### FINGER LAKES SKEET LEAGUE



LEAGUE PROGRAM 2023-24

#### HISTORY OF THE FLSL

In the fall of 1938, a group of men representing several area gun clubs met to consider forming a "traveling" skeet league. After some discussion, the format of shooting once at each club during the winter months was settled upon.

The number of member clubs has changed over the years, with some clubs dropping out, others merging, new clubs forming and being admitted to the league. With the exception of the WWII years, the league has been continuous since its inception.

Present membership consists of six clubs. 4-Point in North Chili, the only original member club remaining, along with Rochester-Brooks in Rush, Outlet in Penfield, and the Newark, Victor and Dansville Rod & Gun Clubs.

There are now ten shoots, with the last one being the trophy and prize money shoot. The trophies and prize monies are given out at the end-of-season banquet/party.

Many other changes have been added, such as lady, sub-junior, junior and veteran categories. Some "make up's" and "shoot-ahead's" are allowed, but basically, NSSA rules govern the shooting.

In the 1950's and early 60's a charity shoot was held to support polio research. When a vaccine was developed for this terrible disease the shoot was discontinued.

In 1992 the charity shoot was reinstated. This is the Finger Lakes 2<sup>nd</sup> shoot of the season. The proceeds of the charity shoot are used to support our young shooters, charging them only for the purse money, not for targets. This shoot is dedicated to the memory of Walt Newhouse, a FL member who died of Lou Gerhig's Disease (ALS), and in honor of Harold Contant and all the friends and relatives of league members afflicted with ALS.

The charity shoot also benefits the Mitchell-Heitman Fund, which helps sponsor youngsters who shoot registered targets at the New York State Championships.

#### **OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT Dess Ivanov
VICE-PRESIDENT Guy Slack
SEC'Y-TREASURER Andrea Graham Lehr

6165 BARKWOOD CT. FARMINGTON, NY 14425

#### **DIRECTORS**

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4-POINT

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VICTOR

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#### 2023-24 Finger Lakes League Schedule

Sept. 9-10		Outlet
Oct. 21-22	Charity Shoot	Roch-Brooks
Nov. 11-12		Victor
Dec. 9-10		Dansville
Jan. 6-7	Last Chance	Victor
Feb. 10-11		Outlet
Mar. 9-10		Roch-Brooks
Mar. 23-24		Newark
Apr. 13-14	Extra 50 Targets	4-Point
Apr. 27-28	Main Shoot-Off	4-Point
To be		
Determined		Awards

The Finger Lakes Skeet League was formed 80 years ago for the purpose of friendly shooting competition and good fellowship. It is the oldest skeet league in the United States of America!

We invite you to continue this great Skeet Shooting Tradition by joining us at Outlet Gun Club the weekend of Sept. 9-10, 2023 for the beginning of another great season of shooting and good times!

Please feel free to invite your friends to join the league! Shooters at all experience levels are welcome to participate. Come watch the All Americans and pick up some pointers! And be assured that when it comes to the league-ending "shoot off," there are 6 classes, equal prize money for each class, each class containing shooters with similar league scores. Everyone has a chance, an equal-opportunity shoot off! Shooters are required to belong only to the league, dues of \$5 are paid at the first shoot. The cost of shooting will be \$15 for 50 targets -- \$11 to the club and \$4 to the prize fund.

The league has held an annual banquet for shooters and paid guests for many years, but has also experimented with different formats to improve attendance and member satisfaction. Again this year, shooters will be polled at the first shoot, for their opinion on options. Further details as the season is set to begin.

The Finger Lakes League rules allow you to shoot ahead or make up a shoot, on 3 occasions. You can do both at the same shoot. This gives snowbirds a chance to finish the league, and also makes allowance for illness or other unforeseen circumstances.

We allow the extra 50-birds scheduled for the last shoot of the season at 4-Point on April 13-14 to count towards league score – this gives all shooters ONE MORE CHANCE to get 7 scores recorded and qualify for the shoot-off!

Don't forget to make every effort to attend our very important Charity Shoot this year at Rochester-Brooks on October 21-22! Monies raised will support our young league shooters, by sponsoring the cost of targets, \$11, with Sub-Junior and Junior shooters only contributing \$4 to the prize fund! League shooters have donated \$29,000 + to charity and promotion of skeet!

Thanks and good shooting!

# Four Point Rod & Gun Club

Would like to wish
All participants of the
Finger Lakes Skeet League
Good luck and straight
shooting.

Smoke 'em!

www.fourpointgunclub.com

#### Dansville Fish & Game Club Gibson Street Dansville, NY 14437

www.dansvillefishandgame.org

# Best Wishes to all the shooters participating in the 2023-24 Finger Lakes Skeet League!

Go get 'em!

Trap ~ Skeet ~ Rifle Range



#### 2021-2022 TEAM AWARD WINNERS

League Champions League Runner-Up

Outlet Gun Club
Newark Gun Club

Charity Shoot Champions 241 x 250

Rochester-Brooks Gun Club
Dan Fadden, Clay Tietjen, Mike Haff,

Brian Mayeu, Rick Ayers

Trophy Team Champion – 245 x 250

250 Outlet Gun Club Steve Wood, Dess Ivanov, Scott Janowski, J.D. Fowler, Peter Bogdon

Trophy Team Runner-Up – 238 x 250

Rochester-Brooks Gun Club

Clay Tietjen, Rick Ayers, Dan Fadden,

Brian Mayeu, Mike Haff

#### Great Job! Congratulations to All of you!



## COME VISIT THE VICTOR ROD &GUN CLUB

We're Open: Thursday 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM



## BEST WISHES TO ALL FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Plan Ahead to join us in 2024 for the

JTH AGENCY CLASSIC
And the
Worldwide Electric Classic

#### Top 10 REASONS TO JOIN THE FLSL

- 10. The clubhouse is warm, the bar is open, the grill is hot!
- 9. Golf balls don't roll in the snow, but clay targets will fly through anything.
- 8. It kills time until the last quarter of the Bills game.
- 7. A chance to travel "south" -- to Dansville.
- 6. No overnights, you can leave the camper at home.
- 5. Cherry-pick the best weather of the weekend the sun always shines for an hour or two or skip the blizzard and make up at the next club.
- 4. Meet new people, negotiate a raise in pay to shoot for a new club, try a new gun, change your shooting style, man up to missing low 7 no one will ever recognize you with that scarf and hat pulled over your face.
- 3. Everybody gets into a shoot off.
- 2. Trophies, door prizes, great food, costumes, everyone's a winner when you're having fun. Not a costume? Oops sorry, didn't recognize you without the scarf, hat, ear-muffs....
- 1. 85 years and counting! History, tradition, come out and beat the All-Americans, the Hall of Famer's, the State team members, and maybe pick up a tip or two.



#### Rochester Brooks Gun Club 2022-23 LEAGUE SHOOT OFF RUNNER-UP

is proud to host the
Zone I and
NYS Skeet Championships

Rochester Brooks Gun Club 962 Honeoye Falls County Road #6 Rush, New York 14543-0289 (585) 533-9913

www.rochesterbrooks.org

#### THE BIG SHOOT

The Finger Lakes Skeet League and the Snowball League usually shoot together at Newark Rod & Gun Club. At publication, this arrangement is yet to be verified and scheduled, so stay tuned and save the date!

Please be sure to support your league and club, better yet if you participate in both, because shooters will have the option of

- Paying entry fee of \$15 to both leagues, and shoot just one 50-target score which will count for both – OR --
- Paying entry fee of \$15 to both leagues, and shooting 50targets twice – shooter must designate which score counts for which league in advance when signing up

Sign-up will be "first-come, first-served" as is the custom with both leagues, and 5-person squads will be assigned to fields as they become available.

Snowball League and Finger Lakes League shooters can and will be assigned to the same squad – most shooters already know everyone else, but for those who don't this is a good opportunity to meet new friends!

Both leagues see this as a great opportunity for camaraderie, a chance for more shooters to get together, to meet new friends, save some gas — you're getting a two-fer!

Last but not least, please don't stay away because you think there will be long waiting lines! Newark plans to use all four fields! It wasn't that long ago both leagues enjoyed participation rates at 200+ shooters -- so -- Y'all come! It's going to be fun!

## Newark Rod & Gun Club

Best of Luck to all the Clubs and Shooters in the Finger Lakes Skeet League for 2022-2023 Season.

Proud to host
"The Big Shoot"
Hot Breakfast & Lunch will be
served!

We encourage every Finger Lakes League member to support our youth shooters by participating in the Charity Shoot.

#### **Club Hours:**

Sunday 9 am – 12 pm

Monday 5 pm – 8 pm (Trap – Summer)

Tuesday 4 pm – 8 pm (Skeet – Summer)

Wednesday 9 am – 1 pm

Friday 9 am – 1 pm

Hours are subject to change. Please call the club to avoid disappointments. Guests *must* be accompanied by a club member during any visit.

#### Newark Rod and Gun Club, Inc.

P.O. Box 302 5704 Tellier Road Newark, NY 14513 – 315-331-0623

#### **2022-23 INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS**

League Champion	Steve Wood	
League Runner-Up	Dess Ivanov	
Junior Champion	Cameron Baker	
Junior Runner Up	Lincoln Nichols	
Junior Lady CH	Graceanne Merle	
Parent & Child CH	Dan and Lincoln Nichols	
Veteran Champion	Larry Fillmore	
Veteran Runner-Up	Jerry Sensabaugh	
Lady Champion	Victoria Barner	
Lady Runner-Up	Andrea Lehr	
CLASS CHAMPIONS		
AA Class	Craig Parsons	
A Class	Mark Jesske	
B Class	Terry Prem	
C Class	Nathan Holmes	
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D Class	Andrea Lehr	
E Class	Weston Nichols	

#### Best of luck to all Finger Lakes League Shooters this season

# The Outlet Rod & Gun Club, Inc.



Check out our web site at: WWW.OUTLETGUNCLUB.COM

Or
Stop by the club!
3201 ATLANTIC AVE.
PENFIELD, NY 14526

## WANT ONE OF THESE?



JOIN THE LEAGUE
SEE NEW SIGHTS!
MEET NEW PEOPLE!
HAVE TONS OF FUN!
BRING A FRIEND

WE'RE WAITING FOR YOU!

**WELCOME - BE A PART OF HISTORY!**