

# BROKEN CLAYS



NEWSLETTER OF THE FRANKFORT SPORTSMAN CLUB

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## OUT WITH THE VERY OLD....



(THE OLD GRILLE WAS CLEANED FOR THIS PHOTO)

## IN WITH THE BRAND NEW.....



The new grille in use at the café was purchased, delivered, installed, and put into use at FSC in one week. Vince Picciola found the grille. Luke McGuire acquired and delivered it. Chris Bartolini obtained the cart that supports the grille at the right working height for Vince. The modifications of the counter that made it possible were made by Ted Puch and Ted Militech.

Great job fellas!

## WANTED!

**MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING CAPABLE AND WILLING TO SPEND HOURS SERVING AS THE TREASURER OF FSC. CONTACT SEAN CRYAN OR JIM COFFEY.**

**FSC WILL BE OPEN ON THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> FROM 9:30 UNTIL  
ABOUT 1PM FOR TRAP**

## MEMBERSHIP DEAL APPROVED

At the October Board of Directors meeting a motion was passed to the effect that anyone who opts to join the club after October 11<sup>th</sup> will be provided immediate membership for the rest of 2011 as well as for 2012. So, if you know someone who's putting off membership until January they can join right now and get a great deal.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

To wrap up the year, take a moment to look around at the capital improvements that have been made at FSC since we retrieved our spent shot almost two years ago.

- New Plazma TV in the clubhouse
- Wireless callers on trap 3
- Two scissor jacks for five stand
- Solar chargers for five stand
- Multiple additional improvements in five stand
- Increased carousels on five stand machines
- New furnace
- New Central AC (maybe just a little more time)
- Credit Card system in office
- Shot shell safe
- New Roof
- Electrical revamp in process
- New Grille in the kitchen

## FOR SALE

STEVENS 28GA O/U  
FIRED 25 TIMES  
INCLUDES 2 SNAP CAPS, 10 BOXES WIN AA #9,  
2 BOXES ESTATE #7 ½, 5 CHOKES  
ASKING \$500  
JACK NORRIS 708-403-0919

## UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PARTY AND SHOOT – 12/11

CLUB CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

POLAR BEAR SHOOT 1/1/12 @ 9AM

## **BASIC SHOTGUN CLASS ON 12/3 (FROM THE NRA SITE)**

On Saturday, December 3 an NRA-certified basic shotgun class will be conducted at FSC. The husband and wife team of Jeff and Pam Hobson will conduct the class on safety, basics, and techniques. All participants will engage in live fire. FOIDS will be required. The cost of the class will be \$150.00 with a \$50 deposit required. The class will begin at 8AM, and should conclude by 6PM. Contact the Hobsons at 708-479-9588 or at [info@wetrainsome.com](mailto:info@wetrainsome.com). The registration close date will be Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

## **2011 CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES**



### **DERRALD TAYLOR 2011 SENIOR TRAP CHAMPION**

Derrald Taylor is a Mokena resident, where he is celebrating the fortieth anniversary of his marriage to wife Nancy. The Taylors boast of three sons and one daughter. They have one grandchild. Their oldest son is serving in Afghanistan. Their son Derek is a legacy member of FSC.

We call him Derrald, but he might more properly be addressed as Dr. Taylor. Derrald is a Doctor of Optometry. In addition he is a semi-retired distinguished professor emeritus at the Illinois College of Optometry.

Derrald was raised on the farm in Iowa where he learned to shoot at the tender age of 10. In addition to our Senior Championship, Derrald took senior honors at this year's Ronald McDonald Sporting Clays event, and seems to be catching his stride. Congrats to Derrald!

## **OUT OF TOUCH?**

Membership renewals for 2012 will be going out during the next month or so. If you are one of the 26 members who either do not have an e-mail address on file or a computer at home, you will not receive e-mail updates on FSC news or a monthly newsletter. If you would like to have the newsletter mailed to you, we ask that you indicate that desire on your renewal and that you add \$10 to you dues for the year to cover postage, envelope, and added costs for printing.

## **FOR SALE**

**Remington 1100 G3 20ga Auto 26" bbl. Has fired 150 shells. Remington hard case. Light recoil. Perfect starter gun. Asking \$500 – Contact Luke 708-280-0909**

## **REALLY BIG NIGHT AT THE BOARD**

November 8<sup>th</sup> was a busy night for the FSC Board of Directors. Executives in attendance were Sean Cryan, Brian Sura, Jim Stanart, and Thurlow Haskell, plus Directors Ted Puch, Vince Picciola, Luke McGuire, John Decker, Mel Peterson, and Mark Jossart. In addition there were newly-elected Directors Mike Turner, Jeff Hobson, Lou Engelsman, and Chuck Rivard.

Major issues that were resolved involved expenditure of Capital Improvement Funds as dictated by the Lead Reclamation Project. Issues that were approved were:

Purchase of a new Pattrap to replace the very worn-out machine in Trap 3. This will provide Wobble and Doubles from traps number two and three;

Purchase of a hot and cold water dispensing machine for the clubhouse will end need for inventory of bottled water in the fridge;

Fourteen windows will be purchased and professionally installed in the north wall of the building to conserve the heat and eventual cool air from our new furnace/A/C;

The electrical renovation program has finally received the final go-ahead and will begin within the week.

At the conclusion of old business the new directors were welcomed into the Board with the exception of Ben Sanders (not in attendance). At the same time retiring Directors Decker, McGuire, Wrobel, and Nelson were thanked for their efforts as they depart the Board.

Subsequently retiring Director Luke McGuire was nominated to refill an open position on the Board, accepted the offer, and was confirmed back onto the Board.

In an unprecedented development, Mel Peterson, who ran for Director but failed to receive the required votes for election, was appointed by the new Board to fill a Director position.

## **FOR SALE**

### **MARLIN LEVER ACTION .410**

ONE ROUND OF 25 FIRED  
INCLUDES SNAP CAPS, BORE SNAKE, 8 BOXES OF SHELLS, 16 BOXES OF 5 SLUGS, ONE BOX OF 25 SPHERICAL 000 BUCK  
JACK NORRIS IS ASKING \$450 AT 708-403-0919

## WORK PARTY A LITTLE LIGHT



Based on a membership of about 250, we seem to have been a little short on participation at the 11/12 work party. In attendance were Ted Puch, Ted Miletich, Jim Spiller, Ed Haley, Lou Engelsman, Rich Layman, Jack Hoessler, Joe Miksek, Mike Turner, and Luke McGuire.

While most of the crew spent their energy on raking and burning leaves and filling potholes in the lot, the Teds were busy making repairs to the electrical system that had failed resoundingly on Friday, Veterans' Day. Thanks to their efforts we were able to be open on the following Sunday. The electrical revamp couldn't start sooner!



## AN EARLY BLACK FRIDAY

So who needs electricity to run a club? Let's consider the possibilities.

On Veterans Day FSC had a very strong turnout. There were more shooters than we had seen on a Friday evening in a long while. So what could go wrong?

The first sign of trouble was when the circuit breaker "popped" on trap 3 lights. It was reset, but it took 20 minutes to start running again. Then the lights failed on trap 1. Although the breaker was reset, those lights never came back on. Then the lights on trap #2 failed. And then the lights at five stand also failed.

The furnace stopped running. It was getting cold. The exhaust fan for the kitchen also failed. At this point there was a lot of cooking going on, and you could barely see across the clubhouse. Don't know for sure what happened, but the fridge was out too. The water pump chose to also lose power. We already knew that the toilets were not working either, although that has nothing to do with electricity. Does it?

**Renewing our electricity service certainly is a massive waste of money according to some. But then, maybe we need it!**

## MORE HEADING FOR THE DUMPSTER!



If anything, the windows on the north wall of our clubhouse have always insured fresh air. The liberal use of duct tape provided a very attractive appearance, but also insured that rain and wind were not impeded. Security was also no problem as shown when the windows were lifted out to allow thieves to take off with a cash register without the need to break any glass.

The acquisition and eventual installation of new central heat and A/C will require that we conserve our heat and cool rather than attempt to provide the service to Mokena. For that reason we will have all new windows installed by the end of November.

## TURKEY SHOOT

The 2011 Turkey Shoot on 11/20 was blessed with decent weather for the second half of November. Attendance was very brisk with 24 turkeys being distributed as prizes for a variety of games. Members enjoyed 25 flash target shoots awarded with turkeys, cranberry sauce, and stuffing mix. The same prizes were awarded for a Last Person Standing Shoot as well as the favorite Shotgun Bowling game. When flash targets ran out, the prizes were used for high scores in trap.



**Motion on the floor! All events should be held during the summer months! Editor**