



## Fulton County Sportsmen's League

### 2013 Spring Newsletter

The opening day of trout season will be on **March 30<sup>th</sup>** for Franklin County and **April 13<sup>th</sup>** for Fulton County. Make sure you check your Pa. Fishing Summary for the opening date of your favorite trout stream. The state trout to be stocked this year are going to be the same as previous years. There are a few changes to regulations this year so read the summary carefully. There have been changes to the penalties for fishing violations.

Good water flow and quality at the trout nursery, except for the summer, has produced outstanding quality trout. This year we should have some very nice one-year-old trout to stock that average around 12 inches. Approximately 14000 one-year-old trout will be stocked in Fulton County streams by the Sportsmen's League. There are also approximately 500 two-year old trout to be stocked this year. Harold Lynch, our nursery manager and Norm Mellott, our nursery caretaker have done outstanding jobs of taking care of the trout nursery in order to provide quality trout for the streams of Fulton County.

The harvest of timber at the farm started in mid January and will be completed quickly. The harvest time will not conflict with hunting seasons. The harvest of timber at the farm should be starting in mid January and will be completed quickly. The harvest time will not conflict with hunting seasons. There are still deer stands on the club property. Some of these stands are very close to trees that are to be cut. Please remove those stands immediately. The Fulton County Sportsmen's League will not be responsible to loss or damage to deer stands left on the farm property.

### Dues 2014

Starting on January 1, 2014 annual **adult dues** for the Fulton County Sportsmen's League will increase to **\$20.00 per year**. Youth annual membership dues will remain at \$5.00. The \$5.00 initiation fee for new memberships will be discontinued. Dues may be paid for one year only. No multiyear memberships are available.

### Bylaw Change

#### The following changes were adopted during the December 2012 meeting.

Adult membership dues will increase to \$20.00 per year starting on January 1, 2014. Youth membership will be \$5.00 per year. The \$5.00 initiation fee for new members will be discontinued.

New members will automatically be accepted upon payment of their dues.

Any member convicted of a fish or game violation will **permanently** lose their membership in the Fulton County Sportsmen's League.

### **Fishing rodeo and open house Concerns.**

Please obey all club and Pennsylvania Fish Commission regulations for the special area designated for children age 12 and younger only. Fishing regulations are posted when you register your children. Club members will be monitoring this special regulation area along with Fish Commission officers. Persons violating the rules will be subject to receiving fishing violation fines from the Fish Commission. This section of stream is for children only, not adults. As an adult you are permitted to cast the line for a young child, but the child must be holding the fishing pole, in possession of the fishing pole, set the hook themselves, and land the fish themselves. You may assist taking the fish off of the hook. Please be careful to observe these rules or you could be subjected to a fine.

**Registration of children for the rodeo will start at 10:00am, fishing will start at 12:00pm, and the raffle drawing will be at 3:00pm.**

I want to thank everyone who helped keep the nursery functioning properly. We can always use help at the nursery. If you can help, call Harold.

When we have clean up day for the rodeo, please bring your weed eaters to trim grass.

Help is needed for all club events, please volunteer. We also need help at the nursery during the summertime. When the water level gets low we need volunteers to clean the screens on the fish bins daily. Screens must be cleaned daily in order for water to properly flow through the raceways. Anyone who wants to help clean the screens and work on trout nursery projects, please call Harold Lynch so he can get your name and phone number. Harold will compile a list of volunteers. It takes a lot of help, more than most people realize. In order to insure that we have trout for the following year your help and support is needed.

### **Projects**

Repair work on the water inlets to the raceways is completed. Additional stream bank restoration work was completed between the fish bins. Restoration work on the lower section of Esther Run is being planned.

On March 17, 1978, Don McQuade spoke to the Fulton County Sportsmen's about naming a Sportsman of the Year. According to the minutes, 1978 was the first year for the award. Following is a list of individuals that have been named as a Sportsman of the Year.

## The Fulton County Sportsmen's of the Year

1978	Harry Elvey	1996	C R Kirk
1979	Reed Lynch	1997	----no record (Contact if you know)
1980	Dave Gregory	1998	----no record (Contact if you know)
1981	Carl Jarrett	1998	----no record (Contact if you know)
1982	Merrill Seville	2000	Charles Carbaugh, Jr.
1983	Roy Gordon	2001	Randy Crouse
1984	Nelson Harmon	2002	Tom Duffey
1985	Willard Lynch	2003	Mike Feagley
1986	Charles W. Mellott	2004	Shawn Shaffer
1987	Warren Kerlin	2005	Fred Peck
1988	John Johnson	2006	Kim Shaffer
1989	Dickey Glenn	2007	Harold Lynch
1990	Reed Richards	2008	Bill Peck
1991	William D. Peck	2009	Ed Hensen
1992	Carl Seiders	2010	Bruce Cunningham
1993	Denny Ritchey	2011	Derrick Keefer
1994	Cecil Mellott	2012	Glenn Bishop
1995	Shorty Bivens		

Glenn Bishop was nominated as The Fulton County Sportsman of the year for 2012. Glenn serves as a board member. Glenn is to be commended for his work with the club, especially recruiting new members and assisting with various fund raising activities. Glenn, thank you for your dedication and time.

Our former nursery caretaker Troy Crouse and his wife are presently in the extended care facility of the Fulton County Medical Center.

Board Member Ed Henson is seriously ill. Ed, his wife Betty, Ed's family and friends have organized and operated the food trailer during the children's fishing rodeo for many years. The club's membership extends their thoughts and prayers to these valued and dedicated members of the Fulton County Sportsmen's League.

Volunteers are needed to assist in various club activities and projects. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated. Projects include assistance with the children's rodeo, fund raising projects, spring and fall raffle committees, trout production presentations to school groups, assisting veterans group to experience fishing opportunities, and clean up days at the farm and nursery. If you can help with any of the projects please contact any club officer.

Club members are to be commended for their promotion and support of all club projects and activities over the past year. Your continued support is appreciated and needed in order for us to continue providing quality hunting and fishing experiences for the community. Again thank you for all of your support.

The annual open house and Children's Fishing Rodeo will be held at the nursery on May 19th. **Registration of children for the rodeo will not start until 10:00am. The actual fishing during the Children's Fishing Rodeo will start at 12:00 pm and the raffle prizes will be drawn at 3:00 pm.** A variety of foods will be available during the open house. Anyone that can help with this important community event please attend the April and May meetings.

Our membership secretary reminds members that renewals or new memberships must *sign the liability waiver on the back of the membership renewal application before your membership is renewed* or application is accepted. The liability waiver must be signed in order to hunt at the farm, use the nursery facility, or participate in any club-sponsored activity. If you received an application with this mailing your dues have not been paid for 2013. **Please return sold tickets, unsold tickets, and dues to:**

**Fulton County Sportsmen's League**  
**P.O. Box 467**  
**McConnellsburg, Pa. 17233**

**If you have questions regarding your membership you should contact Danny Eichelberger.**

Please try to attend the meetings held the third Friday of each month starting at 7:30 pm in the stone house at the nursery. No meetings are held during July and August. Your attendance and assistance in club activities is needed and greatly appreciated.

**2013 Officers and Board Members**

**President -----Dave Lippert**

**Vice President -----Allen Cover**

**Treasurer-----Mike Feagley**

**Secretary-----Charlie Carbaugh**  
**Membership Secretary ---Daniel Eichelberger**

**Nursery Committee-----Harold Lynch**

**Farm Committee-----Bill Peck**

**Assistant Nursery Managers-----Danny Eichelberger, Glenn Bishop, and Dave Lippert**

**Board members elected for 2013----- Derrick Keefer and Bill Peck**

**Board members elected for 2013 and 2014 ----- Glenn Bishop, Ed Henson, and Charlie Carbaugh**

**Come to the nursery and share a day with family and friends on May 19<sup>th</sup> for the annual Open House and Children's Fishing Rodeo. Food stands will be open.**

Thank you,

Charlie Carbaugh, Jr

The Fulton County Sportsmen's League would like to thank the sponsors, club members, and the community for their support during the fall fund raiser.

**2012 WINNERS FOR THIS YEAR'S FALL RAFFLE WERE:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Ruger "Hawkeye" Rifle 7MM-08 Caliber**, Doug Jenakocich

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **Rem 870 Turkey Camo 12 Gauge**, Dan Hockenberry

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **\$300.00**, Gina Waite

4<sup>th</sup> Place - **\$250 Gift Certificate to Keystone Country Store**, Carol Jenakovich

5<sup>th</sup> Place – **Henry Lever Action .22 Caliber Rifle**, Darv Stutz

6<sup>th</sup> Place – **Alpen Kodiak 4x12x40 Rifle Scope**, Douglas & Lisa Myers

7<sup>th</sup> Place – **\$250 Gift Certificate Keystone Country Store**, Garth Douglas

8<sup>th</sup> Place – **Shakespeare Ugly Stik Combo**, David Byers

9<sup>th</sup> Place – **Alpen 10x25 Binoculars**, Bobby Sue Carbaugh

10<sup>th</sup> Place - **\$150 Gift Certificate Buchanan Trail Sporters**, Olive Bishop

11<sup>th</sup> Place – **Flyrod and Reel Combo, Vest & Flies**, Parker Hopkins, Jr

12<sup>th</sup> Place - **\$100.00**, John Wolford

**Fish for free days are Memorial Day, May 27<sup>th</sup> and Independence Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>.**

