

# FACTORYVILLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## February 2024 EDITION

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 Challenge & 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**, (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in Nov. and Dec.). An opportunity to see & 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 **1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00PM** to hear your concerns or suggestions. If you want to hold an event, have an issue resolved, or want permission to do any improvements or assist in any way, please do not hesitate to attend.

**Membership - Paul Jackson** - Dues are **\$200.00** for 2024, must be an NRA member (\$30.00 through the club), \$35.00 new member initiation fee & applicant 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)** held after Membership Meeting and/or on special new member events - **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.

**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, & 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](mailto:FSCNEWSLETTER2@GMAIL.COM)

**Event Chairpersons Scheduling Meeting** – held 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. Next class will be April 20<sup>th</sup>.

## Getting involved...How you can help

Our bigger fundraising & 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. Other available turnkey events can use chairpersons and ideas for new events are always welcome

## Highlights from the Membership meeting

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence for sick, injured, or departed members & for those serving our country in harm's way. **DUE TO A POWER OUTAGE A FEW MINUTES BEFORE THE MEETING, THE MEETING WAS VERY ABBREVIATED.** Recording Secretary and Treasurer's Report were not given, as well as no Chairman's, Publicity, Membership, or Land Use Committee reports.

**Sportsmen's Federation report – William Kalinauskis** – due to the timeliness of a vote to be taken by the Federation on location of downed deer via drones, a survey was taken on how those present feels on the subject.

## Chairpersons of Events reports

**Due to the power outage, no chairmen reports given.**

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

**FUTURE VACANCIES, see a Board member or current Event Chairperson for details if interested:**

1) Adopt a Highway

George Fornwalt reported New member orientation will be taken over by George Kessler.

Bruce Weisenfluh - due to increasing costs with everything and to keep the quality of firearms etc at Supergun, steak bake, etc, the Board will be discussing raising supergun tickets to \$40.

Thanks to all that helped provide some light with phones and flashlights.

**Applications for new members** - Peter Ahearn, John Cherkauskas Jr, Kevin Chichura, Morgan Theobald, George Meyers, Roger Meyers, Terry Ash, Gary Greco, Theodore Tomaszewski, Salvatore Mecca Jr, Kristopher Vanesko.

## **RAFFLES:**

**MONTHLY 50/50** - was drawn, **Calendar Raffle** - drew 2 calendar winners: Chris Urpacker & Chris Kutch.

**Land Fund 50/50** was drawn, **Liam McMahon** was picked, but had no sign in. The pot rolls over to next month.

**Muzzleloader Raffle** - the Muzzleloader Raffle was drawn, the winner is Robert Clark. The raffle had \$2710 worth of tickets sold, with \$1100 invested in the muzzleloader, \$1610 made on the muzzleloader.

**Hunting Rifle Raffle - Barry Ruane** - showed off the progress on the build, Mauser 98 action w/ model 70 style safety, walnut stock, .257 Roberts.

Motion to adjourn was made & accepted, with the meeting concluding at 7:41PM, next general membership meeting March 27 2024 @ 7:30PM.