

# St. Joe Valley Trap and Skeet

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## Meet *YOUR* Board of Directors Volunteer Members Working for YOU

Your 2016 Board of Directors has been working diligently to keep SJV the premier location for trap and skeet. Our club is directed by nine board members that meet formerly on a monthly basis to make decisions about how the club is operated and maintained.

The SJV Board of Directors are Jay Hammond, President; Todd Ely, Vice President; Dennis Meinert, Treasurer; Tom Spencer, Secretary; Steve Eckert, Gregg Huffman, Rod

Leavitt, Arnold Bailey, and Kenny Yarnelle.

Board members are elected on a yearly basis for varying terms of service. The term lengths ensure that the positions are staggered.

Please be sure to address any concerns you have about our club with any of the board members. We have a great bunch of guys on the board this year, and look forward to many improvements!!!

## Did You Know?

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St. Joe Valley is an ALL VOLUNTEER club. The guy behind the counter is a volunteer. The person on the mower is a volunteer. The person fixing the trap and skeet machines is a volunteer. The person helping new shooters, running the youth team, doing the accounting, making sure the property is in good repair, plunging the toilet, taking out the trash cleaning the windows and running the shoots are – you guessed it – volunteers!

We simply wouldn't have this beautiful club without our volunteers. It's sometimes hard to remember that this is a volunteer run club.

Next time you see someone working at the club, take a moment and thank them. Or better yet, ASK HOW YOU CAN HELP!



## ATA BIG 50's at SJV

### Board Votes to Host Big 50's

The Board of Directors has approved hosting Big 50 events at St. Joe.

ATA Big 50 events are designed to encourage casual shooters and league shooters to shoot registered targets. St. Joe will host Big 50's on Wednesdays at the club. All of the details have not yet been worked out, but here are a few:

- Shooters must declare their intent to register targets before shooting.
- 50 registered targets will be thrown (singles, handicap, or doubles).
- No more than three 50 target events per day.
- A round of 25 singles or handicap may be combined with another date of 25 targets to total 50.
- Registered AND non-registered shooters may shoot on the same squad.
- Minimum three registered shooters per event (S, H, D).
- Only registered shooter's scores are counted for earned yardage. A score of 50x50 will earn ½ yard.
- All other ATA rules apply.

We hope that having a Big 50 every Wednesday will be beneficial to our ATA shooters, and hopefully bring in shooters from other locations.

Keep watching for more details concerning start times and events.

We are looking for suggestions – what do YOU want to shoot?

Do you want to shoot singles one week, handicap the next, doubles the next? Do you want all three events every Wednesday?

*It is our goal to improve and GROW our trap program this year – any suggestions are appreciated.*

## Winter League 2017

### Winter League is Just Around the Corner!

As bad as we hate to see summer go away, we are looking forward to Winter League. Currently, we need a volunteer to run the Winter League for 2017. Ideally, we

would like to have someone that has experience running shoots, but we would be more than happy to help someone new learn the “ropes”.

2016 ATA Shoots

October 2<sup>nd</sup>

Kenny Yarnelle has graciously offered to fix up and set up our 5-stand for league this year and will be hard at work over the next few weeks preparing it to be used.

The decision to bring back the 5-stand was due to support of our volunteer members, and suggestions in the "suggestion bucket" at the club.

Unfortunately, a lot of our members don't realize the amount of hard work that goes into just setting up and tearing down the 5-stand during winter league – in all kinds of weather - let alone getting it ready for the season. If you can be of any assistance, please contact Kenny or a board member. We can always use the help!

## 2017 Skeet Program



May 10: 100 Rd. 12ga.

May 25-28: Mid America

June 14: 100 Rd. 20ga.

June 23 -25: Bandido - POCO Loco

July 12: 100 Round 12ga.

July 21-23: Harry Michelson Open

July 27-30: NSSA Jr. World Championship

Aug 9, 2017: 100 Round .410

## Youth Team



St. Joe Valley's Youth Team is wrapping up the year. We have competed in many competitions this year, and look forward to continuing with the Winter League.

We now have Garrett High School's team with us, and hope to add another local high school soon.

If you know any youth between the ages of 8 and 22 that are interested in our team, please have them contact Jay Hammond, Todd Ely, or Steve Eckert.

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## 5-Stand Now OPEN!

Thanks to Kenny Yarnelle and a few other volunteers, our 5-Stand is now open on Saturdays from 10-4.

The field is set up "soft" enough to be challenging and fun with a 12ga, but even more fun with a 20 or 28. Any decent skeet gun would be ideal for the 5-stand, and any 12ga capable of doubles will

work great. Shooters are reporting good success using IC and Skeet chokes.

During winter league, the 5-stand will only be open on Sundays. Come out and try a round – you will have fun!

## **Open House/Member Shoot**

Keep October 15 open for our open house.

The board of Directors is challenging every member to bring a guest that may be interested in joining the club or interested in Trap and Skeet shooting. There will be certified instructors for trap and skeet to help those that have no experience. There will also be free food available for all. Several members will be available in the club house to answer any question that the visitors may have. Join us for a great day at the club.

## **Corporate Shoots**

If your company is looking for something exciting to do for an outing, contact the club about our corporate shoot program!

The cost is \$15.00 per person per round and includes a box

of shells. Club loaner guns are available should someone need one. This price also includes a picture of the team to be emailed to the corporation.

Certified instructors are also available to assist the first time shooters. If they have a shoot on a day that the club is closed, there is an additional \$150.00 Opening fee assessed.

**WINTER LEAGUE –**

**START PUTTING YOUR SQUADS TOGETHER!!!!**

### *OPEN HOUSE AT ST. JOE VALLEY*

Open to MEMBERS – Bring a friend!!!

**FREE LUNCH/SHOOTING**

OCTOBER 15, 2016

Details to follow, volunteers needed!!!!

*Do you have an envelope at the club with CASH for you?*

Please check at the counter to see if you have winnings not yet picked up!

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