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From the president

By David A. Lombardo

The 2007 Howell Shooting Club schedule is posted on the web site and reveals another busy year for the shooting sports. Mark your calendars now—the annual Worker Appreciation Dinner will be held again at United Plattville Association on Saturday night, March 24th. The event has been growing every year. We will again offer an open bar and wine with dinner. Its a terrific deal if you've completed your 16 hour work requirement as you and a guest get free admission but even for those who haven't completed the requirement at \$10 a person its still a good deal.

HSC/SAFER USA will be offering eight classes January through April but the focus is on primarily indoor offerings so no one freezes to death in the name of the shooting sports. Beginning in May we will once again start offering basic classes and the plan is to offer basic pistol, rifle and shotgun every



Joe Marszalek, acting as a pistol instructor, talks Amy Koroghlanian (15) through a two-handed supported position during an NRA Pistol Instructor class practice teaching exercise. Both successfully completed the course. Photo—Lombardo

month May through October. So far Ed McGunn has agreed to be principle instructor for shotgun, Mike Krickeberg for pistol and John Millington for Metallic Cartridge Reloading. Phil Koroghlanian and his daughter Amy have also expressed an interest in instructing. The plan has always been to be as inclusive as possible so if you're willing to take the necessary courses we're interested in the possibility of you instructing with us. I will be teaching instructor courses and the Range Safety Officer course. Check the back page for the course schedule.

We've added events to this year's calendar including black powder rifle one evening a month. In the Fall we're offering the public an opportunity to sight in their slug shotguns and black powder rifles in response to the many telephone calls I get every fall from people who can't find a place to do it. We'll make money for the club and the public will be served by the availability of a place to sight in. A HSC NRA Range Safety Officer will be present at all times.

Merry Christmas and a very safe and Happy New Year to you and yours from the HSC Board of Directors. — dal

PLEASE CHECK BACK PAGE FOR THE WINTER 2006/2007 NRA COURSE SCHEDULE

REFUSE TO BE A VICTIM SEMINAR

Saturday, January 20th, 9:00 a.m.

Tuition \$10—Preregistration by January 8th

Refuse To Be A Victim (RTBAV) is a four-hour seminar packed with things you and your family can do for little or no cost to reduce the chances of becoming a victim in your home, at the mall, driving your car, at work, in school and when you travel.

Personal safety is not always convenient. You must consciously integrate the options you choose into everyday life until good habits are formed. Remember, criminals prefer easy targets whether it is your home or you personally. The more difficult a target you present, the less likely you are to become a victim. This seminar shows you how to become a *hard target*.

RTBAV was originally developed by the Women of the NRA in 1993 but men kept asking to attend so it was opened up to everyone. While it is an NRA course, it is not about firearms. RTBAV is about common sense, practical tips appropriate for all family members. The instructor, David Lombardo, has 14 years experience in law enforcement, over 6,000 hours of public speaking and is known for his humorous teaching style.

Refuse To Be A Victim is one of the most important classes your family members will ever take. The tuition includes a textbook. Please, do not miss this seminar! For further information and to register call David Lombardo at 815-744-5487.



LEFT—Graduates of the November 12th *NRA Home Firearms Safety Instructor* course (L-R): Ed McGunn, Joe Kilcullen, Mike Krickeberg, Lee Chambers, Kevin Broderick, Rob Bowen and Joe Marszalek.

BELOW—Graduates of the November 17th *NRA Pistol Instructor* course (Back row L-R): Phil Koroghlanian, Joe Marszalek, Kevin Broderick, Mike Krickeberg, Rob Bowen. Front row L-R: Amy Koroghlanian and Jack Kane.

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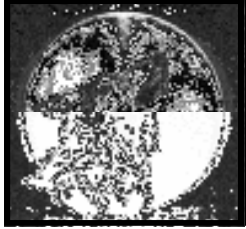
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RANGE HOURS

Mon thru Sat: 8 a.m. – Official Sunset
No Sunday shooting Nov-Apr

Official Notices

Jan 7 — Sunday

8:00 a.m. Board meeting

9:00 a.m. General meeting

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OVER FOR MORE CONTACTS

VOTE TO CHANGE BY-LAWS

This is to serve as official notice of a proposed change to the Howell Shooting Club, Inc. Constitution, Bylaws and Operating Rules during the January 7th Membership meeting. If a quorum is not present the vote will continue to carry until the next regularly scheduled Membership meeting with a quorum. The vote will be to change from:

BYLAWS ARTICLE V GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The monthly General Membership meeting shall be held on the first Sunday of every month at 9:00 a.m., except when that day falls on a Federal holiday there will be no meeting for that month. The November General Membership meeting shall be the Club's Annual General Membership meeting for the election of Board members.

To the following:

BYLAWS ARTICLE V GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The monthly General Membership meeting shall be held on the first Sunday of every month at 9:30 a.m., except when that day falls on a weekend affected by a Federal holiday there will be no meeting for that month. The Board may also cancel a meeting not more than twice a year to accommodate a special function. The November General Membership meeting shall be the Club's Annual General Membership meeting for the election of Board members.

ANNUAL WORK FEE

The January newsletter will list the last names of members and their work hour requirement status. To avoid being billed the \$75 work fee you must complete 16 hours for the year by Mar 31st.

FROM THE BOARD

Several instances have occurred recently that bear noting. An increasing number of people are using club facilities without name badges. According to Operating Rules Article IV—Use of Club Facilities, Section 1 Member's Identification, "All members will display their membership card when using Club facilities."

We recently had an incident in which someone was observed using a picnic table on the South Berm to lay on causing it to break. Picnic tables are not intended to be used as a prone rest. The same individual did not bother to inform a board member of the broken table. If you break something or find something broken please inform a Board member so we can have it repaired or replaced. Remember, this is your club!

Finally, we need a member to pick up the printed newsletter in Joliet every month, put on a tab, mailing label, and postage, then drop it off at the post office. If interested please give me a call. It's an easy way to meet the work requirement. dal

Treasurer's Report—November 2006

While November was relatively inactive in the operating fund and Youth Camp funds, Outreach saw some considerable activity due to the Club's (in conjunction with SaferUSA) NRA classes.

With approximately \$1,800 of trailer expenses and fees and another \$2,600 committed expenses (insurance & annual worker appreciation dinner), being required from Operation funds before the new membership year next April 1 when we get the majority of our revenue, it is obvious that some of the funds required for these commitments will have to be funded from the other funds. Additionally, the club will incur a sizable expenditure (exact figures are still being developed but are expected to be \$3,000+) in the construction/installation of a legal handicapped ramp for access to the trailer.

The board has begun a review of the 2007 budget and in the next month or two will be establishing a method of equitably allocating these costs across all our funds and revenue sources to insure that all necessary enhancements and maintenance of our facilities are properly funded.

	Operating	Outreach	Youth Camp	Total
Beginning balances(11/01)	2,844.35	5,569.64	10,569.02	18,983.01
Revenues	766.50	1,005.00	2.08	1,773.58
Expenditures	327.55	1,906.88	.00	2,234.43
Ending balances(11/30)	3,283.30	4,667.76	10,571.10	18,522.16
CD balances (reserves for future liabilities)			13,144.57	
Total club cash assets as of Nov 30, 2006			31,666.73	

Minutes of December 3, 2006 Membership Meeting

Meeting called to order at 9:23 AM with 12 people in attendance.

Prior General Meeting minutes, as published in the newsletter, were approved. The Treasurer's report was approved. David Lombardo, president, wants a volunteer to take charge of picking-up, labeling and mailing the newsletter. Allison Hartman, vice president, had no new issues. Keith Romig, secretary, commented that the November newsletter arrived both in better condition and much more quickly than the previous one. Alan Gillespie, treasurer, had to leave after the board meeting and was absent

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from the general meeting.

Kerry Krickeberg, RSO, had no new issues. Dave McKinney, match director, was absent. Kyle Corrigan, member-at-large, told us that he is still working on resolving the ramp issue and hopes to have a final report soon. Yvonne Howell had no new issues.

Lombardo, as Camp Director, said the 2007 Youth Camp still needs an Advanced Hunting Skills program coordinator. Otherwise, things are still 'on track'. Lombard also announced that SAFER USA had held 6 classes, composed of 39 students this Fall. He also announced and handed out the Winter 2006/2007 course schedule.

OLD BUSINESS

The next newsletter will include 2 new pages to facilitate HSC specific information. The revised Handbook pages are available on the HSC web site and will not be mailed to the membership until the Spring renewal mailing cycle.

The application for an NRA Matching Grant for some 9mm pistols is still in process.

NEW BUSINESS

The Tentative HSC 2007 Schedule was handed out. The 2006 Worker Appreciation Dinner is planned for March 31, 2007. The Treasurer's 2007 Financial Forecast was mentioned and Lombardo announced that we should plan for a 2-day work party, in the Spring, to build some new loading benches, picnic tables, etc. He will put a reminder in the next newsletter about the requirement to display badges when on the club grounds. Mike Krickeberg commented that he had attended a couple of the SAFER USA classes, this Fall, and that they were great. He intends to take some additional classes this Winter.

New family members Ken, Kathy and Peter Svab we voted in the club.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

9th Annual Clyde Howell NRA Youth Shooting Sports Camp



The 8th Annual Clyde Howell NRA Youth Shooting Sports Camp was held June 2-4, 2006. Over 200 campers, interns and adult volunteers, including more than 20 NRA certified instructors, spent the weekend dedicated to youth shooting sports education. Photo-Chuck Mansfield

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That darn paperwork

David Lombardo, Camp Director

The good news is the camp is on track and for the first time in years we have all the important positions filled including someone willing to take on the Advanced Hunting Skills program! The bad news is you still have to fill out the forms.

Okay, its no secret that everyone hates filling out the paperwork so let me give you a little insight on the subject. It won't make the job any more palatable but at least you'll have a better understanding of why you're doing it.

I was told by legal counsel that we should hang on to the paperwork for at least a few years in case any issues arise over the camp, the type of instruction, who taught and did what, and who attended. Therefore all the forms from each year's camp are stored together so we can't use your previous year's paperwork. Also, there are releases in the forms that must be signed each year and finally, things change from year to year.

Someone suggested that they should be able to tell us last year's form is still up-to-date and we can just copy it over.

Let's see, about 200 sets of paperwork times one of us doing it all verses one set of paperwork being done by each of you and sending it in...

Please remember that for some of us this is a year-around job. We do all the detail work so that for the most part you can show up at the camp, do what you do best and go home. We just need your help getting the forms filled out and turned in as soon as possible.

Two years ago we almost cancelled the camp a month before opening day because we only had a handful of adult volunteers. As it turned out people just didn't find the time to do the paperwork but everyone showed up with it in hand. Please don't cause me to lose sleep like that again!

When you get your paperwork please take ten minutes to fill it out (that's how long it took me to do mine last year) and send it in. Your dedication and support are enormously appreciated!

Next month we'll take a look at the supplies we'll need for the 2007 camp!
dal

HSC/SAFER USA NRA COURSES

Call 815-744-5487 for information - All courses open to the public

Cost displayed after course:

Non NRA Member* / NRA member / 18 & under

NOTE: A Basic Instructor Course is a prerequisite for all Instructor courses

Refuse To Be A Victim (4 hrs) - \$10

January 20, Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Preregistration Required by January 8, 2007

NRA Basic Instructor Course (6 hrs) - \$50/\$25/\$15

January 21, Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Preregistration Required by January 12, 2007

NRA Rifle Instructor Training (14 hrs) - \$75/\$50/\$30

January 26, Friday 6:00 – 10:30 p.m.

January 27, Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Preregistration Required by January 12, 2007

NRA Basic Instructor Course (6 hrs) - \$50/\$25/\$15

February 18, Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Preregistration Required by February 2, 2007

NRA Shotgun Instructor Training (11 hrs) - \$75/\$50/\$30

February 23, Friday 6:00 – 10:30 p.m.

February 24, Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Preregistration Required by February 2, 2007

NRA Metallic Cartridge Reloading Course

(8 hrs)-\$75/\$50/\$30

Students under 18 must be accompanied adult

February 25, Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Preregistration Required by February 9, 2007

NRA Basic Instructor Course(6 hrs) - \$50/\$25/\$15

March 11, Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Preregistration Required by February 23, 2007

NRA Pistol Instructor Trng(11 hrs)-\$75/\$50/\$30

March 16, Friday 6:00 – 10:30 p.m.

March 17, Saturday 9:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Preregistration Required by February 23, 2007

One last thought... “The only safe rule is to promise little and faithfully to keep every promise; to speak softly and carry a big stick.” Theodore Roosevelt

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