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# Starview Sportsmen's Association

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Fall/Winter 2017

## From the Desk of the President Jim Stonebraker

Another year is coming to an end and everything seems to be running smoothly. We continue to look for volunteers for all events. This New Year's Day we will need help, so a signup sheet will be posted at the main clubhouse. Volunteers will also be needed for the oyster bake event where tickets will go on sale December 1<sup>st</sup> for members and one guest. Starting January 2<sup>nd</sup>, it will be open to anyone who would like to buy extra tickets. A signup sheet will be posted at the December meeting. Also, gun raffle tickets are available now to be picked up, Mike Ulrich will be handling that this year. The youth pheasant hunt was a success. The 5 youth who came to the Club to hunt all had their limit, great job.

I'd like to thank all committees for a job well done this year. We took the F-150 pickup truck and put a new bed on it for the trap house to make their job easier. We also purchased a new F-350 for the Club for plowing, which was a much needed investment. Remember, if it snows give the grounds folks time to plow. Volunteers are why the Club has been so successful over the years so please consider doing what you can. Be safe in the woods by wearing orange if you are walking the trails, hunters are out every day. Reminder, tree stands and blinds are to be removed daily so do not leave them in the woods. They must have your name and phone number on the stand and blinds.

Thanks again,  
Jim Stonebraker ~ President

### Membership Committee David Blanchard

It was a hot and humid summer. I hope all has been well. It seems like yesterday we were at this same point in time. If you would like a copy of the By Laws or if you have an address or phone number change, please make a request to me from the information below, if you are contacting me via e-mail please put Membership in the subject box.

I will be at the main clubhouse every Sunday in December and January to collect dues, the hours will be from 10 AM until 1 PM, and on New Year's Day from 9 AM until 2 PM. Someone will be at the regular monthly meetings in December and January at 6:00 PM. If you are planning on paying dues in person I would like to check your access card to verify your card number. **Dues for 2018 are \$60.00** and as a courtesy we ask that the life members please donate \$10 to offset the costs of insurance for the Club. Dues can be paid by mail starting December 1, 2017 thru January 31, 2018. They **MUST** be post marked by January 31, 2018. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS FOR LATE PAYMENT.** If paying by mail add \$1.00 for mailing expense.

Please make all checks and money orders payable to "Starview Sportsmen's Assoc." and mail them to the following address:

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25-K Liverpool St.  
Manchester, PA 17345  
717-891-6919 ( I do text also )  
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### Environmental Committee Ken Sloat, Chairman

Summer chores went smoothly this year. We have a great committee that gets our work completed efficiently and without a lot of attention. This wouldn't work without their help. Fall work detail was lite on volunteers and we got done what we could. The new backstop had to be pushed to another weekend but we pulled it out and got it at least together for hunting season traffic. It isn't completed but its usable. We made the decision to upgrade the facility's snow moving equipment to include a 2016 F-350 with a V-plow and a bigger salt spreader with 4WD and auto transmission. This should make our winter work a little easier. We appreciate everyone's hard work on the board and body to allow this purchase. Only a select few are going to have access to it for insurance reasons.



The current F-150 went to sporting clays for good and we retrofitted an aluminum flatbed onto it for their use. The Ranger is finally being put to rest. I am working with the board and my committee to figure out a way to get these trucks protected from the weather and UV by

getting them under cover. Some ideas are being looked at. We had a company come in and mow the Autumn Olive that was choking some of our fields and we also got the hedgerows knocked back a few feet. They did a great job and didn't charge us a mint to complete more than what was quoted. Thanks to all in this committee for their continued support and time.

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## Sporting Clays Committee

Larry & Beverly Flinchbaugh

Sporting clays is the Club's year round fundraiser. We are open on Sundays from 9 AM to 1 PM. Discounts are given to members and people who help on the sporting clays committee. It is important that members try to help wherever they can so the Club can be a success. We have a GREAT crew that work the desk and take care of the sporting clays course on Sundays. Please consider joining us. We welcome new committee members and will train you on what needs to be done. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call at 717-873-7783 (Larry) or 717-873-1030 (Bev).

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## Range Management Committee

Jim Shindler, Chairman

In the committee's 2016 report it was stated:

**“The lead impact areas for the 100 yard targets continue to be of special concern due to their location in the far bank of the stream. At the recommendation of and design by Matt Hartman and Mike Heindel, construction of one permanent abutment with lead impact area on the near side of the stream is planned and, if successful, a second one will be recommended for the other 100 yard site.”**

We are pleased to report that, due to the efforts of a number of hard-working volunteers, the first abutment has been completed and the second is under construction. These structures will add another weapon to the Club's continuing efforts to keep lead out of the water. A hearty THANK YOU to the following workers whose efforts have made this possible (and apologies for any omissions).

Mike Heindel, Matt Hartman, Joe Anthony, James Christy, Jared Hartman, Jim Schmitt, Mike Ulrich, Ken Sloat, Ken Goodyear, Bernard Anthony, Dave Blanchard, Bill Zuck, and a special thanks to Dorgan & Zuck for donations for the roof construction on #1.



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## Range Committee

Mike Wertz, Chairman

The regular rifle season is upon us so please keep in mind that there may be hunters walking around when you're using the ranges. **ALL** ranges are closed the first day of rifle season (Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>) as well as both Saturdays (Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>).

If you use the pistol or rifle ranges, please be safe. Be considerate and pick up your brass when you are done. Here are a few general range rules when using those ranges and the four rules of gun safety. This is NOT a complete list of the range rules but a list of the major ones so keep that in mind.

### Pistol Range Rules

- NO rifles allowed on the pistol range.
- There is no magazine capacity limit.
- NO full auto weapons allowed.
- NO shooting before 9 a.m. on Sundays.
- Only paper targets are allowed.
- NO handling of firearms when the range is clear and there is someone downrange.
- All shooters must be using the same line when firing commences. In other words, if someone is already shooting at the 7 yd. line, no one can be shooting at the 10, 15, or 25 yd. line. Discuss it amongst yourselves which line you'll be using.

### Rifle Range Rules

- NO pistols allowed on the rifle range.
- Only ONE round in the rifle at a time.
- NO full auto weapons allowed.
- Only paper targets are allowed.
- Turn on siren when heading down range to targets.
- Hang targets such that your point of impact is BETWEEN the wooden uprights.
- NO handling of firearms when the range is clear and there is someone downrange.
- When heading down range, all rifles must have the action open and any safeties ON.
- Shooters using the 300-500 yd. range must turn the sign over by the steps and hang the chain up when heading to the benches.
- Shooters using the 300-500 yd. range do NOT need to stop shooting when people are hanging targets at the 25-200 yd. range.
- All shooters from the 25-500 yd. range MUST stop shooting when people are hanging targets at the 300-500 yd. range.

### THE 4 RULES OF GUN SAFETY

1. The gun is ALWAYS loaded.
2. NEVER point the gun at something you don't want to destroy.
3. Keep your finger OFF the trigger until your sights are on the target.
4. Know your TARGET and what is beyond it.

Photo Credit: Shooting Strategies

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## Fish and Game Committee

Denny Ashton, Chairman

Currently things are calm and going well. The trout are showing excellent growth and losses are minimal. However, this was not the case for the entire summer. We had some significant issues with both the brook trout and the rainbows and we lost quite a few fish. A biologist from the Cooperative Unit came down to check the fish and he found both a parasite and bacteria. We treated the water with hydrogen peroxide and fed the rainbows an antibiotic with their food. After roughly two weeks of treatment, things calmed down nicely and our losses are again within an acceptable range. The trout have since been healthy and growing quite well with all three species averaging close to 9 inches. Hopefully things will continue to go well and we will have plenty of large trout to stock come opening day. Speaking of large trout, the 12 rainbows that we held over from last year are getting HUGE!!! While I have no way to currently measure them, they appear to be well over 20 inches and should provide a great deal of fun for the anglers lucky enough to hook onto one of them.

The committee will be creating our stocking schedule early next year and we will again publicize it in the clubhouse and on our website. As always, if you are interested in helping feed the trout and the other fun activities of this committee, please get in touch with me as soon as possible. Denny Ashton (717) 324-4148.

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## Archery Committee

Rodger Reever, Chairman

Hope everyone was successful with their archery hunting and that success was contributed to the hours spent practicing. Remember there is only one thing more important than an ethical taking of game animals and that is safety in the field. If any of that practice was done at the Club you would have noticed the continued improvements being made to the course. Three new backstops were installed in the meadow. Two are side-by-side targets (one at 20 yd. and one at 30 yd.) that gives you the opportunity to shoot with a friend without the risk of striking each other's arrows. A 40 yard backstop was also added. The area around the shooting tower was also cleared of high grass and weeds, a layer of ground cover installed and mulched to make a larger area to shoot from. There now is a picnic table in this area to place your gear and make adjustments or just take a break from all that practice. This table was donated to the archery course by one of our gracious members, Thanks Pete!!!

Now for the only rule that is not being followed on the course. There are broadhead arrows being shot into the 3D targets and backstops. THIS IS A NO NO !!!!!!! These targets will not hold up to those type of points if used on a public course like ours. The insert replacements for these 3D targets and the rebuild of the backstop blocks comes at a substantial expense to the Club. There is ONE target on our course that can be used for arrows with broadhead points, that target is located across the stream, orange in color block. This target is shot from the area in front of the tower, and the bridge that crosses the stream is used to retrieve your arrows. Please respect the Club's property and BE SAFE OUT THERE.

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**ATTENTION MEMBERS!!!!** If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically please send me an email at

[starviewsportsmen@yahoo.com](mailto:starviewsportsmen@yahoo.com) with your full name and membership ID number (first 5 digits located on your access card) stating you would like to receive the newsletter via email. In the future, if you change your mind and would like to receive the newsletter via snail mail, just send me another email and I will make the change. The Club would definitely appreciate your efforts in reducing our cost. Your email will only be used as a method of contact and/or distribution of Club materials.

**Please make sure that if you choose the email option, it may end up in your spam folder so please keep an eye out for it in the months of April and November. Any emails I send will include "Starview Sportsmen" in the subject box. Also, if you change email address, let me know so I can make the correction for future deliveries.**

Thank you,  
Vinh Tran  
[starviewsportsmen@yahoo.com](mailto:starviewsportsmen@yahoo.com)

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## Scholarship

Once again, the Club has authorized the awarding of up to five \$1000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have chosen to study a major that will enhance and promote the sports of hunting, fishing or trapping. To qualify, they must complete an application and successfully interview with the scholarship committee. Last year, all the applicants were extremely well qualified and the committee struggled to choose the five who were most deserving. If you know of a graduating senior who meets the criteria, encourage them to submit an application. Applications can be secured in the Guidance office of all area high schools as well as on our website.

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## 2017 Schedule of Events

Dec-05	December Meeting	7:30 PM - ????
Dec-16	Big Buck Contest	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Dec-17	Big Buck Contest	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
* Indicates All Ranges <b>CLOSED</b> for scheduled activities		
** Indicates All Ranges <b>CLOSED</b> for activities until 1:00 p.m.		
!!! All ranges are <b>CLOSED</b> the first day of rifle season and both Saturdays!!!		

Monthly meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM

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## 2018 Officers

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*	Jan-01	New Years Day Shoot	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
*	Feb-10	Oyster Bake (tickets go on sale Dec. 1st)	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
	Mar-10	Wild Game Dinner	5:00 PM - ????
*	Mar-17	Spring Work Detail	8:00 AM - ????
	Apr-01	Sporting Clays CLOSED!!!!!!	
*	Apr-08	Fish Rodeo	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
**	Apr-28	Masonic Lodge Fish Derby	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	May-19	Pheasants Forever Shoot	9:00 AM - ????
	Jun-13	Hunter Safety	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
	Jun-16	Hunter Safety	8:00 AM - ????
*	Jul-14	Veteran's Shoot	12:00 PM - ????
*	Aug-05	Corn Bake	12:00 PM - ????
*	Sep-22	Fall Work Detail	8:00 AM - ????
*	Oct-06	Youth Pheasant Hunt	8:00 AM - ????
	Nov-06	Elections	7:30 PM - ????
	Nov-10	Running Deer Shoot	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	Nov-11	Running Deer Shoot	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	Dec-04	December Meeting	7:30 PM - ????
	Dec-15	Big Buck Contest	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
	Dec-16	Big Buck Contest	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
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## Club Policy

This policy became effective May 2005:

Any member giving his/her key card to any non-member to gain access to the Club for any reason will result in immediate expulsion of that member from the Club for Life!

**Just a Reminder, the Speed Limit on the private drive is 15 mph**

Please keep this in mind and be safety conscious.

