



Founded in 1954 by a group of dedicated people who recognized the need to unite hunters and anglers throughout southern Saskatchewan.

In 1957, the purchase of the Aquatic Club (then on the shore of the Moose Jaw River) gave the S.S.W.A. a home. The building was moved to its present site in 1960, and was renamed the Sportsman Center.

Our aims and objectives are the promotion, propagation, and conservation of our wildlife. This includes the protection of the habitat, promotion of farmer-hunter relations, and education.

## **From the President**

2025 was an excellent year for the S.S.W.A. We had an increase in members, with members joining from communities not seen before providing a better cross section of input for our projects and organization.

The S.S.W.A. continued to participate in provincial advisory committees on wildlife and fisheries chaired by Saskatchewan Environment. We also had additional opportunities to partner with the Wakamow Valley Authority.

Fishing opportunities were provided to youth, families, and special needs individuals through several S.S.W.A. programs last summer. The S.S.W.A. with the assistance of local volunteers also conducted a successful pheasant release to assist fall hunting in 2025.

We had an excellent, well attended Gun Show and our rifle draw was a sell out! The S.S.W.A. continues to support legal gun owners in Canada. We supported and sponsored Hunter Education and PAL courses along with the youth air rifle and pistol club, and the youth biathlon club.

As always, I encourage our members to introduce someone new to hunting, fishing and shooting sports.

**Tim Yates, S.S.W.A. President**

# 2026 S.S.W.A. Directors

## Executives

President: Tim Yates

Treasurer: Gregg Timms

First Vice: Melissa Oberding

Secretary: Carolyn Bowler

Second Vice: Cathy Charpentier

Director at Large: Ron Lancaster

Past President: Don Park

## Directors

Allen Dyck

Harry Horejda

Mike Coupland

Benjamin Green

Jesse Olsen

Melissa Oberding

Burkely Reiman

Joel Charron

Nolan Shaheen

Carolyn Bowler

Kelly Martin

Paul Moerike

Cathy Charpentier

Leonard Davey

Peter Harris

Curtis Nord

Logan Beach

Ron Lancaster

Dave Raine

Marc Coupland

Ted Nagel

Don Park

Michael Hunt

Tim Yates

Gregg Timms

Tom Thornton

## Committee Chairs

**Awards Night:** Joel Charron

**Range:** Leonard Davey

**Firearm Safety:** Harry Horejda

**Sick & Visiting:** Al Dailey

**Fish Advisory:** Tim Yates

**Signage:** Tom Thornton

**Fish Advisory (Alt.):** Mike Coupland

**Social:** Harry Horejda

**Game Advisory:** Tim Yates

**Social Media:** Benjamin Green &

**Game Advisory (Alt.):** Michael Hunt

Melissa Oberding

**Habitat Protection &**

**S.S.W.A. Feather:** Caroline Bowler

**Improvement:** Dave Raine

**S.S.W.A. Fin:** Tim Yates

**Lounge:** Gregg Timms

**S.S.W.A. Fur:** Tim Yates

**Memberships:** Leonard Davey

**Trophies:** Mike Coupland

**Newsletter:** Melissa Oberding

**Wakamow Valley:** Carolyn Bowler

**Raffles:** Harry Horejda

**Youth Biathlon:** Curtis Nord

## Senators

Al Dailey, Bob McLarty, Gene Ward, Glenn Chernick,  
Kevin Tondevold, Howie Johnson, John Hales, Ken Cornell, Russ Becker

# MEMBERSHIP

Interested in becoming a member of the S.S.W.A.?

By supporting wildlife groups you are helping support conservation.

The S.S.W.A. motto is "Wildlife Needs Your Help".

Through our projects and programs, we are able to achieve this goal.

We supply a place to take firearms safety and hunter education.

We also have a range for pistol shooting, and a place to train for the biathlon.

Building our membership base helps ensure long term success of our many programs while supporting community engagement and fostering the culture we all know and love.

All members interested in attending a directors meeting are more than welcome

Directors meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Sportsman Center

Any member interested in becoming a director of the S.S.W.A. or interested in participating in any wildlife projects, please contact us at [southsaskwildlife@gmail.com](mailto:southsaskwildlife@gmail.com)

Please check your membership and don't forget to renew!

You can purchase a membership through our website using the following link:

[Purchase Membership](#)



# S.S.W.A. Fin Committee

The S.S.W.A. Fin Committee is responsible for all projects and activities related to fishing and fisheries.

## Provincial Fisheries Advisory Committee (FAC)

The S.S.W.A. also holds a seat at the FAC where the committee provides input in the Saskatchewan Provincial Fisheries Management Plan, regulation changes, and fisheries projects throughout the province. FAC meetings are held on a regular basis throughout each year. The S.S.W.A. solicits input from the S.S.W.A. board of directors and its members in relation to the issues discussed at the FAC.

## Kinsmen Inclusion Centre Fishing Program

The S.S.W.A. partnered with the Kinsmen Inclusion Centre (KIC) to provide fishing experiences for KIC participants. The S.S.W.A. provided boats and guides to ensure that any interested participants were able to experience on the water fishing the last week of July 2025. Everyone had a great time, and many fish were caught and released. S.S.W.A. plans to continue to provide these opportunities in 2026.

## Youth Fishing Derby

Annually, on the 1st Saturday of June, a Youth Fishing Derby is held at Buffalo Pound Provincial Park.

This free event provides fishing opportunities for youth with a free BBQ lunch. Prizes are awarded for the first, largest, smallest, and unique catches in three age categories (3-7, 8-11, & 12-15).

Unfortunately, due to 90 km/hour winds and rain, the 2025 event was cancelled for participant safety.

The next Youth Fishing Derby is scheduled for **June 6th, 2026**. Please contact Tim Yates for registration and any inquiries at (306) 631-7786 or [timyates@sasktel.net](mailto:timyates@sasktel.net)

## Wakamow Family Fishing Day

On July 17, 2025, the S.S.W.A. partnered with the Wakamow Valley Authority to provide a family fishing opportunity for anyone wishing for assistance during the Free Fishing Weekend in Saskatchewan. The event provided fishing equipment and a free lunch for over 50 attendees.

## Trout Stocking

The S.S.W.A. assisted school groups and Moose Jaw Diversified Services with stocking trout fingerlings at the Buffalo Pound Trout Pond after the classrooms raised raised fish from eggs.

# **S.S.W.A. Feather Committee**

In May 2025 we received 300 one day old pheasant hatchlings who were raised to 6-8 weeks old and then transported to various locations around southern Saskatchewan to be released into the wild. The program hopes to expand these numbers in 2026.



# **S.S.W.A. Fur Committee**

The S.S.W.A. Fur Committee maintains membership on the Saskatchewan Wildlife Advisory Committee and is responsible for wildlife related projects and Wildlife Advisory Committee (WAC)

The WAC meeting regularly a minimum of twice per year to obtain input from provincial stakeholders in Saskatchewan. As a member of the WAC, the S.S.W.A. provides input in the Saskatchewan Game Management Plan, regulation changes, the Big Game Draw and requests by interested stakeholders. The S.S.W.A. solicits input from directors and members in relation to the management plan and any issue under discussion at the WAC.

# AIR RIFLE AND PISTOL

The S.S.W.A. Air Rifle and Pistol program has seen a great resurgence so far this fall. We welcomed a number of new members to the program who are coming often and enjoying the challenge of learning a new discipline.

We will continue to run Monday nights with 6:30-7:00 generally being for younger shooters and 7:00-8:00 for older juniors and adults, space permitting. We generally run until Victoria Day weekend in May.

Whether you're just looking to learn how to shoot for the first time, learn a new style, pick up some new tips or strive for the podium, please contact Jesse Olsen at [jesse.olsen@me.com](mailto:jesse.olsen@me.com) or Michael Hunt at [michael.huntst@yahoo.com](mailto:michael.huntst@yahoo.com) for more information.

## BIATHLON

2026 is a Saskatchewan Winter Games year, and the Moose Jaw Biathlon Club has 2 athletes competing!

Biathlon is an excellent sport combining precision shooting and skate skiing. Our program involves youth from 9 years of age right through to adults. Safety is primary and is taught from day one. Skate skiing is a fun skill easily learned and very exciting once mastered.

Contact Curtis Nord with any questions at [borntohunt70@gmail.com](mailto:borntohunt70@gmail.com) or (306) 354-7288



The club meets Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm. at 276 Home Street E.  
Come see what it's all about!

# TICKETS AVAILABLE AS OF APRIL 1, 2026

## 2026-2027 S.S.W.A. OUTDOOR HERITAGE RIFLE PACKAGE RAFFLE (License SR 25-5051) Draw Date: March 18, 2027

The hottest selling caliber rifle at the present time

This year's phenomenal package includes the following:

TIKKA T3X STAINLESS SYNTHETIC 6.5 PRC CALIBRE RIFLE

VORTEX DBHP 4-16x42 Scope

VORTEX Crossfire HD 10x42 Binoculars

1000 yard Laser Rangefinder

Handheld Wind Meter

Bipod

Claw Sling

Tikka Padded Carry Case

1 Box 6.5 PRC Ammo

Sno Camo Coverups

Balaclava

HVIZ Vest, Hat, Toque

Silicone Treated Gun Sock

Spare Ammo Carrier

Sno Wrap

High Lumen Rechargeable Flashlite

Tickets are 1 for \$5.00  
3 for \$10.00, or 6 for \$20.00

Tickets are available from any  
S.S.W.A. Director or from  
S.S.W.A. Raffle Coordinator

Harry Horejda [hshorejda@shaw.ca](mailto:hshorejda@shaw.ca)  
or (306) 693-1324

For purchases of larger amounts  
please contact Harry for e-transfer  
instructions

\*\*must be at least \$20.00 for e-  
transferring\*\*



2024-2025 S.S.W.A.  
raffle draw winner was  
Eddy D.

with winning ticket #2764  
Congratulations Eddy!!

*With the rifle raffle being a major fundraiser for the club, your support is greatly appreciated.*

# S.S.W.A. Awards Night

Awards Night will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026 at the Sportsmen Centre  
Doors open at 5:30 pm a Roast Beef supper at 6:30.

There will be an Auction, Dart Board, Bucket Draws, and Door Prizes.

Tickets are \$25 each and are available from any director,  
OR email us at [southsaskwildlife@gmail.com](mailto:southsaskwildlife@gmail.com)

Each calendar year the S.S.W.A. offers awards to fisherpersons and hunters submitting entries in the various angling and hunting categories sponsored by the S.S.W.A.

The winner of each category receives complimentary attendance at our annual Awards Night where they can participate in the entertainment and draws offered throughout the evening as well as a free banquet meal.

If you want to add more purpose to your fishing or hunting season then keep on reading:

When you catch a fish OR harvest a bird or big game animal that you feel is worthy of consideration you can submit your entry by filling out the enclosed form and email it to the Awards Director, Mike Coupland, email [mijocoupland@gmail.com](mailto:mijocoupland@gmail.com)

OR make your life even easier and simply provide two pictures via your cell phone: one showing you holding your fish/bird/game and one showing the fish/bird/game on your digital scale so the weight can be easily read.

In both cases your name and membership number are required.

If using your cell phone to provide digital evidence of your entry: send to Mike at (306) 630-5877. The digital entry is our favorite as that will provide us with a picture for our photo gallery at the Awards Night.

**Note:** Best Big Game scores are calculated by the Henry Kelsey minimum score divided into the actual score, multiplied by 100 = percentage.

Keep in mind, it is your responsibility to submit your big game form – do not rely on the scorer to do this for you.

\*\* for birds or big game - preferably on a scale at a store meat department and a picture of your big game animal scored on a Boone & Crocket, Henry Kelsey, or Pope & Young official form

(Bryce at HUB Meats has graciously volunteered to weigh your game on his meat scale)

## [Awards Details and Submission Form](#)

Submissions must be received no later than **January 15th**  
(all entries must be caught or harvested in Saskatchewan)

# S.S.W.A. TROPHIES

## CATEGORY & SPONSOR 2024 WINNER

### Fishing

WHITE FISH - Curly's Bait	-----	
PERCH - Kivol Farms Ltd.		Tim Yates - 1 lb 13 oz
WALLEYE - Mercury Service		Allan Kivol - 10 lb 14 oz
NORTHERN PIKE - Orion Taxidermy		Ron Lancaster - 23 lb 10 oz
LAKE TROUT - Jack North Memorial, S.S.W.A.	-----	
BROOK TROUT - S.S.W.A.	-----	
RAINBOW TROUT - Sam Leitch Memorial (Clark Supply)	-----	
LARGEMOUTH BASS - DOOLY'S		Ron Lancaster - 3 lb 2 oz
BURBOT - Brandon Wiens		Tanner Kivol - 5 lb 2 oz
JR CHAMPION ANGLER - Tim & Daphne Yates		Kristjan Bocek - Walleye 8 lb 15 oz (254%)
NOVICE CHAMP ANGLER - Jiggy Joe	-----	
ADULT CHAMP ANGLER - Hub Meat Market (Bryce Downey)		Ron Lancaster - Pike: 23 lb 10 oz
		Walleye: 6 lb 13 oz
		Largemouth Bass: 3 lb 2 oz
		Total: 33 lb 9 oz

### Birds

DUCK - Stan Kivol Memorial (Al Kivol)		Tanner Kivol - 3 lb 8.9 oz
GOOSE - Jiggy Joe		Gregg Timms - 13 lb 6 oz
PARTRIDGE - Akura Autobody (Roy Krueger)		Teegan Kivol - 1 lb 0.5 oz
SHARPTAIL GROUSE - Al Dailey		Teegan Kivol - 1 lb 14 oz
PHEASANT - Barry McLafferty Memorial		Chris Bocek - 3 lb 8 oz

### Black Powder/Crossbow

WHITETAIL - Great West Auto Electric		Avry Bocek - 122-6/8
N/T WHITETAIL - Allen & Olive Dyck	-----	
MULEDEER - Insight Law		Brandon Wiens - 170-2/8
N/T MULEDEER - Hugh Somers Memorial (Russ Becker/Daryl Metz)	-----	
ANTELOPE - Anthony Oberding	-----	

### Rifle

WHITETAIL - Orion Taxidermy		Teegan Kivol - 124 1/8
N/T WHITETAIL - Gerald Wicharuk Memorial (Kevin Wicharuk)	-----	
MULEDEER - Long Hall Trucking Conn's Corner Service		Joel Charron - 150-0/8
N/T MULEDEER - Paice Construction (Bob Nelson)	-----	
ANTELOPE - Myrray Green Memorial (Ben Green)	-----	
MOOSE - Stan Barber Memorial (Marc Timms & Jimmy Kaytor)	-----	
ELK - Gary Vieser	-----	
BEAR - Crackmasters Auto Glass	-----	

### Best Big Game

BLACK POWDER/CROSSBOW - All Star Awards & Graphics		Brandon Wiens - 170-2/8
RIFLE - Constable Automotive		Chris Bocek - 147-5/8
JUNIOR - Collier Electric		Avry Bocek - 122-6/8
LADY - Akura Autobody	-----	
BOW - Scott Striha Memorial (Karen Striha)	-----	

SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR - Memorial S.S.W.A. -----

DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR - Memorial S.S.W.A. Michael Coupland

# CANADIAN FIREARM SAFETY CERTIFICATION AND SASKATCHEWAN HUNTER EDUCATION YOUTH CERTIFICATION

## HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR SASKATCHEWAN HUNTER EDUCATION CERTIFICATE STATUS

Anyone born after January 1, 1971 who wishes to hunt in Saskatchewan needs to have passed the official Saskatchewan Hunter Education Course, or a Hunter Education Course from a Province or State that Saskatchewan has reciprocity agreements with.

As of October 1, 2022, Saskatchewan has made available an online option to obtain this status. It consists of a 12 chapter online course and you must pass the concluding online final test.

You can register at [Hunter Safety Course](#).

Successful completion of the program earns you a Saskatchewan Hunter Education Card enabling you to hunt in Saskatchewan, and the other Provinces and States we have Reciprocity with.

### ADULT FIREARMS LICENSING COURSES (AGE 18 MINIMUM)

Canadian Firearm Safety Course CFSC and Canadian Restricted Firearm Safety Course CRFSC

\*\* Please note the instructors listed below may also take youth clients  
(12 - 17 years old) where space permits \*\*

\*\* The same instructors may offer youth courses if the numbers warrant such a course \*\*

These courses are being offered in Moose Jaw at the S.S.W.A. Range and Learning Centre.

If you are an adult and wish to obtain your PAL or RPAL contact any of the instructors below to inquire on when they are offering these adult courses.

### CFSC AND CRFSC INSTRUCTORS WITH THE S.S.W.A.

Harry Horejda (306) 693-1324  
[hshorejda@shaw.ca](mailto:hshorejda@shaw.ca)  
website: [moosejawfirearm.com](http://moosejawfirearm.com)

Nolan Shaheen (306) 630-6365  
[sodasprings@sasktel.net](mailto:sodasprings@sasktel.net)  
website: [saskpal.com](http://saskpal.com)

Al Dailey (306) 631-0833  
[daileya@sasktel.net](mailto:daileya@sasktel.net)

Don Park (306) 631-5047  
[donpark454@gmail.com](mailto:donpark454@gmail.com)  
Facebook: [Saskatchewan Pal Course](#)  
website: [saskpal.com](http://saskpal.com)

Dave Raine (306) 313-0972  
[saskfirearmcourse@gmail.com](mailto:saskfirearmcourse@gmail.com)  
Facebook: [Moose Jaw Firearms Course](#)  
website: [saskfirearmcourse.com](http://saskfirearmcourse.com)

Tim Yates (306) 631-7786  
[timyates@sasktel.net](mailto:timyates@sasktel.net)

#### **Vital ACTS of Firearm Safety**

**A**ssume every firearm is loaded

**C**ontrol the muzzle direction at all times

**T**rigger finger must be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard

**S**ee that the firearm is unloaded

#### **PROVE it safe**

**P**oint the firearm in the safest available direction

**R**emove all ammunition

**O**bserve the chamber

**V**erify the feeding path

**E**xamine the bore each time you pick up a firearm

# INDOOR SHOOTING RANGE

276 Home Street East

A federally regulated range with retractable targets, able to accommodate common handgun cartridges such as .22 LR, 9 mm, .40 S&W, .45 ACP, .45 Colt, and .357 Magnum

Any higher energy calibers are **not allowed**.

Please check with any of our range officers for further information.

[Gun Range Safety Rules](#)

## RANGE HOURS

**Thursday 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

**Sunday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

## SIGNAGE

The S.S.W.A. fully promotes good relations between hunters and landowners. If you are a landowner or know of one who wishes to promote hunting on foot or hunting with permission on their property we can help you. Our organization has prepared signs that you can post on your property that will make it clear to hunters how they can have access to your property.

Please contact Tom Thornton or any Director for appropriate signage.



# S.S.W.A.

## MOOSE JAW GUN SHOW

M.J. CONVENTION CENTER EXHIBITION GROUNDS  
250 THATCHER DR. E

**MARCH 7 - 8, 2026**

### SET UP

Friday, March 6th - 10 am to 5 pm  
Saturday, March 7th - 8 am to 10 am

### SHOW TIMES

Saturday, March 7th - 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, March 8th - 10 am to 3 pm



For more information contact:  
Don @ 306-631-5047  
Email: donpark454@gmail.com

# S.S.W.A. Kids Fishing Derby

## June 6, 2026

11 am to 2 pm

Buffalo Pound Provincial Park  
Qu'Appelle River Dam (Nicolle Flats)

BBQ lunch provided 11:30 - 1:00  
Presentations and Prizes at 2:00

All anglers are asked to bring their own fishing gear  
We ask that an adult accompany all children for safety reasons  
Anglers will fish from shore  
\*\*\* Life Jackets Are Required \*\*\*

Catch and Release assistance will be available for any anglers  
wishing to return their catch to the water

Registration is free, but limited to 24 participants

To register or if you have any further questions  
please contact Tim Yates at (306) 631-7789  
or [timyates@sasktel.net](mailto:timyates@sasktel.net)



Age Groups:

3 - 7

8 - 11

12 - 15

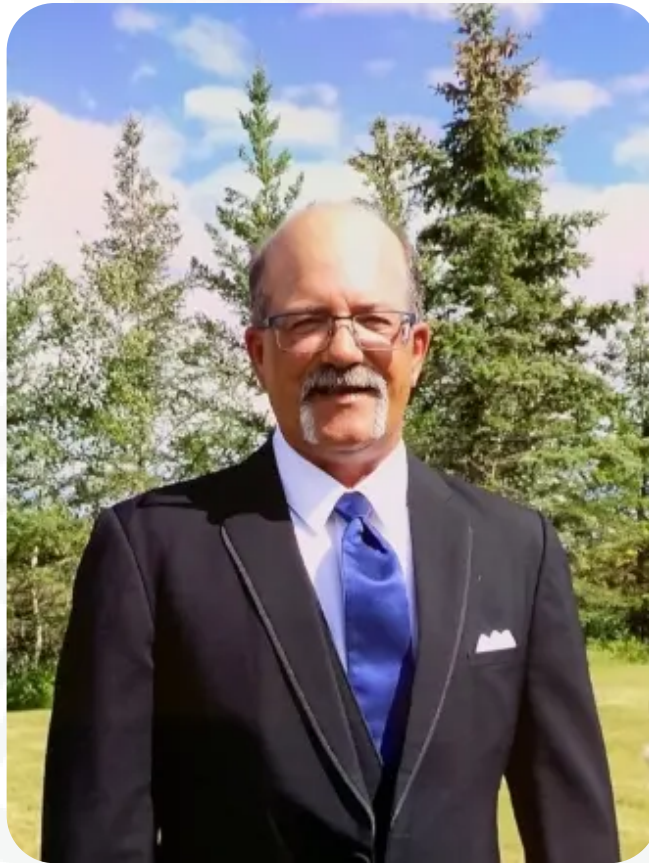


# *Leaving a mark that won't be forgotten*

We were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of former S.S.W.A Director (1998 to 2005) Lawrence Peverett on January 12, 2026

Lawrence believed deeply in respecting the land and waterways and treated them with the utmost care. He took great pride in processing his own game and fish – butchering, wrapping, and making sausage from his wild harvest. And while he was strict about doing things the right way, he never forgot to have fun. There were always plenty of laughs, stories, and good times along the way.

Lawrence's love for the outdoors, his strong work ethic, and his respect for the land will always be remembered. He showed us how to enjoy life fully, responsibly, and with gratitude for the natural world around us.



*Until we meet again*

*Est. 1954*

