

Covered at the August, 2016 SMSC Board of Directors' meeting:

**IMPORTANT!! ELECTION OF 4 BOARD MEMBERS AT NOVEMBER 17 ALL-MEMBER MEETING
NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM NOW, UNTIL END OF NOVEMBER 10 BOARD MEETING,
TO BE HELD AT SMSC CLUBHOUSE AT 7:30PM ON NOV 10
=====> NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR ON NOVEMBER 17 <=====**
=====> NO SELF-NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED <=====

RULES FOR NOMINATIONS:

1. No nominations will be accepted during the meeting, in December.
2. All nominations must be received by the Board before the end of the November 10 Board meeting. (Nominations will be accepted during the September 8 and November 10 Board Meetings. Both of these Board Meetings will be held at the SMSC Clubhouse, at 7:30PM.)

RULES FOR NOMINEES:

1. The nominee must agree to run for the Board **BEFORE** being nominated. Nominees not present, when the nomination is made, should expect to be contacted by a member of the Board to confirm their agreement to run for the Board.
2. Nominees should be prepared to speak, for 2 minutes or less, regarding their qualifications, interests, area of service, and expected contribution to the leadership of the club, at the November 17 All-Member meeting. If prior commitments preclude the nominee's participation at this meeting, the nominee should designate a representative to read their written statement.

EXPECTATIONS FOR THOSE ELECTED:

1. Participate in all SMSC Board meetings and activities.
2. Contribute to the SMSC in a positive way.
3. Invest time and labor in supporting SMSC and its members.
4. Assume a position of responsibility and service on the SMSC Board.
5. Have a desire to serve and to improve SMSC.

THE SEPT BoD MEETING will be at the SMSC Clubhouse, on Sept. 8, at 7:30PM. **We need members to participate in these meetings.** Be "in the know" about your club. Help move your club forward in the future. Show up, and be involved!

SMSC Bullseye league begins Tuesday, September 6th, with three weeks of organized practice. The first two practice weeks include a brief orientation class at 6:15PM, in the SMSC clubhouse. This orientation class is mandatory for new shooters. We ask new shooters to come to the training weeks to: ask questions, gain practice and confidence, establish average score - used to determine their handicap.

League shooting begins Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 6PM, at the SMSC indoor range, and goes for 10 weeks. Shooting ends when everyone has completed their round of fire (usually about 9 PM). Shooters need not attend every week; you can shoot multiple times in an evening to 'shoot ahead,' and there are ways for a shooter to "make up" a missed week.

Anyone interested in, or curious about, precision pistol shooting is invited to attend an orientation class to find out what Bullseye League is all about. The only requirement to join the Bullseye league is that you are an SMSC member in good standing. You do not need to have equipment. The Bullseye League has guns, eye and hearing protection, and you can purchase the needed .22 ammunition from the club.

SMSC Bullseye League Calendar
(ical format)

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/smtk4b969142ip8mcg6iibhhk0%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>

(html format)

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=smtk4b969142ip8mcg6iibhkhk0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Chicago>

Direct questions to:

Michael Swenson, Cell (call or text): 507-254-5290, email: brasshopper@charter.net or SMSCBullseye@gmail.com

Appleseed Event in October: SMSC is hosting an Appleseed event October 1st-2nd. Please attend, if you are interested in developing or improving your rifle marksmanship. This fun weekend combines the fundamentals of marksmanship with Revolutionary War history (specifically, what happened on April 19th, 1776). This is a family friendly event, and can be a great way to introduce a new shooter to proper and safe use of a rifle in a competent manner. These links will take you to information about the event and the Appleseed Project. Please pass this info on to friends, family, and co-workers who might be interested:

Event Info: http://appleseedinfo.org/search-states-location.php?locationid=213&id_event=4475

Appleseed Info: <http://appleseedinfo.org>

Recent badge access/egress problems have been resolved by updates to the application running our badge readers. We apologize for any inconvenience to our members.

If you have webmaster skills, please contact John Milton to discuss the possibility of being our new webmaster. John's email is: bjmilton@gmail.com

A big "THANKS" to Mike Swenson for replacing the tile in the Clubhouse entrance area!! Mike saw the need, requested permission of the Board, at a monthly Board Meeting, and then "just got it done." THANKS, MIKE!!

Now, you must also badge OUT of the range! This is to help ensure we know who is using the range. Be sure that you do not allow anyone to "tailgate" when entering OR LEAVING the range. Everyone should badge in and out.

Security cameras have been installed, and are fully operational. These have already helped to make the range safer by allowing us to enforce safety rules more consistently. Be sure you read the posted rules and follow them!

A new furnace is on the way for this fall. The old furnace has reached the end of its usable life, and needs replacement, after failing multiple times this past winter.

OLD, BUT STILL IMPORTANT!!

RANGE HOURS:

0800-SUNSET MON-SAT

0900-SUNSET SUN

For sunset time each day, go to: <http://sunrise-sunset.org/us/rochester-mn>

DO NOT LET ANYONE THROUGH THE GATE WITH YOU, either coming in or going out, other than your immediate family or your ONE personal guest. **Every member must badge in and out.** Your SMSC ID badge should be visibly displayed at all times inside the fenced-in (range) areas.

Eye and ear protection is required at all times for everyone inside the fenced-in area.

EVERY member is responsible to know, follow, and enforce firearms safety and all posted rules at all times.

Change in membership details: The Board has clarified membership details, as follow: *Membership is for the member ONLY. The member's spouse or partner, sharing the same address, per information on their driver's licenses, and their children or grandchildren under age 18, living at the same address, are allowed on the range with the member for no additional charge. Spouses or partners, with the same address, may have their own badge for range access if they pay the badge fee (\$10), completing the Safety Orientation, and provide a completed Waiver.*

Club Guest WiFi Password is "clubhouse" (without quotation marks).

You are responsible to keep your email address current. The club uses email and the web site (www.smsclub.org) EXCLUSIVELY to communicate with members. If your email address changes, please notify us via email at clubmail@smsclub.org. We use email to notify members of their renewal date. If you do not have a valid email address on file, you will NOT be notified. This newsletter is also emailed, and it is published on the web site. It contains information you need to know. Without email, you must go to the club's web site to stay current on important club business, rules, etc.

Safety Orientation class dates and times are on the calendar at www.smsclub.org. Classes are not necessarily always on the same day each month, nor will classes always be held at the same time.

Lifetime Membership fee is \$1500. The fee was raised in February of 2015, and announced at that time.

Thoughts on how the club may be more useful or "user-friendly" to members? PLEASE SEND YOUR IDEAS TO: clubmail@smsclub.org Communications to SMSC or its Board of Directors should also be sent to this address.

YOUR 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (Terms expire 12-31 of the stated year.)

Ron Remann (2016), President	Brian Rognholt (2018), Vice-Pres
Mike Woodcock (2018), Treasurer	Matt Mattingly (2017), Secretary
Anthony Deveau (2017)	Dale Meyer (2017)
Gerad Welch (2018)	Larry Plank (2016)
Mike Toth (2017) - AWAIR Mgr	Pat Neville (2016)
Randy Ziemann (2016)	Scott Groth (2018)