

ROD & GUN GAZETTE

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SHOOT. FISH. EAT.

Summertime is Fin Time!



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members,

I would sincerely like to thank everyone for their participation this year. You have all been a great help, and nothing goes unnoticed.

In the next coming months we have many dinners and new events. Many have put their heart and soul into both please come out and support your club.

We are looking for **NEW** members to please come out and support your club!

Sincerely,

Troy Quick, President

MEMBERSHIP

The club has added 94 new members to date. The breakdown of members is as follows; Regular 366, Associate 347, Junior 14, Life 168.

The Associate membership Is increasing, while the Regular membership is holding steady. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a member, I can send them an application.

Also, remember that your 10 hour work commitment must be completed by Sept 30th. Do not wait until the last minute to get your hours completed.

We need more members to step up and help with functions/ events. The same people seem to be doing all the work. Please get involved with your club!

Bob Hruskocy, Membership Chairman

WORK HOUR OBLIGATIONS

Members,

At the June 7th Executive Board meeting there was discussion regarding work hour obligations. The minutes from said meeting are as follows:

A discussion was held regarding work hour requirements, work hour cost, and new member sponsorship. After the discussion, a motion was made by Matt Halloran, 2nd by Corey Curtis-Grey, the motion is as follows; Beginning Oct 2022, the cost of work hours will be \$20 per hour, 10 hours per year, mandatory 10 work hours the first year of membership. The motion was then amended by Corey Curtis-Grey 2nd by Matt Halloran to include "adhere to the 3 sponsorship rule" that is presented on the membership application for new members requesting to join. After further discussion the motion was voted on by show of hands and the motion passed.

Refer to FFF By-laws Article III Section 3.c. for more information regarding Work Hour Requirement. Per the bylaws Article IV Section 1 - Dues, Fees, Obligations, and Assessments The dues, fees, obligations, and assessments required to obtain and hold membership in the FFF Club shall be set by the Executive Board and shall be subject to a majority approval, with previous notice required, by the Voting Members who are both present and vote at a Regular Membership Meeting, or at a Special Membership Meeting called for that purpose.

Regards, David Jones Secretary FFF

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

On April 23rd the Club had its Annual Clean Up Day. We had over 34 members that showed up to help in removing winter's aftermath, and prepare for the upcoming seasons. Thank you to everyone. There's plenty of fire wood for members to take, most of that wood is either on the power lines or along the tree out in front of the skeet houses. Please stack the branches and make sure the area is neat. Any questions about the locations contact Dick Palmer – 860-933-4768.



June 14	Regular membership meeting at 7 pm.				
July 5	Executive Board Meeting at 6:30 pm				
July 10	Sporting Clays Shoot, registration starts at 8:30 am.				
July 12	Regular Membership meeting at 7 pm.				
July 16	Club's own Brisket Dinner, tickets at the bar, delicious dinner, there is a cut off.				
July 30	Club's Steak Dinner , option to cook your steak or have the committee due this for you.				
August 7	Sporting Clays Shoot, registration starts at 8:30 am.				
August 21	Annual Family Picnic, starts at noon, watch flyers for information.				
September 3	Annual Chicken BBQ tickets at the bar, there is a cut off date.				
September 6	Executive Board Meeting at 6:30 pm				
September 10	Sporting Clays Shoot for Ducks Unlimited, Need workers.				
September 11	Final Sporting Clays Shoot of the year, registration starts at 8:30 am.				
September 13	Membership Meeting , this is the only night where nominations for Executive Board and Club Officers can be accepted. You must be present to accept an nomination, and meet By-Laws requirements. Only Regular/Life members can be nominated.				
September 17	7th Annual Club's Shotgun Championship , sign up board will be in the bar, shoot by yourself, with your friend or even better get a group of shooters and team as a squad. Great Dinner, non-members can shoot, but awards are for Club Members only.				

CONGRATULATIONS, JOSHUA

Past Junior and Regular Member, Joshua Theriault (right) recently graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and has been sworn in as a Maine Game Warden. Pictured along with Joshua is Past President, Life Member, and grandfather, Bob Theriault (center), and Member and Past President, Joshua's father, Kevin Theriault (left). We all wish Joshua a long and safe career.



SKEET REPORT

Summer is here and the Skeet Shooting at the Fin continues. As of now there are NO Skeet Events scheduled, but we will keep the membership informed via e-mail if anything pops up. **The fields are open daily from 9 am until sunset.**

Please courteous, respectful of all shooters and above all safety first, watch your gun barrels, eye and ear protection at all times, whether you are shooting or a spectator. Remember all rounds must be paid for before leaving the Club, either at the bar when it's open or through the drop box next to the bar entrance. Remember, a round consists of 25 targets, not, 27, 28, or more.

Listed below are the results of the ECSC Winter league

Division 1	FFF Irish Birds – 2nd place		
Division 2	FFF Hots Shots – 1st place		
DIVISION Z	FFF Terminators – 2nd place		
Division 3	FFF Station Nine – 3rd place		
Division 4	FFF Out of Options – 2nd place		
Division 6	FFF Off The Hip – 1st place		

Individual Honors

League Runner up	Josh St. Lawrence		
Division 3	Mike Sobol Jr.		
Division 4	Shaine Asselin		

Thanks to all who have helped.

The Skeet Committee

TRAP

I would like to thank all the members who stepped up to help with the Trap Shoot on May 22nd. The shoot was very well attended considering the 95 degree day. The club received many compliments on our facility. There were 46 shooters who attended, after all expenses were paid, the club made nearly \$1100.00.

The club recently purchased 2 new trap machines, we now have 6 fields that have machines. Some fields are dedicated to certain shooting disciplines. Field 3 is setup for "Skap", Field 4 is set for Trap Doubles, Field 5-8 is setup for Regular Trap.

Please do not change the height of the targets. When done shooting, please put the equipment into the low house on each field, this way all the equipment will not end up in one house. If there are any issues with any of the equipment, please put a note on it and leave in field 5, low house. **DO NOT** leave the machines empty, please fill after use.

Regards

Bob Hruskocy, Trap Chairman

SHOOTING

Members when you applied for membership you were given a Range Safety Rules packet. **Everyone must read this information.** We are constantly having members shooting before 9 am, and after sunset. If you are caught shooting before 9 am and continue to shoot after sunset you will be approached, and this incident will be turned into the Executive Board for further actions. So be range smart and follow the range rules.

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5-STAND

Members, the first 5 Stand Shoot of 2022 for Memorial Day was a success. We had 37 Participants and threw 75 rounds. This was certainly one of the biggest 5 stand shoots in the past few years. The new wireless release system the club purchased this past year worked flawlessly. Going through the summer and into fall shoot dates will be posted. Typically shoots are held on either Saturday or Sunday, with the occasional Monday shoot for holiday weekends. I will also open 5 Stand during the week, Tuesday afternoons on occasion to get a few more rounds thrown. This is a great opportunity for new shooters to come visit the field and learn about the program.

If there are any members interested in being involved in the program, learning the setup and take down of 5 Stand please contact me. It would be great to have a few more hands to get the field open more often over the summer months.

David Jones, 5 Stand Chairman



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Saturday, July 30

4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Pavilion

Tickets: \$15

Purchase Tickets at the Bar

Meal Includes:

- Steak
- Salad
- Baked Potato
- Dessert
- Vegetables

For More Information Contact: Steve/Jessica 605-850-1364

FAMILY PICNIC TIME

The Family picnic time is approaching. The picnic is on August 21, 2022. There will be a work day on August 20th at 8 am to set up for the picnic and again on the 21st at 9 am for the picnic. This is a great time and way to get your work hours in before hunting season starts. If you want more information on helping at the picnic, please call me at 860-428-5519 or send me an email at wfdktheriault@gmail.com.

I am also looking for donations for the raffle that we hold at the picnic. If you are interested in donating a raffle prize, please call me to let me know.

August 21 21 and Older – \$20.00 8 to 20 – \$10.00 7 and Under – FREE

Thank you

Kevin Theriault, Fin Fur Feather Club Picnic Chairman





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