

## Harvard Sportsman's Club Spring 2014 Newsletter

The 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Smelt Fry is April 25: cost is \$16 dine-in: which includes all you can eat smelt, coleslaw, bread and chips. Carry out is available for \$13. Beverages will also be available. Members General Meeting night is April 24 and is for members only: no guests, children or wives. The Club will need your help to make this a successful event. Members will be needed to set up, work during the event and clean up April 26. The club is in need of the use of a high pressure steam cleaner for the April 26 clean up. Please attend the general meeting for more information on how to volunteer your time to make the Smelt Fry a huge success.

Thank you to the hard working members that have volunteered their time and effort over the past year to better the club! These hard working members are shouldering the majority of the work that is associated with running the HARVARD SPORTSMANS CLUB along with the board members. Without these volunteers the Club cannot provide the activities for its membership. Work days help you reduce your dues, and work days help the club. Work days can be done independently; that means you chose the activity off the work day list and do the activity when it's convenient for you. Work day activities are posted on our website and can be found in the mailboxes at the lake and on the clubhouse garage. Do the work, fill out the work day log, and receive work day credit for work completed.

Current/urgent work day activities: rake blacktop grinding out of the grass and back into the parking lot at the clubhouse. Pick up winter debris from the clubhouse property and place in the garbage or on the burn pile, preferably prior to the smelt fry.

Joe Min Lake work day activities: replace rollers on the main gate (rollers are in a bucket by the gate). Cut brush from fence line along main road north south direction and pile in south parking lot. The same can be done on the East West road.

May 17<sup>th</sup> is a special workday. We will be doing a spring cleaning around the clubhouse grounds. This is the last workday to get credit for next year's membership dues. More information to come.

Boats may be kept at JOE-MIN Lake between April 15<sup>th</sup> & November 15<sup>th</sup> no storage north of the north boat launch, no boat storage on the shoreline and boats must have your name and phone number clearly displayed. Member is responsible to adhere to all Illinois State laws in regards to boat registration, fishing license and to Harvard Sportsman's Club by laws, which are posted at the Lake.

Trap shooting season is upon us and the club would like to remind you of the safety rules that must be followed by everyone participating. Rules are posted on the outside of the trap house and they are posted on the Hunting & Trap page on the clubs web site, [hscillinois.org](http://hscillinois.org). Members first shoot will be the general meeting night in May. Shoots open to the public will begin on the last Tuesday of the month 5:30 pm til dark, weather permitting running until October.

Membership renewal begins May 1 and ends July 8, either in person or by mail. Members must complete membership renewal form, available on our website and follow the instructions on the form. New members may apply in June for possible acceptance in July. Acceptance will be determined by available membership space and board approval. Current members must renew prior to July 8 to guarantee their membership!

On the menu for upcoming membership meetings are: July: Grill you own Steak. August: Pork Chop, September; Chicken you will not leave hungry!

Club Rentals: available rental dates can be viewed on our website in the calendar of events page; Club reservations are handled by Jon Aagesen 815-790-8897.

I hope you have a safe spring and enjoy our Clubs resources!

Thank you  
Chris Martin