

Forbes Rifle & Pistol Club Newsletter



October 2020

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Club News

2020 Forbes Match Season

Even though we got a late start due to the earlier COVID-19 cancellations, we are happy to report that we were able to complete the rest of our 2020 match season. Special thanks to John DeBrita for running the September Long Range match and Harold Miller for serving as the Statistics Officer – they both did an excellent job and we appreciate their efforts! Our last event, the 300-yard match held on October 10th, was the first one in which all participants fired on the new Shot Marker electronic targets. There were some issues in the beginning, as we are still getting familiar with the system, but after that things worked fine and we were able to run 4 relays and leave at a reasonable time. When using the range please observe the following precautions:

- ✓ Keep at least 6 ft away from others
- ✓ Wear a face covering if tolerable when closer than 6 ft of others
- ✓ ONLY use odd numbered firing points and targets
- ✓ Use alcohol hand sanitizer before and after using pits, targets, tools, tablets and locks
- ✓ Report any concerns

Sign-In Reminder

Please ensure that all members and guests sign the logbook, including the date, names of all members and guests, times entering and leaving, and calibers used. Please let us know if you observe anyone not following this requirement.

October 17th Work Party

Mark your calendars! Our fall work party has been set for Saturday, October 17, 2020:

8:00AM meet at the target shed area for coffee and donuts and planning (please use the 300-yard gate as Watervliet trap/skeet shooting will be in progress)

Planned projects include:

- Remove, inspect and put away target frames, check & lube carriers. Dispose of frames with uprights that are not straight. Construct new frames using improved materials. This will be done in the pavilion. Team leaders John Olszewski and Nick Macchiarella

- Cut interfering brush and lower tree limbs along sides of range as directed by team leaders Steve Melita and Ron Michon using spotting scope and radios. Higher limbs will be addressed later in season by bucket truck
- Inventory supplies and determine needs for 2021 season order. Team leader Bill Genthner
- General clean-up and weed whacking

We must avoid the area between the 300 and 600-yard berms due to WFGPA skeet and trap shooting. Additional weed whackers, saws, screw guns, brooms and rakes will be helpful and put to good use. These work parties are fun and important ways of improving the looks and function of our club. Thanks, and we are looking forward to seeing anyone who can make it!

November 3rd Election Day

The importance of getting out and voting during the upcoming elections cannot be overemphasized. Now is the time to make sure you are registered and confirm important information on polling locations and other arrangements. For more information, please visit the New York State Board of Elections web site at: <https://www.elections.ny.gov/> or call 1-800-367-8683.

Next General Meeting

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we have not been able to set the date for our next general membership meeting. We will keep you informed of any new developments. Thank you for your patience.

2021 Membership Dues

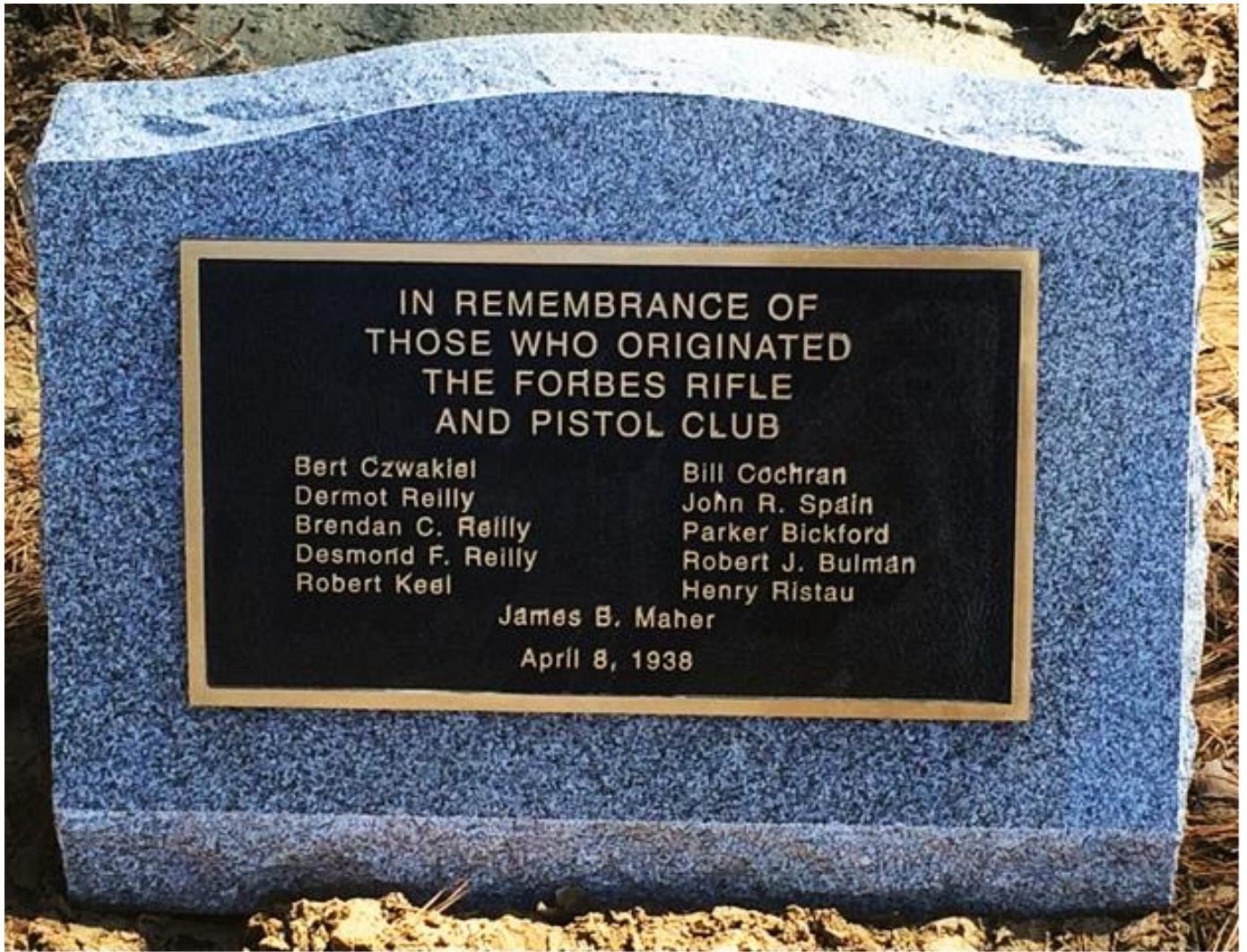
Membership dues for 2021 are \$50.00 and are payable no later than January 31st, 2021. An electronic gate key card can be obtained by sending a onetime payment of \$10.00 with your membership fee. Newsletters and other important information are sent by e-mail, so please provide your legible e-mail address on the slip below. As the October meeting is uncertain, please mail dues (payable to **Forbes Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.**) with completed slip to Ed Simon at the listed address. Direct any membership-related questions to Ed at edsimon223@gmail.com

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Detach and mail with payment to Ed Simon, 904 State Route 40, Melrose, NY 12121

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