

WINDSOR FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

April 2014

For correspondence related to membership matters, the mailing address is WF&G Membership Secretary, 651 Lombard Rd, Suite 265, Red Lion, PA 17356.

Current Bylaws of the Association are now available at the [Bylaws page](#).
The Bylaws have been updated effective October 7, 2013.

Our Secretary/Treasurer, Brian D’Onofrio, may be leaving the area soon and a replacement will be needed. Brian wants to be able to work with his replacement to familiarize him/her with our current financial situation, therefore, time becomes critical. **If you, or someone you know might be able/willing to fulfill the remainder of Brian’s tenure** (until December 31, 2014), please e-mail the Association President!

Renewal documents have been distributed to the membership. If you have not received your renewal documents, contact the Membership Secretary immediately! While prompt payment of renewal dues is appreciated, members have until April 1 (this is often extended to the night of the scheduled April meeting, but *is an option of the Membership Secretary*) to pay their dues. Failure to pay dues by that time will result in termination of membership. A member who has, due to hardship, failed to pay their dues by April 1 must apply promptly -- *in writing*— (e-mail OK) to the Board of Directors for an extension. If approved, dues must be paid by May 1. Failure to pay will result in termination of your membership. Once membership is terminated, it may only be restored upon payment of full dues and the current initiation fee after a six-month period expires.

Members are reminded that renewals returned as “undeliverable” by the USPS will result in termination of membership.

The April meeting was attended by many who desired joining WFGA. We added 15 new members. Those with last-minute renewals were unexpectedly few in number. It seems we have lost approximately 160 senior members of the nearly 780 we had in January. I feel this is due, mainly, to two causes: the economy and a feeling among some that they were using the facilities less than they anticipated. This loss of members, based on figures from previous years, was not unusual.

The club president ordered – and has received – steel gongs for the 100, 150 and 200 distances of the rifle range. Once a decision is made as to how to “hang” them, they will be installed.

The pistol range has made some great progress. There is a possibility we will be able to increase the depth of the range to 50 yards (vs. 35) and add a shooting position or two (currently calculated at eight).

BOD member John Faraone has taken it upon himself to improve the archery facility and is doing a terrific job. Already, large strides have been made with further improvements planned.

Members should be aware that, if they have any issues, they are welcome to write about the issues and either email them to the Board via our website or present them directly to any Board member. Those issues will be discussed at the upcoming Board meeting to see what response is practical/possible.

As always, members must realize WFGA is a membership-maintained club. We have no one who is paid for their services for items such as range maintenance. As Spring finally begins, things will begin to sprout and grow. Mowing and trimming will be required. *Any* help you can offer will be appreciated. This is one way we are able to keep membership costs at a modest level. Where else can you enroll your family of four for \$50 per year and have a safe place to shoot? Please review the scheduled work days listed on the EVENTS page.

By the way, cold drinks are available if the clubhouse is open (in the kitchen 'fridge) at \$1 each. All club officers have a key and can open the clubhouse. **DO NOT** use the Coke machine on the porch. Chances are your money will be lost.

Reminder: the combination locks on the drive gate, the outside telephone box and the restrooms all use the same code. Please be sure these are relocked after use.

The next membership meeting is at 7:30 p.m., May 5, for current members. New applicants should plan to arrive between 6:45 and 7 p.m. for a facility familiarization.