



*2024 PROGRESS REPORT*



# MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to promote appreciation of the outdoors, foster greater awareness and involvement among youth and adults in target sports, expand outdoor education experiences and advance sound hunting, shooting, and conservation related practices.



## Strategic Initiatives

- Create a premier sporting clays destination in Central Illinois
- Grow youth participation in sporting clays
- Strengthen Greater Peoria non-profits
- Advance shooting and hunter safety
- Promote sustainable land use and conservation practices



## Key Accomplishments & Performance Metrics

### Capital Improvements

- Clubhouse repairs, upgrades and remodeling including:
  - New windows & entry door
  - Wood floor restoration/refinishing
  - Bathroom remodel
  - Interior painting
  - New interior lighting
  - New AV enabled conference & meeting space
  - Transaction Counter and merchandise display area
- New landscaping
- Entry road improvements
- Parking lot improvements
- Tree trimming
- New well
- New outdoor storage facility with electrical
- New exterior lighting
- New outdoor patio area and covered small group pavilion
- Multiple on-site tents to accommodate group events



## Operations & Marketing

- On-site credit card payment processing
- High speed internet with guest access
- Complete brand and logo refresh
- Expanded facebook presence and new website: [www.oakridgeoutdoors.org](http://www.oakridgeoutdoors.org)
- New tri-fold brochure
- Member of Illinois Sporting Clays Association [ISPA]
- Ads in local publications like adventure sports outdoors

## Course Upgrades and Enhancements

Thanks to the generosity of visionary donors, Oak Ridge now has fifty-six (56) automated Pro-Matic throwers on two separate courses and Five-Stand, making it the largest automated sporting clays course in Central Illinois and one of the largest in the State.

## Charity Fund Raising Events – 2024

Midwest Food Bank	St. Jude	Oak Ridge Outdoor Foundation
Easterseals Lyle Finch	Larry Wallden Shoot for MS	Chuck Tolly – St. Jude
Boy Scouts	Northwoods Church	Theresa Tracy Group for Pancreatic Cancer
Central Illinois Riding Therapy	East White Oak Church	
Easterseals Burt Mercier		

## Utilization to Date:

**12 CHARITY EVENTS**  
totaling more than 850 participants

**14 CORPORATE EVENTS**  
totaling more than 620 participants

**3 HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS**  
IVC, Metamora, and Washington

**1,740**  
total participants thus far



## Contributions to Date

Gifts & Pledges: \$655,000

In-Kind Contributions: \$120,000

Total Gifts, Pledges & In-Kind: \$775,000

## Volunteer Engagement to Date

35 Active Volunteers totaling more than 3,500 Hours

## Capital Priorities Going Forward

Current Long Range Site Use & Facilities Plan calls for three additions to the Oak Ridge target sports line-up:

1. Construction of new multi-level five station wobble trap
2. Construction of a new trap & skeet field
3. Construction of a new year-round five-stand pavilion

## Current Board Leadership

Alan Bliss

Rick Semonis, Vice Chairman

Tom Meischner

Pat Smarjesse - Treasurer

Doug Oberhelman

Tim Neuhauser

Alex Perez Sandi

Steve Thompson, Chairman

Joe Schweigert, Secretary

Eric Wilson



Oak Ridge Sportsman's Club

13001 Weishaupt Rd | Mackinaw, IL 61755

309.359.8588 | [oakridgeoutdoors.org](http://oakridgeoutdoors.org)

