



# Southern Chester County Sportsmen's & Farmers' Association

*Kennett Square, Pennsylvania*

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The monthly General Membership meetings now start at 7:00 p.m. See [page 2](#).

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### Training and more training

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### Shooting Hours and an Appeal to Reduce Damage to the Target Backer Supports

Our volunteers are stopping potential shooting hours violations. Also, you can save our facilities volunteers hours of work by simply placing your targets away from the backer supports. [Page 3](#).

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE RANGES ARE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY AS PER THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE**

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## General Membership Meeting Start Time

The Monthly General Membership meetings start at 7:00 p.m. These meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month and are open to all members. Attendance is a good way to support club goals and stay informed.

## Upcoming December Election



Members present at our general membership meeting on December 18, 2018, will vote for our club's officer positions and four positions for our board of directors.

## Election of Club Officers, December 18, 2018

The last Tuesday in December falls on Christmas Day, so the December General Membership meeting will be held the week before on December 18, 2018 where the elections for our club officer positions and four director positions will be held.

If you would like to nominate someone or are interested in running for any of these positions, please complete the [Candidate Nomination Form](#) online and contact [nominations@scsfa.org](mailto:nominations@scsfa.org).

The requirements for these positions are detailed below.

## Elected Officer's Requirements and Duties

Have you considered running for an elected position in our club. The terms, eligibility requirements and duties for the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Director positions are detailed below.

### President (1 position)

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all Executive, General and Special Meetings. The President shall appoint all committees subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

Term: 1 Year  
Limit: 2 Terms

Eligibility: Should have held an elected office within the past 3 years (this requirement may be waived) and shall be a Member in good standing.

### Vice-President (1 position)

In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall preside at all meetings and perform all the duties of the President. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the Executive Committee shall appoint a President Pro-tern.

The Vice President Chairs the Field Day Committee

Term: 1 Year  
Limit: 2 Terms  
Eligibility: Shall be a Member in good standing.

### Secretary (1 position)

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of the proceedings of the Association and conduct correspondence.

Term: 1 Year  
Limit: None  
Eligibility: Shall be a Member in good standing.

### Treasurer (1 position)

The Treasurer shall collect all monies due the Association and have charge of all funds and securities of the Association, keeping accurate account thereof, and subject at all times to inspection by the Executive Committee or any member at a regular club meeting. The Treasurer shall deposit monies of the Association in such bank as the Executive Committee shall approve. The Treasurer shall pay all outstanding obligations of the Association by whatever method most convenient from the bank accounts of the Association provided that the obligations have been previously approved by the Executive Committee or the General Membership.

Term: 1 Year  
Limit: None  
Eligibility: Shall be a Member in good standing.

## Director (4 positions)

The Executive Committee comprises 8 Directors. Each Director serves a 2 year term. 4 directors are elected each year.

The Executive Committee is charged with leadership of the Association in the active promotion of the objectives of the Association. The Executive Committee shall have charge of the business of the Association and shall pass on all bills, present same, at scheduled meetings if approved, order them to be paid by the Treasurer.

Term: 2 Year

Limit: None

Eligibility: Shall be a Member in good standing.

Again, if you would like to nominate someone or are interested in running for any of these positions, please complete the [Candidate Nomination Form](#) online and contact [nominations@scsfa.org](mailto:nominations@scsfa.org).

Nominations will be closed at the beginning of the meeting on December 18, 2018

## Committee News

### Education

Our Education Committee chairman **David Lee** has been busy organizing and running classes.



Upcoming classes include

- Free Stop the Bleed Course – Dec 12
- Utah Concealed Carry - Dec 16<sup>th</sup>
- Laws of Concealed Carry and Interstate Travel - Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>
- Intro to Competitive Shooting – Jan 6<sup>th</sup>
- Range Safety Officer Course - Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>

David is planning more training programs and activities. Classes being considered are: Range Safety Officer, Level II Archery Instructor & others. If you have time, training credentials or are just willing to help out in any way, please email [education@scsfa.org](mailto:education@scsfa.org), and specify your area of specialty (current certifications, if any) and the time you can volunteer (weekdays or weekend).

## Facilities

### Pole Barn



The drainage system is now complete, and we have received the certificate of occupancy. Following a year and a half of effort by our facilities committee, we can finally begin moving into this new protected space where we can organize and maintain our tools and equipment for property and shooting range maintenance. To expand our gamut of tools, the SCCSFA is requesting donations of tools and equipment from our membership. If you have hand tools, woodworking equipment, metal working equipment, automotive equipment, power equipment, etc. that you no longer use, consider donating them to the SCCSFA.

Please contact John Flynn at [trapdoorspringfield@hotmail.com](mailto:trapdoorspringfield@hotmail.com) to clear and coordinate your donation. Since the SCCSFA is an all volunteer organization, we cannot pick up your donations but request that you drop them off on your next trip to the ranges. We can arrange for large pieces of equipment to be picked

up. Please do not drop off anything without prior notification and approval by the SCCSFA. We appreciate your consideration of this request.

## Notes from Shooting Range Maintenance Volunteers:

In the last few months, we have had a significant number of members arriving at the ranges to shoot on Sundays before noon. This is never allowed. Fortunately, our volunteers doing range maintenance on Sunday mornings have been able to stop many of these potential infractions before shooting commenced. However, all members should be reminded that a violation of this local ordinance and club policy may result in suspension or loss of club membership.



We are also spending significant resources repairing the posts and boards that support the target backer boards on all shooting ranges. We ask all members to make sure targets are mounted at least 4 inches away from the backer supports to avoid hitting upright posts and the 2X4 horizontal supports. They are especially difficult to replace.



## Membership

Membership updates are being posted on the home page under [blog post](#)

The Membership committee will be processing renewals to a schedule from now to the end of the year:

Sept 15 <sup>th</sup>	737 cards mailed	47%
Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup>	276 cards mailed	17%
Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>	253 cards mailed	16%
Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	97 cards mailed	6%
Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>	51 cards mailed	3%
Nov 13 <sup>th</sup>	15 cards mailed	1%
Nov 27 <sup>th</sup>	11 cards mailed	1%
Dec 31 <sup>st</sup>	3 anticipated (+11 ineligible due to NRA*)	
	Memberships lapsed at the end of the year will be forfeit.	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,440 cards processed</b>	<b>91%</b>

\* Members who have not renewed, or have NRA membership expiring prior to Sept 30, 2019 will not be receiving a new membership card or have their gate card activated.

## 2019 New Member Intake

We hope to get an early start on the 2019 new member intake. If you have a spouse, child turning 18 or a friend who would like to join, please have them register to our 2019 new member subscription list by entering their information on the form at the bottom of this page: <https://sccsfa.org/join>.

Also, mentors are instrumental to the success of our intake program. The Education Committee will be offering an RSO course on February 23, 2019. RSO certification is a requirement for our mentors. Anyone interested in volunteering as a mentor should consider signing up for this class if you don't already have this certification.

## Member's Responsibility

As a reminder, members are:

- Expected to adhere to all club rules and policies.
- As responsible as any other club member for the policing of rules and upkeep of the club.
- Expected to ensure their email and postal addresses are kept current.
- Keep up with club communications.



- Required to maintain NRA membership good through the full club year *prior to renewing for that year.*

## Officer Reports

### Treasurer's Report

Current balances on hand, as of November 27, 2018:

Checking Account	\$ 29,446.94
Savings Account	\$ 244,702.24
Other Accounts	\$ 28,819.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 302,968.78</b>

## Safety Minutes

### Practice Drawing from Holster on the Ranges

During orientations we are sometimes asked whether it is okay to practice drawing and shooting from a holster. Drawing a pistol from a holster and shooting is allowed on our ranges as long as the pistol is handled safely while maintaining good muzzle control with the finger kept off the trigger until the gun is on target. If you are not certain you can do this safely, seek assistance from a certified firearms instructor. Do not draw and shoot with a loaded pistol until you are completely confident that your draw is safe and your shots will be on or very near the target. In addition, drawing and shooting from a holster which directs the muzzle of the pistol in an unsafe direction is not allowed on the ranges. A specific example of this disallowed type of holster would be a shoulder holster that holds the gun with the muzzle pointed behind you. If you are not sure if your holster is acceptable for use on the range, contact [safety@scsfa.org](mailto:safety@scsfa.org).

## Holiday Range Closure Reminder

The ranges are closed on Christmas Day as per the Township Ordinance

## Contacts – Calendar – Events – Links

### Contacts:

The contact email addresses for all club officers and committees are listed on the Contacts page found under About Us on the website. [here](#)

### Calendar:

The club calendar may be found at the bottom of the club Home page [here](#)

### Events:

Upcoming events are highlighted on the Home page [here](#).

A complete list is available on the Events page [here](#)

### NRA Renewal:

Discounts NRA memberships and renewals are available through the club link [here](#).

### Club Phone:

610-268-3739