

Salem County Sportsmens Club

Our 76TH Year, 1947 - 2023 SCSC is a family outdoor life & conservation organization. We welcome members who engage in the traditions and collegiality befitting of American sportsmen and sportswomen.

Lake Hudson News

JANUARY 31, 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Happy New Year - Go Eagles! Brad Holmes

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST SCSC CARETAKERS

Mert and Marisa Coles are familiar faces at the Club already and have joined Tom and Cathy Del-Signore as experienced caretakers on duty at SCSC to assist the membership and watch over our precious club property. They will be housed in the second-floor bathhouse living quarters. The Club welcomes their energy, skills and knowledge of club operations. Mert is a former director; Marisa is a soon-to-be retired educator. Please join us in welcoming them to their new roles.



WELCOME LAURA, OUR NEWEST BARTENDER

Come out to the bar and join us in welcoming Laura.



Officers

Brad Holmes, President Bill Ronn, Vice President Tom Dyer, Treasurer Brian Kamens, Secretary

Directors

Ron Ayres, Director David Cesarano, Director Mert Coles, Director John Dyer, Director Al Giumetti, Director Joseph Lubrano, Director Bruce Mulford, Director Sam Pierman, Director Stu Schermerhorn, Director Al Wood III, Director

<u>Advisors</u>

Lyle Case
Bill Cochran
Al McVey
Brent Warner
Dave Wright
George Vinyard
(Advisors Emeritus)
Lou Priest, Bill Cochran,
Bill Sparks

Caretakers

Mert and Marisa Coles 856-535-7808

Tom and Kathy Del-Signore 609-420-2524

Communications:

Brian Kamens Roberta Berger

Historian/Newsletter:

Everett Sparks

Office: 856-299-5588

Christina Jones Kathy Del-Signore Bar Phone: 856-514-3813

Tuesday Volunteers Meet

Every Tuesday, 8 am - 12 pm

Club Membership Meetings Second Wednesdays, 8 PM

SCSC UPCOMING CURRENT EVENTS & NEWS TO USE





The Club is looking for two Lake Supervisors for the 2023 season. Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- participating in lake staff interviews
- conducting orientation
- scheduling lifeguards and gate checkers
- monitoring staff and members during beach season.
- Applicants must be able to commit to full lake season. Must be 18 or older to apply. Great job for retirees, former lifeguards, gate checkers, and school employees.
- Applications will be accepted until February 28th. Applications are available on the Club website. Please e-mail completed application or mail to Club office. Please contact the Lake Director, Brian Kamens
- <u>bekamens@gmail.com</u> with any questions or to send completed applications. <u>Please click here to download the Lake Supervisor Application.</u>

SCSC MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT

RESCHEDULED TO FEB. 10

Due to scheduling issues (Eagles Football), we have had to move the date of the dinner to February 10. We will continue to have tickets available for the new date. If you bought a ticket and cannot make this date, please see Chrissy in the office or call 856-299-5588. Director John Dyer is coordinating this event A Murder Mystery Dinner Experience at the SCSC Unlike Anything Else...or maybe you have, at last year's sell out?

At the SCSC Murder Mystery Night, you'll tackle a humorous and challenging crime while you feast on a fantastic dinner provided by our Kitchen Chef, Joe Lubrano. **Members just beware!** The suspect(s) are hiding in plain sight somewhere in the room Clubhouse and even **you may be a Prime Suspect before you know it!**

SCSC's ANNUAL CANADIAN FISHING TRIP

A planning Meeting is scheduled - Feb 15 at 7:00pm - at the Clubhouse. Tentative dates for this annual fishing trip to Dorval Lodge in Quebec is July 22 – 28. Members and their guests, particularly those new to the trip should attend. This is quite an enjoyable fishing outing, fraternity of fisherman and a pilgrimage of a kind to the great wilds of Quebec. Dave Newsome is pictured holding a routine catch of the day at Dorval Lodge. The camp and lodge, although well maintained, has changed very little over the years. The boat rentals are modern, and owner Louis and his staff are very accommodating. SCSC fisherman have numbered from 10 to 40 over the years. The Dozois Reservoir fish populations are primarily Northern Pike and Walleye. Historically Charlie Sparks, Joe Dyer, Sr, and Gary Trotter have coordinated the trip. Director John Dyer currently organizes and coordinates the trip for SCSC.

CLUB BY-LAWS REVISIONS APPROVED

Club members are encouraged to read and be familiar with the SCSC revised By-Laws. The by-laws committee review and revisions were accepted by the Board of Directors and submitted to the membership with approval at the December 2022 membership meeting. Members should become familiar with the by-laws that are posted on the SCSC webpage www.scsportsmensclub.org/ or obtain a copy through the SCSC office. The bylaws are supplemented by other specific Club rules posted in such places as the Lake, Ranges, Campgrounds, and pavilions. Staying current and being familiar with the by-laws and usage rules has enabled us to function safely and enjoyably over the years as a private Club. The Club thanks Director Dave Cesarano and the by-laws committee for their efforts over the last 6 months in updating the Club's by-laws.

SCSC BUS TRIP TO NRA GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOOR SHOW (GAOS)

WHERE: NRA sponsored GAOS, HARRISBURG PA Farm Show Complex

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023, BUS LEAVES 07:30 AM FROM CLUB

WHY: <u>Seats are going fast! We still have a few left so RSVP with the office if interested.</u> The Great American Outdoor Show (GAOS) is the WORLD's largest outdoor show. For the outdoors sportsman, the show and trip is enjoyable, exciting & relaxing. See link: <u>www.greatamericanoutdoorshow.org</u>

HOW: Deluxe bus trip from Club parking lot to Harrisburg PA Outdoor Show with breakfast stop at Perkins in Avondale in-route. Time in Show is approx 5 hours. Beverages on return trip and light supper served at Club.

- **Cost:** \$55.00 per person, includes, round trip bus, tickets to show, beverages on way home and a lite supper at Club on return.
- **Registration/Sign up** is first come first served through Club Office and limited to 53 members and their guests. Payment is requested at time of registration; credit cards are accepted. If sold out, a waiting list is maintained. Call (856-299-5588) or visit office in person to sign up.
- Refunds will not be given to "no shows" on day of GAOS. Advance notice of 48 hours or more is requested for
 emergency cancellations; Substitutions are permitted and PREFERRED instead of cancellations. Typically
 inclement weather has not been a reason for trip cancellation except in the event of a State weather emergency
 declaration.
- For further information contact Club office or trip coordinator, Ev Sparks (text 609-313-8709).

EAGLES FOOTBALL AT THE CLUB: It's easy to be green, and view the Eagles games at the Club. The bar area is accented in green. Green "shots" are offered after each (Eagles) touchdown. The big screen is set up in the main room along with the 3 big screens in the lounge area so as not to miss any of the game. Bar chairman Bill Ronn, the bartenders and Kitchen Chairman Joe Lubrano and the kitchen crew are gracious hosts when it comes to providing food & beverage. The Eagles fans are pleasant and friendly even to opposing team's fans. So Fly Eagles Fly. Go E. A. G. L. E. S!

JOIN US FOR THE EAGLES VS KANSAS CITY CHIEFS SUPERBOWL PARTY ON FEB. 12. Stay tuned for more information on your emails.





SCSC OFFICE UPDATES

From the Desk of Chrissy Jones, Office Secretary and Kathy Del-Signore, per- diem office assistant.



DUES:

2023 Regular/Active Member Dues: \$248.40. Retiree Member Dues: \$134.55.

SCSC Mailing Address:

Salem County Sportsmen's Club, PO Box 130, Deepwater, NJ 08023

Office Ph: (856) 299-5588. Office Email: office@scsportsmensclub.org Webpage: www.scsportsmensclub.org/

SCSC Locator for 9-1-1 & Map Directions: 273 Wiley Road, U.S Rt 40, Carneys Point, New Jersey. 08069

Club Hours.

Monday - 10:00am - 2:00pm Tuesday - 10:00am - 2:00pm Wednesday - 4:00pm - 8:00pm Thursday - 10:00am - 2:00pm Friday - 10:00am - 2:00pm

Bar Hours

Wednesday - 5:00pm - 10:00pm Friday - 5:00pm - 10:00pm Saturday - 1:00pm - 8:00pm Sunday - 1:00pm - 8:00pm

If arriving two hours before closing time, please call ahead to the Bar (856-514-2257).

CLUB RENTALS INFORMATION Al Wood, House chairman

Rentals of the Club facilities are available as a benefit of your membership. The Club attempts to be competitive and a low-cost facility for its members planning an event. Club facilities are available for celebrations of life passages such as anniversaries, engagements, bridal showers, wedding receptions, birthdays, baby showers, memorial services, or other special affairs. Several options are available to members to host an event from a "do it yourself" event to a "turnkey" catered event. Indoor rental options are the clubhouse. Outdoor options are rentals of the Glen Young Pavilion (capacity 300) or Charles D. Sparks picnic grove. In season, swimming privileges are available to access our Lake Hudson beach. The member is required to be always present and responsible for the conduct of attendees and guests. This policy has served the Club well to insure a successful event.

- In addition to the Club office, the following directors are available to members as a resource for hosting a successful event: Director <u>Al Wood III</u> coordinates Club House Affairs and Rentals; Director <u>Joe Lubrano</u> coordinates use of the clubhouse kitchen; Director <u>Bill Ronn</u> manages the clubhouse bar area.
- Members should first contact Chrissy Jones, office secretary to begin the rental process, availability of dates, and rental information, 856-299-5588. As a reminder, member indoor and outdoor affairs exceeding 15 persons must be scheduled through the office.



75 Years of Volunteering, 1947 – 2022

Stu Schermerhorn VOLUNTEERISM is the lifeblood of our Club

The Tuesday volunteers remain busy, truly all-seasons volunteers contributing to our Club.







First pic is from the beehive area where member **Clarence Gardiner** built and installed a Barn Owl nesting box at rear of the plot. Next are pics of the new roofing installed on both the Octagon Bath House and Skeet Pavilion. Both buildings were way overdue for replacement, and this will carry us into the future.



Last pic is from a neighbor's property, 50 yds from our scout camping area. It's an impressively large wild 46 lb. male coyote, one of many we're observing on our club and neighboring properties. They are eating well and survive on our game animals, but may also threaten humans and pets, along with rabies. SCSC has not had any incidents regarding wild coyotes, but members are advised of their presence. The wild coyotes have been around a while, are wild, and rarely seen but can be heard at night.

In other wildlife news, apparently a bear was seen on a local game camera up the road from SCSC and our neighbor's properties? Wild bear sightings, if accurate, are recent. No bear has been spotted on SCSC property, but our SCSC caretakers are on alert. The Club's wildlife is wild. Let's keep them that way, wild.

Tuesday Volunteers:

- The Tuesday crew is busy with winter work, cutting, splitting, and stocking firewood for camping members to enjoy.
- We have some tree removal to be done by a local commercial tree service, mostly in campground and adjacent to roads and power lines.
- We're rebuilding the Picnic Grove pole barns, bringing them back to safe structures.
- We have a tourniquet and a Stop the Bleed class scheduled for Tuesday Crew on 2/07. The first aid program is prudent to educate our volunteers for safety purposes. Our member, **Cory Terry**, is certified and will conduct the class.
- As always, the volunteers are trying to stay ahead of never-ending maintenance and repair issues on property. We plan to refresh the campground bathrooms before opening in the Spring and evaluate and budget for a Glen Young Pavilion roof replacement as well.

Members who have some time in their busy lives are encouraged to join our volunteer projects. Joining the Tuesday morning group is a good orientation to volunteering at the Club.

Enjoy the Club, your Club! STU



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CLUB RANGE NEWS

Ron Ayres, Range Director

Thank you to our members for your safe conduct on the ranges and strictly adhering to our range rules. The posted range rules are necessary and are to be followed without exception. If you are not badged or have questions, do not shoot on SCSC ranges until you have your questions answered by a range officer, a badged knowledgeable shooter, the SCSC caretaker, Tom Del-Signore, 609-420-2524 or myself, at rmayres@verizon.net. The ranges have been busy this past Fall as usual. Be safe, be courteous, and enjoy your time on the ranges.

Range Badges

Anyone seeking a Range Badge needs to have their name on the waiting list. We will get a class scheduled as soon as possible. If your name has been on the list prior to our last class or you haven't attended any of the previous classes, you will need to do it again. Range Badges are REQUIRED to use the ranges. Remember to always have your badge with you and displayed where someone can always see it while using the ranges. Contact the office to get on the waiting list.

Instructional Classes

Anyone looking to attend an upcoming Basic Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun or RSO class needs to contact **Ron Ayres** <u>rmayres@verizon.net</u> to get their name on the list. The Basic Pistol classes can be used to obtain your NJ carry permits as well as going on to be certified instructors. Class will be scheduled on an as needed basis.

Trap and Skeet

Trap to resume in the Spring, opening date to be announced. Skeet still shooting on Sunday mornings.

Archery:

SAM PIERMAN was appointed in October to the Board of Directors filling the unexpired term of John Spiewak. Sam has contributed greatly to the archery sports at the Club and is assigned to the archery ranges as a new director. The Club thanks John Spiewak for his service to the Club as a director and for his work on the Club's archery ranges.

SAVE THE DATE: We are looking for volunteers to help with the upcoming Friends of the NRA Dinner on March 4, 2023.

Please contact Ron Ayres: rmayres@verizon.net if you can help. Thank you!

ATTENTION SCSC FIREARM OWNERS:

SOLD OUT: Second Amendment US Law Shield Seminar on 2/13/2023.

The seminar **SOLD OUT QUICKLY**. Attorney Evan Nappan and the U.S. Law Shield seminars will be available through-out New Jersey in the future for those who could not attend the SCSC seminar.

Enjoy the ranges, be safe, shoot straight on approved targets. Ron Ayres



Parting Notes

By Ev Sparks

SCSC Newsletter Editor & Historian



Henry David Thoreau

A lake is a landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature. It is Earth's eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of (their) own nature.



A lake's winter season fact: During winter, even under the ice, if it occurs, lakes and waterways are insulated from the mixing effect of wind. Water temperature remains uniform from the surface to the bottom. Because biological processes continue under the ice with no wind to mix the water and replenish oxygen, decomposers at the bottom deplete available oxygen, causing winter stratification of oxygen-rich water on top and oxygen-poor water below. Lake life is still active under the ice! Microscopic organisms feed and grow, and lakes can even "bloom" with algae while covered in ice. SCSC is practicing Lake Smart practices to keep our lake blue!

Submissions to the Lake Hudson News

All submittals are subject to review and inclusion by the editor and the BOD. Send by email in care of editor to scscoffice@scsportsmensclub.org. Copy may be submitted in writing to the SCSC office. The Lake Hudson News is the newsletter of Salem County Sportsmen Club named in recognition of Arthur "Moose" Hudson a founding member and first Club caretaker. The newsletter serves as a communication mechanism to members and as a historical record to document the continual progress and improvement of the Club's mission and charter over its 75 years, 1947 – 2022 and beyond.

SCSC Communications Notice:

The club e-mails and official website are the only online source of official club information.

The Salem County Sportsmen's Club does not own, operate, or otherwise manage any social media accounts (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.). Club members that rely on any such social media account for club activities, or any other reason, do so at their own risk.