



SALEM COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

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***Salem County Sportsmen's Club, 1947 – 2019
72 years of Club Volunteerism***

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays 12PM - 4PM and Wed 5PM – 8PM

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BAR SUMMER HOURS

Tuesday through Friday 2PM till 10 PM

Saturdays and Sundays 1 pm till 10

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Note: A courtesy call to the bartender is appreciated 2 hours in advance if coming out after 8 PM.

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President's Message

Brad Holmes

SUMMER'S LAST SPLASH

News: The Membership waiting list accepted applications from June 1 to June 30, 2019. The waiting list process is opened up when there are no names remaining on the previous waiting list. By history the Club has an average attrition rate of approximately 40 to 80 members per year who for various reasons do not renew their membership.

The Last Splash of Summer: Get that last swim in at the Lake or get the last camp out or campfire in before school starts. Enjoy the last of your summer walks, picnics, fishing, camping, boating and S'mores by the campfire before the last days of summer at the Club.

With Fall coming I will now tell you what doesn't end at the Club. What doesn't end is camping, fishing, boating, campfires with S'mores, picnic outings at the Groves, hiking, dog walking, Tuesday volunteer work, clubhouse events or relaxing at the Club bar. What doesn't end is sighting in your rifle or shotgun for the upcoming hunting season. What doesn't end is Trap and Skeet shooting. What doesn't end is membership meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, happy hours on the first Friday and Ladies Night Off dining. Except for swimming, most Club activities continue as usual. Stay tuned to your emails as updates are sent regularly on events at the Club. The Club's indoor and outdoor activities await you. PS, don't forget Eagles football at the bar.

Club Volunteers – a group for all seasons: Tuesday volunteers expend extra efforts to maintain the Club for member enjoyment particularly after summer's peak use and with the arrival of cooler Fall weather. This extraordinary group continues with planned improvements, maintenance and repairs through the four seasons. Members are encouraged to report items requiring attention through the office, caretakers, meeting attendance or by contacting a director. For your safety and health and the safety of others please drive slowly (15 mph or less) and be polite and courteous to all while on Club grounds. In other words, members and guests should enjoy the Club in a manner that is becoming of a SCSC member, sportsman or sportswoman.

As the summer season comes to an end, I hope you've enjoyed it. Be safe as we look forward to Club activities in the Fall. *Brad*

New Members, Class of May 14, 2019: the last group of waiting list applicants attended their SCSC orientation and were taken in as members in May. **Class of 2019-2020:** A new waiting list was opened to interested applicants between June 1 to June 30. The new waiting list has 186 candidates who by random drawing will be assigned an order of entrance number and contacted to attend a mandatory orientation and join the Club. A range safety course generally follows the orientation for members who will be using the firearm and archery ranges.



PHOTO: Last orientation class from waiting list join the Club in May 2019. A new waiting list was established and is awaiting to be called for membership orientation.

SCSC Favorite Sportsmen - Part of SCSC Volunteerism History

Loren Halter & Gordon Galey

Loren Halter is a Navy Veteran, hunter, shooter, and a Lifetime Membership honoree.

Loren is a master carpenter and craftsman. He joined the club in 1958 and immediately started volunteering by working on the Club's first Trap House and the original Grove – Camp area Pavilion. Loren's is known for tough exterior, eloquent speech, use of colorful adjectives, for his generosity, skill, precision, contribution, loyalty, reliability, humility, volunteer spirit, friendship and quiet, selfless "can do" attitude. He has earned the respect of all those who have come to know him.

Gordon Galey passed away on July 4, 2011 and will always (truly) be remembered for his dedication, good humor, quiet steadiness, pleasant attitude, contributions, and friendships at the Club. An outdoorsman, Gordon also received a Club Lifetime member award for his significant contribution and work products. He was a member of the National Rifle Association. Gordon also served in the U.S. Navy, during the Korean War aboard the U.S.S. Coral Sea CVA 43.

Contributions:

The pavilion was rebuilt by Loren and his friend & lifetime member Gordon Galey, also a master craftsman, again in the late 1990's. In 1994 and part of 1995 Loren and Gordon Galey spent almost every working day on the clubhouse expansion. They paneled walls, trimmed the windows, installed sky lights in the old Rest Rooms, hung doors, installed a new sub floor. They studded out and assembled the new Cherry bar, built the liquor cabinet, the gas fire place in the Captain's Lounge as well as panel and perform the finish work in the bar and the Captain's Lounge. As a tribute to Loren's and Gordon's skills, the Bar is twenty-five years old and to all who use the bar know, it has stood the test of time. The two were also major contributors to the new office and the Directors Room and Round Table. The canoe featured in the Bar was a winter restoration effort by Joseph Blocksom and Ed Rogers of an aging Old Towne canoe that resulted in Loren and Gordon hanging the canoe in the bar (much to the delight of Blocksom & Rogers). No assignment was too small or too large for Loren and Gordon. Both worked on the lake life guard stands as well as building numerous picnic tables for the Club, most still in use.

The Carpenter Shop in the basement of the Club is Loren's domain as it should be, as most of the tools, both hand and power tools belong to him. Loren continues to volunteer, the projects aren't as big anymore, but the dedication is still there. If you toured the grounds, from the Outhouse in the Scout area, to the Grove, Boat docks, Ranges, Garage area, Club House, Lake, bird houses, the "Boardman's Lane" sign post you will witness Loren's work products and contributions along the way.

Loren has always avoided the lime-light and tends to like it that way. To those who know Loren, thank him in your own way for all that he has done on behalf of the Club 61 years.

Favorite Sportsmen: The significant contributions of both men Loren Halter and Gordon Galey will be now and Always included on the list of SCSC's "favorite sportsmen". *

*Footnote / Editor's Note: Submittal of this piece asked to remain anonymous. It seemed fitting to list the accomplishments of both men together opposite on a separate basis because of team work and fraternity that developed while both volunteering at the Club. Favorite Sportsmen is submitted by members to pay a respectful tribute to their fellow member's significant contribution to SCSC. Submittals also memorialize by way of SCSC Newsletter for historical purposes those contributions. SCSC lifetime membership awards are one of the highest forms of recognition a member and volunteer can received in the Club. Favorite Sportsmen seeks to recognize the greater and lesser contributors but nevertheless contributors to the greater good and progress of the organization.

A GUIDE TO OBSERVATIONS & CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISMS

How To” Guide for the Betterment of the Club - Submission by: Lake Hudson News Editor

The Club benefits from input from all its genuinely sincere members committed to sustaining the continual improvement of the Club’s conservation mission and its grounds and outdoor activities. Observations, constructive criticism, “great ideas”, and just good old fashion complaints eventually get to the directors or advisors for consideration no matter how the matters are communicated along different channels. Four of the least effective methods not recommended are listed below followed by the most effective methods.

- (1) **Good Ideas & Observations:** “good ideas” and “observations” can and usually do arise in casual conversation at the bar and most of these matters stay at the bar. Bartenders are good stewards of information and your confidence, you know you are being heard and taken seriously when the bartender nods, smiles and files away your thoughts at least until the end of their shift. Benefit – you feel better.
- (2). **Delegation of Unhappy Concerns:** This is a most common practice from someone, who knows someone, who knows somebody else, who knows a director or advisor (and may report an unhappy matter). The originator of the matter usually wants to remain anonymous. A “you didn’t hear this from me, but” notification. Benefit: originator feels better but not much attention, if any, will be given to the matter.
- (3). **Non-Reporting - Passive Reporting:** Sometimes ideas or observations of substance are deferred or delayed. “I was aware of that over a year ago” but didn’t want to say anything” is also a method of reporting not recommended. Actionable matters that could be of benefit to the Club should not be delayed unnecessarily.
- (4). **“I Think YOU Should”:** As a volunteer Club, this is another way actionable matters are presented. The method receives a number of responses: (a) An “I’ll get back to you on that” response is code for expect little or no action; (b) the idea DOES have substance and import - the individual is engaged to further develop the concept & make a presentation to the Club; (c) another individual develops the concept with no further input or recognition from the originator.

EFFECTIVE WAYS OF REPORTING OBSERVATIONS AND MEMBER INPUT

- (1) Get your facts and proposal organized and **Contact a Director** in charge of the assignment area. Contacting an Officer (President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary) or an Advisor is effective. These are your Club’s representatives. They have authority, accountability and responsibility for all actionable items brought to their attention for consideration, prioritization and implementation.
- (2). **Attend a Meeting** on the second Wednesday of each month, a Town Hall format, to present your comments in a casual, friendly meeting environment. Ask questions during old and new business and present your ideas. There is also a “good of the order” session for comments and input at the end of meeting. Officers, Directors and Advisors are available as well.
- (3). **Contact a Care Taker:** Two caretakers are available at the Club and grounds. Don and Lorraine will take your input to the proper BOD member or individual in charge.
- (4). **Contact the Club Office,** Kelly Clement by phone, voicemail or in person during office hours will direct your input to the right person.
- (5): **Emergencies, Life-Safety, Crime, Vandalism, Fire** Members for matters that require immediate attention and a emergency response by police or ambulance should call 9-1-1. The Carneys Point Police make routine patrols at the Club and respond in a timely manner in Carneys Point and the Club.

Be an advocate, contributor, ambassador and trustee of your membership and the Club’s conservation mission. Be effective, be present. Say what you think. Present your Club ideas. Attend a meeting.

Forestry Committee

The Health Benefits of Trees – How Trees Help You Find Health & Happiness

TREES

Alfred Joyce Kilmer (1886-1918), American poet, born Brunswick, New Jersey

*I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.*

*A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;*

*A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;*

*A tree that may in Summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair;*

*Upon whose bosom snow has lain;
Who intimately lives with rain.*

*Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.*

Nature

Frederick Law Olmsted, Landscape Designer, NYC Central Park

“Enjoyment of scenery employs the mind without fatigue and yet exercises it; tranquillizes it and yet enlivens it; and thus through the influence of the mind over the body, gives the effect of refreshing rest and reinvigoration to the whole system.

Tree Facts

- *A single tree can absorb 4.5 kg (approximately 11 pounds) of air pollutants a year.*
- *Trees produce oxygen, cleanse the air we breath and purify our water.*
- *Trees stop flooding rivers & streams and erosion.*
- *Trees provide food, clothing, shelter, furniture and tools.*
- *Trees are a renewable resource.*

Tree Science

- *Science is linking forest and human health benefits.*
- *Spending 2 hours or more a week in the forest can boost the immune system, increase energy, decrease anxiety, depression and anger, reduce stress and bring on a state of relaxation.*
- *Spending time in the forest can lower stress hormones, calm the nervous systems, “fight or flight” system, strengthen the immune system, lower blood pressure and improves the length and quality of sleep.*
- *Forests relieve stress, restore and refresh physically and emotionally. (Until recently there was little scientific evidence to support what sportsmen and outdoors advocates have always known, about the healing influences of the forest).*

How to Benefit from a Forest Near You

- *First find a spot. Turn off the phone and camera. Just be present, you & the forest.*
 - *Allow the power of the forest to engage the five senses, look, listen, smell, taste, touch and perhaps your state of mind, the sixth sense.*
 - *Walk slowly, don't hurry. Forget about time.*
 - *Find a spot to sit.*
 - *Notice what you feel.*
 - *Stay for 2 hours if possible although you may notice effects in divided exposures of 20 - 30 minutes.*
 - *Leave behind your expectations.*
 - *Remember to embrace sound, natural silence, water, wind, bird chatter, birdsong.*
 - *Remember embrace sight and natural patterns of the nature around you.*
 - *Remember to embrace smell, the pine, tree oils, soil, water, earthy smells. Breathe in the forest.*
 - *Find gentle slopes, wide paths, well maintained, marked trails, free from pollution, free from traffic and noise, near a stream, lake or pond, growth with a variety of plants, good lighting (not too dark), at least 3.5 miles in length, plenty of trees, especially evergreens, restroom facilities. (SCSC is working to achieve these criteria and most exist already).*
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- ***Action Point:*** *Use trees and the forest to help you find health and happiness.*

49th Annual SCSC Fishing Trip to Dorval Lodge - Quebec, Canada

July 20 - 26, 2019

Members of the Club and guests traveled again to Dorval Lodge this year for a successful, fun, and relaxing fishing trip. Steve Martin was this year's chef for the trip and did a great job cooking for the 19 fishermen. Two shore lunches were held out on the vast lake with fresh walleye & pike, stewed tomatoes, potatoes, and green beans. Historically the Dorval trip has hosted upwards of 40 fisherman and as few as 4 to 6 since 1970. The original trip was taken by Charlie Sparks and Will Albrecht in 1952 and Sparks again with son Everett in 1962 and son David and son-in-law George in the 1960's. SCSC began organizing trips by 1970. 2020 will mark the 50th anniversary that the Club traveled to Quebec mostly at Dorval Lodge, a couple of years at Cabonga Reservoir when Dorval fell in disrepair and one year in Ontario at Chaffee's Locks due to drought and forest fire closure of the provincial La Verendrye Reserve. Organizers of the trips in chronological order over the decades were Charlie Sparks, Joseph Dyer, Gary Trotter and the newest coordinator (2019) John Dyer. The trip costs approximately \$800 or less with the Canadian exchange rate. This year's Walleye Pool Winner was Neil Mason and Northern Pike winner Dave Cesarano. Plans are now being made for the 50th Anniversary trip to Dorval Lodge in 2020 – for interested fisherman the first planning meeting date will be in January 2020.

The follow photo review depicts this memorable annual excursion, perfect for a relaxing time with fellow fisherman, friends, fathers & sons, granddads and grandchildren.



2019 Dorval Lodge Trip Fisherman – a good time was had by all! Photo by: Jean Paul – Dorval Lodge.

Eric Saul, Daryl Harmon, Ben Martin, Ev Sparks, Keiran Dyer, John Dyer, Dave Fish, Kurt Doermann, Dave Cesarano, Ron Ayres, John Dyer, Neal Mason, Clay Mason, Tom Dyer, Brad Holmes, Liam Dyer, Lyle Case, Ray Venverloh, Neil Carlson, Steve Martin.

2019 DORVAL LODGE TRIP
Directions to the big fish (and to the lodge?)



Shore dinner cooks,



2019 DORVAL LODGE TRIP

A view from Dorval Lodge's Porch – Eric Saul



Shore dinner plate – superb. Eric Saul



2019 DORVAL LODGE TRIP

ERIC SAUL with a northern pike and a keeper!



The trip's youngest fisherman, Eagle Scout and new USCG Recruit, Ben Martin.



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Tomorrow's Shore Lunch

Off to the Fish filet shack L-R Neil Taylor, Brad Holmes, Ron Ayres, Liam Dyer, Dave Cesarano.



Chef Steve Martin and son Ben prepare dinner.

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Daryl Harmon with a nice northern pike



Nice fish, caught by Dave Fish

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This year's Walleye Winner Neil Mason, a 5 pounder. Neil teaches how to filet a northern pike, with no bones.



Dave Cesarano won the Northern Pike Pool, a 20 pounder.

2019 DORVAL LODGE TRIP



Ev Sparks caught a Northern in *"Pike Alley"*



Dorval Trip Fishermen & Future Planners, Kieran Dyer, Ben Martin & Liam Dyer.

SAVE THE DATES

- FOR CURRENT, UPCOMING EVENTS Members will be contacted by “eblast” by email.
- Members may also contact the Office for voicemail messages or to speak to the Office for information on upcoming events.
- NRA DAY, October 12, 2019, 9AM – 2PM.
- NRA GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOOR SHOW – Mon. Feb 3 or Wed. February 4, 2020 TBD.
- 50TH ANNIVERSARY CANADIAN FISHING TRIP, JULY 2020
- 75TH ANNIVERSARY SALEM COUNTY SPORTSMENS CLUB, JUNE 2022.

PARTING SHOTS



Work continues on renovations and upgrades to the ranges. Shown are renovations of the pistol range with separation barrier between the long gun range and a covered shooting structure. The range committee coordinated by Ron Ayres, Bruce Mulford and John Spiewak have made significant renovations and repairs to the ranges in 2019.

Neil Taylor 2019 Walleye Canadian Trip Fish Pool Winner



Dave Cesarano 2019 Northern Pike Canadian Fish Pool Winner



Congratulations Neil & Dave!!