

Fenton Lakes Sportsman's Club Monthly Newsletter - October 2023

From the President,

Whether you are a fan of it or not, fall is once again upon us at FLSC. As the trees change colors some of our events start to come to an end but so many are just getting started and others are going to find new life.

In this month's FLSC Newsletter we bring you information on programs for the kids, fun shoots for the family, news for our PPC shooters, a new training program as well as a great news for the FLSC Archery program.

As always please take a moment to look over the volunteer openings we still have that help to keep our club operational. Specifically, we truly need to fill the role of Rental Hall Manager as soon as possible. The board has made the decision to stop rentals until we can fill this position. It is not a decision made lightly. If you have any interest in or questions about the position, please reach out to the contacts provided.

So, with that being said, put on your favorite fall outerwear, grab that pumpkin spice flavored beverage of choice and enjoy this month's newsletter of what is happening at your club in October.

Keith Morris
FLSC President
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VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer help is always needed to keep the club running. 16 work hours a year earns a \$50 discount on your Regular Family Membership renewal dues.

Can you commit to working on a regular basis at the club? Members who regularly participate in the tasks needed to keep the club running can be eligible for discounted worker rate dues. If you can commit to a minimum of 80 hours/year for worker status, contact a club officer to discuss opportunities.

*******HELP WANTED*******

RENTAL HALL MANAGER:

There is an immediate need for a rental hall manager to attend to clubhouse banquet hall rentals and maintenance. This is a volunteer position that requires hands-on involvement to ensure our rental hall is maintained and operated at the highest level of quality and professionalism. This position qualifies for worker member status and the subsequent worker rate membership dues. Please contact either

<u>Clubvp Finance@fentonlakes.com</u> or <u>ClubPresident@fentonlakes.com</u> to discuss.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

Do you have experience in graphic arts, communication or publishing? We could use a dedicated member to take our newsletter to the next level. Please contact the club President at ClubPresident@fentonlakes.com

SPORTING CLAYS WORKERS:

If you would like to be part of the sporting clays work group, <u>contact Andy Shute VP of Operations</u>. <u>Clubvp Operations@fentonlakes.com</u>

OUTDOOR RANGE MAINTENANCE:

We are always in need of help maintaining the outdoor ranges. If you can pitch in please contact John O'Dell OutdoorRngMgr@fentonlakes.com 586-718-4503

MONDAY MORNING WORK CREW:

The Monday morning work crew focus is cleaning the indoor range and basement along with putting away table and chairs after rental events. If you are available on Monday mornings contact the Indoor Range Manager, Larry Andrykovich IndoorRngMgr@fentonlakes.com 810-240-8610

ARCHERY

We are happy to announce that FLSC has a new Archery Manager. Matt Russell has volunteered his time to help get the club archery programs back on track. He is currently evaluating the 3D course and bag targets for a game plan going forward. Much needs to be done in the way of clean up on the 3D course so be on the lookout for volunteer opportunities soon to get some hours toward your membership discount.

We welcome Matt's enthusiasm for archery and look forward to working with him in advancing the archery programs at FLSC. Welcome to the team Matt!



The September Cowboy Action Shooting match saw foggy weather in the early morning, but the sky cleared, and it turned into a beautiful day.

The Butcher Butte Bunch brought out an unusual target for the final stage of the match—a Texas star. The Texas star is a reactive target that has 5 steel plates arranged in a pentagon. The plates fall off when hit and the star starts to rotate making it a bit of a challenge to hit the remaining plates. A couple competitors made the comment that they had never seen a Texas star before, but they were fascinated with it. Each competitor was allowed 10 shots from their rifle to knock down the 5 plates. If they failed to knock down the 5 plates with 10 shots a 5 second penalty was assessed for each plate remaining on the star. They also had to complete the rest of the stage which consisted of an additional 10 revolver shots and 4 shotguns. Jerkwater Jake had the fastest time to complete that stage with an amazing 39.05 seconds. That included the additional 14 shots and moving from one location to another.



The top shooters in the match were Longshot Lillian followed closely by Jerkwater Jake. A clean match (no misses) was earned by FLSC members Longshot Lillian and Grubby Hardrock. That's quite an accomplishment to have no misses over 120 shots.

The last Cowboy Action Shooting match for 2023 will be on Sunday, October 8. Registration for the match will be in the Clays House beginning at 8:45am. The match will begin at approximately 9:30am on the 50-yard range. Costs to compete are: \$5.00 if you are under 18 or if you have never shot a Cowboy match at Fenton before. FLSC members or Wolverine Rangers (the Michigan association of Cowboy shooters) pay \$14.00, all others pay \$20.00. There is no charge to watch but be sure to bring eye and hearing protection. We make no promises, but there is a pretty good chance that if you stay to the end of the match (usually around noon) someone will put guns in your hands so you can give it a try

JUNIOR RIFLE LEAGUE

Jr. Rifle League is back again as of Sept 26. 2023 and will run through March of 2023. This activity uses the indoor range every Tuesday evening from 5:30PM - 9:30PM. the program is open to youngsters between the ages of 10 and 18 years old, both members and non-members can participate. There are limited slots available. Contact Jeff Lane with any questions about the program. ClubJrRifleMgr@fentonlakes.com

BOWLING PINS

The FLSC Bowling Pin Shoots return In October! Open to members and the public, it's .22 rimfire with either rifle or pistol and both optic and iron sight are allowed. We shoot (10) racks of (5) pin sets. So, dust off that .22 and bring the family out for some quality shooting time. This sport is very beginner-friendly!!! Multiple entries are allowed. Many people shoot twice or more.

Like last season are scheduling "flights", so you can select your time slot to show up and shoot. There is a 6:00pm, 6:30pm, 7:00pm, 7:30pm and 8:00pm squad. Just select the time(s) you want to shoot. Just sign up for as many slots as you like. There are 12 slots per flight. Links to sign up will be coming soon. Keep an eye out on the club calendar and Facebook page for those.

For rules information and details check out our website https://www.fentonlakes.com/FLSC%20Bowling%20Pin%20Shoot

SPORTING CLAYS

The Spring and Summer Sporting Clays Leagues held their end of seasons banquet on September 18th ending another successful year of these events. Both leagues enjoyed a great turn out of shooters during their respective seasons and many awards were handed out during a great evening of story swapping and camaraderie.

We are looking forward to bringing season 3 of the sporting clays league back in the spring of 2024 and hope that more of you will join in these events!

Red Card

Sporting Clays is open seven days a week for members with Red Cards. Red cards are available to members to obtain on Saturday's and Sunday's during Sporting Clays public hours.

Weather shooting red card during the week or out during public hour on the weekend, remember to sign in. Additionally make sure any guest you bring sign in and fill out indemnification forms.

Sporting Clays Safety Info!!!

If you are on the course and one of the clay machines does not fire, move on and make up at the next station and let the desk worker know. Please do not approach or touch the machines, when they are just sitting there, they are ready to launch, and any bump or jarring can release the arm and injury can occur.

PPC LEAGUE

The ANNUAL Fall PPC League commences on the first Monday evening in October and will run through the end of December. League times are 6PM - 9PM.

PPC is a fantastic activity for refining and developing the fundamentals of handgun shooting to help you improve your handgun skills.

Continuing from last season is the new Unlimited Class which allows for any caliber pistol allowed on the indoor range from .22 and up as well as optics but no lasers.

Find out more information, including the course of fire at: https://www.fentonlakes.com/PPCShooting.html

PROJECT APPLESEED PISTOL CLINIC

Coming November 4th and 5th is something new from our friends at Project Appleseed. Some of you are familiar with the rifle marksmanship programs they run on our outdoor ranges periodically over the summer and fall. Project Appleseed will be running a pistol clinic at FLSC on our indoor range.

Learn the basics of handgun safety, accuracy, and control. All the fundamentals needed to safely handle a handgun will be covered. Skills taught include proper stance, sighting the target, trigger control, Natural Point of Aim, speed drills, and many other topics.

You need at least 250 rounds of ammo for the one-day event or 500 rounds for the two-day event. If using a semi-auto bring at least two magazines. If using a revolver bring a speed loader. To register go to: https://appleseedinfo.org/

RANGE RULES HIGHLIGHT

Unless otherwise permitted by the Board of Directors for special events, only paper or cardboard targets and backers are to be used on all gun ranges. All targets must be set at the range specified target line. No targets shall be set closer to the shooter by any means.

On the outdoor ranges backers and sticks are available in the sheds located behind the 50-yard range and on the 25-yard range.

All members are responsible for understanding the range rules for the indoor and outdoor ranges. The rules are available to view and print off our website at any time. Members are responsible for their guest understanding the rules as well. All rules are in place for you and your guest's safety and to allow for everyone to enjoy the shooting sports. To view the range rules, go to: https://www.fentonlakes.com/RangeRules.html

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Event	Date	Time
Sporting Clays Open to Public	Sat. & Sun.	10 AM – 2 PM
PPC League	Every Monday Night	6 PM - 9 PM
Monthly Business Meeting	10/10/23	7 PM - 8 PM
Cowboy Action Match	10/8/23	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
FLSC Bowling Pin Shoot	10/19/23	6 PM – 9 PM
New Member Orientation	10/26/23	6 PM – 9 PM

FOR SALE

Fenton Lakes Sportsman's Club Hats \$20 Contact Larry Andrykovich lndoorRngMgr@fentonlakes.com

FLSC STORE

Open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, the FLSC Store is the place to for all your FLSC gear. It's a great way to support the club and share it with others. Find it on our website or go to: https://my-store-c0b81b.creator-spring.com/



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