

Greetings!

Just letting you know that we have had some issues with trespassing on our Club grounds recently. Folks have been parking on the entrance road and walking in to take advantage of our Club without paying for membership or helping with our work efforts. The Board has begun taking a stronger action against these folks so on the occasion that we catch someone; we have begun charging folks with trespassing. Folks, it is not that costly to join our Club and use it whenever you like so please let folks know we are accepting new memberships right now. If you see someone trespassing onto our property, take pictures of the offending vehicles and make sure you get a clear photo of the license plate. Then contact the Peoria County Sheriff's office at 309-697-8515 and let them know the date, time and location of the vehicles. If you are uncomfortable with doing this, send the information to webmaster@chillisportsmen.org and I will make sure the information is passed along to the authorities. We welcome our membership to use our Club but we want trespassers to stop using our Club. Encourage your friends and family to become members and enjoy this central Illinois gem of a Club.

April 2025 Newsletter:

With the change in newsletter format, I had some feedback about the calendar not being very legible. I am trying something a little different this time so let me know your thoughts. Also, there is a LINK to the Events Activity Calendar for 2025 listed after the months in this email so you can always click the link and get the latest calendar stuff there.

A PDF of this email will be posted to our website but will have all the information from this email only in it. As always, all past newsletters can be found on our website.

If you know of a fellow member having troubles getting their e-newsletter, remind them that it is probably their email system using sophisticated scanning routines that determine what is spam versus what is a good email based on text and graphics. Our newsletter email usually ends up in the spam / junk folders. Let them know that they can avoid having these emails sent to the spam / junk folder by adding the webmaster@chillisportsmen.org as well as the newsletter@chillisportsmen.org to their address book in order to ensure the newsletter notification is not blocked by a spam filter.

2025 Trap News:

Adult League Trap – starts on April 2nd, BUT it isn't too late to sign up if you are still interested in forming a team. Also, if you don't have a team but want to join one, please reach out to Jenn and she will put you in contact with a team that is looking for a few people. (Jenn 309-224-9226 or chilli_trap@chillisportsmen.org).

2025 YSSI:

We are excited to announce that the Youth Shooting Sports Invitational (YSSI) is returning in 2025, scheduled for May 2-3, 2025! As we prepare for another fantastic event filled with shooting sports, archery, and firearm safety training, we're reaching out to our dedicated community for volunteer support. Your time and expertise are invaluable in helping us create a safe, educational, and fun experience for our youth participants.

Volunteer roles include:

- Assisting with shooting and archery stations
- Supporting firearm safety training sessions
- Event setup and breakdown
- General event support and logistics
- Kitchen Cooking, Serving and Cleanup

If you're interested in volunteering, please let me know as son as possible so I can coordinate roles and schedules. Feel free to reach out with any questions or suggestions as well. Contact Jim Tate ph:309-453-0367 or email at jtate@chillisportsmen.org.

Thank you for your continued support in making YSSI a success! We look forward to working with you to make 2025 our best year yet.

Annual Activity Information:

Did you know that you will find the full 2025 calendar of events as well as the newsletter information under the NEWSLETTER area as well as a main menu button. **Here is a link to the 2025** calendar of events page.

Articles for Sale:

We still have our website with the <u>Articles for Sale page</u> so if you have any items you would like to sell let me know and I will get them posted - it is free! There have been some additions to the webpage so check it out.

2025 Work Hours:

We have several work party opportunities coming up in April! Members are urged to try to make some of the <u>monthly work party days to earn work hour credits</u>. Work hours are part of our effort to keep the Club in good shape and running smoothly. It also saves you money by not having to pay for your work hours at the end of the year. Contact <u>Kevin Bauswell</u> at (309) 678-2438 for questions on outdoor work efforts or, if you're interested in clubhouse cleanup, <u>Bill Dwyer</u> @ (309) 274-2345.

EVENT DIRECTORS:

The <u>2025 Calendar of Events</u> is still being drafted. If you have changes or additions to the calendar, please contact Bruce Hayashi at <u>bruceh@chillisportsmen.org</u> to have your events added to the calendar.

New Speed Limits:

Also, for those of you traveling through the Rome area on 29, IDOT has lowered the speed limit to 45 MPH on Illinois Route 29 as you enter Rome, a few miles south of Chillicothe. Locals have reported seeing multiple police agencies enforcing the new 45 MPH speed limit. Forewarned is forearmed, better that you know before you travel through the area. Your money would be better spent on firearms and ammunition, not speeding fines.

Remember, this is YOUR Club to enjoy so be sure to come out and just have fun on any of the many ranges. Bring your fishing rod along and try out the pond! There are all sorts of things to do here at the Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club!

Keep in mind that we focus very heavily on safety at our Club. For a full listing of all our <u>Club Rules</u>, please find them on our website by following the above link (<u>Club Rules</u>).

As you are probably aware, we are now delivering this newsletter only via email / the internet. If you know of someone that was getting the paper copy, please have them send an email to newsletter@chillisportsmen.org to get added to our email database. Likewise, if you know of someone that would LIKE to get these email newsletters, forward this email to them and have them click on this link to Sign up!

Remember to stay safe when at the Club and in a safe manner (personal protective equipment)! Keep in mind that your decision to come to the Club and shoot or participate in an activity is your free choice! We want you to be safe at all times; coming to the Club, participating at the Club, going home from the Club and around your home! BE SAFE!

Ever wonder what some of the acronyms that we tend to throw around really means? Well, here is an <u>ACRONYMS</u> webpage. Check it out and let me know if there are any that I might have missed!

Click here for the Newsletter webpage

Click here for the April 2025 Newsletter!

Best Regards,
Tim Vik
Chillicothe Sportsmen's Club Secretary and Webmaster
Certified NRA Rifle, Shotgun, Pistol, and PPIH Instructor
Metallic and Shotshell Reloading Instructor
Chief Range Safety Officer

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