 pm)	3 Skeet (5:00 - 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	4 Trap (5:00 - 10:30 pm)	5 Board of Directors Meeting	6	7 10X Targets 40 Shot Slow Fire Skeet (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
8 Trap & Skeet (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)	9 Skeet (6:00 - 10:00 pm)	10 Skeet (5:00 - 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	11 Trap (5:00 - 10:30 pm)	12	13	14 10X Targets 40 Shot Slow Fire Skeet (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
15 3-D Travel League Trap & Skeet (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)	16 Skeet (6:00 - 10:00 pm)	17 Skeet (5:00 - 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	18 Trap (5:00 - 10:30 pm)	19	20	21 Skeet (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
22 CMP 50 Shot 10X Trap & Skeet (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)	23 Skeet (6:00 - 10:00 pm)	24 Skeet (5:00 - 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	25 Trap (5:00 - 10:30 pm)	26 General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.	27	28 Blue Gill Contest Family Picnic
29 3-D Shoot Trap & Skeet (9:00 am - 3:00 pm)	30 Skeet (6:00 - 10:00 pm)	31 Skeet (5:00 - 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.				

# Millvale Sportsmen's Club August 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Trap (5:00 – 10:30 pm)	2 Board of Directors Meeting	3	4 Skeet (9:00 am – 1:00 pm)
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12 3D Travel League Trap & Skeet (9:00 am – 3:00 pm)	13 Skeet (6:00 – 10:00 pm)	14 Skeet (5:00 – 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	15 Trap (5:00 – 10:30 pm)	16	17	18 Skeet (9:00 am – 1:00 pm)
19 3-D Travel League CMP 50 Shot 10X Trap & Skeet (9:00 am – 3:00 pm)	20 Skeet (6:00 – 10:00 pm)	21 Skeet (5:00 – 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	22 Trap (5:00 – 10:30 pm)	23	24	25 1,000 Point Match 100 Shot 10X Skeet (9:00 am – 1:00 pm)
26 -PA Short Range Champ. CMP 50 Shot 10X -3-D Shoot -Trap & Skeet (9:00 am – 3:00)	27 Skeet (6:00 – 10:00 pm)	28 Skeet (5:00 – 10:00 pm)  CMP/Range Work Night 6:00 p.m.	29 Trap (5:00 – 10:30 pm)	30 General Membership Meeting 8:00 p.m.	31	



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