

Cadillac Sportsmans Club 2014 Year End Review

January-Bob Lorenz was asking for help in running the club NRA Matches. Indoor Pistol had 5 shooters the first night-ammo shortages were probably the reason. Jr. 22 Rifle first night was cancelled due to weather as well as the Adult 22 Rifle opener. Citizens for Professional Wildlife Management petition drive was under way. CPL Class had 8 students. Club had 131 members so far renewed. We had a booth at the Cadillac Gun Show.

February-Adult 22 Rifle had 6 regular shooters. Jrs. were up to 17 youth per week, Pistol up to 14 shooters. Several members had purchased or donated 22 ammo for the Jr. 22 Program. Still would take more. 175 members.

March-We started talking about Spring Clean-up! Club ordered a shipment of cardboard for targets to be shared with MRPA. Club would again send 2 youth shooters to MUCC Camp if they completed the program. Indoor Programs were winding down. CPWM Petition drive was going well. 191 members

April-8 students went thru CPL Class. Outdoor Pistol Practice would be held on Wed. evenings, with a monthly match on the 1st Sunday of the month. Indoor Programs were finished, Jr. Shooters had 22 youth receive awards and medals at the year end picnic, which had 35 people attend. The Michigan Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Shooting Range Protection Act in a challenge by a downstate township on a private shooting range. Petition drive to protect hunting rights still ongoing. 200 members.

May-CPL class for 10 students. First NRA Match went well with 15 shooters on Sat. and 31 on Sunday. Ross Frid asked permission to refurbish the Rifle Practice Range area. He had a couple people volunteer to help. There was 3 weeks left in the CPWM Petition Drive. There was a good group of volunteers to help clean up the club grounds. MRPA Blackpowder Cartridge Match was held at the range. 206 members.

June-Ross Frid had estimates on the Rifle Range Project, was given the go-ahead. The Jrs. instructors asked permission to cut down a couple more of the club's 22 rifles to accommodate the number of smaller framed youth shooters. CPWM turned in 374,140 signatures, double that of the anti-hunting petition drives. The legislature would vote in August to reaffirm the law that would give the Natural Resources Commission the authority to name a game species in Michigan, give active duty military free licenses, and appropriate 100 million dollars for Asian Carp response fund. 211 members.

July-CPL had 7 students for the last class of the summer. Summer Pistol had 7-8 shooters. The Rifle Range Project was well under way. A set of steel plates was purchased for the Pistol Range. MUCC hired a new Executive Director Daniel Eichinger, 213 members.

August-Rifle Range Project was completed. THANK-YOU to Ross Frid, Gary Silkworth, Richard Hill, and a couple other members who volunteered their time and hard work. There was no club meeting.

September-The Mi. Legislature passed the Scientific Wildlife Management Act! Will become law in March of 2015. There will be no wolf hunt in 2014 due to lack of time to develop the rules. If science shows the need for a hunt there will be one in 2015. Outdoor Pistol finished for the season. NRA Highpower matches were going well. Some of our club members attended FTR Nationals in Arizona and placed 3rd in the Team Division, and some of our members also placed in individual matches. 232 members.

October-12 students signed up for CPL Class. Last Outdoor Pistol Match for the season. Last NRA Match got half way before rain cancelled the final day. Rifle Range had signs put up and was ready for Sight In Days. Call for Volunteers went out for the dates in Nov. It was approved to order a special sign for the back of the Rifle Range enclosure. 239 members.

November-Sight In Days preparation. Dates for 2015 NRA Matches were set. MUCC Raffle Tickets were available for sale, 30-06 Rifle and Custom Bamboo Fly Rod. 242 members.

December-Sight-In had 184 guns for the 4 day event, Thank-you to all the volunteers who donated their time. Elections for Club officers were held, Roger Moomey will serve as President for the next year. Club finished the year with 243 members! Winter programs are ready to start the first week in January.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
&
HAPPY NEW YEAR!