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The Tattered Feather

*Mason County Fin & Feather Club providing
conservation & education since 1936.*

*Honoring our past, cherishing our present,
ensuring our future*



There will be a Memorial Service held in front of the clubhouse to honor some of the club members by placing a brick in their honor.

The service will be held Saturday, June 19th at 11:00 am. There will be a 21 gun salute to honor them.

Nita Finch, Editor

July 2021

Chris Shimmel, President

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Terms End January 1st, 2022

Dan Engelhardt	Rick Gleason	Bruce Rosema
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Russ Bosley	Jim Glover	Don Henry
Frank Koehle	Diane Zack	

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Big Game Award Night—Frank Koehle/Nita Finch	231 510-5558	231 690-0874
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Outstanding Fin & Feather Club Member

Every year, the Fin & Feather Club awards to a club member, the honor of being the Outstanding Club the year. This award is given to a member who shows outstanding devotion to the club and has devoted his/her time, talents and expertise to the club in an unselfish manner beyond the normal. Here is a list of previous club members that has been awarded this honor.

1991 Dick VanAtta (Gunsmoke)	1992 Randy Wolfe	1993 Bruce Krieger	1994 Larry Moorlag
1995 Bruce Finch	1996 Nita Finch	1997 Ray Cummins & Jack Thiel	
1998 Marv Hanna	1999 Ralph Christensen	2000 Kim Thomas	
2001 Wayne Andersen	2002 Joanne Cummins	2003 Tom Sheppardson	2004 John Ochs
2005 Walt Olmstead	2006 Frank Koehle	2007 Bob Fenstermacher	
2008 Corky Jensen & Bill Olsen	2009 Koby Kobrehel	2010 Jim Glover & Gordon Grossenbacher	
2011 Bob Ferney, Bruce Wadel & Ed Zientek		2012 Russ Bosley	2013 Lance Christensen
2014 Diane Zack	2015 Bruce Rosema	2016 Cindy Gleason	2017 Dan Engelhardt
2018 Rick Gleason	2019 Dick Herrmann	2020 ???????	

If you know of a club member that you would like to nominate for Outstand Club Member, get that name into Chairperson, Nita Finch at bearladytwo@live.com. Make sure you state why you feel that person is deserving of the award. Due to Covid-19, the Board of Directors will be selecting a Outstanding Club Member at the July Board meeting. The announcement will be made to the club members at the July club meeting. ***You still have time to get that name in!!!***

Friends of Fin & Feather Club 2021

Please remember to support the Friends who support your club!!!
Let them know you saw their name in the Tattered Feather Newsletter.

Al & Carole Hardman
Animal Hospital of Ludington
In Memory of Harmon Deal
James Holzbach
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Doug & Diane Chaffin
In Memory of Dr. Sidney McKnight
Sanders Meat
Smith & Eddy Insurance Agency
Ernie & Maria Richardson
Wayne Andersen
Matthew T. Miller
Walter R Karboske
Larry & Barb Scherer

Fin & Feather Friends & Members.

In 1989, Friends of Fin & Feather was born and joined us in our conservation efforts. We are currently inviting you to participate in the Friends of Fin & Feather. The program collects money from individuals & businesses to promote conservation & educational programs within our community.

Over the years, we have participated in many different activities. Examples of Conservation & Education programs are:

Big Sable Riverbank Stabilization
Pere Marquette River Watershed
Mason County Walleye Association
Victory Township Park Improvements
Mason-Lake Soil Conservation
Trooper Paul Butterfield Scholarship

Outdoor Science Scholarship
4-H Youth Rifle Marksmanship
MUCC Summer Camp
"MUCC Tracks" Magazine
Hunter Safety Classes
Plus many others not listed

If you feel this is a worthy cause of protecting and preserving our natural resources in our area is meant for you, you're invited to join us at one of three levels: **Bronze is \$200, Silver is \$400 and Gold is \$600.** Our promise to you is that 100% of your donation will be invested in our Conservation & Education programs.

If you would like to donate or have additional questions please contact me.

Thanks in advance, Dan Engelhardt Friends of the Fin & Feather Chairperson (231) 510-1003

Board of Director Meetings:

July 7th October 6th

Dec. 6th January 5, 2022

All Board meetings start at **6:00 PM.**

All interested Fin & Feather Club members are invited to attend.

Club Monthly Meetings:

Club monthly meetings have resumed the second Wednesday of every month, starting at 6:30 PM. Due to the Fin & Feather's cook having surgery, the dinners before the meetings, will not start till the September 8, club meeting. Speakers for the meeting will start again at that time, with dinner starting at 6:00 PM and the speaker at 6:45 PM, then the meeting after the speaker.



NRA

If you would like to become a NRA member or if you need to

renew your NRA membership, contact Keith Anderson at 586 536-1656 or e mail at cleatus81@yahoo.com.

The cost is cheaper going through the club and the club gets a profit from new memberships and renewals.

Shotgun Range Hours

Range Hours Skeet Field:

Tuesday 2:30-5:30, Saturday 9:00-Noon.

Range Hours Trap Field:

Tuesday 3:30-6:30, Saturday 9-Noon

Come out and shoot at a few targets!

Questions? Call Bruce Rosema (231)499-6000

Gun A Month Winners

The winner of the May Gun A Month raffle was Bob Thorne. He won a Browning AB3 Hunter 7mm-08. The winner for the June Gun A Month drawing was Nic Ropotos. He won a Tikka T3 Lite 6.5.

Youth Silhouette Shoot

We will have the first shoot on May 1st Still doing the 1st Saturday of each month with September 4th being the last. The shoot is open to anyone, but is geared toward the younger shooters 15 and under. Prizes will be awarded to the top shooters at the end of the shooting season. Firearms are limited to .22 caliber long rifle or .22 short (no mini-mags since they damage the targets). Each shooter must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The event starts at 9 AM and involves shooting 10 metal silhouette targets at 4 different yardages for a total of 40 targets. Anyone 18 and over that wants to shoot, there is a \$2.00 fee charge. Contact Mark Luce at 231 690-7929 or by e-mail: lucemark@hotmail.com if you have any questions

Cowboy Action Shoot

Cowboy Action Shoots are held the 4th Saturday of every month. The next shoot is scheduled for June 26th and July 24th. Registration begins at 8:30 am and shooting starts around 9 AM. Contact Chris Shimmel at 231 239-2448, if you have any questions or to make sure they will be shooting. Come on out and watch them shoot or participate shooting. It's very entertaining.

CPL Class August 6 & 7

The next CPL Class will be held August 6 & 7 from 6-9:30 pm and on August 6th and all day on August 7th. You have to be pre-registered in order to take the class. Cost is \$50 for Fin & Feather members and \$100 for non members. Contact Jim Glover at 231 907-8330 to register.

Basic Pistol Class

On September 4th, there is will be a Basic Pistol Class from 8 am to 5pm. Cost is \$20. If you do not have a firearm to shoot, one will be provided.

You must register to take the class. Contact Jim at 231 907-8330. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about pistols.

Clean Up Day Update

Clean up day at the Fin & Feather Club seen many volunteers to help clean the outside and the inside. Thanks to all who took the day and came and helped out.

**The Well Armed Woman Shooting Chapters**

is an organization of more than 300 local chapters across the nation focused on introducing women to the world of firearms. Our mission is to Educate, Equip, and Empower women. as they strive to make important personal choices in their lives. They are women helping women discover passion, develop skills, and build new relationships within our communities. New or experienced, young or mature, interested in protection or just for fun...come join them! How to Join: You can attend your first meeting for free prior to joining. Your local chapter meets at the Fin and Feather Club at 6:00 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for June 17, and July 15. Annual dues are only \$50! Join online at: Website: www.twawshootingchapters.org Phone: 520-404-2285 Contact Your Local Leader TWAW Shooting Chapter Mason County, MI Name: Susan McCray-King & Karen Zimmerman Email Address: twawmasoncountymi@gmail.com . Women interested in learning more can contact Susan McCray-King, 231 690-5813 or Karen Zimmerman at 586-291-4806.

MUCC Camp for Kids

MUCC Camp for kids is on a day to day basis. Contact Cindy at 231 757-3515 or by e-mail at cgleasonff@gmail.com. to sign up your grandchild, son, daughter, or friend to attend the camp. They do not need to be a Fin & Feather member to attend the camp. You can check out the camp at [www. MUCC Camp](http://www.MUCCCamp.com).

Big Game Award Night

Plans are under way for Big Game Award Night. The scheduled date for the event is February 19, 2022. Again, there will be quality firearms and many raffles for a fun night.



Sandee & Patrick Donovan (left) along with Frank Koehle (right) went out with El-Lyn Charters and caught some lakers. They said they had a great time.



3 participants attended the Basic Pistol class on May 1st.



6 participants attended and successfully completed the June 4 & 5 CPL Class at the Fin & Feather Clubhouse

Successful Turkey Hunters



(ABOVE) Frank Koehle harvested this turkey on the second day of the 3rd season of turkey hunting. The bird weighed 21.85 lbs, had an 11 inch beard with 1 inch spurs. It was shot at 15 yards.

(TOP LEFT) Joan Koehle harvested this bird at 5:15 pm on opening day of the 3rd season of turkey hunting. The bird weighed 16 lbs, had a 10 inch beard. Joan harvested it with a 20 ga at 25 yards.

(BOTTOM LEFT) Chris Kotecki harvested his turkey on May 7th with his Uncle Frank Koehle calling it in. The bird weighed 21 lbs with a nice beard and spurs. The bird was shot at 35 yards.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THREE.



GUN A MONTH RAFFLE 2020-2021

Tickets for the Gun A Month raffle for 2020-2021, which started October 14, 2020, was sold out. Only 300 tickets were sold. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's Gun A Month raffle a great success. Without their help and commitment selling tickets, this would be an overwhelming task. They make doing this fundraiser much easier. And if you missed getting a ticket this year and don't want to miss out again, please let us know. We would be happy to add your name and number to our list to call when we get next years tickets. Contact Tony and Diane Zack at 231 757-2747. You need not be present to win, but you **MUST** be 18 years of age to participate, have bought a Gun a Month ticket, and be eligible to purchase a firearm.

Here is the list of firearms for the raffle for 2020-2021.

October 14, 2020— Weatherby 270 **Winner: Frank Koehle**
November 7, 2020— AB3 Hunter 308 **Winner: Dale Miller**
December 9, 2020— Tikka T3 Lite 25-06 **Winner: John Gancarz**
January 13, 2021— Remington 200 yr, commemorative 12 ga **Winner: Andreas Von Pohl**
February 10, 2021— Remington Turkey 12 gauge **Winner: Doug Wilson**
March 10, 2021— Remington 783 450 **Winner: Terri Quillan**
April 14, 2021— Remington 1187 290 **Winner: Ed Daines**
May 12, 2021— Browning AB3 Hunter 7mm-08 **Winner: Bob Thorne**
June 9, 2021— Tikka T3 Lite 6.5 **Winner: Nic Ropotos**
July 14, 2021— Weatherby 270 Winchester
August 11, 2021— Henry 22 Lever Action & Heritage Rough Rider 22 LR/22 mag
September 8, 2021— Weatherby 30-06

It has been brought to our attention that there is an error on the Gun A Month tickets. The Jan. 13, 2021 gun should NOT have the Heritage Rough Rider 22 LR/22mag listed. That gun will be given away on Aug. 11, 2021 with the other Henry 22 Lever Action. We are sorry for any inconvenience this causes anyone. Thank you, Tony and Diane Zack

After close to 10 years of handling the Gun A Month Raffle for the club, Tony & Diane have decided to give it up. Thank you to Ross Kissel who will be taking over the Gun A Month raffle for 2022-2023.

The Gun A Month tickets for October 2021 to September 2022 are now available. To get your ticket or to help selling the tickets, contact Diane Zack at 231 757-2747.

Here is the list of firearms for the new raffle:

October 13, 2021— \$550 gift cert to Captain Chuck's
November 6, 2021— Browning 270 Winchester
December 8, 2021— Weatherby VanGuard 30-06
January 12, 2022— Ruger Predator 6.5
February 9, 2022— Browning 308 Winchester
March 9, 2022— ATI 12 gauge Over/Under
April 13, 2022— Weatherby 25-06
May 11, 2022— Ruger 450 Bushmaster
June 8, 2022— Thompson II 308
July 13, 2022— Weatherby 6.5 PRC
August 10, 2022— Beretta PX4 Storm 40 cal
September 14, 2022— Weatherby 300 Winchester

You need not be present to win, but you **MUST** be 18 years of age to participate, have bought a Gun a Month ticket, and be eligible to purchase a firearm. Get your ticket now, as only 300 will be sold.



Thanks to all who donated turkey wings & feathers so that I could make arrows for kids, and offer them to fly tiers and to budding arrow smiths. I wash, dye, split, grind and chop them for different projects. Thanks again for your donation.

Make it a great day! Dick Herrmann

Stop the Bleed Class

The Fin and Feather Club will be hosting a Stop The Bleed Class on Tuesday, June 29th. This class is open to Hunter Safety Education Instructors, including those who are planning on becoming an instructor, and Range Safety Officers. This is not a requirement for Hunter Safety Instructors or Range Officers, just a class that is being offered. One will be at 5:30 PM and one at 6:30 PM. You **MUST SIGN UP** for a choice of time, as we can only take 16 in each time slot. The class last for approximately 45 minutes. Call Frank Koehle 231-845-7259 and leave your name and phone number or e-mail me at fkoehle@t-one.net, and I will call you back to confirm your time. Thank You.

Outdoor Science Scholarship

Every year the Fin & Feather Club awards a student majoring in the outdoor sciences a \$1500 scholarship. This year there were three applicants that applied for the scholarship. The Scholarship Committee selected Nicole Kaminski of Manistee. Nicole plans on attending Michigan State University. She is planning on using the scholarship toward funding her college educations in the field of environmental engineering. She hopes to make a positive impact on the environment in conservation and recycling efforts. At the July 14th club meeting, Nicole will be presented with the scholarship award.



Plaid Shirt Night November 6, 2021

Plaid Shirt is on a slow but steady start. Donations haven't come in liked we hoped but we will persevere. Possible table captains will be notified soon. We are trying to get a list of people that want to attend. If you are wanting to attend please send Rick Singleton an email with your name and a number of tickets you want reserved. We will be announcing an open ticket sales time in July but we really want to see how much interest there is. November 6th is going to be here before you know it and you don't want to miss out on the fun. We have been ordering guns for the event. We will have a few extra raffles that we haven't had in the past so you might want to bring some extra cash this year. You won't be disappointed. Can't wait to hear from those that are interested. Send your email to: iyoopitup@yahoo.com

Rick and the Plaid Shirt Night Crew



CONSERVATION PLEDGE

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste, the natural resources of my country. It's air, soil, and minerals, it's forests, waters and wildlife.



AMAZON-SMILE

Fin & Feather Club is now a part of AmazonSmile. For those of you who shop on Amazon, you can now support the Fin & Feather Club by donating a portion of the price of eligible purchases to the Fin & Feather Club.

To Sign Up: 1. go to smile.amazon.com. 2. Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials. 3. Choose the charitable organization (Fin & Feather Club). 4. Select Fin & Feather Club. 5. Start shopping.

It's that easy!!!!

TRADING POST

(If you have a sports related item to sell, trade or buy, contact the Editor, Nita Finch, and have it listed in the Tattered Feather Trading Post free of charge for members only. Your ad will run in the next Tattered Feather and if you want the ad to continue, you must contact the Editor before the next newsletter is published. The ads can be posted by e mailing "bearladytwo@live.com" or call 231 690-0874.) ***Please advise when items are sold***



**** Matthews Solo cam, Out Back. 30" draw, 70 lbs draw weight. Comes with Pollington red dot, kwiikee quiver, 6 hunting arrows, 10 back up arrows & hard case.**

\$300 Call Frank 231 510-5558. (2)

**** Chokes 12 gage, all cylinders some extended, for Benelli and Beretta shotguns.**

\$20-30-50 dollars. Call Pat 231-510-5411 (2)

**** Sako Finbear, left hand bolt action 7mm rem mag with Ziess 3 x 9 scope, some ammo, excl cond. \$1500.00 Firm. Lance 231 757 9224. (5)**

**** Paintball gun for sale - Tippmann custom Pro, 2 CO2 bottles, 200 round hopper. \$50, call Dani 810 278-7307 or e-mail dani.drekich@gmail.com (5)**

2021 schedule of upcoming events and classes

CPL Class

August 6 & 7

October 1 & 2

Friday's 6-9:30 PM; Saturdays, all day

\$100 for non-club members; \$50 club members

Youth Silhouette Shoot

First Saturday of every month from

May 1st thru September 4th

No charge for those under 18; over 18 \$2.00

Starts at 9 AM

The Well Armed Woman

Meetings from 6PM-8PM

Third Thursday of every month

Basic Pistol Class

September 4

8AM-5PM

\$20 for anyone

Ladies Monday Night Shooting

Every Monday night starting at 6pm

Cowboy Action Shoot

4th Saturday of every month

Registration 8:30AM, shooting at 9

Hunter Safety Class

Working on it!!!!!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JUNE, JULY & AUGUST

June 17 TWAM 6-8 PM

June 19 Memorial Service 11 AM

June 20 Father's Day

June 26 Cowboy Action Shoot, Reg 8:30 AM

August 6 (6-9:30 PM) & 7 (all day) CPL Class,

August 11 Fin & Feather monthly meeting 6:30 PM

August 19 TWAM 6-8 PM

August 28 Cowboy Action Shoot, reg 8:30 AM

July 4 Independence Day

July 7 Fin & Feather Board Meeting 6:30 PM

July 14 Fin & Feather monthly meeting 6:30 PM

July 15 TWAM 6-8 PM

July 24 Cowboy Action Shoot, Reg 8:30 AM



The Skeet Shooting Class was held on May 25. They had a great time with the weather cooperating and everyone enjoyed the class . There were 6 women and 3 men that attended.



The last wall at the shooting range is completed. There are now up to 5 safe bays in which to shoot in. Special thanks to Rick Gleason, Dan Engelhardt, Jim Glover, Bruce Rosema and Frank Koehle for working on the shooting walls and getting them up.

