

Norco News WCL July 2020

Member COVID-19 Alert and Norco Precautions

- Visit www.norco.club for the most up to date alerts –
- July activities to take place:
 - o July 4th Steakout
 - o July 4th, trap & skeet closed for holiday ; open all other Monday, Thursday, and Saturdays
 - o July 9th meeting – on the lawn, bring chair, bug spray, and mask ; social distancing
 - o July 26th pin shoot
 - o July 12th DH3 class
 - o July 26th pin shoot
 - o 3D Archery is now setup with 10 stations
- Clubhouse bar, rentals, and clubhouse scheduled programs – closed/canceled until further notice
- Rifle, pistol, archery ranges open for use – use social distance guidelines
- Pond open for fishing – use social distance guidelines
- Men's room at clubhouse accessible; as well as all emergency medical kits; weekly sanitization done
- Questions, refunds, future rentals – email wayne@norco.club or call the club phone 978-464-5243

Club House & Bar Temporarily Closed – Until Further Notice

Calendar

July 2020

- 4 Clubhouse and Trap/Skeet Operations Closed for July 4th; all grounds and ranges open
- 4 Steakout
- 9 Business Meeting
- 12 Defensive Handgun 3 Class
- 23 Executive Board Meeting
- 26 Pistol Bowling Pin Shoot

August 2020

- 4,11,18,25 Youth Pheasant Shotgun Training at Trap Range, 6PM
- 13 Business Meeting
- 15 Annual Lobsterbake/clambake
- 22 Central MA NWTF Annual Heritage Banquet (Sturbridge)
- 23 Defensive Handgun 1 Class
- 27 Executive Board Meeting
- 30 Pistol Bowling Pin Shoot

September 2020

- 1,8,15,22,29 Youth Pheasant Shotgun Training at Trap Range, 6PM
- 10 Business Meeting

- 13 Defensive Handgun 2 Class
- 27 Defensive Shotgun Class
- 24 Executive Board Meeting
- 27 Pistol Bowling Pin Shoot

Range closures:

Pistol Range: July 12th 12N-8pm; July 26th 12N-2pm; Aug 23 12N-8; Aug 30th 12-2pm, Sept 13th 12N-8; Sept 27th 12-2PM. When pistol range is scheduled to be closed, consider using the 25 yard rifle range.

Rifle Range: none for July or August; Sept 27 12N-8

Trap/Skeet: July 4th holiday, August 4,11,18,25 (Tuesdays), September– 6PM-9PM

Archery Target Range and 3D Course: none for July, August, September

Note: Pistol ranges closed during Defensive Handgun classes (9AM-5PM), Dimlight (5PM-9PM) and Bowling Pin Shoots (12-2PM). Note: all ranges closed all day during Pheasant Hunting Season on Saturdays, Oct 17 - Nov 28.

Visit the Norco Events Calendar for more details on all events <https://www.norco.club/events/> The brief one-page 2020 calendar is on the website for download and at the club by the door for pickup.

The 3D archery course is now setup with 10 stations. Stations #11-15 will remain unstaged. If you notice any damage to targets, please notify Peter at archery@norco.club The targets are for crossbow, straight bow, and recurve bows. No crossbows and bolts.

If you have not exchanged your gate key for a new one, with a \$10 deposit, please email membership@norco.club to make arrangements. Keys can be exchanged at the members monthly business meeting, second Thursday of every month. Late membership renewals are available online with a credit card at URL <https://bit.ly/2TI7cE0> . Email membership@norco.club with any questions.

Our June members meeting on the lawn was well attended, we were mindful of social distancing, and overall glad to get out of the house to renew our club comradery. July will be held on the lawn, please bring a chair and bug spray.

Firearm instructor Joseph Picariello has published upcoming Classes as follows: DH3 July 12; DH1 Aug 23, DH2 Sept 13, shotgun Sept 23 DH4/5/6 and Dimlight I/II will be forthcoming for the late summer and fall. DH Range sessions are held at Norco Pistol Range. Shotgun sessions are held on the Rifle Range. Classroom session for DH1 are held at Westminster Police Department. wachusettfirearmtraining@yahoo.com or call 978-464-2776 .

August Lobsterbake tickets will be sold online and at the members meeting starting on July 9th. Choice of chicken or lobster. Volunteers are needed for the day as well. If interested, email wayne@norco.club

Any youth interested in the signing up for the pheasant hunter ed program, please email Ken Stidsen and team, at youth-pheasant@norco.club . Shotgun skill training sessions start in August on Tuesday evenings at the trap range.

Norco Bylaws updates are underway. At the June meeting, the membership class additions for social and family were reviewed, as well as the maximum membership of 300. At the July meeting, updates to the finance policy will be reviewed as well as enabling members teleconferencing meetings during states of emergency.

We are at mid-year and very few volunteer hours are being worked. Lots to do around the property by yourself or a small workparty. Email wayne@norco.club to see what needs done to match your interests. We have more power equipment running this year, a wall of handtools, and or bring your own. Need volunteer painters, carpenter, and plumber. Painting and trim replacement at the trap range. Plumbing is moving the clubhouse 2nd floor coffee station. Thanks for Lisa Trotto making the club entrance inviting and fitting within the neighborhood!

Norco leadership has launched a new Fundraising Committee to create more club fundraisers and run them. Committee will research ideas, establish budgets, and targets. Many starting ideas are quick to be observed – by looking at other clubs in the county – spanning more raffles for sporting goods and gift cards, wide range of turkey shoots (trap, pistol, rifle), competitions open to the public with entrée fees and prizes, meat raffles, attracting rentals (e.g. outdoor education), etc. If interested to join this committee, please email wayne@norco.club or call the club, leave a message.

Norco has closed its PO Box and all future correspondence should only be addressed to the street address: 91 Houghton Road, Princeton MA 01541.

Norco Tractor Training completed two training sessions with more to come. Details about the Norco Tractor and implements are here <https://www.norco.club/about-us/tractor/>

WCLSC has launched a county-wide Community Calendar for sportsmen. Visit www.wclsc.org/events or www.tockify.com/wclsc. Never be bored when there is so much to do every weekend - events, competitions, fund raisers, eating, shooting, fishing, education, gear-swaps. If you have a club or organization sportsmen event open to the public, submit it to the calendar for posting. Norco lists its public events there. **Cross-check with the event organizer if the event is being held as listed, or rescheduled/canceled due to COVID-19 precautions.**