



Dead Pair Press

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DRIVEN BIRD (CLAYS) SHOOTING ?

Recently had a conversation with a wingshooting enthusiast who is replicating the great European style driven bird shoots found in England and Scotland, only with clays.

Of course there are great hunting facilities here in the USA that do the driven live bird shoots as well.

It sounded like an interesting concept to try with clays.

Their format was to sign up 8 shooters and shoot around 1500 targets during the day with traditional breaks and lunch. All high flying clays driven straight at the shooters, replicating the high flying fowl, like 40- 50 yards high at a minimum.

This driven bird (clay) concept may become a reality at Shooters. We have a great little spot to try it out for proof of concept. We might not start out with 1500 targets initially.

**Will be interesting to see how well it is received.
Right now anything sounds good ???**

**- KEEPING YOU INFORMED -
MN GOVERNOR EXEC ORDER 20-33**

On Wednesday, April 8, 2020 the Executive Order 20-33 was issued in Minnesota. It was an extension of the governor's previous "stay at home" order.

Section 6.o.ii of the new executive order also mandates that "gun ranges and clubs" be closed down for the duration of the order - currently that is until May 4, 2020.

Right now we are mandated to be closed so we will follow Executive Order 20-33, bottom of page 9 outlines the closure. We saved a copy of the order on our website - [Click here for the exec order 20-33 PDF.](#)

We do not want to be out of compliance and penalized.

We want to be part of the solution, not part of the problem.

Ranges outside of MN are noting changes in their operations with social distancing options, clubhouse access restrictions, wiping down of handheld trap controls and shooting carts, changing payment options,

etc.

Be smart. Be safe.

**If applicable, please forward this email to
a Shooting Coach/Parent or a Student
Shooting Sports Team**

[Scholastic Clay Target Program \(SCTP\) LEAGUE](#)

We've been in contact with some local high school shooting teams. Sounds like some of the schools will not be participating in the spring clay target leagues. Spring school activities may be canceled past May 3.

Hard to say what actually will happen - it's all up in the air yet.

Updates online indicate the state school clay target tournaments are canceled and the MN state high school league shoot and nationals are postponed.

To do something about this situation, we're thinking of starting up an SCTP spring/summer league that could involve choices of multiple shotgun disciplines.

League start date to be determined, obviously sometime past May 3, 2020.

This may prove a good opportunity if there are students that want to shoot clays this spring & summer, with a league format. Having the parents and coaches shoot alongside the students is a possibility too.

A student will need to join the SCTP for \$25 for the year for insurance and then can participate in any SCTP shoots. Coaches join for \$35 and can shoot as well if events are configured as such.

The shooting year follows the school year, so annual membership in the SCTP is from September 2019 through August 2020 so plenty of time on the shoot calendar yet.

More info on the SCTP organization can be found at the [Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation website](#).

We started a SCTP "Club Team" last September out of Shooters Sporting Clays. If schools cannot get involved for the rest of the year, the shooting clubs still can get involved, so there are options.

SCTP is designed for hosting any clay shooting discipline and has the virtual league capability as well. There is team scoring available.

We can host sporting clays leagues at our range, and we can also host a virtual SCTP trap league that a team could shoot at your local ranges. Or a combination of both. Throw skeet in too, whatever works.

We can offer other clay disciplines/games like 5-Stand or Super Sporting. We'll just put them under the sporting clays category.

Any ideas and format suggestions are welcome.

Click our email address or button below to send us input. Would be great to hear from you on this.

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Send SHOOTERS input on SCTP Student and Coach League Input

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Click the button if you need some reading material.

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Just FYI – hotel rooms are taking reservations for the 2020 MN State Sporting Clays Championship on August 20–23, 2020. Blocks were created a while ago, and when you are calling the hotels, **reference the “MN State Sporting Clay Championship” or some variation of that.**

Phone numbers below. Don't have to copy & paste number, just click to call for your convenience.

[Sleep Inn: 507-337-0103](tel:507-337-0103)

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[Quality Inn: 507-532-3070](tel:507-532-3070)

Our previously scheduled May NSCA registered shoot **Smoothbore 150 & 3-Bird Fun Challenge - has been postponed again. Date to be determined. We have to get past May 4th and see what's up.**

And Yes.....this will always be in the Dead Pair Press until September:

Shooters Sporting Clays is the proud host of the **2020 MN State Sporting Clays Championship** during August 20-23, 2020.

Mark your calendars

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