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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to All Our Members:

Fall is upon us. Your Club is doing well. We hope you are stopping by to enjoy the beautiful scenery or to have a meal and enjoy time with family and friends.

The Spring mailout was held on February 14, Valentine's Day. Fifty plus volunteers came out to help with the envelopes.

March 12 was the first ham shoot. Eighty-five shooters came out to try and win a tasty ham.

Fly Pool was also held in March with Sean Madden.

The children's Easter Egg Hunt was held on April 19. Many children came out to gather eggs with the hopes of winning a prize.

There was a tasty buffet on Easter Sunday, April 20.

Ralph and many of his volunteers stocked fish on May 1.

On May 10, the Fishing Derby and Bike Rodeo was held. There were 127+ children who registered to fish. Between parents and children, it was the biggest turnout yet! The Bike Rodeo followed the fishing derby with the Union County Sheriff's Department setting up a riding course for the children and giving 22 bikes away. The Union County Sportsmen's Club would like to thank our friends A.B.A.T.E. Jack's Mountain Riders and the Union County Sheriff's Department for their support and another successful year.

May 11 was the Mother's Day Buffet, and the Father's Day Buffet was held on June 15. Both buffets went well.

The 15th Annual Gun Raffle was held on June 21. It was very muddy due to all the rain

we had early this year. All who came had a great time.

On July 19, the stockholders meeting was held at 8 p.m. There were around 67 members in attendance. The only change to the Board is the addition of Robert Schuler as a trustee.

The Clambake was held July 26. There was a very good turnout. Everyone enjoyed music, food and time spent with family and friends.

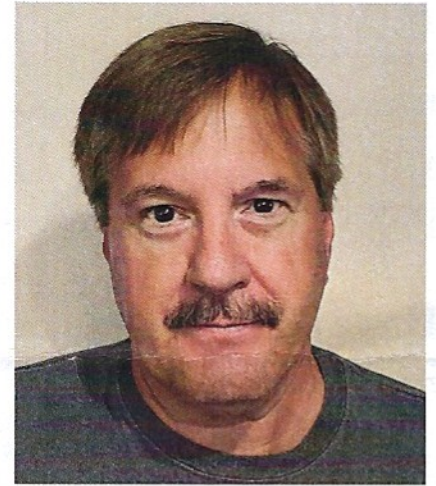
The Bob Reigle Open was held on August 9. Forty plus came out to see if they were the best mini golfer. All enjoyed company and refreshments.

Fall is upon us. Our Fall and Winter events are soon starting – stocking of pheasants and hunting for that trophy buck. The turkey and ham shoots will soon be starting, and the Hunter's Ball will be held Saturday, November 29. Come out and enjoy the band. The Christmas Cash drawing that night is at 9 p.m.

Don't forget to bring your children to see Santa on December 20.

Thank you to our managers and staff for the jobs they have been doing this year. Also, thank you to all our volunteers for their continued support in maintaining your Club.

About our range: please respect your range and targets and clean up after yourself when you are done shooting. No metal targets allowed, and no automatic weapons. Our volunteers try to take care of cleaning up the



trash and emptying barrels.

Don't forget about the pavilion, which is a great place to rent for your private parties. It has a kitchen on site and will seat approximately 300 people.

Come out, take a walk, and enjoy your Club!

Thank You,
Ray Kline

NEW MEMBERS ONLY

Many have asked how or when to become a new club member. So, this is how it works. Our year runs from July 1 to June 30. However, if you pay before the board meeting in April, you will owe dues again in June for the following year. Hope this helps you out. Please call the club if you have any questions.

CO OP NURSERY NEWS

Ralph E. Moyer

Hello from the Union County Sportsmen's Club Co Op Nursery. We are enjoying a wonderful stretch of beautiful weather here in the Weikert area. Hopefully, you are doing the same in your locale. The UCSC Co Op had an up and down year of raising trout.



Let's start with the bad news. Things were going well until one of the many strong storms we had this spring blew in and dumped 3 1/2 inches of rain on the nursery. Our feeder stream rose quickly and got muddy. The resulting sediment-packed water created an oxygen grab, and we lost about 700 12-inch rainbows in one evening.

Now for the good news. In early April, we purchased some 18 to 20-inch tagged trout and stocked them in Laurel Run and Penns Creek. Several tags were turned in to the Club for a gift certificate. Some of those hogs are still out there patrolling the depths of the nice holes in Penns. On May 1, we stocked close to 1,900 fat healthy rainbow trout in Penns Creek and Laurel Run. The Club kept 220 rainbows and goldens for our annual kid's fishing derby. Over 120 youth showed up on May 10 and had an outstanding

day of fishing, food, and family fun. Our derby was followed by the Union County Sheriff's Department bike rodeo. Once again, a great time was had by all. Thank you to A.B.A.T.E., the Union County Sheriff's Department, and all the Club's volunteers who make this day a highlight of our schedule every year.

Next year's fingerlings arrived from the PFBC on June 24. We received 2,900 rainbows and 50 goldens. After an early bout of the gyro parasite and the loss of 70 trout, our fish have been doing well. The rainbows are averaging about 7 inches, and some of the goldens are pushing the 9-inch mark already. Most of these fish should be in the 12 to 14-inch range when we stock them next year in early May.

As usual, the Club will stock some trout from Cedar Springs Hatchery this fall. Our target date is the middle of October, but this depends on water levels. Last year it didn't happen until mid-December. Check with the Club for updates.

Penns has been running pretty low lately. On the morning of writing this letter, the creek was at 124 cfs. Hard to believe after all the rain we had in May and June. Check out the USGS Penns Creek site to stay updated on water levels. Hopefully we get some decent precipitation, and the trout fishing will be good this fall.

Oh yeah, one more thing. If you're up this way to fish, hunt, or just enjoy the area, make sure you stop at the Club for a sandwich and a beverage. You might as well buy a trout pin or two while you're at it. See you on the creek.

FISHERMAN'S CASH WINNERS

1st - Earl Persing	6th - Roger Schell
2nd - Ray Follador	7th - Lisa Martin
3rd - Shorty Reichenbach	8th - Ann Reifsnyder
4th - Donald Kamsler	9th - Rose Schankweiler
5th - John Baylor	10th - William Miller

CHRISTMAS CASH

In your newsletter, you will find (4) 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 maintenance of the Club.

CHILDREN'S FISHING DERBY

Tina Nash

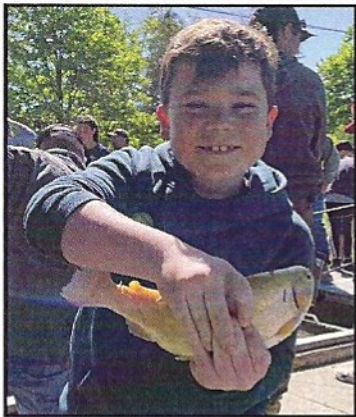
The weather was overcast and windy for the Club's Annual Children's Fishing Derby held on May 10, 2025. The weather didn't bother the kids who were trying to catch a few big trout. At the end of registration, we had a total of 128 kids. What a great turn out!

Bags and ice were supplied the Club to keep the catches fresh.

Jack's Mountain Riders A.B.A.T.E. had the gifts of rods and other fishing gear for the lucky ticket winners.

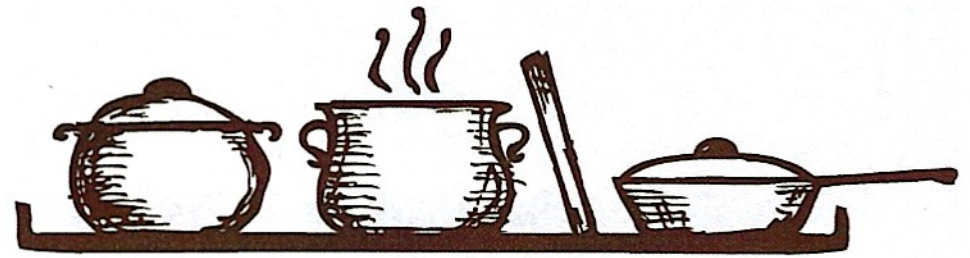
Members of the Jack's Mountain Riders were going through the crowd selling our yearly fish buttons. A big thanks to all the buyers. The money from the buttons help to keep the fish programs running.

Refreshments were provided by members of the Club for all in attendance. Thanks for coming and hope to see you all in 2026.



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.



FROM THE BAR & KITCHEN...

Dottie, Matt & Craig — Managers

Hello! As your kitchen managers, we are eager to bring you great food, as well as some new and upcoming things. We're looking forward to hearing your ideas and putting them to work for you. This year, our focus is on providing better service and team building.

As your bar manager, I would like to extend my appreciation for your continued patronage. The bartenders and waitresses work hard to ensure your visit with us is a pleasant one. Here's to a great year!

FLY POOL

Sean P. Madden

FFI Certified Casting Instructor

Hopefully this winter will fly by and we will see you at next year's Fly Pool on March 14, 2026 at 9 a.m. We will tie flies, tell stories, and share some of our Penns Creek fly patterns. All are welcome to attend. The Club provides the morning coffee and lunch. Hope to see you there!

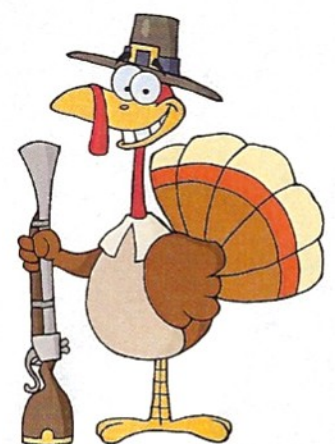


"Everyone should believe in something.

I believe I'll go fishing." – Henry David Thoreau

TURKEY SHOOTS

It's getting close to our annual turkey shoots. The shoots will begin on Sunday, October 12, and they run from 1 until about 4 p.m. Additional dates: October 19 and 26; November 2 and 9; and December 14 and 21. (All Sundays.) December



UNION COUNTY MUZZLELOADER CLUB

Cliff Bowersox

Well, another Labor Day weekend Rifle Frolic and Encampment has come and gone. This year we were blessed with the most amazing weather! If you had the chance to stop in and visit you would have stepped back in time and experienced 18th century attire, canvas lodges, open fire cooking, flintlock muzzleloader shooting and much more!

On Wednesday August 27th Campers rolled in and started setting up their canvas. Our official start date for this year's rendezvous was Saturday August 30. By Friday morning our primitive camping area was getting filled up. It was great to see the turn out. We had 42 primitive canvas lodges, 6 modern tents, 56 campers, and 49 shooters. The Adventurers Club provided an awesome breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday for the campers and the many visitors who came to check out our event.

The shooting part of our rendezvous started off Friday afternoon with a shooting competition of teams shooting at clay birds as far as 50 yards. This was a challenge that wasn't as easy as it looked! It took quite a while before we ended up with a winning team. Saturday and Sunday were filled with shooting events including paper targets, silhouettes and woodswalks.

We were also able to honor the memory of Robert Yerger (Yogi) with an 18th Century call to arms and muzzleloader volley. It was a touching event allowing us to share with his family and remember our good friend in a tradition that he loved. Yogi was a long time member of our club and will be greatly missed.

Other events included traditional archery (long bow only), tomahawk throwing and early morning archery golf. We had several juniors participate in the archery and tomahawk events as well as the shooting events.

In addition to the many shooting events we had a number of attendees just simply enjoying the camping and 18th century atmosphere of camp. An 18th century evening in camp involves; candle lanterns, campfire conversations and always some rousing musicians with group sing-a-longs. Also, it's surprising the number of culinary delights that are prepared over a campfire with some favorites including many fruit cobblers, chicken and shrimp tacos, quesadillas, and a special treat for a club member's birthday!

Our Boosway Dean Kreider did an amazing job of organizing this year's event. He spent months thinking of new ideas, creating lists and organizing volunteer help. Thank you Dean and all the members who made this year a great event!

We welcome visitors to our weekend events as well as our monthly shoots. We shoot the first Sunday of every month beginning at 9 a.m. We shoot black powder, patched round ball with open iron sights. You do not have to be a member of our club to participate in our shoots. We have a full slate of shoots scheduled for next year and our schedule for the rest of this year is as follows:

October 5th — Novelty
November 2nd — Woods Walk
December 7th — Silhouettes

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

President — Cliff Bowersox, 570-713-5431
Vice President — Steve Hammaker, 570-541-5647
Secretary / Treasurer — Karl Maul, 570-541-3111

shoots are ham shoots. A thank you to all the volunteers who make the shoots a success

GUN RAFFLE 2025

The 16th Annual Gun Raffle will be held on Saturday, June 20, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are available at the Club. You will find (2) gun safe tickets and (1) Jeep ticket with your newsletter: no purchase necessary. If you are interested in buying or selling tickets, just see the bartender.

Purchasing tickets early helps determine food and refreshments for the party. Thank you for your support of your Club.



CLUBHOUSE APARTMENT

Our Clubhouse apartment is available to rent by any member of the Union County Sportsman's Club in good standing. It is a nicely furnished two-bedroom apartment located above the lobby of the Clubhouse. It can be rented by the day, weekend, or weekly term. It's a great place to spend a family vacation, football weekend, fishing, hunting or just to get away. Contact the Club by calling 570-922-1128. Also need to see bartender for new paperwork to be completed for the apartment required by the Board of Directors. **Sorry, no pets allowed.**



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.

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 from the Board of Directors

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BENCHREST CLUB

Mark Trutt

In a FLASH, summer is gone!

On June 14th and 15th, we held our Boop/Altamus Memorial Match with the International Benchrest Shooters. This match once again was at 100/200 yds. Heavy varmint and light varmint rifles.

The weather leading up to the match kind of left a lot to be desired. As we all know, it seemed like it would never stop raining. The target crew did an admirable job putting up with the bad conditions and we are really proud of them for that.

The Big Man on Campus this year was Craig Rowe. Craig won the LV 200 and the 2 gun. When I caught up with him after the awards ceremony, we both choked up a little when he told me how bad he wanted to win this match. He has been coming to our matches for 20 plus years. Buddy, you finally did it!

Some fine shooting by a lot of folks. The other winners were LV 100 yd – Jeff Pinehardt; HV 100 yd – Al Auman; and HV 200 yd – Dave Bruno.

Twenty-three shooters braved the potential for bad weather and made it a great weekend. Thank you all for coming.

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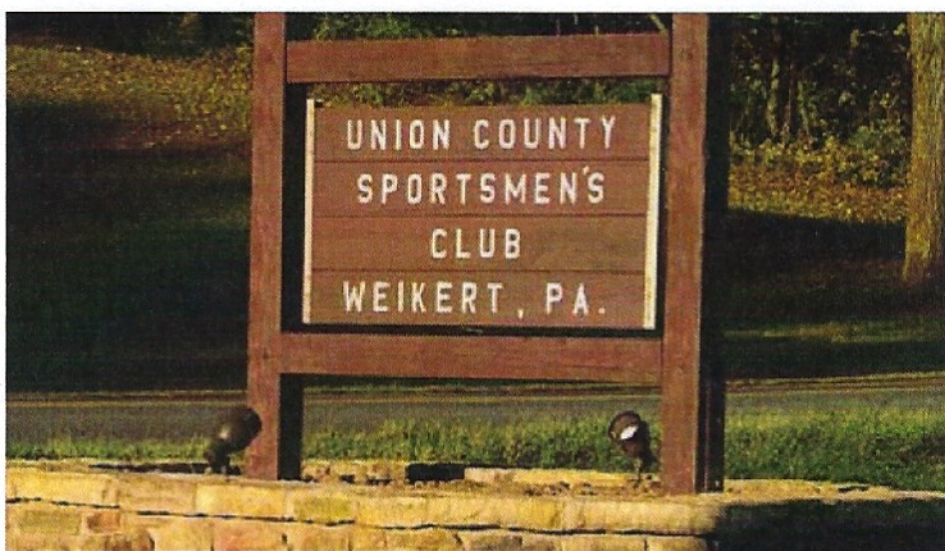
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OCTOBER

Sun 12	Turkey Shoot	1 pm
Sun 19	Turkey Shoot	1 pm
Sun 26	Turkey Shoot	1 pm

NOVEMBER

Sun 2	Turkey Shoot	1 pm
Sun 9	Turkey Shoot	1 pm
Thu 27	Thanksgiving	CLOSED
Sat 29	Hunter's Ball	
	First Day of Deer Season (Range Closed)	

DECEMBER

Sun 14	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Sat 20	Santa's Christmas Party	2 pm
Sun 21	Ham Shoot	1 pm
Thu 25	Merry Christmas	CLOSED
Wed 31	New Year's Eve	OPEN

JANUARY

Thu 1	New Year's Day	OPEN
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FEBRUARY

Sun 22	Ham Shoot	1 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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