FMC SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

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2024 Newsletter

The FMC Sportsman's Club Board welcomes everyone to the 2024 Season! We are proud to provide such a great club and amazing facilities for our members, now exceeding over 1000 families!

Just a reminder that you will not be receiving the newsletter in the mail (USPS). You also need to make sure you familiarize yourself with all the rules and regulations. Please pay your 2024 Membership Renewal and Assessment Fee as soon as possible, to secure funding for this upcoming season! We require a valid email address per Member of Record. All Club correspondence will be posted on the Facebook or email, as we no longer use the postal mail service for regular communication. It is the responsibility of the member to be familiar with all Club rules and regulations, which are posted on the website.

For current information

We regularly update our Facebook group "FMC Sportsman's Club Members." If you have any questions or concerns, please do not post publicly but instead contact a Board Member or Committee Chairperson listed on our website <u>www.fmcclub.org</u> or at the end of this letter. This method of communication allows a prompt/correct response. Please contact Jim Kessler to receive Club updates via text.

2024 Membership Renewal and Assessment Fee & Other Fees

It has been a busy year, but we have accomplished so much. Our desire is to repair and/or update our facilities as needed and we have made great progress. Following is a partial list of projects we have completed this year mostly from the assessment:

- Additional Temporary and Long-Term Camping spaces will be ready for the camping season.
- Internet access for the entire club area.
- Access to the Dock for people with disabilities.
- Installation of storm drainage system in main parking lot.
- Additional parking spaces in the pool area.
- Replacement of worn out and outdated mowing equipment.
- Aerators for all the lakes.
- There are more but they do not come to mind right now.

We have other projects that need to be completed, such as the Gates, Fencing, Restroom Facilities in the Lake/Temporary Camping Area, additional Playground Equipment, more Drainage Repairs, etc.

Considering the projects that need to be completed and the expected rise in the cost of electricity, pool supplies, and everything else, the board has been forced to raise the assessment another \$25.

For 2024 the Dues will be \$250, and the Assessment will be \$150 which will be a total of \$400. The Retiree Assessment will be \$150. Long-Term camping will be \$350. This is a great deal considering what you receive as a member.

Payments must be paid at <u>www.fmcclub.org</u> via online payment using debit or credit cards. To make alternate arrangements, please contact Treasurer Jim Pringle.

Our website can also be used to purchase any services or goods available at the Club. This includes but is not limited to fees for washing campers or ATVs, site rentals, fishing fee, storage fee, guest fee and purchases of firewood, concrete blocks, or gravel.

2024 Membership Cards

Renewing members will not need to obtain new membership cards in 2024 *IF* you received the new cards in 2022 or 2023, that were mailed from "Access Granted." Your card will say ID and contain your 5-digit membership number (ID ##-###). When on Club grounds, you will need to have your ID cards with you. Having a photo ID with our membership records helps to ensure the safety of all members, and is required to open the new gates. Your current card, if you have received the new cards, are valid if your fees are current.

New 2024 Membership

New Membership sign-ups will be held on the following dates at shelter #3 (this is the Shelter closest to the Pool).

Friday, May 17, 2024, 5pm-8pm Saturday, May 18, 2024, 10am-4pm Sunday, May 19, 2024, 1pm-5pm Friday, June 7, 2024, 5pm-8pm Saturday, June 8, 2024, 10am-4pm Sunday, June 9, 2024, 1pm-5pm

***New members will NOT be accepted between May 19 and June 7. All new members must have a current member as a sponsor and should attend one of the sign-ups. ***

Membership will be based on availability and date of sign up.

New members will be required to pay the \$420 for membership (\$400 yearly dues + \$20 New membership one time sign-up fee) and Order ID Cards (additional \$10-\$20 depending on family size paid via credit card through a third party vendor) before membership will be active, so they need have pictures of all eligible family members on their phone while at sign-ups.

New membership fee of \$420 can be paid with Cash, Check or Card during Sign ups. Checks should be made out to FMC Sportsman's Club. All New Membership Applicants must be sponsored by a current member of Record with their 5-digit membership number on the application.

Pool

The pool will open Saturday, May 25. Memorial Day (Opening Weekend), the pool will be open Saturday through Monday, then will close until Putnam County schools are out for the summer.

Pool hours for the 2024 season are Monday through Saturday 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, and Sundays 12:00 am to 6:00 pm. Each Member of Record will be allowed a total of 10 Pool Guest Passes per year (pool only), along with paying the required guest fees.

Ongoing Improvement Projects

We are continuing several improvements to our grounds. We are expanding our parking area. We are making additional changes for stronger security with new gates being installed and plan to have them operational by May 1, 2024.

2024 Schedule of Events

June 1 st Fishing Rodeo	June 8 th Movie Night	June 16 th Gospel Sing
June 21 st BINGO	June 22 nd Movie Night	
July 3 rd Independence Day C	July 6 th Movie/BINGO	
July 12 th BINGO	July14th Gospel Sing	July 20 th Movie Night
Aug 4 th Gospel Sing	Aug 10 th Movie Night	Aug 24 th BINGO
Sep 7 th Movie Night	Sept 14 th Bean Dinner	Oct 26 th Trunk or Treat

Anyone needing to reserve Shelter #1 on Movie Nights or BINGO Please Contact Kathryn Kessler by text @ (304) 380-7379

Volunteers

FMC Sportsman's Club is always looking for volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering in a specific area, please contact that committee chairperson.

We are looking forward to another successful year at FMC Sportsman's Club!

Gary Lacy

FMC Board of Directors, President

The 2024 Membership Renewal and Assessment Fee is due before May 1, 2024!

**<u>If you meet the retiree criteria,</u> it is up to the member to request <u>retiree</u> status in writing to the board of directors. If there is a change of information, such as address, phone number, etc. the member must notify the membership chair or a board member of the latest information. **

2024 Board of Directors

Officers

President:	Gary Lacy	304.541.3796	
Vice President:	Tim Stone	304.757.8839	
Treasurer:	Jim Pringle	304.989.1712	fmcclubtreasurer@gmail.com
Recording Secretary:	Jeff Nichols	304.444.0173	

Directors

Director 1	Ralph Winter	304.545.4638	ralphwinter15@gmail.com
Director 2	Larry Howell	304.541.9071	
Director 3	Sam Fizer	304.549.5775	
Director 4	Steve Jones	304.389.9587	
Director 5	Kevin Rappold	304.380.3097	
Director 6	James "Jim" Kessler	304.380.4459	
Director 7	Dale Hastings	304.421.2731	
Director 8	Larry Becher	304.539.4119	
Director 9	Dave Brown	304. 380.1700	
Director 10	Brian Wood	304.545.2774	

2024 Dates for Board of Directors Meetings

January	11		
February	08		
March	08		
April	11		
May	09		
June	13		
July	11		
August	08		
September	12		
October	10	(Annual Meeting)	
November	07		
(No Board Meeting in Dec)			

Meetings are scheduled for the <u>second Thursday</u> of each month, unless otherwise noted. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at the Skeet Range Club House. Location subject to change due to weather. Zoom is regularly available during the meetings.

2024 Committee Members

Archery:	Kevin Rappold	304.380.3097	fmcarchery@gmail.com
Camping:	Ralph Winter	304.545.4638	ralphwinter15@gmail.com
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Caretaker:	Boyd McClure	681.245.2829	
Grounds:	Tim Stone	304.757.8839	
Hunting:	Gary Lacy	304.541.3796	
Lakes:	Zack Rappold	304.951.5353	
Membership:	Kathryn Kessler	304.380.7379 (Text only)	KKesslerFMC@outlook.com
Playground:	Linda Pringle	304.389.6556	lpringle1948@gmail.com
Pool:	Cheryl McClure	304.807.2721	
Rifle:	Allen McClure	304.415.7755	
Entertainment:	Cheryl McClure	304.807.2721	
Shelter Rentals:	Kathryn Kessler	304.380.7379 (Text only)	KKesslerFMC@outlook.com
Skeet Range:	Jason Shaffer	304.539.2329	
Web Site:	Jim Kessler	304.380.4459	sportsclub@fmcclub.org
Trail Committee:	'Whimpy' Jones	304.552.2454 and	
	Jason Jones		