



Salem County Sportsmens Club

Annual Board of Directors Elections

What: BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

(5) - 3-year terms and (2) - partial terms for director. *

*(One 2-year term and one 1-year term are open for director. These slots will be filled and determined by descending vote count.)

Where: Clubhouse

When: September 24, 2020, 7 PM

How: The Board of Advisors administer Club elections that will be conducted according to current public health guidelines through the Clubhouse. Voting members may enter the clubhouse front door from the parking lot, vote, and exit through the bar door. **Vote for a maximum of 5 candidates on the ballot.**

Who: Only SCSC members are eligible to vote in Club elections. Valid ID is needed, such as a SCSC membership card or a driver's license.

Why: A word from the Board of Advisors: Your vote is important! Like the national election, this is your opportunity to vote for the candidates that will represent the voice of the membership and the continued growth of the Salem County Sportsmen's Club. Your vote does count!

A Message from the President



On behalf of the officers and the Board of Directors we thank these candidates for the Board of Directors for submitting their names in nomination. We also thank each one of them for their contributions to the Club as well. Thank you as well to the Board of Advisors for their efforts in coordinating SCSC elections this year. And finally, we want to encourage the membership to vote, to attend meetings on a regular basis, and to volunteer.

Volunteerism at the Club has been and always will be is the lifeblood of the Club. Kindly review the candidates for the Board of Directors and come out to vote on September 24.

Brad Holmes, President

Prior to voting, members should review candidates' profiles below.

Candidate Photos for SCSC Board of Directors



Stu Schermerhorn



Mert Coles



John Spiewak



Darryl Harman



Bruce Mulford



Al Giumetti



John Dyer



John Seymour



Gwen Wisniewski

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

Stu Schermerhorn



Hi, my name is Stu Schermerhorn, and I am running for Director of the Salem County Sportsmen's Club. I have been a carpenter my whole life, working residential construction for 15 years and commercial construction as part of Union Local 255 for an additional 29 years. I retired in 2014, but still maintain my credentials. I was raised outdoors, and remain true to that today, spending my time shooting, gardening, kayaking, and bonding with my granddaughter, Olivia.

I have been a Club member since 1996. I have always been a member in good standing. I have participated in various club activities and events, including Tuesday Crew and recent range improvements. I am also an NRA certified rifle, pistol, and shotgun instructor, as well as a Range Safety Officer. These NRA credentials allow me to be active in various club shooting events, including NRA Day and Youth Outdoor Day. I strongly believe in and respect the bylaws of the Club, especially volunteerism, the lifeblood of our Club.

In September 2019, I joined the Board of Directors of the Club. My tasks as a director have included Tuesday Crew Director and Grounds Director. You can find me on club property almost every day, working alongside other directors and club members to maintain and improve the club, to reach its full potential in the community. I was also chosen as 2019 Co-Volunteer of the Year. As a director, I am easily approachable and welcome every member's input, as I believe the members of this club are what keep it successful.

As for the future of the Club, I would like to see continuous improvements and upkeep, including provision of updated maintenance equipment, maintenance on the buildings and grounds, continuance of our forestry program, and construction of a new maintenance building. If re-elected as a director this year, I will work hard to help make these things possible. I would very much appreciate your support and vote to continue the mission of the Club.

Stu Schermerhorn

Candidates for Board of Directors

Mert Coles



Dear Fellow Members of The Salem County Sportsmen's Club,

Have you been out to a Ladies' Night Off or out to the Lake? If so, you have seen me around! I have been a member of the Club since 2009....making me a newbie compared to a lot of others. I have been on the Board of Directors for the past 5 years. I was appointed to my first term, filling in a one-year position. Following that I was voted in for a three-year position which, due to the Pandemic, has almost been a four-year term.

I served as House Director, then moved on to Lake Director (even though I can't swim), as well as holding the Vice President position the past two years.

About four years ago, the late Larry Timberman (former Bar Director), asked my wife and I if we would cook a light meal on the third Friday of every month, hoping to bring people out for a little socialization at the bar. That became the beginning of Ladies' Night Off, where for \$5.00 you get a full home-cooked meal. This dinner started with about 15 people joining us and at times has now reached to over 100 people.

I have volunteered during NRA Day, Scouting events, Crab and Shrimp dinners, and the 70th Anniversary Celebration of the Club. I also enjoy attending events, watching the grandkids dress for Halloween, meet Santa, or run for eggs at Easter. I am proud to have my sons and daughter be members and enjoy all the Club has to offer.

I have a strong belief in shooting sports and the family/social aspect that the Club provides. I am asking for your vote in this election so that I can continue to volunteer and contribute in keeping these ideals progressing.

Mert Coles

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

John Spiewak



Hello, my name is John Spiewak, and I'm running for the Board of Directors. I'm a resident of Carneys Point and have been a member of Salem County Sportsmen's Club for almost 40 years. I've served on the Board of Directors for approximately 16 years. My areas of responsibility on the Board have been primarily the archery ranges and Club's range orientation course for badging members prior to using the ranges.

I hold very seriously page 1, Article 1 Objectives and Purpose of the SCSC By-Laws "To conserve, restore and protect the game, fish and other wildlife and their habitats in Salem County and the surrounding areas. To promote the knowledge of safe firearm and archery handling, and spread this knowledge to Club members".

As a Club member and director, I've actively supported and worked with many like-minded people to advocate and safely introduce men, women and youth to the great outdoors and shooting sports at the Club's Youth Outdoor Day and NRA Day. Both of these events were started at SCSC and have moved on to other parts of the State and Country. I've also supported and participated in the Club's Friends of the NRA (FNRA) initiatives and fundraising to support safe and enjoyable shooting sports.

Working on the Board can be trying at times. The Board of Directors have diverse views in representing the membership, but in the long run result in good outcomes to keep the Club running efficiently and effectively in the right direction.

With all this said, I would very much appreciate your support and vote to continue to serve the Club as a director, scout and advocate for those who enjoy the great outdoors!

Remember, I often can be repetitious reminding members that the speed limit at the Club is 15mph. And on a personal note, contrary to popular belief, NO I don't dye my hair. I continue to have a good sense of humor, I enjoy serving as a director and I am smiling in my photo. Thank you for considering me for the Board of Directors.

John Spiewak

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

Darryl Harman



Hello, my name is Darryl Harman. I am seeking to be elected as a Director to our Salem County Sportsmen's Club Board and am asking for your vote. I'm 55 years old and a Club member since 1995. I'm a self-employed local businessman and married with two boys who are also members of SCSC. The family are all Carneys Point residents.

My involvement with the Club started in 2002 with committees, staff giving time and many donations covering Friends of NRA, Youth Outdoor Day, Ducks Unlimited, NRA Day. Around 2005 I sold and supplied clay targets to SCSC's trap and skeet ranges and later brokered a deal with another local club to be the Club's supplier that was advantageous to both organizations. I actively participate on the Tuesday work crew and also assist with our Club forestry program.

I believe our club means freedom to enjoy our rights as legal citizens of the United States; we can walk the trails, swim, shoot, hold events, picnic, fish, boat, camp and just meet up with other friends. I believe there should always be a long list of new member applications which proves we have something worth joining and supporting. I am a full supporter of our Club's By-Laws along with rules and policies put forth over the years for Club operations. I will continue to support and volunteer wherever and whenever possible. The current Board has many talented leaders, and I would do my best to help in any way asked to support the Club as I have in previous years.

In closing, to me and just like you, it is very important to keep and maintain the integrity of our club exhibiting proper leadership in planning, saving and spending over short and long terms. Thank you to the Directors who offered advice and support on my campaign and to members for taking the time to vote and consider me for election to the Board.

Sincerely,

Darryl Harman

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

Bruce Mulford



Hello, my name is Bruce Mulford and I'm a candidate for the Board of Directors. I've been a SCSC member since 2000. I utilize the rifle and pistol ranges extensively and I've been trained and certified as a firearms instructor here at the club. I've been hosting club activities for 15 years.

That being said I would love to come here and shoot on our 200 yard range. I would like to till my segment of our community garden plot. And then relax in my little trailer and enjoy the entertainment and fellowship of like-minded members in our RV park.

What is Bruce Mulford talking about?

Early on in my 9 1/2 years as a director we polled the membership and these are "some" of the ideas that several hundred members have submitted. Now we are approaching the end of the property mortgage "hooray" now is the time for members voices to be heard. It's time to sort and develop these ideas to make them reality. I would appreciate your support if you see some value in these progressive ideas. I would like to hear your ideas in the meeting room and I would like to continue to be your voice in the boardroom. As Emeril would say "Bam" the delight is on your plate let's grow your ideas and this beautiful oasis.

Thank you for spending this election moment with me, and for allowing me to serve as a Club director and volunteer.

Bruce Mulford

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

Al Giumetti



Hello members, my name is Al Giumetti. I have been a resident of Salem county for over forty years. I retired from DuPont Chambers Works as a chemical Lab Technician with 25 years spent in the Analytical Department.

I have been a member of the Salem County Sportsmen's Club since 1982. I was first elected as director in 2003. My duties now as director are the house, rentals, keys and locks for the entire club, decorating and de-decorating the clubhouse for Christmas and Santa's Party for the children. I am backup for the kitchen and purchasing. I also assist the bartenders.

I am a life member of the NRA and a certified NRA instructor for rifle, pistol and shotgun, also a range safety officer (RSO). I also shoot skeet and trap. I have helped numerous times on the trap range for Youth Outdoor Day, NRA Day and all organized target shoots for women. I have also started to instruct scouts on trap range.

For many years I have helped with Easter Sunrise Service cooking in the kitchen. Since mid-June, I have volunteered to cook with other volunteers for the weekly Tuesdays work crew. I plan to continue doing what I mentioned in the future for the Club and its members plus helping other directors with their events at the Club.

I appreciate your vote and thank you in advance for voting in this years election. This is a great club and I will do my best to make it even greater. Thank you.

Al Giumetti

Candidate for Board of Director

John Dyer



Hello my name is John Dyer and I am a candidate for the Board of Directors. I am a Pennsville resident and a retired NJ Law Enforcement Officer. I grew up here as a child and member of this great organization. Now it's time to give back to the Club what it gave to me. I was appointed to the Board of Directors last year, and my duties included club apparel and chairing the Children's Halloween Party. I am a member of the Tuesday work crew, and this year I organized and ran the first successful comedy show. I am also honored to be one of only four chairmen of the Canadian Fishing Trip, which is in its 50th year.

My life accomplishments include serving 9 years in the US Navy and being a Gulf war veteran. I've served as a firefighter and emergency medical technician and am a former assistant chief of Carneys Point Fire and Rescue Company. I am a NJ Freemason and served on the Grand Staff for 5 years. As you can see, I have volunteered for the community on numerous occasions which is what this club is about - Volunteerism. The Club runs on volunteers that have a love for this club. I think I bring a breath of fresh air to the board and have a "can do" attitude. With your help we can ensure that the Club continues to grow and evolve. This is why I humbly ask for your support this election; vote for John Dyer for the Board of Directors.

John Dyer

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

John Seymour



Hello Salem County Sportsman's Club members. My name is John Seymour, and I am seeking your support for re-election to the Board of Directors. These last 3 years serving on your Board has been an experience I have enjoyed and learned from. The Board works continuously to improve your Club. The many events and club facilities take constant teamwork and coordination to bring to completion. From the Tuesday work crews, which I have been participating in since my retirement, to Happy Hour events, your Board serves to ensure that the membership can enjoy the club facilities.

My current areas of responsibilities include purchasing supplies and maintaining the campground and docks. In addition, all directors have secondary backup areas of responsibilities, mine include parent / child campout and the children's Halloween party.

My goal as a Board member has been to be a good teammate and ensure that the Club continues to serve the membership. As your purchasing director I have researched and attained cost savings in kitchen and bar supplies, which has been more important than ever with the monies that have been lost due to the cancellation of club events this year. As the Club slowly reopens, I have met with other directors to facilitate a smooth reopening. In the campground I have improved safety conditions with assisting in the removal of dead trees. My wife and I have assisted other directors with clubhouse events including the Labor Day chicken barbeques and Ladies Night Off.

The Salem County Sportsmen's Club has been and will continue to be an organization that has for the last 75+ years been a family destination that I will continue to serve if reelected. In closing, I would appreciate your support so I can continue to give back to this Club which I have been a member of since 2000. Thank you!

John Seymour

Candidate for SCSC Board of Directors

Gwen Wisniewski



My name is Gwen Wisniewski, and I am asking for your write in vote for your Board of Directors. I know this seems like a last minute decision, but it's something I've been thinking about since I became a member.

I have experience that I feel would benefit this club. I have served several terms on the Colonial Paraprofessional Association's Executive Board, including one as treasurer. For the past several years I have assisted with Lutheran Community Services 5K Walk/Run to end Hunger, and last year I was on the Planning Committee.

Most of you who know me, know me from First Friday Happy Hour and, more recently, our Take-Out Dinners... A few years ago, my parents FINALLY became members here, and one of our favorite activities has always been First Friday Happy Hour. I went from attending, to helping in the kitchen, to overseeing, organizing, and more often than not, preparing, the main dinner course and the occasional appetizer or dessert for those dinners. I couldn't, and don't, do it on my own. Family and friends are always willing to lend a hand, as I was when Bruce Mulford first asked me to help out.

I may not be your typical board member, but it's not for lack of trying... My father really did try to raise an avid sportswoman. I remember helping out with the hunting blind when the gun was still taller than I was, fishing with friends and family, and even the occasional (okay maybe only one) hunting trip. As I got older, I decided that I didn't really enjoy getting up that early or being cold, and my father probably thought all hope was lost... That is until the year my father took me and my best friend to shoot sporting clays for my birthday... He even managed to find an amazing woman to teach us how to shoot! I was HOOKED! I bought my first shotgun the next day, and I still have it. I may not be quite the sportswoman my dad had in mind, but I do appreciate all of those things he's tried to share with me over the years.

What I am is a conservationist, at heart. I have learned about the importance of conservation of our natural resources from my father and from one of this country's greatest and, perhaps first conservationists, President Theodore Roosevelt. We, as sportsmen and women have a duty to protect and manage our natural resources responsibly so that they are here for the sportsmen and women of the future.

I love this club, and I want more people to love it, in whatever manner they choose to enjoy the club be it swimming in the lake, socializing in the Clubhouse, camping on the grounds, or utilizing the ranges. I want to get our members involved in more activities here at the club especially for couples, families, and ladies. I enjoy taking care of the people and things I love like my friends and family here at the club, the friends and family who ARE THIS CLUB. I'm here to help, to share the burden, to be of service, and to make sure THIS PLACE and THIS CLUB are around for the sportsmen and women of the future.

Gwen Wisniewski