

# The Owatonna Gun Club

## Summer Newsletter 2016

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### Attentions

#### Junior Shooters

You may shoot 200 targets this summer at the OGC for \$30 including targets and shells. See article on page 5 for more information.

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## Summer League to start June 1<sup>st</sup>

The 2016 Owatonna Gun Club Summer League is now forming and will begin competition on Wednesday, June 1st. The format of the Summer League will be as it has been in the past with shooters shooting 300 targets over the course of three months' time. You may shoot ahead or behind if you so choose, the only requirement is that your league rounds must be complete by Sunday, August 31st to be scored for your team. Sponsor fees for summer teams remain at \$50. Individual

memberships for the 2016 calendar year are \$20 and for those participating in the Summer League, also includes our end of year party which will be held on Wednesday, September 7th this year. A reminder to all shooters that we will be closed on Sunday, September 4th (Labor Day weekend). Please note that we will be closed for league shooting on Sunday, June 12th as we will be hosting our 19th annual Cabela's Shoot. This will be the only Sunday during the summer that we will

not be open for league shooting due to our registered shoot schedule.

**We are also planning a pair of summer doubles leagues and plan to leave trap #1 set for doubles on all Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings of open shooting. Please see the article elsewhere in the Newsletter for more information.**

We are looking forward to a great Summer League and hope that you will consider taking part.

## 2016 Spring League Results

15 teams participated in the 2016 Spring League. Leading the way in scoring this spring was Bob Neuman with a 196 X 200. Kim Barnet led the ladies with a 174.

The High Handicap team was the Vern Eidie Motors team made up of Gary Rogert, Mason Rogert, Marc Rogert, Rick Zoeller, and Jay Neitzell. The High Actual

Team was the Light Loads made up of Todd Mortensen, Frank Schmidt, Jay Neitzell, Jason Haroldson, and Rick Ahrens. Congratulations!

# OWATONNA GUN CLUB

## Summer League 2016

Please be sure each Team Shooter is advised of the following information.

### General Information

Gun Club Hours: Wednesdays—5:00PM to 9:00 PM

Sundays - 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Memberships: Annual - \$ 20.00

Life - \$ 200.00

Price: Members - \$5.00 per round Juniors - \$4.00

Non-members - \$7.00 per round

### Shooting Program

The Summer League Program will consist of 300 targets, all thrown from 16 yards.

Shooting competition will begin on Wed., June 1st and conclude on Wednesday, August 31st.

Banquet Night for Summer League will be Wednesday, September 7th.

## Attention Junior Shooters

Beginning on June 1st we will continue to offer our youth program at the Owatonna Gun Club. For \$30, young people between the ages of 12 and 18 will be able to shoot eight round (200 targets). This includes shells and targets. For your \$30 first time participants will receive a shooting pouch to hold their shells and empties.

Don't wait to sign up. You may register at any time. We will allow you to shoot your 200 targets between June 1st and August 31st. We are able to make this offer in part due the generosity of the Minnesota Weapons Collectors as well as a contribution from Owatonna Gun Club .

To participate you must have completed the Firearms Safety course offered by the Minnesota DNR and have the certificate **in your possession** at the time of your registration. Each time that you come to shoot, we will provide you with the shells ( either 12 or 20 gauge) that you will need. You may not use these shells to participate in the regular adult summer league. If you have any questions, please contact an OGC Board Member. You are also invited to the yearend Summer League party on Sept. 7th.

## Minnesota continues to lead the Nation in High School Trapshooting participation

High School trapshooting in Minnesota has surpassed every state in the union in terms of participation. The OGC hosts the HS shooters from NRHEG, Medford, and Blooming Prairie. NRHEG competes in Class 7A, Conference #9, Medford in Class 2A Conference #1 and Blooming Prairie in Class 1A, Conference #9. As of this writing, Kyle Bartz of NRHEG is in the top 25 individually. Standings are

available on the Clay Target league web site. Between 8,000 and 10,000 HS shooters are expected in Alexandria for our state HS shoot June 14th to the 21st at the Alex Shooting Park, site of the Minnesota State Shoot. That is correct. A full 8 days of shooting, making it the largest shooting competition, in terms of participants, of its kind anywhere in the world. Currently there are 10,361 shooters

from 319 schools participating in leagues this spring.

The leagues co-ed and adaptive nature are key attractions to high schools in Minnesota.

The season culminates with a the Minnesota State Championship sponsored by the Minnesota State High School League. The MSHSL was the first interscholastic association to sponsor a shooting championship.

**We will be closed on Sunday, September 4th!**



Top picture:  
Blooming Prairie High School Trap Team  
5/25/2016.

Bottom picture:  
Winter League at Airport location.



## Editors Note

Regular readers of Trapshooters.com know that a certain amount of good natured exchange takes place between the *Literalist* (aka Denny Spurling) and the SW Iowa clowns on a variety of topics. My sources tell me there will be a reunion of sorts at the Cabela's Shoot in June as both parties are scheduled to appear. Even if you are only an occasional reader of the *Lits* material, you won't want to miss this "alignment of the stars!" See you at the OGC in June.



Owatonna Gun Club during one of our past ATA shoots.

## 2016 Summer Doubles Leagues

The Owatonna Gun Club plans to have two separate doubles leagues this summer. Each will have the same format. They will be 200 target leagues and will have a compulsory \$5 Lewis entry that will be paid out in two classes 60%/40%. The first league will run in June and July, the second August and September. You may shoot your qualifying scores all at once or spread them out over the two month period. If you have any questions, see an OGC Board Member.

## 2016 Summer League Important Dates

Wednesday, June 1st– First day of Summer League

Sunday, June 12th– no league shooting

Saturday and Sunday, July 23rd & 24th- Cowboy Action Shoot

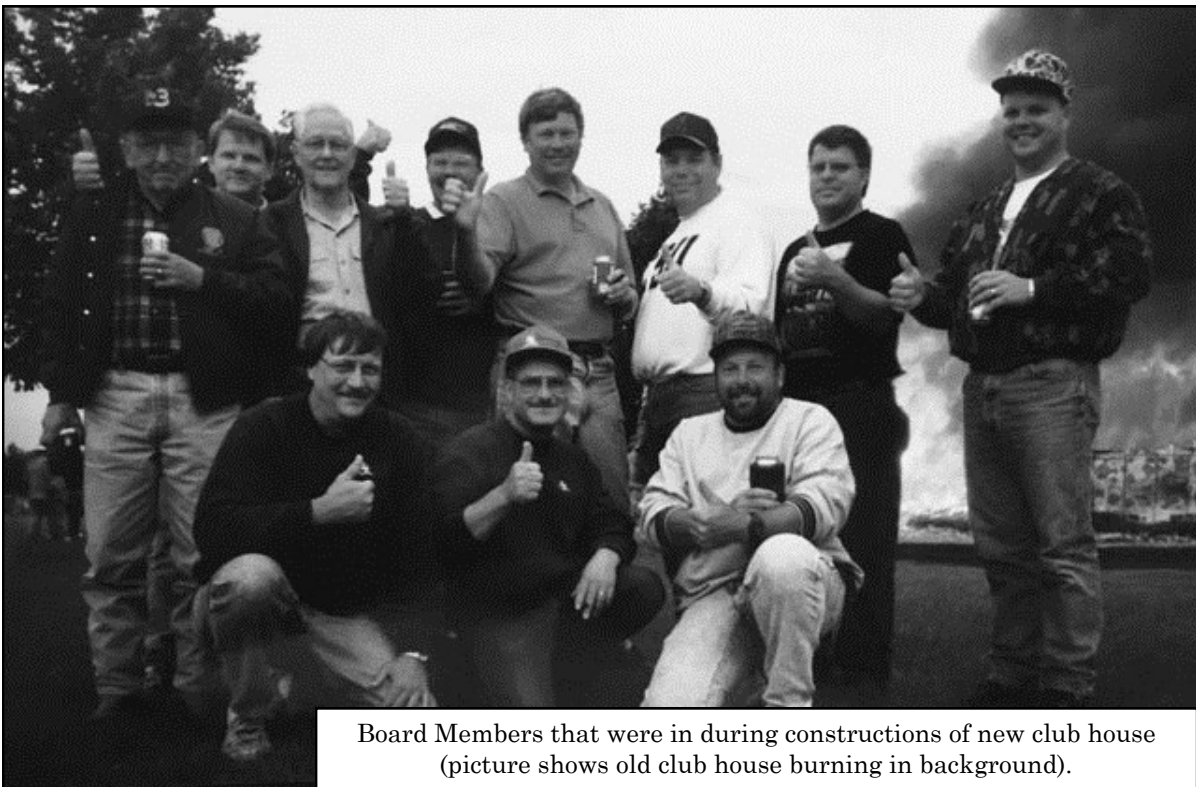
Wed., August 31st– Last day of league shooting

Sunday, September 4th– OGC is closed

Wednesday, September 7th– Summer Party

### Safety First!

- Ear and eye protection required for shooters and trap help
- **Absolutely NO alcohol is to be consumed before shooting. Scores may be disqualified for violations.**



Board Members that were in during constructions of new club house  
(picture shows old club house burning in background).

## **Owatonna Gun Club**

**PO Box 12**

**Owatonna, MN 55060**

### **Gun Club Hours**

- **October thru November**

**Sunday: 9:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon**

- **Dec. thru Feb. Closed**

- **March and April**

**Saturday: 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM**

**Sunday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

- **May thru September**

**Wednesday: 5:00 to 9:00 P.M.**

**Sunday: 9:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon**

## **19th Annual Cabela's Shoot to be held June 9th through 12th**

The summer months are a great time for trapshooters and this will be especially true at the Owatonna Gun Club again this summer. The highlight of the schedule will be 19th annual Cabela's Shoot which has become one of the top shoots on the Minnesota shooting schedule. It will be held June 9th through the 12th. This will be the third year of our expanded four day shoot and with the exception of Thursday's weather last year we had a great shoot. We are hopeful of being able

to have a full four days of competition as since we made the move to four days, weather has impacted the shoot. We had competitors from surrounding states and Canada who vie for over \$9000 in prize money and Cabela's gift certificates. We are especially looking forward to seeing many of our Iowa friends who were unable to attend in 2015 due to a conflict with their state zone shoot. Last year we paid out in excess of \$18,000 in prizes and trophies. In addition to the great targets,

we roll out the OGC hospitality so shooters and their families are more likely to enjoy their stay in Owatonna. As is our custom, we will serve the great supper on Saturday after shooting is complete for our shooters and their families. Once again, the weather has been typical for a Minnesota spring and we are really looking forward to having four days of good weather. If you want information on shooting ATA registered targets, see one of the OGC board members.