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Game, Fish & Forestry Association, Inc.
The Region's Premier Sportsman's Club

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Dates To Remember

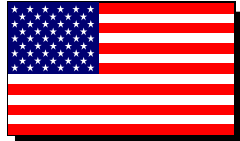
Every Tuesday night in March - **Indoor 4**
 Position Small Bore - 6:30pm

Every Wednesday night in March - **Indoor .22**
 7:00 to 10:00p

April 4th— **Opening day of trout** 8:00a
 Make sure you have your 2020 PA fishing license with a trout stamp

Be sure to purchase your 2020 PA fishing license, along with a trout stamp, before opening day on April 4th.

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General membership meeting on Tuesday, February 18th @ 7:30p in the Fisherman's Cabin

Director's meeting on Tuesday February 25th @ 7:30p in the Fisherman's Cabin

TROUT BREAKFAST

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The annual Trout Breakfast is in the planning stages and volunteers are needed. See the article on page 3.

- FYI**
- ◆ All fishing at the Club will be closed after February 29th and will resume on opening day April 4th at 8:00a.
 - ◆ **ALL GUN RANGES and the ARCHERY RANGE WILL BE CLOSED THE FIRST TWO WEEKENDS OF TROUT SEASON (April 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th AND KID'S DAY (April 18th).**
 - ◆ All members must display their membership cards on their person while on Club property. You must also have a valid picture ID in your possession.
 - ◆ Property & Grounds information is included as an insert in this issue. The parking lot map is on the reverse side.
 - ◆ Review the trout rules included as an insert and on the Club's website under Committees/Fishing.

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*** 2020 Opening Day of Trout Season Information ***

2020 Opening Day of Trout - April 4th at 8:00a

Dave Haywood

February 29th - Fishing at the Club will be closed after this date and will resume on opening day of trout beginning on April 4th at 8:00a. Purchase your 2020 PA fishing license with a trout stamp prior to opening day

April 2nd - We will stock 2,300 ~ 13- 14 inch rainbow trout

April 3rd - We will stock 2,300 ~ 13- 14 inch & 25 ~ 20- 26 inch rainbow trout

April 4th - **Opening Day of Trout** ~ 8:00a.

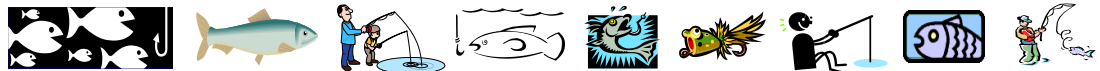
April 10th - We will stock 4,000 ~ 13 - 14 inch & 25 ~ 20- 26 inch rainbow trout. (No fishing until 6:00a on April 11th)

April 17th - for Kid's Day - we will stock 500 ~13- 14 & 12 ~ 15- 17 inch rainbow trout in the kid's pond, pickerel pond, and catch and release pond. These ponds will be off- limits to all members until April 18th at 8:00a.

April 18th - **Kid's Day**-open to kids 12 years of age and under. Begins at 8:00a. Only one (1) rod can be used. The parent or guardian can throw the line in, but the kid must reel the fish in by themselves.

April 19th - Members can fish in the kid's, pickerel, and catch and release ponds after 6:00a

ALL GUN RANGES and the ARCHERY RANGE WILL BE CLOSED FIRST TWO WEEKENDS OF TROUT SEASON (April 4th, April 5th, April 11th, April 12th and Kid's Day (April 18th).



Members of the Board of Directors will man strategic check points the first two weekends of trout season verifying everyone's Club membership. You must have in your possession the following:

- 1). **2020 Club membership badge**
- 2). **2020 PA fishing license with trout stamp**
- 3). **A valid photo ID**

Anyone caught attempting to bring in a non-member to fish will immediately lose their membership in the Club. No Exceptions.

Firewood

Butch King

The Club has firewood for sale at \$175 per cord or \$90 per half-cord, and it's ready for pickup. You'll have two (2) weeks from the point you place your order to pick it up or you'll lose your order. Call Butch at (215) 723-8530.

A Special Thank You

To those members who donated to the Club's fish fund. Your generosity, as always, is very much appreciated.

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Fisherman's Breakfast



It's that time of year again. There will be a sit down breakfast as we did last year. We need volunteers to help. The dates are April 4th, 5th, 11th and 12th from 6:00am to 12:00pm. Please contact me at (215) 527-4828 to help out or if you have any questions.

John Turner

Pistol

Neil Johnson

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th and for Kid's Day (April 18th)). We are currently shooting indoor NRA .22 bulls-eye every Wednesday night. We will move to an outdoor program in April. Wednesday night pistol shoots are open to both members and non-members. Non-members must pay a fee and sign a waiver. For outdoor shooting a safety check is required. As always, safe firearm handling is priority number one. Do not handle a firearm, not even to case or uncase it if someone is down range. Do not break the 180 degree rule. In other words keep the gun pointed down range when you handle it. Do not shoot from in front of the shooting tables. Only the local police are permitted to shoot in front of the bench. Please pick up your empty/fired shell cases and put it in a hanging brass bucket, not the trash can. Pick up all misfires and put them in the orange bucket provided. If you have unwanted live ammo you may put that in the orange buckets also. Remember to pull your staples from the target stands (staples can hurt people's hands) and return the provided shooting items to where they belong. Please be courteous to others. Remember this is your Club so take care of it.



Rifle

Jake Ochnich



All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th and for Kid's Day (April 18th)). Indoor 4 position small bore is every Tuesday night at 6:30pm. March 24th will be our last shoot. Starting in April through October every 2nd Tuesday of the month will be the 200 yard rim-fire match. Start time is 6:30pm. Also a reminder to fisherman do not park in front of rifle range. Park over by the wood. A mandatory sign in/sign out policy is in place. Also, the range will be closed April 9th from 0800 to 1100 hours, May 11th from 0800 to 1100 hours, June 12th from 0800 to 1100 hours for police training. Thanks, Jake.

Trap

Henry Kuestner

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th and for Kid's Day (April 18th)). The winter series is over by now. I will have results in the next news letter. Included as an insert is the schedule for the summer series. Come out and have some fun. DON'T FORGET TO RING BELL AND WAIT 10 MINUTES BEFORE USING THE TRAP RANGE WHEN TROUT SEASON OPENS! Thanks, Henry.



All New 2020 Club Members

On behalf of the Club's Directors, a special welcome to our new members. Please familiarize yourself with the Club's rules and regulations. For your convenience, they are on the Club's website and printed on the reverse side of your membership badge. Contact one of the Board of Directors with any questions. Membership badges must be displayed at all times while on Club property. You must also have a valid picture ID in your possession. Always obey Club rules.

Please observe the trap shooting /fishing bell policy when shooting trap during fall / winter fishing. The bell must be rung 10 minutes prior to shooting and fishermen must move to another area.



Kid's Day is April 18th. Take your son/daughter/grandchild 12 years and under. It's a great time! for all.

If you walk your dog on Club grounds, it is your responsibility to pick up after the dog.



***** ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED ON April 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th and 18th *****

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Attention: Contractors

The Club is looking for estimates from licensed and insured contractors to reside the old Clubhouse and provide spouting on the two pistol ranges. If interested, contact **Butch King** (215) 723-8530.

General Membership Meetings

The Board of Directors has approved the reduction of the number of general membership meetings to quarterly from monthly. The exact dates will be announced in a future news-letter and on the Club's website.

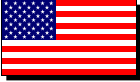






For Sale:

- 1). Hi- Standard Model H-D military .22 caliber semi-auto with six and a half inch Bull barrel. Two magazines. Price \$450. Call Rich (610) 960-0434
- 2). Heckler & Koch model #4 .380 caliber with extra barrel conversion kit to .22 caliber. Price \$350. Call Rich (610) 960-0434.



March 2020



| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|---|
|  | NO FISHING AT THE CLUB UNTIL OPENING DAY ON April 4th at 8:00a. | <u>A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times</u> | |  | Always check the Club's website for the latest news and information | Attend the general membership meetings held every 3rd Tuesday of the month. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 Indoor 4 Position Small Bore - 6:30pm | 4 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins | 9 | 10 Indoor 4 Position Small Bore - 6:30pm | 11 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p | 12 | 13  | 14  |
| 15 Saint Patrick's Day on the 17th  | 16 Indoor 4 Position Small Bore - 6:30pm on the 17th | 17 General Membership Meeting 7:30p | 18 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p | 19 Vernal Equinox | 20 | 21  |
| 22  | 23 Indoor 4 Position Small Bore - 6:30pm on the 24th | 24 Director's Meeting 7:30p | 25 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | It is your responsibility to pick up after your dog while on Club grounds | Make sure you have your 2020 PA fishing license <u>and</u> a <u>trout stamp</u> for opening day. | See the April calendar on the Club's website | 2nd - 1st Quarter 9th - Full Moon 16th- Last Quarter 24th - New Moon |