



# Lake Hudson News

January to March 2012



## Eastern Sports and Outdoor Show February 6, 2012

The Club will once again host a bus trip to the Eastern Outdoors Show in Harrisburg on **Monday, February 6, 2012**. The bus will leave the club at **8:00 am** with a stop at Perkins for breakfast before arriving at the show. The bus will pick everyone up around 4:30 and return to the Club around 6:30 for a light dinner.

**The cost of the trip is \$40** and includes admission, bus fare, snacks on the ride and dinner. Breakfast and lunch are on your own.

This year the show has added some new exhibits and special events. The event calendar, floor plan and exhibitors can be found at the show's website [www.easternsportsshow.com](http://www.easternsportsshow.com) There is also an application that will let you make your own agenda for the show, so you don't miss anything. Mobile apps are available through the web site.

The sign-up list will be available through the office beginning on Monday, January 2, 2012. **Only 54 seats are available** and the bus fills quickly so be sure to call early. Any questions can be directed to Kelly in the office.



## Friends of the NRA Dinner Saturday, January 28, 2012

The Club will host the Annual Friends of the NRA dinner on **Saturday, January 28, 2012**. The doors will open at 5 pm and dinner will be at 7 pm. Activities will include a silent auction, games, raffles and a live auction. **Tickets go on sale January 2nd**. There are several new levels of ticket available with great gifts at each level. Tables may be reserved in groups of 8.

Tickets sell out early so call and reserve yours today.

Auction items include firearms, prints, home décor, collectables and more. Half of all our proceeds go toward programs in NJ.

If you would like to reserve tickets please call the office.

## President's Message

The question of how to encourage members to volunteer their time and participate in running, maintaining, and improving the club is a constant topic at director's meetings, members meetings, the Tuesday work parties and informal gatherings of members. As has been noted many times, the club as it exists today is the result of over sixty years of time and effort by members that volunteered their personal time to be part of the board of directors, part of the work parties and part of money raising and no fee membership events. The result was the growth of the club from a small group of duck hunters to an organization with over sixteen hundred active and retired members, 300 acres of land and well over one million dollars of assets. The most amazing part of this organization is that each member family gets full access to the benefits of the club for only \$175 per year. This is a testament to those men and women that worked hard to create, maintain and improve the club not only for themselves, but also for their children, neighbors and friends. Without their efforts The clubhouse and lake would still be an asparagus field. We all enjoy and benefit from their labor every time we step foot on the club property.

I write this because, as I mentioned earlier, we continue to struggle with improving the number of members that are actively involved in running, maintaining, and improving the club, running club events and participating on committees to run activities such as children's events and dances. There are always people that agree that it is a good idea for the club to do something but there are very few, often too few, people that will actually help make it happen. I grew up in this club and one of the things that I learned as the child of a member and past director was how people can come together develop a common vision, plan out how to make that vision reality, and then make it happen. And the end result was that not only did they get to enjoy and benefit from their efforts but that other people received the same benefits, were appreciative and then joined in with the next project. It was a self-perpetuating process which became part of the DNA of the membership. The people that became members of the club were people that wanted to belong to something where they could participate in continuing the growth and improvement of the organization. A happy byproduct of this prevalent attitude and action by the members was low annual dues. Through their efforts they were able to avoid tens of thousands of dollars in one time and recurring costs. And again, we benefit also with low annual dues.

So why do I say all this? As I stated earlier, it is becoming increasingly more difficult to get members involved in the work parties, club management, and planning club events. This is our club, as members we are owners and as owners we are all responsible for managing, maintaining, improving and running the club. As it becomes more and more difficult to garner membership inclusion in the activities discussed in this message, we will be forced into one of several directions. One direction is to reduce the activities and availability of the club and its resources. A second is to replace the volunteer labor that we are losing with paid labor. And a third is to try a combination of the first two. Though some members might not mind less shooting and some members might not mind less swimming, others less camping or others the bar, dances, or dinners, dropping activities and events that are currently well attended is not a direction that the directors would like to move. That leaves increasing the annual dues to fund paying people to handle jobs or responsibilities that members currently perform. This is also not a direction that the directors are eager to pursue. However, we are becoming more and more concerned that we are getting closer and closer to the point where we may have little choice in the matter. Therefore, the lack of member volunteers could cause major dues increases. If you consider the work that the Tuesday work crew handle tasks such as; weekly landscaping, carpentry, masonry, automotive repair, some cleaning, and other light maintenance, these costs can become considerable. Even shared among sixteen hundred members these costs can increase annual dues by double or greater.

Again, the Board of Directors is working hard to prevent these scenarios but they are still a definite possibility if member volunteerism continues to decline. As part owners of the club I ask that you strongly consider how you can contribute a little personal time and effort on your part to either help run the club, maintain the club, improve the club or support an activity that will enrich your life, the lives of your family, neighbors, friends and other members, and become friends with other members. In the end, we must all pay for the benefits of our club in one way or another. We either pay with our time, talents and labor or we pay with our treasure (annual dues). Currently a very few (less than 150 people) contribute greatly for the benefit of 1600 member families. That's less than ten percent. Let's get back to the core principles that built our club and grow together.

Dave Cesarano  
President



## Lifeguards and Gate Checkers

The Club is in need of certified lifeguards and gate checkers for the summer season. Lifeguards must be Red Cross Certified and 16 or older. Lifeguards **must** be certified in Lifeguarding, Water Front Safety, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, First Aid and AED. If applicants will finish these certifications before Memorial Day they are welcome to submit applications. Gate checkers should be 15 or older. Applications are available in the office or on the website (after Jan 2nd). **All applications must be received by March 31st.** Applicants with experience and club membership will be given preference. Submitting an application will not guarantee employment. If you have any questions please call the office.

## Director Information

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**William Cochran, Bill  
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## Elections

**Club Elections are March 22, 2012.** Any member of good standing is allowed to run for the Board. Only members may run for Director. Spouses of members are prohibited from running. If you are interested in running please contact the office. If you have any questions about what it takes to be a Director or what exactly it is Directors do, please contact a current Director, listed on right. A nominating committee will be formed in January. If you would like to be on the nominating committee please call the office as soon as possible.



## Boat Registration

Boats that are used or stored at the Club must be registered with the Club Office. **Registration costs \$36 for Lake Area (by the ramp) or \$24 for Lay Down area (on the old access road)** There are only 40 spaces in the Lake Area which will be issued on a first come, first serve basis. Please put stickers on your boats as soon as you get them.

Registration is valid from April 1 to March 31. If you would like to register your boat, please complete the form and mail it with payment to the Club office. Unregistered boats will be removed from Club grounds. If you have any questions please call the office at 299-5588.

## Boat Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Construction: \_\_\_\_\_

(Office Use Only) Club Assigned Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Lay Down area(\$24) \_\_\_\_\_ Lake Area (\$36) \_\_\_\_\_

## M1 Garand Clinic



Clinic is **Saturday, February 18, 2012 at 9:00**. Registration begins at 8:30 and pre-registration is encouraged. The event is limited to 24 shooters. We will be shooting the 100 yard course of fire. Cost is \$10.00 for members and guests. Shooters must be a member of the SCSC (or guest of a participating member), be a member of the NRA, complete a CMP affidavit and have access to a military style high power rifle. Please call the office if you have any questions.



## Annual Fire Wood Sale Saturday, January 14, 2012

Sale starts at 1:00 pm

Cost is \$50 a truckload

First come, first served.

A limited amount of firewood is available.

Sale will be held at the Boat Ramp.

## 2012 Canadian fishing trip

**Attention all fishermen!** We are planning our 2012 Canadian fishing trip. The first meeting is scheduled for **March 20th at 7pm**. The trip is open to all members and their guests. If you think you might like to go please attend the "kick off" meeting or call Gary (769 1081).

The trip is scheduled from July 28 to August 3<sup>th</sup>. We stay at Dorval lodge in Quebec, Canada ([www.dorval-lodge.com](http://www.dorval-lodge.com)). The approximate cost is \$900. We usually pair up with a partner for fishing and lodging. A typical day starts with breakfast at 6am, fish till noon with a shore lunch of fresh caught fish served at a predetermined location on the lake, fish the afternoon with dinner served at 6pm. Then it more fishing, cards, socializing or just hanging out. You must bring your own fishing gear; rental boats are available or you can bring your own boat.

We fish Dozois Reservoir; it's a large Lake with many coves and several rivers feeding into it. Walleye and Northern Pike are there for the taking.

The speed limit on Club grounds is 15 mph. Speeding will jeopardize your membership. Please be watchful for children and animals.

# Social Events

## De Decorating Covered Dish Dinner

Saturday, January 7, 2012.

3:00 pm

Dinner entrée is ham. Please bring a side dish to share with everyone.

Please call Al Giumetti (856-981-1924) with any questions.



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## Shrimp Night

Saturday, February 4, 2012

One Seating from 6-8 pm

Tickets cost \$25

Menu includes U peel shrimp, chicken wings and French fries

Tickets must be purchased and picked up in advance.

They will be on sale from January 2- 27.

## Valentine's Dance

Saturday, February 11, 2012

Tickets will be available starting January 20, 2012

*The social committee needs members to organize the Valentine's Dance.*

*If you can help please call the office or Pete Percheski (693-1307).*

Valentine's Dance



## Valentine's Children's Party

Sunday, February 12, 2012

Time: 12-2

A donation of \$3 is asked to help defray the cost of the supplies.

All kids are welcome to the Club to make a Valentine's day craft, eat some great food and dance.

If you would like to help, please call

Christine Green 856-299-2982 or Karin Emmett 856-351-9066.

No tickets are required, please just come out and have a great time.

## Upcoming Events



### Casino Night

Saturday, March 3, 2012

Tickets will go on sale February 1, 2012

We will have a professional company come out and run the games all evening.

Prizes will be awarded.

Volunteers are needed to help organize the event.

Please call Pete Percheski 856-693-1307 or the office if you can help.

Also, keep an eye on emails and the website for more info.

### Quizzo at the Bar—January 20, February 17, March 16

Come out and try to dethrone the reigning champs with your trivia knowledge. Prizes go to the first place team. A small prize also goes to anyone that has been out before and brings new people.

Categories will include:

**January:** Movie Quotes, Song Lyrics, Famous Redheads, Fact or Crap and Football Legends

**February:** Famous Franks, Presidential Trivia, Song Lyrics, John Wayne Trivia and You Complete Me (TV, Movie and Literature Couples)

**March:** Song Lyrics, TV Trivia, Cereal Mascots, Baseball Greats, and 6 Degrees to Kevin Bacon



### Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Last year over 250 children came out for the Club's Annual Easter Egg Hunt. We are looking forward seeing that many kids again this year. This year's Egg Hunt will be on **Saturday, April 7, 2012**. The Egg Hunters will be divided into several different age categories. The first group will start hunting at **1:00 pm SHARP**. (Last year most eggs were found in less than 5 minutes.) Please be on time. The Easter Bunny will also be appearing. We can always use help with this event. If you would like to help dye or stuff eggs on Friday or hide eggs Saturday morning please call the office.

### Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast

Each Easter the Sportsmen's Club sponsors a Sunrise Easter Service followed by a delicious breakfast. This year's service will begin at **7:30 am**. Please be prompt. The breakfast will be immediately following the service. The cooks always have a great meal including eggs, pancakes, sausages, assorted juices and coffee. If you are interested in helping with the meal preparation either on Saturday night or Sunday morning please call the office. We hope you will attend and make the Club part of your Easter tradition. Service will be held inside in case of inclement weather.



# Calendar of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>January</b>		
7	DeDecorating	3:00 PM
11	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
14	Fire Wood Sale	1:00 PM
20	Quizzo at the Bar	7:30 PM
26	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
28	FNRA Dinner	5:00 PM
<b>February</b>		
3	Happy Hour	6:30 PM
4	Shrimp Night	5:00PM
6	Eastern Outdoors Show	8:00 AM
8	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
11	Valentine's Dance	7:00 PM
12	Children's Valentine Dance	12-2 PM
17	Quizzo at the Bar	7:30 PM
18	CMP Shoot	9:00 AM
23	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
<b>March</b>		
2	Happy Hour	6:30 PM
3	Casino Night	7:00 PM
14	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
16	Quizzo at the Bar	7:30 PM
22	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
<b>April</b>		
6	Happy Hour	6:30 PM
7	Children's Egg Hunt	1:00 PM
8	Easter Service and Breakfast	7:00 AM
11	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
20	Quizzo at the Bar	7:30 PM
26	Regular Meeting	8:00 PM
28	Spring Fling	TBD

**\*\*Any additional events will be announced in the Club emails, on the website and the office answering machine. Please keep an eye out for events that were not finalized at press time.\*\***

## Dues Reminder

Dues are an annual obligation. Bills are mailed to members in January and **MUST be paid by MARCH 31.** 2010 bills are neon yellow. If you have changed addresses and not notified the club, please know that is NO EXCUSE for not paying your dues, as bills are forwarded through the post office. Do not delay payment as there is a late fee of **\$100 assessed for any payment between April 1 and April 30.** Any member not submitting payment by April 30th will be considered **delinquent and dropped from membership.** **If you have been a member for at least a year, there is no excuse acceptable for not paying your dues.** If you are dropped, you must wait for the next open application period to reapply.



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Thanks to everyone who came out and helped decorate the Club for the holidays. The Children's Christmas party was a huge success. We had 70 people attend and 40 children visited with Santa. Al Giumetti would like to extend special thanks to the Pompetti family, Gant family, Don Crist and the Deepwater Fire Department for all their hard work.