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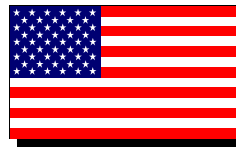
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Dates To Remember

Every Wednesday night in December is Indoor .22 Pistol - 7:00 - 10:00p.

December 31st - Your 2015 membership expires. Send in the 2016 completed renewal early.



There is no general membership meeting for the month of December.

Director's meeting Tuesday, December 15th, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

2016 New Member Lottery

The new member lottery will take place on February 7th in the Fisherman's cabin. Doors open at 8:00a and the raffle begins at 9:00a.

If selected the initiation fee of \$200 and the annual dues of \$150 (total of \$350) must be paid the day of the lottery. Cash, check or money orders will be accepted. You must also have proper ID.

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The Club's Directors extend their wishes to each member and their families for a peaceful and joyous holiday season, along with a healthy and prosperous New Year.

FYI -

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your **2016 membership renewal** form. This will be the last one sent, but you can access the Club's website to print one or stop by the Fisherman's cabin and pick one up.

- ◆ **All memberships expire on December 31, 2015.** Your completed membership renewal form, along with your check or money order in the amount of **\$150.00**, plus any donation to the fish fund or land fund, **MUST BE PAID or POST- MARKED by DECEMBER 31, 2015.** **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- ◆ Be sure to always check the Club's website for updated information and dates.
- ◆ **IMPORTANT** ~ See page 2 for the article on PA House Bill 1029.

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Fishing

Dave Haywood

We'll stock 600 Rainbow trout (13" - 14") on January 8th. Fishing is closed on January 8th and will reopen on January 9th at 6:00a. You may fish with or without ice. If there is ice it must be at least four (4) inches thick to safely walk on. Test it. Don't forget to purchase your 2016 fishing license and trout stamp before January 1st.



Game Committee

Kevin O'Driscoll

The Game Committee will host a youth pheasant hunt on February 6, 2016. This hunt is for members ages 12- 17 who have completed a Hunter/ Trapper Education course. Youth hunters must be accompanied by a parent/ guardian during the hunt. Interested members must fill out the application, which is included as an insert in this newsletter, and mail it back by January 1st. Applicants will be contacted with details. Volunteers are needed to make this event a success please contact **Kevin O'Driscoll** if interested.

Clean Christmas trees, free of ornaments and tinsel, will be accepted in the rifle range parking lot next to the firewood racks.

In addition to PA Game regulations, the following rules apply when hunting on Club grounds:

- ◆ No single projectiles while hunting with firearms on Club grounds, hunting is limited to shotguns and archery equipment.
- ◆ Hunters must wear a fluorescent orange hat for all hunting on Club grounds; this is in addition to any fluorescent orange required by PA game laws.
- ◆ Tree stands and ground blinds may not be left on Club property, and must be carried in and out each day.
- ◆ Hunters using tree stands are required to wear a full body harness while on Club property.
- ◆ Please hunt safely and respect safety zones while on Club property.
- ◆ **Hunters are advised violating State game regulations or Club hunting rules will result in loss of Club membership.**



Official 2016 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2016 official membership renewal form. The membership renewal form will also be available on the Club's website and in the Fisherman's cabin. Complete it and mail it in today!

Member's Dependents

Any member who has a dependent son or daughter wishing to join the Club must come to the general membership meeting on January 19, 2016 at 7:30p.

The dependent must be accompanied by a parent, have proper I.D and proof of age, a school completion document, along with a check in the amount of \$150.00 check, made payable to Souderton- Harleysville Game, Fish & Forestry Association.

A dependent son or daughter is defined as someone who is out of school, or the military, and no longer living at home, and was no longer dependent on their parent's support in 2015, and is 24 years old or younger. The application and waiver are on the Club's website.

PA House Bill 1029

This bill is currently in the Judiciary Committee for review. This bill will require every Pennsylvanian to obtain and pay \$50 for a Firearms Eligibility License to buy, sell, or own a firearm.

Contact your State Senator and Representatives to oppose this Bill. Go to the Club's website for additional information.

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Trap

Henry Kuestner

Since the last newsletter our summer series has finished. We had a good turn-out again. The results are as follows.



<u>High Gun for the year</u>	
1st - J. Hannahoe	297x300
2nd - P. Farrand	289x300



Class shoot-off results:

High gun: 1st - **N. Fazzolari** - 49x50, 2nd - **P. Farrand** - 48x50, A-class: 1st - **T. Weiss** - 48x50, 2nd - **J. Lewandowski** - 47x50, B-class: 1st - **R. Pennington** - 45x50, 2nd - **M. Cesarone** - 45x50, C-class: 1st - **H. Kuestner** - 46x50, 2nd - **J. Kulp** - 45x50, D-class: 1st - **D. Kuestner** - 42x50, 2nd - **P. Schneider** - 34x50. Ties were decided by reverse long run.

I would like to thank everyone for coming out this year, and **Butch King** and **Dee** for all their help. our hunter nights are all done. We had a light turn-out this year and the weather hampered us a few nights. The winter series is going strong. Anyone is welcome to come out and have some fun. You do not have to shoot the series, you can just shoot practice if you want. We are there from 11:00 am. until 2:00 pm. on Sundays. Check the website for dates or give me a call. Thanks, Henry

Pistol

Neil Johnson

We are now shooting indoor bulls-eye every Wednesday night. This event is open to all, but non-members must pay a fee and sign a waver. Only standard velocity .22 ammo is allowed. Only pistols are used. All shooting is done one handed. NRA awards are given as your skill level advances. Please if you use the outdoor ranges be courteous.

Pull your stables from the uprights. Clean up after you are done...pick up your brass, put it in the hanging buckets. Pick up your trash. Put stands and uprights back where they belong. Put misfires in the proper bucket. Stay safe and have fun. Questions or concerns, contact Neil E. Johnson at a2quest4@msn.com.



Rifle

Jake Ochnich

It's that that time of year again when the range gets busy. Please observe all range rules. Remember safety first and be courteous to all Club members. Keep range times to 30 minutes the two weekends before deer season and sighting in of deer rifles only. Thanks, Jake Ochnich.

Range Rules

Range Hours: Monday through Saturday 7:00am - sunset & Sunday 9:00am to sunset.

- 1). Never handle a firearm while people are down range period!!!! **You will lose your membership!!!**
- 2). All firearms are to be unloaded and actions open while people are down range. Muzzleloaders will have the powder removed from the flash pan and primers removed from the nipple or breech plug.
- 3). Use the man down range sign even if your the only one using the range.
- 4). Always wear a blaze orange hat/vest, eye and ear protection.
- 5). No armor piercing or penetrating ammo, No tracer ammo, No 50 BMG or 416 Barrett ammo, No full auto or bump firing
- 6). No patterning of shotguns
- 7). Paper targets only. No exploding targets of any kind!!!
- 8). Targets are to be mounted on the horizontal boards provided. With bulls-eye between the upper and lower boards.
- 9). All shots are to be fired into the target impact areas.
- 10). All shooters must shoot into the target area in front of them. No shooting across the range!!!
- 11). No children on the range without an adult.
- 12). No guests.

Any violations of the above rules could result in the loss of membership!



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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.

Orange Hat / Vest Policy

A Florescent orange hat or vest is mandatory on the rifle range and while hunting. Not to supersede Pennsylvania Game Commission laws. Recommended, but not mandatory for all others. All Pennsylvania Game Commission laws apply.

Firewood






As of January 1, 2016, the Club will be selling fire wood for \$175.00 per cord. Sales will be limited to two cord per customer. When contacted, you will have two weeks to pick up your wood. Any questions please call Butch King at (215) 723-8530.

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



January 2016



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.					1 New Year's Day	2 
3	4	5	6 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	7	8 Stock 600 Rainbow Trout (13" - 14") <u>No fishing till the 9th</u>	9 Open to fishing at 6:00a
10	11	12	13 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	14	15	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Day	19 General Membership Meeting 7:30	20 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	21	22	23
24	25 	26 Director's Meeting 7:30p	27 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	28	29	30
31		A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.	The general membership meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month.			2nd - Last Quarter 10th - New Moon 16th - 1st Quarter 24th - Full Moon