

FMC Sportsman's Club

5172 North Poplar Fork Road Winfield, WV 25213 2019

2020 News Letter

The Board of Directors welcomes everyone to the 2020 season. This year is off to an uncertain start with the COVID-19 pandemic. Our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone who has been touched by the response to this emergency.

During this challenging time, we are continuing to prepare to open as scheduled. However, everything will be contingent on the Governor's and the CDC's orders and guidelines. While the club is still currently available for our members use, we are requiring everyone to follow all safety guidelines and executive orders by the governor while at the property. Maintain social distancing of six feet apart, no groups more than 5, no shelter rentals/gatherings and good personal hygiene (wash your hands frequently). Basically, single person activities like fishing, walking, hiking or riding. Ranges are also to maintain the 6 feet apart rule. Camping is allowed by members only at this time, no out of state guest.

As of now, the pool will open as scheduled and membership dues are still due before May 1st. Please pay as soon as possible so we will have enough funds to get the season started. For those members who are financially affected by the COVID-19 crisis, we have another payment option on the website. This option is still due by May 1st, but we will not bill your credit card until one week after the Governor lifts the "Stay at Home Order". If you use this option "DO NOT USE PAYPAL" we cannot delay PayPal payments. Please do not use this option if you are able to pay by May 1st. Again, these funds are critical to our operation, since we are a private club, we will not receive any financial assistance.

FMC Sportsman's Club consists of over 1,200 individual families who we consider as our family, and at a time like this we are in this together. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have a special circumstance regarding your ability to pay this year. We are proud to provide such a great club and facilities for our membership.

In 2019, we initiated and completed several improvements to our property. Among those were projects making our main lake deeper and better suited for fish habitat, along with the addition of a new fishing pier near the tent camping. Renovations will continue to the pool area to accommodate more room for sun bathing and parking.

We were able to fund all of these improvements without having to increase the 2020 annual dues. Membership dues will remain the same as last year with the annual dues being \$250 plus a \$100 assessment fee for a total of \$350. Payments must be paid online via credit/debit cards or, for those who are concerned about credit/debit card security, may pay via PayPal. We are asking that you refrain from paying with a paper check. The process to get, deposit and reconcile is a lot for our volunteers to do. The website can also be used to purchase any goods or services that are available at the club. This includes, but is not limited to; fees for washing campers or ATVs, rentals, and purchases of firewood or gravel. Our goal is for the 2020 renewal membership fees, assessment fees and long-term camping fees to be paid 100% online via a debit/credit card or PayPal.

Remember, you will not receive new membership cards in 2020. Your membership card and number will be good for as long as you stay current on paying your dues. Please make an effort to get a membership card this year with your picture if you do not have one. Your card will contain a 5-digit membership number (##-####) with an additional number identifying individual family members. If you lose your card or need a new one the club will be able to verify your membership status with just your name or number.

New member orientation this year will be held on two weekends, both from 10-2pm on Saturday's. Dates will be determined and announced after things settle back to normal. Current members are encouraged to stop by the orientation with their families to get their photo ID cards, if you have not done so already. A card can be made for a family member not with you if you have a clear photo of that person. Having photos attached to each membership record will help ensure the safety of all our members. Without a card, members need to know their membership number when using the club facilities. Please ensure that we have a good email for the member of record. We appreciate your cooperation and patience as we implement this new system.

If you have friends or family that are wanting to become new members of our club, they can visit our website at www.fmclub.org. A sponsor's 5-digit (##-####) membership number is required on the application. The website contains instructions on how to apply for membership. Completing this application will place them on the membership waiting list.

Please become a member of our Facebook pool page. Members who are archery enthusiasts are encouraged to check out the Facebook site called FMC Archery. This will be the best way to stay on top of news updates and events at our club. If you have a complaint or concern, please do not post it on the Facebook pages. It is important to the Board that we address any member's concerns as promptly as possible. The best way to communicate concerns is to call or email the appropriate committee chairperson or any board member. Names and phone numbers of Board members and Chairpersons can be found on the website Board Member's page or attached to the end of this newsletter.

The club is always looking for volunteers. If you are interested in a specific area, please contact that committee chairperson and they will assist you as needed. All future club correspondence will be posted on the website and / or via email. **Please make sure that the club has your current email information on file.**

Looking forward to another successful year at FMC Sportsmans Club!

Gary Lacy

President

Board of Directors for the 2020 season

Officers

PRESIDENT: **Gary Lacy** --- 304-541-3796

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Directors

Dir 1 = **Bob Searls** - - - 304-562-1632

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Dir 7 = **Dale Hastings** - - - 304-421-2731

Dir 8 = **Larry Becher** - - - 304-539-4119

Dir 9 = **David Brown** - - - 304-380-1700

Dir 10 = **Brian Wood** - - - 304-586-4327

Committee Members

ARCHERY - - - Kevin Rappold - fmcarchery@gmail.com

CAMPING - - - Larry Becher - 304-539-4119 sportsclub@fmclub.org

CARETAKER - - - Boyd McClure - 681-245-2829

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SKEET RANGE --- Rod Brown and Rick Sims - 304-444-2463

Web Site Manager Open Position, contact Larry Becher - sportsclub@fmclub.org

Schedule for the Board of Directors and Members Meetings: 2020

Jan 9th

Feb 13th

Mar 12th

April 9th

May 14th

June 11th

July 9th

Aug 13th

Sept 10th

Oct 8th (Annual Meeting)

Nov 12th

(No Board Meeting in Dec)

All meetings begin at 7pm at the Skeet Range Club House. Location subject to change due to weather.
All meetings scheduled for the second Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted.