



Fort Wayne Sport Club

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Presidents Corner

Next year is the 90th anniversary of the Fort Wayne Sport Club and, coincidentally, it is also the 50th anniversary of the current Clubhouse. Plans are beginning now for this very important celebration. We are looking for historical stories and photos, especially pictures of the Clubhouse under construction. The plan is to add to the Club's history by digitizing the photos for next year's Stiftungsfest. If you have photos or written stories that you would like to share, please contact Kimberley Atarama at kimberley_homes@hotmail.com or 260-615-4441 or myself at dankruse53@gmail.com or 260-466-0831. We are also seeking information about the first Clubhouse and its original caretakers.

On February 20th, we had our Winter Spiel Nacht. It was another great night. The Clubhouse was packed. We had 40 euchre players and 44 Corn Hole players. Congratulations to the winners. As I am writing these comments, the February Fish Fry has not yet occurred, but we are anticipating another successful dinner. Thank you to everyone for all their time and effort.

Coming up in March will be our 5th annual Garage Sale Fundraiser. We are currently looking for donations. So when you clean out your closets, basement or garage for spring, please bring all of those gently used items to the Club. We hope to close out the month of March with another prosperous Fish Fry.

We have had some technical difficulties with getting the dues statements out and I apologize for the delay. If you haven't received them by the time you receive this newsletter you should have them shortly. Finally, don't forget to make plans now to attend our 89th annual Stiftungsfest (Founders Day Dinner) on May 7th. As always, I welcome your thoughts. Dan Kruse

Does This Look Familiar?



Do you recognize anyone in the historical Sport Club photo above? Do you know anything about it? When it may have been taken? What event it is marking? Please share your knowledge with Kimberley Atarama at kimberley_homes@hotmail.com or 260-615-4441 or Dan Kruse at dankruse53@gmail.com or 260-466-0831.

Please send any articles, news, schedules, calendar dates, suggestions or photos to: John Drebenstedt, 11669 Azbury Blvd, Roanoke, IN 46783 or email drebensj@yahoo.com The next monthly newsletter **deadline is Thursday, March 17th**. The monthly newsletter is delivered via email. If you'd like your newsletter delivered via snail mail, let John or the Sport Club know.

Ladies Auxiliary

The Club will be sponsoring a HUGE garage sale fundraiser on March 11th & 12th. So ... we will be needing lots of helping hands (volunteers) to pull this off, so please start thinking about what you can do to help out with this fund raising project. Please come to the meeting to find out more. Please bring your appetite to the next Fish Fry on Friday, March 27th.

We need several ideas on what we can do as an Auxiliary. We will be discussing new ideas to enhance the Club at our March meeting. If you have any fun ways to help, please call me at 260-485-6164 or email me at: Morris621@aol.com. If you need a ride, please let me know. I hope to see you all at the meeting on March 4th. Please bring a new friend to the next meeting. Dues are still \$12 for an entire year and are now due. Please pay Frankie Wisniewski when it is convenient. Thank you in advance for your loyalty. Hope to see you all soon! Mary Lou Morris

2016 IU vs. Notre Dame Spring Classic



The Shindigz National Soccer Festival brings the Indiana University Hoosiers and the University of Notre Dame Fighting Irish back to Fort Wayne in 2016. Bishop D'Arcy Stadium on the University of Saint Francis will again be the site of the Spring Classic. The two NCAA soccer powerhouses will take the field to do battle on Saturday, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now, buy your tickets early and be a part of this awesome in-state rivalry. It just doesn't get any better than this!



Help us celebrate the 89th birthday of Fort Wayne Sport Club by attending our anniversary and founder's day celebration, Stiftungsfest, on May 7th. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the program at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars today.



Come join in on the fun and enjoy the final fish dinner of 2016. The Fish Fry this month will be on Good Friday, March 25th, from 4:30-7:00 p.m. The cost is now \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children ages 6-to-10. Children age 6 and under eat for free. The delectable dinner includes an ample amount of fish, baked or scalloped potato, coleslaw, applesauce with roll and butter and choice of dessert.

Thank you for a great season! The Club sincerely appreciates all of the hard work our volunteers put into each and every event. Fish Fries are traditionally held at Fort Wayne Sport Club on the 4th Friday of each month throughout the season, which usually lasts from September through Good Friday. Don't forget to mark your calendar for the opening Fish Fry of the next season which will tentatively begin on Friday, September 23rd, 2016.

U.S. Men's National Team



A huge stepping stone for the U23 U.S. Men's National Team in the month of March is the home and away series vs. Columbia for a final berth at the Olympics. Columbia hosts in Barranquilla on March 25th while the US hosts at Toyota Stadium in Frisco, TX, on March 29th.

The U.S. Men's National Team also plays an important home and away series of World Cup qualifying games vs. Guatemala on March 25th at Estadio Mateo Flores in Guatemala City and on March 29th at MAPFRE Stadium in Columbus, OH.

Youth Soccer News



Mark your calendar for the 3rd annual Mike Clark Soccer Camp at the Club from July 28th – August 1st. Details and registration will be posted on the Club website soon.

Travel games begin at the Club on April 15th. Tryouts for U9 and U10 will be held on June 8th while U11 through U18 will be held on June 14th, 15th & 16th. We are excited to start another Youth April and running through mid-May.

Registration information can be found at: www.fortwaynesportclub.com/youth-soccer/recreational/spring/.

Please Pay Your Dues Promptly

Please remember to pay your Sport Club dues promptly. They are due by March 31st. Any one not wanting to remain a Club member, please send a letter to the Club Treasurer requesting that membership be canceled.

Trish Warren

Adult Competitive Soccer



The Fort Wayne Sport Club Men's 1st Team wants you to be the proud owner of an original FWSC Supporter Scarf for the introductory price of only \$20. Pre-order yours now by visiting: <https://www.fortwaynesportclub.com/fwsc-scarves/>.

Proceeds from the Supporter Scarf sales will be used towards the purchase of new team uniforms after a successful five year run and now, it's time for new uniforms. Initial orders should be available on March 1st. FWSC Supporter Scarf order forms are also available at the Clubhouse.



The 1st Team will be headed to Legacy Sports Center, on Conservation Club Rd., in Lafayette on March 12th to play an indoor match against PASL side FC Indiana at 8:00 p.m.

Tryouts will take place on May 7th & 8th. The 2016 outdoor season will then begin at home on May 15th vs. FC Indiana (NPSL) at 2:00 p.m. on field #3. Next up on May 22nd in Dayton, OH, will be vs. NPSL side Dayton Dynamo with a 2:00 p.m. match. Competition in the FWASL season begins on June 5th.

Please contact Competitive Sports Director Dave Bennett at bennett.fwsportclub@gmail.com or 260-750-0325 for more information about the 1st Team.

Check out all of the Men's 1st Team action on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Wayne-Sport-Club-Mens-Soccer/249989078887

U.S. Women's National Team



The U.S. Women's National Team have a busy month in March as they face England on March 3rd at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa Bay, FL; France on March 6th at Nissan Stadium in Nashville, TN and Germany on March 9th at FAU Stadium in Boca Raton, FL during the She Believes Cup.

Sport Club Garage Sale Fundraiser



The 5th annual Fort Wayne Sport Club Community Garage Sale Fundraiser is on March 11th & 12th. Proceeds will benefit the Club's capital improvement fund. Please plan to come out and shop starting at 9:00 a.m. on both days. You may just find that treasure you've always been looking for. Contact Phil Wisniewski at 260-515-1695 or wphilski@aol.com for more information.



The 2016 Major League Soccer season is nearly upon us. The countdown to First Kick is well underway. Make sure to follow our regional teams closely and even try to plan on attending a Columbus Crew SC or Chicago Fire home game this year. Here are some of the upcoming regular season home matches:

- Sunday, March 6th: Chicago Fire vs. New York City FC at Toyota Park
- Saturday, March 12th: Columbus Crew vs. Philadelphia Union at MAPFRE Stadium
- Sunday, March 29th: Chicago Fire vs. Columbus Crew at Toyota Park



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March Events

Monthly Meeting	4 th ,	8:00 p.m.
Officer's Meeting	8 th ,	7:00 p.m.
Garage Sale Fundraiser	11 th & 12 th	
Good Friday Fish Fry	25 th ,	4:30-7p.m.



April Events

Monthly Meeting	1 st ,	8:00 p.m.
Spring Clean-Up Day	9 th ,	9:00 a.m.
NSF IU vs. Norte Dame @ USF ..	9 th ,	7:00 p.m.
Officer's Meeting	12 th ,	7:00 p.m.



**Fort Wayne Sport Club
Spring Clean-up Day**

Saturday, April 9th, 2016

Start @ 9:00 a.m.

2016 promises to be very busy at the Club and now is the time to spruce things up. We can use everybody's help, whether it's for a couple of hours or for the whole morning.

So bring the family out along with rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and any other garden tools that may be helpful. Come out and join in the fun.

We would like to accomplish the following:

- Install facility signs.
- Clean-up debris from this past winter.
- Prune the shrubs and trees.
- Edge around the trees and flower beds.
- Mulch around the trees and flower beds.
- Hang the nets on and distribute all goals.
- General spring cleaning inside the Clubhouse.

We will be serving a hot lunch for all of our volunteers. If you'd like to bring a dish to pass, that would be great ... and delicious!

If you have any items you would donate please contact, one of the officers or trustees.

We are fortunate to have such beautiful facilities! Let's be ready to show them off this summer to all those who visit our Club.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact the Fort Wayne Sport Club at 260-432-6011 or Dan Kruse at dankruse53@gmail.com or 260-466-0831.

We'll see you at the Club for the Spring Clean-Up Day!



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2016 Fort Wayne Sport Club Officers

President	Dan Kruse
Vice President	Al Fry
Secretary	Jon Kruse
Treasurer	Trish Warren
Entertainment	Phil Wisniewski
Competitive Sports	Dave Bennett
Recreational Sports	Chris Csicsko

Trustees

The Atarama's	Pete Barleben	Tom Callahan
Juan Diaz	Christine Knecht	Jason Schrader
Sean Toth	Kevin Warren	Klemens Zumbraegel

2016 Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President	Mary Lou Morris
Vice President	Sharon Wild
Secretary	Irma Sinninger
Treasurer	Frankie Wisniewski

Flowers

The Fort Wayne Sport Club provides flower arrangements for memorials of members. Please contact Stefan Mannes @ 260-625-4495 or Judy Diettrich @ 260-625-4049.

Club Rentals

Phil Wisniewski Contact Phil Wisniewski @ 260-515-1695 for information.