

**Souderton - Harleysville**  
**Game, Fish & Forestry Association, Inc.**  
*The Region's Premier Sportsman's Club*

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**Spring 2021**

**Dates To Remember**

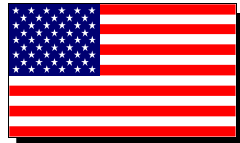
Every Wednesday night in March - **Indoor .22**  
 7:00 to 10:00p

April 3rd— **Opening day of trout** 8:00a

**Be sure to purchase your 2021 PA fishing license, along with a trout stamp, before opening day on April 3rd.**

**\*\*\* ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED ON \*\*\*  
 APRIL 3rd & 4th, 10th, 11th & 17th**

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No general membership meeting in February. The next one will be March 16th @ 7:30p in the Fisherman's Cabin

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Director's meeting on Tuesday February 23rd @ 7:30p in the Fisherman's Cabin

**COVID - 19 Updates:**

The Fisherman's Breakfast has been cancelled this year

Kid's Day—there will be no hotdogs, drinks or prizes this year. There will also be no transportation to the ponds.

Check the Club's website for event updates

Everyone is reminded to practice social distancing.

- FYI**
- ◆ All fishing at the Club will be closed after February 28th and will resume on opening day April 3rd at 8:00a.
  - ◆ **ALL GUN RANGES and the ARCHERY RANGE WILL BE CLOSED THE FIRST TWO WEEKENDS OF TROUT SEASON (April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th AND KID'S DAY (April 17th).**
  - ◆ 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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## \*\*\* 2021 Opening Day of Trout Season Information \*\*\*

### 2021 Opening Day of Trout - April 3rd at 8:00a

Dave Haywood

February 28th - Fishing at the Club will be closed after this date and will resume on opening day of trout beginning on April 3rd at 8:00a. Purchase your 2021 PA fishing license with a trout stamp prior to opening day

April 1st - We will stock 2,300 ~ 13- 14 inch rainbow trout

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

April 3rd - **Opening Day of Trout** ~ 8:00a.

April 9th - We will stock 4,000 ~ 13 - 14 inch & 25 ~ 20- 26 inch rainbow trout. (No fishing until 6:00a on April 10th)

April 16th - for Kid's Day - we will stock 600 ~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 17th - **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. There will be no hotdogs, drinks or prizes this year. There will also be no transportation to the ponds. Everyone is reminded to stay socially distant.

April 18th - 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 3rd, April 4th, April 10th, April 11th and Kid's Day (April 17th).**



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). **2021 Club membership badge**
- 2). **2021 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 and land fund. Your generosity, as always, is very much appreciated.

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## Fisherman's Breakfast

John Turner



This year's Trout Breakfast has been cancelled due to COVID-19. With the uncertain direction the virus continues to take, the Board of Directors felt it was best to cancel this year's event.

## Pistol

Neil Johnson

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th and for Kid's Day (April 17th)).

We will move to an outdoor program in April. Wednesday night pistol shoots are open to all, 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 them if someone is down range. Do not break the 180 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 provided shooting items to where they belong. Please be courteous to others. Remember this is your Club, take care of it.



## Rifle

Jake Ochnich

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th and for Kid's Day (April 17th)).



Fisherman please park over by the wood bins and not in front of the range. The 200 yard 22lr league start date will be posted on the Club's website at a later time. No patterning of shotguns on the rifle range. Use the patterning board by trap number 3. Rifle range will be closed for police training on the following dates from 7:00AM—12:00PM on March 22nd, April 12th, June 7th, September 6th, November 14th and December 12th. Thank you for your cooperation and be safe. Jake

## Trap

Henry Kuestner

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th and for Kid's Day (April 17th)).

Our winter series will have ended by the time you read this. I will have results next news letter. Enclosed is the summer series schedule. Hopefully we keep moving forward and can shoot this year. Sorry for the inconvenience at the manual traps I am in the process of getting them rebuilt. That's why there is only one trap available. Once that one is done I will exchange it for the other one. DON'T FORGET TO RING BELL AND WAIT 10 MINUTES BEFORE USING THE TRAP RANGE WHEN TROUT SEASON OPENS! Thanks, Henry.



## Archery

Jerry Hawkins

All ranges will be closed the first two weeks of trout season (April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th and for Kid's Day (April 17th)).



When the weather breaks we'll be placing new targets on the practice range. Field points only. No broadheads.

## All New 2021 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.

\*\*\*\*\* ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED ON April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th and 17th \*\*\*\*\*

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## Attention: Contractors

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

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.

## General Membership Meetings

Just a reminder that general membership meetings will now be held on the 3rd Tuesday in the months of January, March and October at 7:30pm in the Fisherman's cabin. Please plan to attend.

### Kid's Day is April 17th









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.



# March 2021



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
NO FISHING AT THE CLUB UNTIL OPENING DAY ON APRIL 3rd 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 regarding cancelled events		It is your responsibility to pick up after your dog while on Club grounds
	1	2	3 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p	11 	12	13
14 Daylight Savings Time Begins	15	16 General Membership Meeting 7:30p	17  Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p Saint Patrick's Day	18	19 	20 Vernal Equinox
21 	22	23 Director's Meeting 7:30p	24 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p	25 	26	27
28	29	30	31 Indoor .22 7:00 — 10:00p	Make sure you have your 2021 PA fishing license <u>and a trout stamp</u> for opening day on April 3rd.	See the April calendar on the Club's website	<u>Moon Phases</u> 5th- Last Quarter 13th - New Moon 21st - 1st Quarter 28th - Full Moon