

FACTORYVILLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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For over 75 years, the Factoryville Sportsmen's Club in Wyoming County, Pennsylvania, is an organization founded on the principles and values of Sports men & women. Easily accessed from Rt. 6, many sporting recreational activities are continued to be practiced at the club's 350 acre facility. The responsible and safe use of firearms for shooting sports, hunting, defense and the ethical stewardship of our natural resources is at our core, and we welcome those that hold the similar heritage and values. In addition to the comradery among it's over 500 members, the contributions made to the community, various charities donations and scholarship offerings, law enforcement, and the promotion of the shooting sports for future generations makes FSC the premier sportsmen's club in the area.

FSC offers shotgun (trap, 5 stand, skeet, & sporting clays), rifle (CMP, NRA silhouette, Rimfire & Long Range sporting events), pistol (Steel Speed shooting & USPSA), Muzzleloader and an Archery 3-D course and tower. Other scheduled activities include Horseshoes, Darts, Hunter / Trapper Education classes, Adopt a Highway, various firearm & range officer Certifications, Youth activities, along with many other special shooting events and fundraisers though out the year.

Communications, Information, and Instruction

FSC Monthly General Membership Meeting – held the last **Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM**, (2nd Wednesday in Nov. and Dec.). An opportunity to see and hear in person to what's happening at the club, or to bring to the floor any concerns, suggestions, or improvements that you may have in mind to make *your* club the best that it can be. There is no smoking and the bar is closed during the meeting, but allowed before and after. **If voting (elections in October) you need 6 meeting attendances, 9 meeting attendances to run for an office.**

FSC Board Meetings – held **1st Monday of the month at 7:00PM** to hear your concerns or suggestions. If you want to hold an event or have an issue to get resolved, or want permission to do any improvements or assist in anyway, please do not hesitate to attend. – you have a voice that will be heard.

Membership - Marti Shafer-Callahan - Dues are **\$200.00** for 2023, must be an NRA member (\$30.00 through the club), \$35.00 new member initiation fee and must be present at the meeting they are getting voted in on. Dues collected November thru February without late fee, Dues prorated for new members during the year. Please update / confirm mailing and email address information at this time. Gate access card not issued until confirmed New Members have attended Orientation.

Member Orientation (MANDATORY FOR NEW MEMBERS recommended for existing members)
– **George Fornwalt** – get familiar with the club grounds, events held, and the history of FSC. For new members, scan card isn't issued until orientation is completed, you also receive event vouchers for a free round. Preregister sign-up sheet in the club house, or call George at 570-290-1323 so George can plan appropriately.

FSC Hotline (570-378-CLUB or 570-378-2593) – any event additions / subtractions for the FSC hotline, or leave a message on the hotline to have your event updated.

FSC website – <https://fscshooting.org/> take a moment to view scheduled & special upcoming events, **range closures**, descriptions of the events held at FSC, and other pertinent links at FSC on our website.

Facebook – Check out what's happening at the club, and like us on Facebook. Find sub groups for FSC events such as Event calendar, SCTP, Horseshoes, Archery, Silhouette, Long Range and more in the "Groups" section at:
<https://www.facebook.com/factoryvillesports/>

FSC schedule card – this brightly printed hard copy of the premier events are available at the club. Please refer to the FSC schedule dates, times, fees, and contact information for questions.

FSC Newsletter – **Walter Rohan** – available each month on the FSC website. For addition of any additional topics, upcoming events, or event chairperson results Email FSCNEWSLETTER2@GMAIL.COM

Event Chairpersons Scheduling Meeting – meeting in October to set schedules and chairpersons for existing and new events for the upcoming year.

Hunter Trapper Education – **Bill Kozuck** – Registration is through the Pa. Game Commission website. Students must be 11 years old on the date of the class. Always Looking to add additional instructors, if interested please contact us or the PGC.

FSC license plates, patches, and hat pins are available at the Membership window. HATS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

Getting involved...How you can help

Our bigger fundraising and scholarship events need more volunteers to help at the events, even for an hour is a great help and is appreciated to help make **your** club events the best they can be. Dinners & raffles help to keep club dues low. Most of our regular scheduled events could use help in setting up, running, and taking down of the courses, feel free to contact any of our event chairpersons on how to participate. There's also a need for volunteers for grounds & range maintenance and further property development. If you have any time, skills, or resources to offer, please contact a board member or event chairperson on how you can get involved. There's always a need for Adopt a highway volunteers, Hunter / Trapper Education instructors, and scorers for our larger state shoots. Other available turnkey events can use chairpersons and ideas for new events are always welcome

Highlights from the January Membership meeting

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence for sick, injured, or departed members, and for those serving our country in harm's way, followed by the reading of any previous meeting minutes by **Recording Sec. Walter Rohan & Treasurer Dave Woodyatt** reported the monthly financial statement, offering any member to view the calculations, balance, and receipts. Any questions, comments or corrections made.

Chairman's report – Bruce Weisenfluh – Supergun ticket prices were raised to \$35 and availability increased to 1400 tickets. The call to Postpone the meeting a week due to icy weather conditions was made for safety of the membership, if there's anyone that would have made the regular scheduled meeting but couldn't make the rescheduled one please contact the membership chair person Marti for getting credit for attendance. Thanks for the quick turnaround on facebook and the website to get the notice out there.

Publicity report – Paul Zbegner – Sent an invite to our State Representatives to attend our meetings. Club promotion flyers are available, please pick one up and post in a place of prominence so as to help promote the club out in the public even more. Flyers have also been sent out to vendors that FSC deal with so they too

can post one up at their place of business. Always looking for suggestions and submissions to promote your event or the club.

Pa. Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs – William Kalinauskis - NO REPORT

Membership report – Marti Shafer-Callahan – currently we are at 551 adult & life members, 56 junior members, 3 adult and 3 Junior applications made as of the meeting. For those that re-enrolled in NRA membership through the club (a \$5-\$10 discount) please be patient for your re-enrollment to be validated by the NRA as we send them out.

Land Use Management – planning another batch of trees being delivered in April, stay tuned for more info.

Chairpersons of Events reports

Refer to the FSC Website for event dates, times, fees

Details are as follows from Chairpersons that reported:

Adopt a Highway - George Fornwalt - we'll conduct our first pickup on April 8th meeting at the club at 9:00 am.

Calendars – a few calendars are still available, about 880 sold so far, thanks to old and new members stepping up the sales of calendars this year. Calendars are \$35.00 each, with tie-ins to the Daily Number drawings. NOTE: if you send in payment for calendar with your membership dues, please include the info slip that comes with the calendar so we know your calendar #'s. Thanks to Tim Donnelly for help with the computer and calendars.

Darts - Ralph Gilpin - Throwing darts every Thursday, 6:00 starts signups, 7:00 games begin. \$5 members, \$10 non members.

Hunter / Trapper Education – Bill Kozuck - first class at the club on April 29th, registration through the PGC website.

Muzzleloader - Paul Zbegner - March 25th will be the muzzleloader shoot, flintlock and percussion caplock w/ round ball only.

*****NEW EVENT IN 2023 - NRL22 - Bill Kozuck** - will be starting our first NRL22 match in April, will hope to hold a practice / familiarization match in March. Match info, rules, equipment suggestions, COFs can be found <https://nrl22.org/about/rules-2023/>

Sporting Clays / 5 stand – Rick Valent – winter league is in full swing, averaging 20 shooters per round.

Smallbore Silhouette - Walter Kierzkowski - starting in April, 2 matches, 40 rounds per match, 4 distances

U.S.P.S.A – Barry Ruane – had 36 shooters the last match. Matches are 2nd Sunday of the Month, setup and registration at 9:00, match begins at 10:00

Steel Challenge – Barry Ruane – starting up steel challenge in April

General Meeting open forum / old and new business / good of the order

George Fornwalt – March 25th we'll have a club work detail, please get in contact with me for what needs to be done or any suggestions on what we can improve on the grounds.

Bruce Weisenfluh - the Christmas Party had 30 people, everyone had a great time and probably looking to do another next Christmas season. Looking into having something similar during the summer.

Walter Rohan - my bad on omitting Adopt a Highway pickup for bonus points for Club Championship last year, will include it this year. Also most likely going to get the Newsletter back up and running, posting on the website each month.

Applications for new members were reviewed and accepted by the general membership as regular members with 1 year probationary period. New FSC members: Bobby Scott, Jeff Bowne, Charles Cardenetti, Matt Ryan, Liam Ryan, Caleb Ryan.

Walter Kierzkowski - Customizable brick orders are still being taken, \$70 cash, \$75 credit card. Bricks can also be purchased for memoriam. Bricks to be installed as firing line markers at the ranges.

The monthly 50/50 raffle was drawn along with a Calendar drawing. The **Land Fund 50/50** worth \$116 was drawn, the name Chris Sekol was pulled but did not have an entry, with no winner the pot rolls over to next month. Simply Sign in on the sheet, put the corresponding number on the provided envelope with \$2.00 enclosed, and insert into drop box at membership window.

Next general membership meeting Feb 22, 2023 @ 7:30 pm, Motion to adjourn accepted, meeting concluded 8:16 pm

This month's FSC Spotlight: FSC 2023 SCHEDULE CARD

An image of this year's schedule card with most events listed at the time of the scheduling meeting. Save / download to keep handy on your electronic device or to print.

USPSA	SPORTING CLAY COURSE	CLAYBIRDS	2023 Meeting Schedule
Barry Ruane (570) 756-2917 Jan. 8 Feb. 12 Mar. 12 Apr. 9 May 14 June 11 July 9 Aug. 13 Sept. 10 Oct. 8	(SUNDAYS @ 9:00AM) Info: See Website Jan. 15 & 29 Feb. 5 & 19 Mar. 5 & 19 Apr. 2 & 16 May 7 & 21 June 4 & 18 July 2 & 16 Aug. 6 & 20 Sept. 3 & 17 Oct. 1 & 15 Nov. 5 Also, Good Friday, April 7, 2023	Course/5-Stand/Skeet (Wednesdays) April 5 thru Oct. 25 Sporting Clay Course @ 9:00AM Skeet @ 10:00AM 5-Stand @ 5:00PM * Also: Sptg Clay Sunday @ 12:00PM	Call (570) 378-CLUB or (570) 378-2593 Website: www.fscshooting.org  Jan. 25 Feb. 22 Mar. 29 Apr. 26 May 31 June 28 July 26 Aug. 30 Sept. 27 Oct. 25 Nov. 15 Dec. 13
STEEL CHALLENGE (Pistol) Barry Ruane (570) 756-2917 Apr. 1 May 6 June 3 July 1 Aug. 5 Sept. 2 Oct. 7	SPECIAL EVENTS Fred Loch Memorial - May 7 SCTP Benefit - July 16 IAM Benefit - Aug. 6 YOUTH SHOTGUN INFO CONTACT Fred Rose (570) 903-5755	TRAP (Tuesdays) May 2 thru Sept. 26 @ 4:00PM Ned Tyler (570) 335-8316	SPECIAL DATES Feb. 3 May 7 May 13 Sept. 9 Oct. 6 Steak Bake Scholarship Shoot Super Gun Super Gun Steak Bake
MUZZLE LOADER Paul Zbeganar (570) 561-3748 March 25 (Saturday)	SMALLBORE SILHOUETTE Walter Kierzkowski (570) 687-6901 April 9 May 28 June 11 July 23 Aug. 27 Sept. 10 Oct. 22	HUNTERS EDUCATION Bill Kozuck (570) 378-2737 Marti Shafer-Callahan (570) 696-0159 (Saturday) April 29 Sept. 16 Nov. 4	DARTS Ralph Gilpin (570) 378-2563 Thursdays @ 6:00PM Jan. 5 thru Apr. 6
CMP John Joyce (570) 457-6552 (Saturdays) Feb. 18 Mar. 18 Apr. 15 May 20 June 17 July 15 Aug. 19 Sept. 16 Oct. 21 Nov. 18	LONG RANGE RIFLE Darren Maria (570) 840-8614 Apr. 22 May 27 June 24 July 22 Aug. 26 Sept. 23 Oct. 28	HORSESHOES Every Thursday @ 6:00PM May 4 thru Sept. 28 Chuck Litwin (570) 942-6241 Ralph Gilpin (570) 378-2563	ALL SCHEDULED EVENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC NOTE: Gate Card Problems? Contact: John Grigas (570) 406-0467