

Independent Sportsmen's Club

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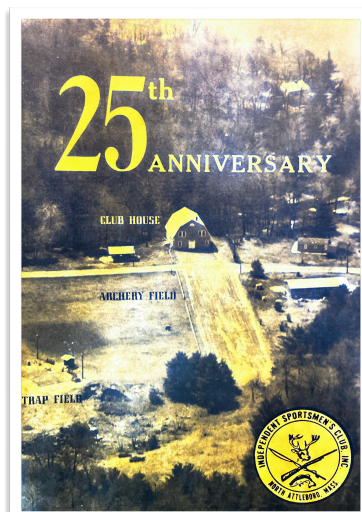
This year, the **Independent Sportsmen's Club** (ISC) celebrates **75 years** of continuous operation. 50 years ago members documented the early years as they built a sportsman's club from the ground up. Below is the cover of a 1973 brochure recognizing those first 25 years.

Please take a look at the timeline from the 25 year brochure on the next page to see what eight members accomplished with their own labor and money. Volunteers created our club, and volunteer/members continue to improve and maintain the ISC.

We can only imagine what the ISC will be like in another 25 or 75 years. Enjoy 2023 have fun, shoot safely.

Thank you,

Greg Sexton, President



A Look Back - First 25 Year Highlights

- Independent Sportsmen's Club Incorporated December 23, 1948
- Dues \$2.00/year
- Without property or a clubhouse, meetings were held in a variety of places including Dick Wall's garage, the YMCA in North Attleboro, Bill Potter's barn, and Everett Bowder's house.
- 1950 a mortgage was acquired for \$4000 at 5%, bonds sold to members @\$5.00/share
- 1957 there were now 50 members and they had begun construction of the clubhouse
- 1958 construction of the clubhouse walls and floor were completed
- Every Thursday night was work night at the clubhouse.
- 1962 automatic traps were installed on the club's first skeet field
- 1964 a second skeet field was added
- 1965 the club now has 2 skeet fields and 1 trap field
- 1965/1966 the ISC Skeet Team won various medals at the NSAA World Skeet Championship
- 1967 a 14-target archery course was built
- 1969 initiation fees increased to \$25
- 1972 first registered skeet shoot was held at the ISC

"If we hope to merit and maintain the reputation as a better Sportsman's Club, we'll have to keep working at it, at least for the next twenty-five years.

We believe we have one of the finest Sportsmen's Clubs around, and perhaps with some justifiable pride."

Ken Snay, President

1973

Membership Information

Membership Committee

Please Note

Applicants for membership must appear at the Board of Directors meeting when their application is to be reviewed. Applicants should arrive to the meeting a few minutes early so that their paperwork can be reviewed. Paperwork includes a signed application, a signed liability waiver, a check or cash for the application fees, and some proof of NRA membership. NRA membership can be either a copy of a current NRA membership card or an email confirmation of a submitted order from the NRA if the applicant has only recently joined the NRA.

Welcome to the following new members!

Adam Manning
Andrew Mandeville
Michael Powers
David Durso
Griffin Garber
Anthony Volpe

Current Membership Count

4

3

8

Orientations are now held at 10:00 am on the Sunday following the monthly Board of Directors meeting where/when new applications are reviewed. Orientation is REQUIRED for all members who intend to use the Rifle/Pistol ranges. Contact Paul Farrington or Paul Belanger if you plan to attend an orientation.

Paul Farrington can be reached at: pfarrington7.62@gmail.com

Paul Belanger at: iscrpscomm01@gmail.com

New members: Remember to check the ISC website for current activities, shotgun leagues, and rifle/pistol competitions. Join-in and meet other members.

ISC Committee Members

Membership Committee

- Dick Wall Jr.
- Paul Belanger

Skeet, Trap & Sporting Clays Committee

- Mike Lombardy

Rifle, Pistol Range Officer Committee

- Paul Farrington
- Bill Gardner
- Paul Belanger
- Bill Kelley
- Bill Schoolcraft
- Paul Needham
- Jay Rothmeyer

Finance Committee

- George J. Bohnenberger
- Dick Wall Jr.

Safety Committee

- Paul Belanger
- Dan Carter
- Mark Stopa
- Mike Lombardy
- Peter Cmaylo
- Paul Farrington

Current Club Activities

Shotgun Leagues & Other Events

Fall Trap League Results

First Place - **Mike Lombardy**

Second Place - **John Beaule'**

Third Place - **Vinny Lambiase**



5-Stand League

The league runs for 8 weeks - 50 targets per week

Final standings are based on shooter's best 6 scores of their 8 weeks shot

Shooters just completed week 4 of the 8 week competition. This has been very competitive high scoring event with only 1 point separating first and second place. The current leaders are listed below. Check the ISC website to keep up with the league scores.

Overall Leaders

First Place - **Vinny Lambiase***

Second Place - **Paul Belanger**

Third Place - **Greg Sexton**



Current Club Activities & Results

Rifle/Pistol Events

Range Improvements/Repairs

On Sunday, January 29, J&G Construction delivered and installed six utility poles on pistol range 1 (left range). The new poles replaced older damaged poles used to reduce the potential of rounds leaving the range toward open sky.

J&G provided a truck mounted crane to pick the poles off of their trailer and place them on the range walls. **Paul Belanger** and **Paul Needham** provided assistance on the ground inside the range. We appreciate the patience of the shooters who showed up at noon and waited for the pole installation to be completed and the truck to leave the rifle range.









Dan Belanger removing a damaged block before the new one is installed.



2023 Rifle/Pistol Activities Calendar

Sat.,	March 11	8:30am	Rifle Plate Shoot
Wed.,	March 15	4:00pm	Spring Challenge League
Sat.,	March 18	8:30am	Center Fire Pistol vs. Multiple Steel Plates
Wed.,	March 22	4:00pm	Spring Steel Challenge League
Sat.,	March 25	8:30am	Heavy Metal
Wed.,	March 29	4:00pm	Spring Steel Challenge League
Sat.,	April 1	8:30am	Bowling Pins
Wed.,	April 5	4:00pm	Spring Steel Challenge League
Sat.,	April 8	8:30am	.22 Rifle Bullseye
Sun.,	April 9	8:30am	Juniors Shoot
Wed.,	April 12	4:00pm	Spring Steel Challenge League
Sat.,	April 15	8:30am	Gentlemen's 2 Gun
Wed.,	April 19	4:00pm	Spring Steel Challenge League
Sat.,	April 22	8:30am	Center Fire Pistol Bullseye
Sun.,	April 23	5:30pm	New Shooters
Thurs.,	May 4	4:00pm	New Shooters
Sat.,	May 6	8:30am	Bowling Pin Heads
Sat.,	May 13	10:00am	Mentoring New Shooters

For more information about these activities, go to the ISC website - Rifle/Pistol Calendar and click on the activity type that interests you.

Editor's Notes



Nice looking deer taken by **Gene Carter** son of member **Dan Carter**.

Thank you to those who respond to my requests for photos. Please submit photos that you feel would be enjoyed by fellow club members; I'll find room for as many as I can. Also, if you have any suggestions regarding things that you would like to see within the newsletter, let me know.

When you send photos, please provide a description so that I can create an appropriate caption and photo credit.

Send photos and suggestions to independentsportsmensclub@gmail.com

Thank you,

John