

June 2016

## President's Message

The skeet season is hitting its peak. Please enjoy the many opportunities to shoot targets in Michigan and on the national level.

One of the Board's main responsibilities is to host the State Shoot. Honestly, it is a huge task with details performed by many Board Members. Your assistance is welcome. If you wish to get involved and help the Board host the State Shoot, please contact Brent Edwards or Mike Stewart and we will find a place for your skills.

The State Shoot Registration is now available on the website and you should have received a copy via email. Please note that the completed registration (with deposits) must be sent to Kathy Warner no later than July 5, 2016 to be included in the drawing for rotations. In addition, the MSA Ballot is available online. Sunday of the State Shoot is when the voting will take place.

Please note there will be available at no cost two 4 gun entries to the State Shoot for first time attendees. Please see the registration form. A drawing will be conducted to select the winners.

The MSA State Shoot Committee and others are working hard to obtain Club Ads for the State Shoot Brochure. The goal is to have every club in the MSA submit an Ad for publishing. This demonstrates support of the MSA, advertises your club and helps to keep our entry fees down and defray the cost awards. Please contact Brent Edwards or David Schiebel for additional information to submit your club's advertising.

On Thursday afternoon, August 25<sup>th</sup> the BIG Gun Handicap event will be



held. This year through donations from MSA members, \$1,000 has been donated as added money for the event. A special thanks to all those who contributed the added money!

Beginning this year at the State Shoot the Board approved a Friday evening Awards Presentation for doubles and 20 gauge. Both guns will be completed at the end of the day on Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. At the conclusion of the shoot off a light dinner will be provided by the DGC before the awards presentation. The Friday dinner is sponsored by Kolar Arms. Please be certain to thank John Fournier and Kolar Arms for their generosity! Plan to attend, enjoy the meal and receive your awards! Saturday evening a complete dinner will be available (at a nominal cost) before the awards presentation and HOF Induction.

The NSSA is the parent organization that provides umbrella leadership to our sport. I am certain you are well aware of the "new and improved" NSSA/NSCA website.

There is a tremendous amount of information available to keep you

informed of the many happenings in skeet and sporting clays. Included in the website you will find the online version of Clay Target Nation, the Scoreboard and upcoming NSSA registered events. Please be aware that the NSSA is providing a "free" 4 gun entry for a first time World Shoot attendee. The application is available on the NSSA website and one winner will be selected from Michigan and our Zone. In addition, if an individual takes a first time attendee you may have one gun entry free. You may forward your applications to me for processing.

Please take the time to navigate the NSSA/NSCA website at <http://nssa-nsca.org/> Click on skeet and enjoy.

The MSA Website is located at <https://michiganskeet.com/> and provides a wealth of information for all the skeet happenings in Michigan. Recently, a Facebook page has been added to the MSA website. Just click on the icon and go from there! Thank you Brent for creating the Facebook link.

You are strongly encouraged to use the website ([michiganskeet.com](http://michiganskeet.com)) to stay informed of skeet shooting in Michigan. The Shoot Calendar is excellent and user friendly! Please be reminded to submit pictures and shoot results to be posted in the MSA News on the website. Also, feel free to post photos, results and accomplishments directly to the Facebook page. Your club news is important to our sport.

A special thanks goes to all the MSA members for your efforts and commitment at each member club.

On behalf of the entire Board, we are looking forward to seeing you at the State Shoot!