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# Tattered Feather Fin & Feather Club of Mason County



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March-April 2023

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#### 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.



#### NRA

Thank you to Nick Amicone for volunteering to become our new NRA Chairman. The cost to become a NRA member is \$35 per year. The club gets a profit when you join NRA through the club. To contact Nick, call 586-752-7603 or by e-mail at nicamicone@gmail.com. Nick will be at all the regular club meetings to sign or renew your NRA membership.



#### **CPL & BASIC PISTOL CLASSES:**

The next Basic Pistol Class will be April 1st. The class is \$20 and will be all day. The class will conclude with shooting pistols at the end. This class is for men and women. This is the schedule for the CPL Classes for 2023:

May 5 & 6, June 2 & 3, July 7 & 8, August 4 & 5, September 1 & 2, October 6 & 7 and November 3 & 4.

The class is \$100 for non club members and \$50 for club members. You must be registered with Jim Glover at 231 907-8330 to take any of the Basic Pistol and CPL Classes.



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#### Friends of Fin & Feather Club 2023

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

Lighthouse Reality, John Hanson
Hardman Family
Animal Hospital of Ludington
In Memory Harmon Deal
James Holzbach
Charles & Sarah Griffith
Country Veterinary Clinic
Ludington Beverage, Budweiser
Magee Insurance
Sanders Meat
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Squires Chiropractic
Veterinary Medical Center
Legends Taxidermy Studios
Executive Wealth Management, John Barbrick

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Doug & Dawn Rollenhagen
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Lundquist Furniture
Dune Side Auto Glass
Douglas & Diane Chaffin
Larry & Barb Scherer
Dusty's Auto Body
Mason County Press, Rob Alway
Ernie & Maria Richardson
Wayne Andersen
West Shore Bank
Memory of Dr. Sidney A. McKnight, Jr.

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

Chairman Needed
The club is looking for a
coordinator who would be
responsible to get club
volunteers to help with
different activities and or
projects the club would be
having. They would
contact club members and

compile a list to give to the Chairman's of the activities. If interested contact Chris at 231 239-2448.



We are getting together a committee to keep the two major fund raisers continuing; PLAID SHIRT NIGHT AND BIG GAME AWARD NIGHT! These two fund raisers take in the majority of the club's money to help keep the club running. We are looking for volunteers that would like to get involved. The more volunteers we have, the less everyone will have to do. There will be a meeting in March (date unknown at this time) at the clubhouse. If you would like to

get involved, please contact Nita at (231)690-0874 or Cindy at (231) 690-3445.

Please step up and volunteer, so the club can keep these events continuing.



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#### Mason County 4-H Shooting Program

When people think about 4-H, one of the first things they think about, is animals at the county fair. While market livestock is definitely a big part of 4-H's identity and history, 4-H is a broad collection of programs that focus taking subjects that youth are interested in or adults are interested in teaching youth and using that passion to help them build life skills using those interests. For many youth and adults, their passions lay outdoors, in being a part of the rich hunting and fishing culture that is a part of the Great Lakes State. For many youth, learning how to responsibly handle a firearm and take part in shooting sports is a right of passage, one that we want to remain a part of the Mason County 4-H program. We had over 60 kids for a couple of years, and was one of the largest clubs in the county.

For several years, Mason County 4-H had the Mason County 4-H Shooting Sports program. A program in which the Fin and Feather has been a critical partner. All primary leaders of each discipline are required to be Members of F&F. All supplies belonging to 4-H are kept at the Fin and Feather Club. The 4-H Program is a collection of adults that wanted to instruct and guide youth in the fields of archery, hunting and wildlife, shotgun, and rifle. At one point, this program had almost 70 participants, making it one of the biggest in the county. But regrettably, the Pandemic made it difficult to operate. But, we feel that now is the time for Mason County 4-H to rebuild this program and see to it that, through participation in 4-H, youth are not only able to become responsible and caring members of the community, but responsible gun owners and caretakers of nature. To accomplish this goal, the first step is to recruit volunteers that are willing to work with these youth in these fields of study. Becoming a 4-H volunteer and shooting sports instructor is relatively simple. Volunteers simply need to complete an application to be a 4-H Volunteer and undergo a background check (a process usually taking about two weeks). Once that is complete, volunteers will need to undertake a certification class in one of the shooting sports areas (archery, hunting and wildlife, shotgun, or rifle). Michigan 4-H currently has a certification class scheduled for March 4th in Roscommon, MI. Certification class typically last the entire day.

The program is already very well funded and new leaders will be brought up to speed from previous leaders on bylaws, finances, etc. All that remains is for some interested adults to step forward to train the next generation of shooting sports enthusiasts.

If you would be interested in guiding the next generation of shooting sports enthusiasts and becoming a part of the largest youth development organization in the country, please reach out to the Mason County 4-H Coordinator, Aaron Myer, by calling 231-845-3365 or via email at <a href="mailto:myersaa1@msu.edu">myersaa1@msu.edu</a>.

\*\*The Fin & Feather Club have lost another one of their long time member Koby Kobrehel. Koby was always around to help out in any way that he could. You always knew who he was with the name Koby on his hat and on the front of his sweatshirt. Rest in peace Koby. Your friends at the club miss you.

#### **Board of Director Meetings**

April 5 July 10 October 4 December 6 January 8, 2024

All Board meetings start at <u>6:00 PM</u>. All interested Fin & Feather Club members are invited to attend.

### To access the Fin and Feather web site, go to: "finandfeatherclub.org."

If you have something that needs to go into the website, contact Nita at bearladytwo@live.com.

#### **NEXT UPCOMING MEETING**

The next meeting will be March 8th. The meal for the meeting will be Lasagna, garlic bread, salad & desert. The cost is still \$10 for all you can eat and they will begin serving at 6:00 PM. The speaker will be club member Wayne Andersen.

The meeting in April will be the 12th. The meal and speaker, as of this writing, was not known.

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#### **BIG GUN NIGHT**



Big Gun Night is in the books. It was a very successful banquet. We had a sold-out crowd and raffled off many quality guns and items. A special thanks to Jake Tenney, Tenney Industries, for all the help with supplying our guns and doing the background checks. Thanks, Diane and Tony Zack, for the wonderful snacks that were enjoyed by all. Diane out did herself, and we received many compliments. Thanks, Dave Sanders,

of Sanders Meats, for donations including the door prize meat sticks. Thank you to our faithful supporters who sponsored items and donated money. We'd also like to thank the volunteers for selling tickets, bartending, set up, clean up and the various other duties that were needed. We couldn't have had such a quality banquet without you. Finally, a BIG THANKS to everyone that bought tickets and helped supported the Fin and Feather Club.

Another Thank you to Ryan Kieszkowski of Oak Grove Funeral Home in Manistee, John Barbrick of Executive Wealth Management, Dr. William Ingle of Ingle Chiropractic Center, Ludington Bay Brewery, Timbers Prime, and Mac's Rod Shop, for your support.

Frank Koehle & Mike Hill



Starting from the left, Diane Zack, Derek Sanders, Frank Koehle and Dave Sanders. The Sanders donated 130 lbs to Caritas Food Pantry & to the Lakeshore Food Club, from the meat that was left over from Big Gun Night. Sanders Meats donated all the snack sticks & venison sausage for the night. Thank you to Sanders Meats!!!!



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Winner of the door prize at Big Gun Night was Michael Gezequel (on the left). He won a Ruger American .22 WMR



Kreig
Petoskey won
the Weatherby
Vanguard
Deluxe .300
Win Mag. This
was the Big
Gun Raffle for
the night.
On the left is
Mike Hill,
center is Kreig
Petoskey and
on the right is
Frank Koehle.

Good luck turkey hunters. Please send in your pictures and stories to share with the rest of the club members.





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#### **GUN A MONTH RAFFLE 2022-2023**

Tickets for the new Gun A Month raffle which started at the regular club meeting October 12, 2022. All the 350 tickets were sold. Thank you to everyone that either purchased a ticket or helped in selling them. The cost was still \$50 per ticket and this year there are 350 tickets were sold. Contact Ross Kissel at 231 845-9086 or by e-mail at "firecaptain29@outook.com" The rules for the raffle are: you need not be present to win, but you <u>MUST</u> be 18 years of age to participate, have bought a Gun a Month ticket, and be eligible to purchase a firearm. Here is a list & the dates of the firearms:

October 12, 2022 S&W M&P9, Shield Plus
November 6, 2022 S&W M&P9 Perf Center 9mm
December 14, 2022 Springfield Hellocat OSP
January 11, 2023 ATI Calvary .410 O/U
February 8, 2023 ATI Calvary 20 gauge O/U
March 8, 2023 Mossberg Patriot Long Range 6.5 cm
April 12, 2023 Rem 700 ADL Varmint 308
May 10, 2023 Howe M1500 6.5 c, Heavy Barrel
June 14. 2023 Win XPR 350 Legend
July 12, 2023 Win XPR Hunter Strata 30.06
August 9, 2023 Win XPR Hunter MODWA 300 WM
September 13, 2023 Browning AB3 Hunter .270

Winner: Adam Castonia Winner: Scott May Winner: Dave Organ Winner: Henry Lange Winner: Steve Miller

#### 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.

ı	1991	Dick VanAtta (Gunsmoke)		1992	Randy Wolfe	1993	Bruce Krieger	1994	Larry Moorlag
		5 Bruce Finch 1996					Ray Cummins & Jack Thiel		
ı	1998	Marv Hanna	1999	Ralph (	Christensen	2000	Kim Thomas		
ı	2001	Wayne Andersen	2002	Joanne	Cummins	2003	Tom Sheppardson	2004	John Ochs
ı	2005	Walt Olmstead	2006	Frank K	Coehle	2007	Bob Fenstermache	er	
ı	2008	Corky Jensen & Bill Olsen 2009 Koby Kobrehel		2010	Jim Glover & Gordon Grossenbacher				
		Bob Ferney, Bruce Wadel & Ed Zientek				Russ Bosley 2			
ı	2014	Diane Zack	2015	Bruce	Rosema	2016	Cindy Gleason	2017 D	an Engelhardt
ı	2018	Rick Gleason	2019	Dick Herrmann		2020	Chris Shimmel		-
ı	2021	1 Pat & Sandee Donovan 2022 Don & Eldonna Folkman & Gary Kondracki							

#### **HUNTER SAFETY**

The first Hunter Safety Class will be held April 15 & 16 at the clubhouse. Students must attend both days, complete the written test, and pass the required field day, in order to receive their Hunter Safety certificate. In order to register for the class you **must register online** at **https://michigan.storefront.kalkomery.com/programs** before April 15th. There is no cost for the class, lunch, snacks and a drink will be provided. Parents are required to bring their student to the first day of class to sign the liability form for the student. Students under the age of 10, must be accompanied by a parent. We will accept 50 students, with 5 being on a waiting list. If you register and are no longer planning on attending the class, please cancel your registration so that those on the waiting list will have a chance to attend the class.

We are always looking for new Hunter Safety Instructors. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Nita at (231) 690-0874 or go to DNR Hunter Safety Instructor application and follow the directions. Any questions, please call.



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#### 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 call be posted by e mailing "bearladytwo@live.com" or call 231 690-0874.) *Please advise when items are sold*)

- \*\* Vintage Lyman reloader with Lyman reloading guide. \$85 Call Marialice at 231-843-4763 (5) \*\* \*\* 8 Arrow Field Locker, 7 game getter arrows (Eastern 2216, 31" long), 7 other assorted arrows. \$30 OBF.
- Contact Keith at 586-536-1656 (6)
- \*\* FOR SALE: TC Contender with 7-30 Waters 21 inch SS carbine w/ Weaver 4X scope; 7-30 Waters 14 inch SS; Hunter barrel w /2-6 Bushnell scope; .22 Ir 14 inch SS match barrel w/3-6 Bushnell scope; 45-410 14 inch SS barrel; 45 acp 10 inch blue barrel; 357 mag 10 inch blue barrel; shoulder holster 14 inch; Hard case; 7-30 RCBS dies; 200+ rounds 7-30 brass; 50 rounds 7-30 loaded ammo. Package deal: \$1500. Dillon Square Deal B progressive reloading press .38 special with 300 rounds of brass and 500 lead bullets for reloading \$375. Ray Tomory 231-259-0038 (NOTE THE PHONE NUMBER, THE PREVIOUS ONE WAS INCORRECT) (6)
- \*\* Climbing tree stand-Summit \$100; Hang on tree stand \$10; Red Head size 11 insulated 3 ply Hobbs Creek Waders, new in box \$75; Mathews compound bow with plastic case, Quiver, site and 19 arrows \$200; Browning compound bow with plastic case and 13 arrows \$125; Mossberg Super bantam 20ga, Model 500 new in box \$269; 17 Weatherby 300 mag. 180 grain shells \$40; 12-5.80 boat rim & tire \$5; Fish net \$6; 2 1/2 Behrens oil storage can \$4 Gary Tyler 616-328-4492 (5)
- \*\* Mathews Solo Cam left hand compound bow, 30" draw. includes 20 arrows, drop away rest (never installed), release, and a hard case. \$300.00. call Jim at 231-233-2824. (5)
- \*\* Never fired. Ducks unlimited engraved Mossberg 500A, 12 ga-pump w/accu-choke, 28" barrel, chambered for 2 3/4" & 3" shells. Comes with owners manual & case. New it's roughly \$425, will sell for \$375. Call John 231 907-9210. (4)
- \*\* Never fired, Ducks unlimited engraved Ithaca Model 87 Deerslayer, Featherlight Guide Gun. 12 ga-pump action, 20" rifled barrel, chambered for 2 3/4" & 3" shells. Comes w/owners manual & case. Used it's roughly \$650, will sell for \$600. Call John 231 907-9210 (4)
- \*\* Never fired, Ducks unlimited engraved Benelli Super Nova 12 ga-pump w/3 chokes. 2 can fire steel shot. Chambered for 2 3/4" & 3" shells. Barrel roughly 25". Comes w/choke tool, locking mechanism, manual & case. New roughly \$575, will sell for \$525. Call John 231 907-9210 (4)
- \*\* Never charged or fired, BPI Connecticut Valley Arms Eclipse Magnum, Inline .50 Cal, Black Powder Muzzleloader, synthetic camo stock. Comes w/manual & case. Will sell for \$150. Call John 231 907-9210 (4)
- \*\* Ducks unlimited engraved Remington 870 Express Super Magnum 12-ga-pump w/ turkey choke (lead shot only), 28" barrel, black synthetic stock. Excellent condition, chambered for 2 3/4", 3", & 3 1/2" shells. Comes w/manual & case. Used recently, sold for \$350, will sell for \$300. Call John 231 907-9210 (4)



Winchester 30/30 for sale. Very Very good condition. Fired only about 50 times. Only \$675. Call Ed 231-613-4276. Ask for Ed. (1)



Remington 1187 12 Gauge. Slug Barrel, Bushnell 1.5-4 circle X scope, 26 inch bird barrel. \$825. Call Ed at 231-613-4276. (1)



#### Rifle Range Rues & Issues

Misuse of our ranges and safety continues to be an issue. The rifle range is now missing (**again**) one of our steel targets. We realize it's a rifle range, things get damaged. **BUT** to take the targets when a hanger is damaged is unacceptable. Please let someone know if one falls or is damaged, so we can fix it. They are costly to replace. If people continue to take them, we will not replace them anymore.

At the 50 yd range someone painted over several lines on the rules sign. **Totally unacceptable!** If someone has knowledge of who is responsible for doing this. Please notify one of the board members. We will address the situation.

Do not move the benches, they are put at their locations for a reason. Just because you think there ought to be one somewhere down range, doesn't give you the go ahead to move them. We're trying to eliminate portable backstops because they get damaged so quickly and the cost and time to rebuild them. If you want a backstop at a different yardage, let us know, and we'll see if we can add one. If we need to add benches at the 50 yd range, we will.

One safety tip. Wear safety glass when shooting any firearm! I know we've all been told this but just a few weeks ago on the skeet range, a pellet bounced off a target and came back and hit one of the bystanders, getting ready to shoot, in the face. He was standing in the safety zone when this happened. Strange things can happen, we just want everyone to continue to be safe when using the ranges. If you have a concern, contact me, Mike Hill 231 690-3966.

#### **3D Archery Update**

The 3D range is closed for the winter. The targets are being repaired and we have acquired many new targets for 2023. For those of you (like myself) who like to walk in the winter for exercise, the 3D course is walkable and marked. Winter is a great time to be outdoors and enjoy our beautiful water-winter wonderland. The range will be set up sometime in May.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 8—Fin & Feather Club meeting, 6-dinner

March 12 - Daylight saving time starts

March 17 - St Patrick's Day

March 16-Well Armed Women meeting - 6-8 PM

April 1 - Basic Pistol Class -all day. Must register

April 1 - April Fools Day

April 2 – Palm Sunday

April 5-Board meeting-6 PM

April 7 - Good Friday

April 9 - Easter

April 12- Fin & Feather Club meeting, 6-dinner

April 15 & 16- Hunter Safety Class

April 20 - Well Armed Woman meeting - 6-8 PM

May 5 & 6- CPL Class- Must register

#### Trap & Skeet Shooting Hours

Trap hours (open to the public), Tuesdays 3:30-6:30 and Saturdays 9-noon.

Skeet hours (open to the public), Tuesdays 2:30-5:30 and Saturdays 9-noon.

Don't forget to sign in and out at any of the ranges that you are going to use. There is a sign in book in the mail boxes at all ranges. If you see anyone that is miss-using the ranges or destroying the range property in any way, please contact Bruce Rosema at 231 499-600 or Dan Engelhardt at 231 510-1003.

REMEMBER, always keep the ranges better than you found it.

These are your ranges....
BE SAFE AND HAVE FUN.....



#### INDOOR ARCHERY LEAGUE

The Indoor Archery League started January 6 and continues for 11 weeks. The league is in the basement of the clubhouse and starts at 6:30. The cost is \$72 and concludes in March. Any questions contact Chris at 231 239-2448.

#### Youth Silhouette Shoot

The first Youth Silhouette Shoot will be held the first Saturday in May and then will continue shooting the first Saturday of the month until September. 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 rife 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.



#### MEMORIAL BRICKS

The Fin & Feather Memorial honors our past and present club members. Frank Koehle designed and erected the Memorial that is directly in front of the clubhouse.

Since we have not had a Memorial brick purchased in the last 2 years, and since we have lost several great members, we feel there is a need to

honor these members in the Memorial. With that said, if you would like to recognize a Fin and Feather Club member, who has gone on to the great hunting grounds, we are offering a Memorial Brick Spring Special Sale for \$28 a brick.

Bricks are 4" x 8" and you have 3 lines that have 18 spaces for your wording. Contact Frank at <a href="mailto:fkoehle@t-one.net">fkoehle@t-one.net</a> for the form or call 231 510-5558.

### Fin & Feather Renewals are due May 1st.

The renewals for membership are due May 1st and your renewal form will be either mailed to you, or you will get it by e-mail. They will be going out the end of March. This will be your membership from May 1, 2023 to May 1, 2024. For you snowbirds and if you receive the Tattered Feather hard copy in the mail, you will receive a postcard in the mail. If you receive your Tattered Feather by e-mail, you will receive yours by e-mail. If you do not receive a renewal form, by the middle of April, contact me (Nita Finch).

According to the By-Laws, you must renew your membership by May 1, 2023 to remain in good standing with the club and to avoid paying the \$12 initiation fee again. The gate combination will be changed on May 1st, so if you don't renew by then, you will not have access to the club grounds.

Nita Finch 231 690-0874



### **Turkey wings & or Feathers Wanted**

I am looking for as many turkey wings or primary feathers as I can get....birds

shot, road kill, wings from friends' or neighbors' birds; all are welcome and appreciated. I make arrows for kids, offer them to fly tiers and offer them to budding arrow smiths. Donors may call me, email me or just bring them to an upcoming meeting...Dick Herrmann. (989) 388-7044

e-mail: ddherrmann449@gmail.com

#### Fin & Feather Scholarship

Once again the Fin & Feather Club will be awarding a \$1500 scholarship for a student majoring in the outdoor sciences.

Applications can be obtained by contacting Chairman Laude Hartman at 231 233-7633 or by downloading an application on the website. The deadline for the applications is May 1st.