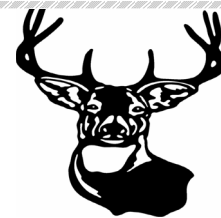


Springville Field and Stream, Inc.

Newsletter 1st Quarter 2025



Two Members achieve Life-Membership Status

Please join us in congratulating life members inducted at the January Board Installation Meeting:
Jeff Kinon and Michael Schweikert -thank you both for your long-term service and dedication to the club.

Welcome New Members

Robert Holland, Roman Kulik, Daniel O'Leary, Marci Drews, Jeff Borer, Thomas Wisiorek, Jesse Skowronski

November Election Results

President: Gerry Andrews
1st Vice President: Michael Zsiros
2nd Vice President: Brad Clark
Secretary: Christine Wright
Treasurer: Mike Cochran
Financial Secretary: Jim Jozwiak
Membership Secretary: Jenn Zsiros

1-year Directors

Jerry King
Bob Dzara
Bernie Young
Tim Dashnaw
Rich Wells

2-year Directors

Scott Heiler
Parke Brown
Pat O'Donoghue
Mike Knowles

Hats and Shirts for sale

We recently took delivery of new hats with the club's name and logo for members to purchase. There are two styles to choose. Hats will be available at membership meetings for purchase, or contact Scott Heiler (716) 393-7831

If you are interested in a polo shirt (men's sizes) with the club logo, Pat O'Donoghue has found a seller and is putting together an order list. To order a F&S shirt contact Pat at 716-474-3697

Club Calendar:

Included in this mailing is the **Club Activity Card** which details events sponsored by the club for the upcoming calendar year. Members are encouraged to contact the event chairman for any event to volunteer! Many hands make light work and count as workdays for new members on probation (*two workdays required for full membership within 12 months from membership date*).

Below are a few highlights to put on your calendar:

Hunter training – firearm (in person) March 29th.
Signup at DEC website, must complete course work before being admitted to class.

April 1st – Trout pond stocked and opens for the season

**Fishing pole raffle drawing and ham & leek soup
Membership meeting May 1st.**

Sunday June 1st Annual Chicken BBQ 11 am- sold out

Open trap: Every Tuesday 6:30 June 3rd – August 26th

**Saturday July 26th – Golf and Shoot with steak dinner at
Concord Crest**

Saturday August 16th August gun raffle

Saturday January 3rd, 2026, Game dinner

Registration for DEC's Summer Camps begins Sunday March 23rd

Each year, the club offers scholarships to attend Summer Camp at Camp Rushford. Proof of payment and attendance is required, and the cost of attendance is reimbursed to eligible applicants.

The camps program offers week-long adventures in conservation education for children ages 11-17.

To register visit the Summer Camp website
www.dec.ny.gov/education/29.html

Committees 2025

The Club has several standing committees and club functions in order to bring our activities and events to the membership. Below is a listing of committees for 2025 along with a brief description of their function and members. If you have an interest in helping on any committee, please reach out to the chairman, we are always looking for volunteers!

Hunter Training : Al Ciesla (716-560-3988) and Tim Dashnaw. Co-ordinates with DEC for in-person hunter training classes held at the Club.

Building & Grounds: Rich Wells (716-462-3814) Parke Brown, Mark Grigsby, Gerry Andrews, Mike Knowles. Coordinates basic upkeep and maintenance for the grounds and cabin including lawn cutting, etc. Recommends repairs/maintenance and capital improvement projects to the Board.

Cabin Rental: Bernie Young (716-628-3414)-. Co-ordinates rentals of the cabin and/or Club grounds for private social activities/events.

Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs: Rick Young (716-648-5959) Bob Dzara, Mark Drews, Parke Brown. Represents the Club at monthly meetings of the ECFSC. The ECFSC is dedicated to the promotion of fish and wildlife conservation, education of outdoor participants and related outdoor recreation.

Fishing Pond: Gerry Andrews (907-748-1049) Jason Engel, Brad Clark, George Dewald. Planning and execution of the pond restoration project and pond property maintenance. The Springville Field and Stream Trout Pond is located on Buffalo Street in Springville and is open to the public from April 1st to September 30th

Sportswomen: Jenn Zsiros (716-860-1077) Karen Morgott Co-ordinates meetings and activities for Sportswomen.

Range: Pat O'Donoghue (716-474-3697) Joe Beres, Tim Panus, Ron Cohen, Mike Knowles. Co-ordinates Shooting range maintenance, upkeep, and improvements.

Trap: Mark Grigsby (716-473-2980) Dave McEwan, Mark Drews Co-ordinates open trap shooting at club May - August, trap events held on club grounds and hosting of SGI Youth Trap team. Handles maintenance and upkeep of trap equipment.

Bylaws: Richard Kazmark (716-592-3849) Reviews and recommends proposals for Bylaws changes/amendments for membership review and approval.

2nd Amendment Parke Brown (716-432-2497) Monitors and reports on any news/legal actions/changes to firearm regulations locally and nationally and reports topics of interest to members.

Media and Newsletter: Jenn Zsiros (716-860-1077), Parke Brown, George Reichert, Gerry Andrews. Co-ordinates social media messaging and posts, updates website, prepares quarterly newsletters and communications, advertising of Club events to members and community.

Club Functions/Fundraiser chairmen:

Game dinner: (2026) Gerry Andrews (907-748-1049)– A fun evening to socialize with other members! The Game dinner is held every year on the 1st Saturday each January. Members gather to share a potluck dinner. Club provides beef on weck, beer, wine and pop. Attendees bring appetizers, entrees, desserts. Game-based recipes especially welcomed, but not required. We have a table decorating contest – each table creates their own decorating theme and brings their own place settings. Best decorated table wins a prize.

February Gun Raffle: (2026) Nick Wentz (716-912-5990) – Our annual “*Month of Guns*” raffle. Proceeds to benefit upkeep and maintenance of the building and grounds. A chance to win every day in the month of February. If your ticket number matches the NYS lottery evening “3” number, you take the prize for that date. Ticket sellers are entered into a special drawing for prizes which are drawn at the March meeting.

Fishing pole raffle: (2025) Jerry King (716-473-4255) Each year, several books of tickets are included in the Annual Mailing. We ask all members to help sell these ticket packets (additional tickets available at meetings) for chance to win one of several fishing poles. Winners drawn at the May meeting

Club Functions/Fundraiser chairmen continued

Chicken BBQ (2025) Tim Dashnaw (716- 942-6746) – this committee needs volunteers. Tim will lead, but we need additional members to work with Tim on planning and shopping for the event. Day of we need volunteers to setup, handle parking lot, sell tickets, portion and serve the dinners and cleanup.

The Chicken BBQ is the 1st Sunday each June annually. We start serving at 11 am. The Club sells our very own “**secret recipe**” BBQ chicken dinner – this special marinade is made ourselves and we BBQ each ½ chicken on our pit. Dinners include sides, roll and dessert. Buy your dinner and take it to-go or eat inside the clubhouse or under the pavilion. The Chicken BBQ has been a club tradition for decades, and we need *many* volunteers to make the day go smoothly.

Golf and Shoot/Grand raffle (2025) Brad Clark (716-592-2716) Scott Heiler, and Gerry Andrews. This is our annual fundraiser for the Trout pond restoration project. Flyer and signup information is included in this mailing.

August Gun Raffle (2025) Mike Cochran, (716-432-3749) Tim Dashnaw, Nick Wentz. Our big raffle of the year! We need ticket sellers and volunteers to set up the day before, work the day of, and breakdown the day after.

Calendars (2025-6) Tim Dashnaw (716- 942-6746) Our annual calendar sale.

Springville Griffith Institute High School Trap Team Season has started



The club will be hosting the students again this year for the HS trap team. Students will be shooting Tuesdays with the 1st practice being 2/11. The season runs every Tuesday through 4/8.

If you are interested in supporting our local youth team and are available any Tuesdays after 1:30pm PLEASE consider helping out. We need kitchen crew, score keepers and range safety personnel. Contact Mark Grigsby at 473-2980

\$1-2 per beverage, and a donation to offset the food costs if you join us having the meal at the end of the meeting.

With rising prices, we are finding that we are rarely able to cover the cost of food and beverages versus donations received and would appreciate your consideration in helping keep the Club's finances in the black. If you host any event that involves receiving donations for food/beverages, please collect the funds at the end of the event and get them directly to Jim Jozwiak, as he is inventorying stock versus sales so we can report food/beverage costs accordingly to the membership at meetings.

Additionally, we are looking for members to sign to help with the food. You pick up the ingredients, cook, and set up to serve, and we'll help with the cleanup. We often have startup food in the freezer to limit the shopping needed. Please ask a board member what may be available to start off a meal.

A signup sheet is posted near the kitchen. If you can help, please sign up for a month and give us the menu you plan to prepare. A budget will be given for how much you can spend (again, we do have some products in house). Turn in the receipts to Jim/Mike for reimbursement. If you are a new member this is a great way to earn some work hours towards full membership.

New Committees named at January Board meeting

In addition to our standing committee's the following special committees were approved for the coming year.

Conservation Committee – Rich Wells, to promote conservation activities at the Club.

Capital Projects Committee – Jim Jozwiak, to identify capital projects and improvements at the club, long-range planning.

Junior Membership Committee – Chairman needed, identify and plan youth-oriented activities, increase and support our Junior members.

Audit Committee – Chairman needed, Our financial staff are requesting volunteers to conduct a review of the Club's books and receipts once to twice a year to ensure accuracy and transparency prior to annual tax filings.

Kitchen Committee Signups

At the end of each membership meeting, the club has always served a meal to the membership for a donation to offset costs.

In order to continue with this tradition, we would like to remind members that beverages are available at meetings on the honor system for a donation per drink. We recommend



Size matters? Al Ciesla (left) and Tim Dashnaw (right). Al, our Hunter Education instructor got this beauty with a bow in Montana in early September. One month later, also in Montana, Tim joined him on another hunt and scored another beauty. Which one's bigger? We'll let the guys tell you that.....



January Game Dinner

This year's Game dinner was a huge success. As we held the dinner at the club for the first time in many years, we were filled to capacity and had to squeeze in to accommodate all the tables and food. The array of appetizers, entrees, and deserts to sample was massive and every dish was delicious. Many thanks to everyone who prepared a dish to pass, and special thanks to Brad Clark for slaving in the kitchen over the beef on weck and generally coordinating everyone! We expect next years to be even bigger and better.

The Andrews sister's table took first place with their "Old West" theme (left), and President's Service award's were presented to Richard Kazmark and Joe Smith for their long time dedication to the Club.

Dues Reminder: We do not invoice members for dues. Annual Dues for the coming year (2025) were due on Jan 1st. If you are not paid by **July 1st**, you will be dropped from the membership rolls and club privileges will be revoked.

Dues are now \$60 for regular membership and \$10 for junior members. You may still mail in your dues to PO Box 106, Springville NY 14141. **If you wish your membership card to be mailed to you, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. We do not automatically mail membership cards for dues received.** Please enclose the information below so we can properly credit your payment.

Name: _____

Address: _____ **Zip** _____

Phone: _____ **email:** _____