## VIKING LEAD SLINGERS YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS TEAM

Registration and Parent Information – 1/2024









## **Program Objectives**

- To conduct charitable and educational activities to support youth shooting sports programs which teach firearms safety, shooting and hunting outdoor skills.
- Participation does not require an individual or family membership to Stoughton Conservation Club.
- Team is open to youth girls and boys ages 9 18
  - Hunter Safety Education Certification
  - Demonstrate ability of firearms use and safety.
- Safety, Education, Fundamentals and Fun

## Organizations





## Viking Lead Slingers

- VLS is a committee under Stoughton Conservation Club
- Committee Structure:
  - Chair: Corey Rowin, Line Coach, NRA Coach Certification
  - Head Coach: Laurie Breuch, Double-Goal Certification,

SSSF Basic Shotgun Coach

- Secretary: Chelsey Seybold, Adult Volunteer
- Treasurer: Nikki Rowin, Adult Volunteer
- At-Large Members: Kevin Kettner, Line Coach,

Pete Seybold, Line Coach, NRA Coach Certification

- Assistant Line Coaches: Ted Olson, Heath Bristol, Willie Breuch, Roger Kluever, Doug Olson, Steve Schwickrath, John Guzzetta, Drew Toso, Robert Nelson, Shawn Goecks
- · Committee nominations will open in April. More details will be shared.



## **Conference Statement**

• All Northern Wisconsin Clay Target Conference (NWCTC) activities incorporate two indispensable elements --**SAFETY AND FUN**! Safety is incorporated into every aspect of ALL activities. The learning environment at team practices and at competitive shoots is designed to include the element of FUN/Competition for all participants. Participants learn the safe and responsible handling and use of firearms. They discover the joy of contributing to a shared team goal and the commitment that goes along with it. During this self-discovery process, team members develop proficiency in a sport that can be shared and enjoyed with family and friends for a lifetime.

## Honoring the Game



Competition is clearly part of the NWCTC, an indispensable part; but it is not the underlying principle. The "win at all costs" philosophy has no place in the NWCTC. Striving to win while playing by the rules does. Honoring the game, exhibiting good sportsmanship, and being a responsible team member, are the bedrock values the NWCTC strives to instill. It is the DUTY of everyone involved in the NWCTC - coaches, parents and athletes, to set a good example for the NWCTC team members. Volunteers are expected to emulate and uphold high moral and ethical standards of personal conduct.

## The Governing Organization



SSSF – Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation

Through a variety of fun, team-based shooting tournaments in our Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP), we provide student athletes aged elementary through college with a supportive environment where shooting sports serve as catalysts for teaching life lessons and skills that emphasize positive character traits and citizenship values. Throughout all training, practice and competitions, we continue to instill in our participants a commitment to safe firearm handling, teamwork and leadership.



## The National and State Organization

SCTP – Scholastic Clay Target Program

The Scholastic Clay Target Program provides kids from elementary grades through high school and college with the opportunity to participate in the fun and challenging sports of Trap.

SSSF is the official feeder program to USA Shooting and a path to the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team. In keeping with the Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation's mission to provide, promote and perpetuate opportunities for young athletes to safely and enjoyably participate in a high quality, team-based sports, each of the SCTP's exciting disciplines are led by trained and dedicated adult coaches in a supportive environment and are focused on the safe handling and use of firearms.

The target of SCTP is true: to help young athletes reach their potential of becoming the best athletes—and young adults—that they can be.



Protecting Gun Owners and Gun Clubs Since 1991

#### August 31, 2023

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation (SSSF) provides general liability insurance for the athletes, coaches, advisors and other volunteers who have joined the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) and Scholastic Action Shooting Program (SASP) for exposures related to the SCTP/SASP sanctioned activities as follows:

General Liability Coverage. General Liability Insurance coverage applies to bodily injury and property damage where the insured is determined to be liable for injury or damage. The general liability limits of insurance are as follows:

General Aggregate Limit (Other than Products-Completed Operations)	\$1	0,000,000
Products -Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	\$	1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury Limit	\$	1,000,000
Each Occurrence Limit	\$	1,000,000
Damage to Premises Rented to You Limit (Any One Premises)	\$	300,000
Medical Expense Limit (Any One Person)	\$	10,000

Excess Liability Coverage Additional limits of \$5,000,000 each occurrence/\$5,000,000 Aggregate over the primary policy.

Participant Bodily Injury Coverage. The limit of liability for participant bodily injury accident and medical expense payment coverage is stated below and is applicable to each participant for each occurrence.

Principal Sum Indemnity (Accidental Death and Dismemberment) Each Participant	\$	15,000
Medical Expense Payments Each Participant	s	75,000

Medical Expense pays for the costs of medical treatment for injuries regardless of liability. Medical Expense Payments are excess of all other valid and collectable insurance the Participant has with any other insurer.

#### **Coverage Exclusions**

The SSSF insurance does not cover individual members for their liability as it relates to automobile transportation. If SCTP/SASP volunteers provide transportation to participants, the volunteers need to contact their auto insurance agent to verify that their coverage limits are appropriate and that they are covered for the transportation they are providing. Suggested minimum automobile limits are \$100,000/\$300,000.

The SSSF insurance provides coverage for adult volunteers who are registered with SSSF. It does not cover any coach or instructor who teaches others to shoot in exchange for compensation. Compensation can take a variety of forms - direct payment, free club membership, discounts on rounds of shooting, meet entry fees, or barter arrangements that provide personal gain to the recipient. If a volunteer coach is paid in any form or benefits personally from a fund-raising activity, this is compensation and you should consider purchasing Instructors General Liability Insurance. It is not personal compensation if you are reimbursed for expenses that you pay on behalf of the team, such as ammunition, uniforms, etc. To discuss your personal circumstances, please contact the undersigned at Sportsman's Insurance.

This summary of insurance coverage is a brief overview of the coverage provided and does not alter or modify the language contained in the policies.

Please feel free to give our office a call should you have any questions concerning the above policy and the coverage contained therein.

Yours truly,

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In short...What is the SCTP and Team Programming?

Team-based youth development program teaching; honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, respect, responsibility, teamwork

• "We prepare todays youth to be the leaders of tomorrow!"

## The WI SCTP Conferences



SSSF -> SCTP National -> SCTP State -> Conferences

There are five conferences in WI.

- 1. Northern Wisconsin Clay Target Conference
- 2. Southeast Wisconsin SCTP Trap Conference
- 3. Southern Wisconsin Clay Target Conference
- 4. Sheboygan County HS Trap League
- 5. Kettle Moraine Clay Target League

# We are part of the Northern Wisconsin Clay Target Conference (NWCTC), Trap-Singles only for 2024

- We will be in the Southern-Green Division. There are 6 divisions total in the NWCT conference.
- The Conference champion will be determined by combined top 5 scores from each division for each week the final win/loss record for the season.



## Viking Lead Slingers



- Member of Northern Wisconsin Clay Target Conference (NWCTC)
- 6 Divisions in Conference Competition scoring is virtual, shot at home club.

#### Southern – Green Division (6 teams)

- Spartan Clay Busters McFarland Jennifer Devine
- Manitowoc Gun Club Birdbusters Manitowoc Chris Yindra
- Clipper Clays Sturgeon Bay Matt Propsom
- Waupun HS Trap Shooting Club Gary Schulz
- Westshore Clay Crushers Ashley Sand
- Viking Lead Slingers Stoughton Laurie Breuch

## **Divisions and Categories**



- SCTP National/State and Conference Categories:
  - Rookies grades 4 and 5
  - Intermediate-Entry Level first year shooting Intermediate 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Intermediate-Advanced Level post first year shooting Intermediate 6-8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Senior JV first year first year shooting Senior 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Senior Varsity post first year shooting Senior 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade

\*Some latitude for moving up provided for to make complete squads in each division for conference

- Squads:
  - We will have squads for every 5 athletes organized by score
  - Top five scores from any category each week will apply to the team score each class
  - Squad leaders based on shooting scores.

# VLS Program Coaches, Admin and Volunteers .....

- Each registered coach and/or volunteer will have taken the online coaching class and SCTP national background check
- Two registered coaches are NRA Certified, Two registered coaches are SSSF Basic Shotgun Certified
- Each is covered by the SCTP insurance program (\$10 million)
- Each puts countless hours into making the program what is today.



Offer shooting in the American Trap – Singles American Trap - Doubles and Skeet disciplines

- Youth Trap Shooting Team
  - American Trap Singles: Sundays 11 a.m., beginning March 3, 2024
  - Skeet beginning March 3, 9 a.m. or post Trap Singles
  - American Trap Doubles: April 14, 2024 TBD by participant survey
  - Time and Schedule will be finalized with registrations.
  - Email Confirmation by mid-February
- Registration is Online
  - VLS registration due and closes Jan 28
  - SCTP forms due March 1 watch email for 2 emails (Athlete and Parent)
- Payments due by January 28 via check, cash or credit card (credit card adds 5%).

#### **Practice**

#### Preseason Practice:

<u>Trap-Singles & Skeet</u> March 3 - week 1 of practice

begins March 10 – week 2 of practice

March 17 - week 3 of practice

March 24 - week 4 of practice

March 31 – Easter, No Shooting

Shoot 50 rounds / practice

#### Practice: Trap-Doubles

April 14 – Practice begins

Shoot 50 rounds / practice

#### American Trap – Singles Conference Schedule - tentative

#### Conference Competition (Virtual) Scoring\*

- April 7 week 1 of conference shooting
- April 17 week 2 of conference shooting
- April 21 week 3 of conference shooting
- April 28 week 4 of conference shooting
- May 5 week 5 of conference shooting
- May 12 week 6 of conference shooting
- May 19 week 7 conference champ shooting
- May 26 week 8 option conference champ shooting

\*tentative schedule

Shoot 50 rounds, score the 2<sup>nd</sup> 25 round

Invitationals April – June: 100 targets scored at each event.



## 2024 Wisconsin SCTP Invitational Events

Horicon, Trap – April 19-21 Burlington, Trap – April 25-28 Parkview Shoot @ Beloit, Trap – April 27-28 Hartford, Trap – May 3-5 Viking Lead Slingers, Trap – May 3-4 Sauk Prairie, Trap or Skeet – May 4-5 Kettle Moraine-Waukesha, Sporting Clays or Trap – May 11-12 Beloit, Trap – May 18-19 Beaver Dam, Trap – May 24-26 Falcons Invite @ Kenosha, Trap – May 31-June 2

\*\*all event locations and dates are tentative.

### 2024 Wisconsin SCTP State Championship Events

#### WI SCTP Skeet Championship

June 8-9, Sauk Prairie Trap & Skeet, Prairie Du Sac

#### <u>WI SCTP American Trap</u> <u>Singles, Handicap & Doubles</u> <u>Championship</u>

June 21-23, WTA Homegrounds, Rome & Heart of Wisconsin, Nekoosa



## **Rules and Process**

- SCTP Rules, Handbook & Resources
  - mySCTP.com SCTP
- Viking Lead Slingers fundamentals and rules
  - > Rules of Trap Shooting Etiquette
  - Footwear
  - > Eyes and Ears protection
  - Shooting Bag or vest
  - > Appropriate clothing for practice and after tournaments....no smoking or alcohol imprints
  - > Team Jerseys required by all shooters for conference meets and Invitationals
  - > All guns will be pre-inspected for use. (No Hammer guns)
- Scoring
  - A shooters second round will always be counted for conference no cherry picking
  - Can shoot 1 week ahead scores must be logged on Sunday
  - Score sheets turned into coach and then recorded on-line by 11:59pm each Saturday
  - Honesty and integrity will not be compromised



## What kind of gun or gauge .....?

- All guns will be pre-inspected by our coaching staff before use. If you change guns during the year...have it inspected.
- If you are a new shooter....we always recommend not to buy right away.....better to test a variety until a fit is decided upon. Let the coaches work with the shooter to determine basic fit needs.
- VLS has 20-ga. and 12-ga. semi-automatic shotguns for youth athletes to use.
- Generally....ok to start with 20g if slight of build shooter but should plan to get into a 12g with light loads as soon as possible.
- The SCTP offers many good options for gun purchases usually at rates lower than retail.

## Weekly Roles

#### Coaches need to focus on coaching



- We have needs for:
- Scorers for weekly Practice & Conference Virtual Events

#### VLS Members will:

- Load house throwers, breakdown boxes
- General pickup of hulls thru-out and end of practice
- Remove trash to dumpsters
- Set-up and tear-down of shooting ranges



## Volunteering

- Volunteer Hours:
- Required for all athletes, no dollar investment required.
- All events of VLS require volunteer time from athlete families.
- All families will be required to offer their time for the VLS Invitational.
- Parents/Guardians are encouraged to help.

#### - Opportunities, watch for signups:

- Sponsorship & Fundraising Committee
- SCC Sporting Clays Events (May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug 17)
  - Setup/Tear Down
  - Scoring (JV or Varsity athletes)
  - Concessions
- Stoughton Fair Kitchen Concessions
- SCC Clean-up days
- Load houses with cases of Clay Targets
- Watch for more...



## Parent Program Role



- Parents will:
  - Be responsible for supporting the athletes,
  - Get the athletes to the practices and shoots on time (Invitationals 1 hour early).
  - Support the coaches role,
  - Emphasize safety with the athletes
  - Remind our athletes of sportsmanship, etiquette and proper representation of our program.
  - Support the team and
  - Advise their athlete during each practice and competition.

#### SCTP Shooter Registration Forms





#### 1. Viking Lead Slingers Registration & Waiver -

Due January 28

#### 2. Payment by Check, Cash, Credit Card-plus 5% Due by January 28 (today!)

VLS athlete registration \$225 for enrollment.

Includes: 5 Invitational/State Shoots (including VLS hosted event and one state shoot registration, Athlete Jersey, Team Sweatshirt,

14-wks clay targets (10-wks for Doubles clay targets), ATA & SCTP memberships.

The following will be emailed following VLS Registration :

- 3. SCTP Shooter Registration Form by Email (watch for 2)
- 4. Medical Consent (paper form)
- 5. Sportsmanship Contract (paper form)

Provide accurate email and phone number info

## Other Club Info:

- Shooters and their families can follow the teams and individual scores and placements...watch for website info for Conference.
- Facebook.com/VikingLeadSlingers (private group & public pages)
- MySCTP.com SSSF & SCTP home page
- Scholarships
  - Team
  - SCTP State
  - SCTP National
  - NRA
  - Midway
  - Many Colleges offer shooting



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