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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to All Our Members:

Our Club is still doing well thanks to our members, customers, employees, and volunteers. Our membership is currently around 4800.

In early September, we made breakfast for PATRA. This was just one of the groups we catered.

In September we had around 45 volunteer's turnout for our fall mailout. Thank you to everyone that volunteered their time.

Mid October there was an appreciation party for those who helped at the gun raffle. All went well and everyone had a great time.

October 16 was the first turkey shoot. There was a great turnout. The turkey shoots went from October 16 to November 13.

There were a lot of hunters waiting for the first stocking of pheasants on October 22, 2022. It was nice to see quite a few young hunters out. There was three Saturdays of stocking pheasants. Thank you to the Game Warden who assisted with the stocking.

On November 13, we showed our appreciation to Veterans by offering them a meal provided from the Club. Thank you to all veterans for your services.

The Hunters Ball was held on November 26. Everyone had a good time. The Christmas Cash drawing was held that night at 9 p.m. Thank you to all that participated.

On December 7, construction began on taking the wall out between the bar side and the dining room. The wall was complete before Christmas and all the mounts were put back up. There is still some work to be done, like freshening up the paint and maybe some curtains. We now have 184 seats in one large room.
TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO COME CHECK OUT THE NEW LAYOUT – MAYBE WE CAN BOOST OUR MEMBERSHIP.

Ralph Moyer and his volunteers got to stock 1,100 fish on December 14. Thank you to you and your volunteers.

Santa stopped on December 17. The children enjoyed telling Santa what they wanted for Christmas. Afterwards, the children and their parents enjoyed pizza and soda.

By the time you get this newsletter, our Ham Shoots will have already begun. They start February

26 and run for six weeks.

Don't forget about the events for your children. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 8. Our annual fishing derby will be held on May 13, starting at 9 a.m. Get there early to register. The bicycle rodeo starts around 11 a.m. following the fishing derby. There are many prizes, especially bikes. Both events are supported by the Club and our local A.B.A.T.E. Chapter, Jack's Mountain Riders. So come enjoy the day with your family.

The 13th Annual Gun Raffle will be held on Saturday, June 17 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are available at the Club. Thanks to all who support this event. This event is also supported by our friends from A.B.A.T.E., so mark your calendars and join us for the day.

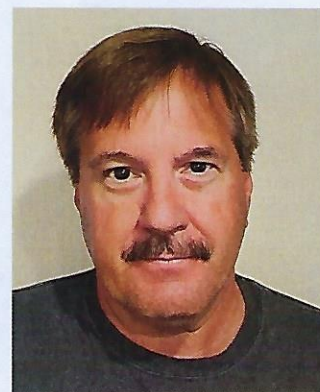
ATTENTION: Due to some changes in our insurance, we need everyone using the range to *PLEASE* take time and go to the Club and see the bartender to sign paperwork for the range. Soon, we will be installing a cabinet at the shooting range with paperwork in it to make it more convenient for everyone. As for the range, please respect your range and targets and clean-up after yourself when you are done shooting. No metal targets are allowed, and no automatic weapons. Our volunteers try to take care of cleaning up the trash, emptying barrels and putting up new targets.

Don't forget about the pavilion. It's a great place to rent for your private parties which can be catered by the Club or your own caterer. It will seat 300 people and has a kitchen.

Be sure to thank our staff for all they do: kitchen, servers, cleaning, lawn mowing and all the volunteers. Everything is looking great, so come and enjoy your Club.

Have any new ideas? Drop them off in the suggestion box in the lobby.

Thank You,
Ray Kline



TROUT NURSERY NEWS

Ralph E. Moyer

Hello from the Union County Sportsmen's Club Cooperative Nursery. Hope everyone had a great winter. Temperatures and water levels have been ideal for raising trout. Our mortality rates are very low. We've lost only 16 trout since September 15th. Our fingerlings didn't arrive until the middle of September due to an invasive species issue, so the growth is a little behind previous seasons. The browns are averaging 9", rainbows 10" and of course the goldens are bigger at about 12".

We will stock these trout in late April or early May. That date will be picked once we see the 2023 PFBC stocking schedule. As usual, we'll stock them in Penn's Creek from the top of Jolly's Grove to the Glen Iron Bridge, and we'll also hit Laurel Run at several nice holes. The Club will purchase some trophy trout to stock before the season opener. These fish will be in the 20" + range and will be tagged. If you land one of these beauties, bring the tag to the Club and receive a \$20 gift card. For all the C & R folks out there, you can remove the tag without harming the fish.

A variety of all three species of trout will be kept for our annual kid's fishing derby. This will be held on Saturday, May 13th, starting at 9 am. Come a little early to register for door prizes. There's a boatload of rods, reels, lures, and other fishing gear to be given away. Join us for a great day of family fun.

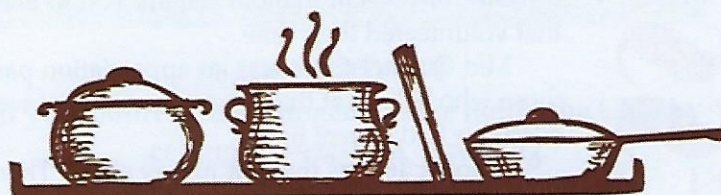
Our annual fall trout stocking was held on December 14th. We had to wait until then due to water levels. Over 1,000 brown and rainbow trout were stocked in Penns that day. Thank you to the volunteers who helped stock and to Cedar Springs Hatchery for bringing real nice healthy trout.



The Club would like to send a big thank you to the volunteers who feed the trout and maintain the raceways each year. Our program would not function without their help. If you'd like to join the team, leave contact information at the Club and we'll in touch. Thanks. See you on the creek.

2022 CHRISTMAS CASH WINNERS

1st - Barb Bowers	6th - Roy Sassaman
2nd - Mike Gemberling	7th - Martin Alleman
3rd - Walter Sabornie	8th - Brian Smyers
4th - Jamie Golden	9th - Tim Dutrow
5th - Lynn Schaffer	10th - Tim Orndorf



FROM THE KITCHEN...

Pete & Diane, Managers

Greetings from the Club! Hope everyone had great holiday's and stayed warm during our cold spells. We are anxious for Spring. We have some bands lined up. Our annual fishing derby and gun raffle will be here before we know it. Follow our Facebook page to see what we have lined up for the Spring and Summer.

As some of you know, the wall between the bar and dining room was removed. It looks like it was always that way. Also come sit at the bar and enjoy our new bar stools.

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HAM SHOOTS

Hopefully winter will soon be over. It is getting close to the big event of Spring, the annual Ham Shoots. A lot of you know how tasty they are. The Shoots started February 26th. They start at 1pm and will run till about 4pm.

Additional dates are Sunday March 5th, Sunday March 12th, Sunday March 19th, Sunday March 26th. Also, one in April; Sunday April 2nd.



CHILDREN'S FISHING DERBY

Tina Nash

Junior anglers get ready! The annual fishing derby will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023. Registration will begin at 8 am.

Rules and regulations from prior years will be the same. Parents or grandparents bring the kids out for a day of fishing and family togetherness and fun. Refreshments will be provided by our Club members for those in attendance.

Jack's Mountain Riders, A.B.A.T.E., will provide prizes for lucky winners. They will also be selling the 2023 fish buttons, which proceeds to go promote the Club fish programs.

Hope to see you all in May!



FISHERMAN'S CASH TICKETS

In your newsletter you will find four tickets. We hope that you support the Club and buy all four, however; no purchase is necessary. Proceeds from the tickets will go toward the maintenance of the miniature golf course.

GUN RAFFLE 2023

Our 13th Annual Gun Raffle with our A.B.A.T.E. friends will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at the pavilion. We are looking forward to another great year. Tickets are on sale now! If you are interested in buying or selling tickets, please see the bartenders. There will be two (2) gun tickets in the newsletter-no purchase is necessary. Due to costs, there is a \$5.00 increase on the gun ticket.



Please try to purchase your tickets early to help determine food and refreshments for the party. Thank you for your support at this event throughout the years.

BENCHREST CLUB

Mark Trutt

As I write this it is 20 degrees with 30 mph wind gusts. Phil says six more weeks of winter. Let's hope it's a little nicer than this. This year we will be holding our annual Boop/Altemus Memorial Match on June 10th & 11th. Our range has been a "won't miss" stop on the IBS circuit for many of our shooters. Thank you to all who keep our Club a "won't miss" kind of place. Think Spring!

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE

If you would like to become a stockholder in our Club, it is not too late to purchase one or more shares before the next stockholder's meeting. You cannot vote at the meeting unless your stock purchase has been approved by the Board fifteen (15) days prior to the annual meeting. The price is still \$35 per share with a limit per person of four (4) shares. As a four-share stockholder, your annual dues will only be \$20 per year. Additionally, you may not hold office without owning one or more shares of stock. Regular member dues are \$25 per year.

UNION COUNTY MUZZLELOADER CLUB

Mark Wehr

February 5th was our February Silhouette Shoot. What a fantastic turnout! There were over 30 black powder enthusiasts in attendance. Interest and attendance continue to grow for the club. We are grateful to have the facilities to accommodate so much activity.

Speaking of facilities, everyone in the West End knows how the trees took a beating over the Christmas snow and wind storm. We had to remove a downed tree in order to have our January shoot. And then we had a club work day later in the month to clean up more of the limb debris. (Work party club members got to see the changes at the main club when we broke for lunch.) There are still limbs to clean up but we are making progress.

Our next event will be the annual Frozen Toe March 4th and 5th. I don't know if this newsletter will be out prior to the shoot, but we hope you get a chance to attend. This two day event will have lots of shooting to include paper targets, woodswalk, silhouettes and some novelty targets. There will also be some hardy souls who will make their first camp of the season at this event.

Our schedule for the rest of the year is as follows:

April 2nd – Novelty

May 7th – Woodswalk

June 3rd & 4th – Smoothbore Weekend

July 9th – Silhouettes

August 6th – Paper

September 2nd thru 4th – Rifle Frolic

October 1st – Novelty

November 5th – Woodswalk

December 3rd – Silhouettes

For more information or questions, please
contact one of our officers:

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PAVILION

We also have a great pavilion for your Spring, Summer or Fall gatherings. There is a refrigerated building available to you. It has 12 taps available for your soda and alcohol. There is seating under the roof for approximately 300 people and there is a kitchen available as well. If you are interested, please contact the Club at 570-922-1128. There are changes with our insurance that requires paperwork to be completed when renting the pavilion.

TENT AREA AT PENNS CREEK

The tent area at Penn's Creek is a great area for Scout Troops and other organizations. We hope you take advantage of this area. Please stop in to see the bartenders before camping. Also, for hikers, the old railroad is open from one end of the Club property to the other end – approximately one mile of great scenery.

FLY POOL

Sean P. Madden

FFI Certified Casting Instructor

Please mark your calendars for this year's Fly-Pool

March 15th, 2023, starting at 9am, at the Club. In the spring, most fisherman are chomping at the bit for the season to start. The Fly Pool will help anglers prepare for the upcoming season. We will discuss the finer points of Fly fishing; tie flies specific to Penns Creek and share stories. This year we are excited and honored to have David Rothrock present this program on Drop Shot Nymphing. This a great opportunity to learn from one of the best fly tyers and fisherman from Central Pennsylvania. Once again, the Club is providing our morning coffee and lunch. All are welcome. I hope to see you there!

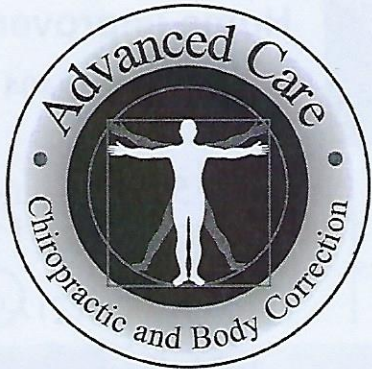
"Everyone should believe in something . . . I believe I'll go fishing." – Henry David Thoreau

FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Due to changes in our liability insurance, there are waivers to be signed when staying on Club grounds or using the shooting range and pavilion. This includes camping, tenting, apartment, pavilion and shooting range. We would appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Also, to access our new Facebook page go to our website www.ucscpa.com and click on the Facebook link at the top of the page.

Thank you, Board of Directors



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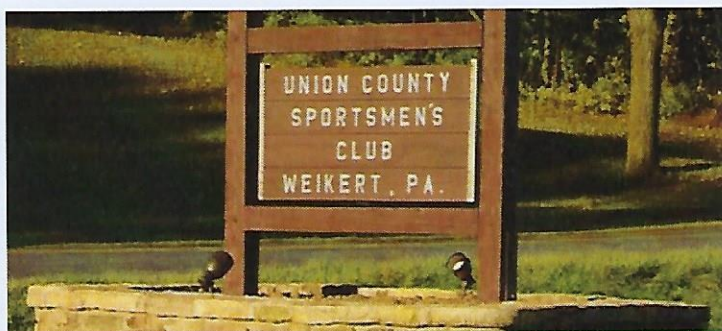
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MARCH

Sun 5	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Sun 12	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Sat 18	Fly Pool	9 am
Sun 19	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Sun 26	Ham Shoot	1 pm

APRIL

Sun 2	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Sat 8	Easter Egg Hunt	2 pm
Sun 9	Easter	OPEN
Fri 14	Fisherman's Ball	
Sat 22	Rabies Clinic	RANGE CLOSED

MAY

Sat 13	Kid's Fishing Derby	9 am
Sat 13	Bicycle Rodeo	11 am
Sun 14	Mother's Day Dinner	OPEN

JUNE

Sat 10	Altimus & Boop Memorial Shoot	
Sun 11	Altimus & Boop Memorial Shoot	
Sat 17	Gun Raffle	
Sun 18	Father's Day Dinner	OPEN

JULY

Sat 15	Stockholders Meeting	8 pm
Sat 29	Clambake	12 pm

AUGUST

Sat 12	Bob Reigle Open	8 pm
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REMINDER

Don't forget the **MINI-GOLF COURSE** to improve your putting, as well as having fun for young and old alike. It is open at 11 AM. Cost is \$3 for adult and children under six are free with a paid adult.

Also remember that the **CLUB DRIVING RANGE** located in the rear of the Club has a 100 yd., 200 yd., and a 300 yd. Range. See the barmaid for club and balls.

RIFLE RANGE HOURS

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Sat. and Sun.:
9 AM to 6 PM

Wed. and Fri.: 9 AM until dusk

Please continue to take your debris with you or place it in the provided disposal cans. Please check the Calendar of Events to make sure the Range is open.

IMPORTANT

If your address has changed, please notify the Club by calling 570-922-1128 or writing.

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