# **Norco News WCL May 2024**

### Calendar

## May 2024

3&4 BSA Workshop

3&5 Monty Tech LTC Class held at Norco

4 DH3 Class, pistol range closed during class

9 Members Meeting, 7:30-9:30PM, dinner available for purchase 6-7pm for \$8

11 Spring Trout Fishing Derby, #2, 8am-12N, volunteers needed, rifle/pistol closed during derby

16&18 DH1 Class; 5/18 pistol range closed during class

17&19 Monty Tech LTC Class held at Norco

18 Spring Cleanup Day, 8am-2PM

18&19 Metal Recycle Days, 8am-5pm

23 Executive Committee Meeting, 7.30-9.30PM

31&6/1 DH1; 6/1 pistol range closed during class

#### June 2024

1 Private Clubhouse Rental, lawn archery range closed 2pm-dusk

1 DH1 Pistol range closed during class 9-5

2 CNEBC Rental; all ranges closed until 2PM

3,5,8,10 Norco Hosted DFW Basic Hunter Ed, register at DFW

12, BSA Archery Event, lawn archery range closed 5pm-dusk

13 Members Meeting, 7:30-9:30PM, dinner available for purchase 6-7pm for \$8

14,15 Cub Scout Sleepover; all archery ranges closed 5PM dusk 14<sup>th</sup>, dawn-12N 15<sup>th</sup>

15, DH1 class, pistol range closed 9-5PM

15 Norco Steakout and Drawing, dinner tickets \$20 – at bar or online cc

22 NWTF Central MA Annual Banquet

27 Executive Committee Meeting, 7.30-9.30PM

30 Snub Noir class, open to all members, Pistol range closed 12-3, class is 9-3, rsvp wayne

#### **Upcoming Scheduled Range closures:**

Pistol Range: 5/4 9-5, 5/5 12-3, 5/11 9-12, 5/18 9-5, 5/19 12-3, 6/1 9-5, 6/2 12-2PM, 6/15 9-5, 6/30 12-3

Rifle Range: 5/11 9-12N, 6/2 12-2PM,

Trap/Skeet: none; do check website for weather and holiday related closures

Archery Target Lawn: open dusk to dawn, closed 5/18 8-2, 6/1 2-dusk, 6/2 dawn-2pm, 6/12 5-dusk, 6/14 5-dusk, 6/15 dawn-12N

Archery 3D Course: now open; closed 6/2 dawn-2pm, 6/14 5pm-dus, 6/15 dawn-12N

Archery Elevated Tree Stand: now open; closed 6/2 dawn-2pm, 6/14 5pm-dus, 6/15 dawn-12N

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 19 - Nov 30 and Youth Pheasant Hunt Day in Sept.

Visit the Norco Events Calendar for more details on all events <a href="https://www.norco.club/events/">https://www.norco.club/events/</a>. The detailed event calendar for 2024 is posted and can be downloaded/printed out.

#### **NEWS**

Busy, busy is all of us, including the many events and programs going on at Norco. Come on out and meet more new members and reconnect with old members. Bar open every Thursday, many weekend programs to volunteer or participate in. Over 225 members and we only see less than 50 members on a regular basis.

May 9th Members Meeting will be held at the clubhouse, meeting starts promptly at 7:30PM. Prior to the meeting, between 6PM-7PM Norco will have a Mexican themed dinner to purchase for \$8. Including baja fish tacos and ongoing Mexican beer specials at the bar.

Take the Norco Flyfishing workshop survey and save the date for Sept 14<sup>th</sup>. Survey will help class instructor Cody Coyne tailor the class for skills and interest level, covering techniques, skills to learn/master, casting, flytying, reading water, match the hatch, what gear to have, tying knots, etc. https://www.norco.club/2024/04/18/norco-flyfishing-survey-and-class-2024/

Norco has updated its club waiver to be inclusive of our archery activities and the new AR500 shooting steel. New waiver and steel placement instructions are found under our online policies. A copy of the steel shooting safety rules are at the range in the covered bulletin board and in the clubhouse wall with the literature. https://www.norco.club/about-us/library/

Register for Norco DFW Basic Hunter Ed Class, 4 day class on June 3,5,8,10. Get ready for fall hunting and youth pheasant hunting class. https://www.mass.gov/info-details/basic-hunter-education-courses

Metal recycle days are May 18 & 19, 8am-5PM. Bring in a wide range of items including appliances, grills, batteries, lead, copper, aluminum, steel, iron, stainless steel. Not sure if we will accept it, email <a href="wayne@norco.club">wayne@norco.club</a>. Need a curbside pickup, for \$25 donation, we'll come get it. RSVP with wayne. Volunteers needed to help offload cars and truckloads into the dumpster.

Spring Cleanup Day is May 18th, Volunteers needed. Runs 8am-2PM for many projects around the clubhouse outdoors and indoors. Look to the club website for a long list of projects to tackle that day. Breakfast and lunch served. Lawn care, cleaning, fixing, painting, putting winter items away, firewood, and much more. Bring your own handtools, gloves yard tools, if you have them. The club has a few to loan and share. No raindate planned.

Steakout tickets are now on sale at the club bar, \$20 pp same as last year. Ribeye steak your way with all the sides and fixings. Dinner is June 15<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers sought for prep, serve, cleanup, and cook. Rudy runs the grill. Tickets available online for credit card purchases. https://www.norco.club/2024/04/18/norco-steakout-tickets-and-menu-june-15th-2024/

NWTF Banquet Tickets are onsale now. Banquet is June 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 2PM at the Spencer Sportsman's Club. Banquet, silent auction, live auction, raffle tables, great catered BBQ. <a href="https://events.nwtf.org/210010-2024/tickets">https://events.nwtf.org/210010-2024/tickets</a>

Snub Noir workshop, June 30<sup>th</sup>. RSVP to <a href="wayne@norco.club">wayne@norco.club</a>. Class covers use of snub nose for defensive concealed carry. 3 hours in the classroom, 3 hours on the range. Class is free. Students provide their own snub nose revolver, holster, and box of 50 ammo. This excellent class is run by <a href="https://snubnoir.com/">https://snubnoir.com/</a> More class details <a href="https://www.norco.club/event/snub-noir-revolver-workshop-pistol-range-closed-12-3/">www.norco.club/event/snub-noir-revolver-workshop-pistol-range-closed-12-3/</a>

There is a statewide sportsman/woman appeal to Stop H.4139 and ProcessMatters.org , whereby there will be lawn signs available at the club for 6-each, and the call to action is to make outreach to 6 legislators that are working on the firearm legislation revisions. <a href="https://www.massconservationalliance.org/signs---process-matters--h4139.html">https://www.massconservationalliance.org/signs---process-matters--h4139.html</a> and <a href="https://www.massconservationalliance.org/signs---process-matters--h4139.html">https://www.massconservationalliance.org/signs---process-matters--h4139.html</a> and <a href="https://www.goal.org/gunban">www.goal.org/gunban</a>

Norco has 10 passes for Norco members to use to access the Gun Parlor through the winter and early spring months. Passes are RSVPed through <a href="wayne@norco.club">wayne@norco.club</a>, for one week at a time access. Badge pickup is on Thursdays at the club, on a first come first serve RSVP basis. Norco will provide up to 2 passes per member so a guest can go as well. Users of the pass will need to adhere to Gun Parlor policies for a signed waiver and follow all their range rules. <a href="https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/5ce319760b433/web">https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/5ce319760b433/web</a>

Norco raffle tickets for the gift card/sporting item fundraising raffle for 2024 can be purchased at the club bar for \$20 each. Drawing will be the Norco June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024 Steakout. Club members are encouraged to sell tickets to friends and fellow sportsmen. <a href="https://www.norco.club/2023/12/29/norco-2024-raffle/">https://www.norco.club/2023/12/29/norco-2024-raffle/</a>, questions can be emailed to raffle@norco.club.

A quick recap of past months events and many thanks for the volunteers and participants:

- April Spring Fishing Derby, over 50 participants, event pictures are here
- https://www.norco.club/2024/04/14/norco-april-2024-fishing-derby-recap/
- Norco Hosted DFW Turkey Hunter Education Class, 12 new and ready hunters hit the fields
- https://www.norco.club/2024/04/08/turkey-hunter-ed-students-ready-for-opening-day/
- Norco Sportsman's Dinner, 35 diners feasted on a wide range of fare including moose, venison, pheasant, shrimp, crab, salmon, and much more. Next dinner event is June Steakout.
- Pond cleanup day had over 20 volunteers grooming the grounds and pond for the great outing.
- https://www.norco.club/2024/04/08/pond-cleanup-day-thanks-for-the-great-turnout/
- LOTS of VOLUNTEER Opportunities, events, projects and work on your own time
- https://www.norco.club/2024/04/08/volunteer-opportunities-are-plentiful-events-project-days-and-many-work-on-your-own-time/

Norco 2<sup>nd</sup> Spring Youth Fishing Derby is May 11<sup>th</sup>. Members are encouraged to invite kids to the derby (grandkids, nieces, nephews, neighbors). Hot food to purchase during the Derby – breakfast and lunch items. >200 trout to be stocked, rainbow, brown, and brook. Catch and keep, runs from 8am-12N, Prize for all kids.

MCA raffle tickets are on sale at the bar, \$5 each, 5 for \$20. 26 items including firearms, shooting, fishing, hunting, and outdoor gear. Drawing is May 19<sup>th</sup>. https://www.massconservationalliance.org/fund-raising-and-raffles.html

There are number of defensive firearm training classes planned for April-October. For DH classes, email <a href="wachusettfirearmstraining@yahoo.com">wachusettfirearmstraining@yahoo.com</a>. For LTC, email <a href="terry.bass28g@gmail.com">terry.bass28g@gmail.com</a>, register through Monty Tech. To see the list of classes being held at Norco, visit website <a href="https://www.norco.club/2024/01/21/norco-firearm-classes-2024-dh-and-ltc-and-much-more/">https://www.norco.club/2024/01/21/norco-firearm-classes-2024-dh-and-ltc-and-much-more/</a> Classes can fill up fast!

Copies of the Norco section of the WCL newspaper can be found here: <a href="https://www.norco.club/news-event-gallery/news/">https://www.norco.club/news-event-gallery/norco-electronic-newsletter and alerts can be found here: <a href="https://www.norco.club/news-event-gallery/norco-electronic-newsletter-archive/">https://www.norco.club/news-event-gallery/norco-electronic-newsletter-archive/</a>