

*The Essential Importance of a Correctly Fitted Shotgun
For Successful Wing & Clay Target shooting.*

Saturday 11th February

Deer Creek Hunt Club, Three Oaks, Michigan

A full day interactive seminar presented by:

British Shooting Instructor & Gun Fitter, Keith Coyle

And

Custom Stock Maker & Master Class Shooter, Alan Braner



To fully appreciate the importance of “Gun Fit” one must understand the basic principle of shooting a “Shotgun” compared to that of shooting a “Rifle”, a shotgun is pointed, not aimed and was designed around the humans instinctive ability to be able to “Point a Finger” at whatever they are looking at without any conscious thought!

A shotgun barrel is therefore no more than an extended pointing finger that has to be consistently lined up with the dominant eye and the object on which the eye is focused; this is why a Shotgun has to be fitted to the physical characteristics of the user so that the rib of the barrel sits directly under the Iris of the shooters eye, ensuring the gun now shoots directly at the point where the eye looks.

In addition a properly fitted Gun must also control the effects of recoil and must be comfortable on the face and shoulder, so that there is no risk of bruising or injury during prolonged use.

Seminar Content & Itinerary

9.00 to 9.30am Arrive for meet and greet with Alan and Keith over coffee and morning pastries.

9.30. Introduction to the day and its program, short background brief by Alan & Keith.

10.00. Alan begins the first session with an explanation on the proper use of a Pattern Plate, what the correct sight picture looks like when looking down the barrel of a shotgun and how to use a laser correctly when practicing the gun mount.

Keith follows with “Back to basics”, a review of why a Shotgun needs to be fitted to the individual and how standing correctly and the technique of mounting the gun to the eye in a consistent manner has a crucial effect on how a Gun is fitted.

11.00. Over coffee we will now open the morning for general questions.

11.30 The course now moves into the interactive phase as we will split into two equal groups to look at the techniques for Gun Mounting and Stance with Keith and individual Light (laser) Eye Rib alignment assessment with Alan and how the combination of these two crucial elements of this unique system enables him to produce the perfect stock for the user.

12.30. Lunch is served

1.30 One group will move to the Pattern Plate and working with Alan, will establish correct barrel eye alignment with the users own Gun/s.

The other group will move to the practice area with Keith to work on Gun Mounting techniques.

2.30. Groups rotate.

3.30. Both groups join up at 5 Stand area and will round off the day by shooting 1 rounds of 5 Stand just for fun!

4.00 We return to the Clubhouse where each Shooter will be given his/her own individual Gun Fit chart with both existing measurements and those alterations that may be recommended. Keith and Alan will be happy to continue to answer questions and discuss topics arising from the day's course and shooters are free to depart at their leisure up to **5.00**.

The cost of the course is \$550.00 all-inclusive and places are strictly limited. Shooters must provide their own shells (Suggest 75/100).

For further information or to book your place please call the Deer Creek Hunt Club office at 269-756-6600

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