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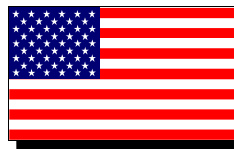
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Dates To Remember

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

December 31st - Your 2021 membership expires. Send in your 2022 completed renewal early. Do it now. You know what happens if it arrives after December 31st?



All ranges will be closed on November 27th and 28th for buck hunting.



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.

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

Director's meeting Tuesday, December 21st, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

FYI -

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your **2022 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, 2021.** Send in your completed membership renewal form, along with your check or money order in the amount of **\$150.00**, plus any donation you wish to make to the fish fund or land fund.
- ◆ **ALL DUES MUST BE PAID or POST-MARKED by DECEMBER 31, 2021. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- ◆ **If you have already submitted your renewal form from the fall newsletter, there is no need to submit an additional renewal form.**
- ◆ Always obey the Club's rules. They are on the back of your membership card.

2022 New Member Lottery

Check the Club's website in January for information and details on the 2022 new member lottery.

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Fishing

Dave Haywood

We'll stock 600 Rainbow trout (13"- 14") on December 31st. Fishing will reopen on January 1st at 6:00am. 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 2022 fishing license and trout stamp before January 1st.



Game Committee

Kevin O'Driscoll

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.
- ◆ **See the PA Game Commission update article on buckshot below.**
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ No waterfowl hunting.
- ◆ **Hunters are advised violating State game regulations or Club hunting rules will result in loss of their Club membership.**



******* PA Game Commission Update *******

The Pennsylvania Game Commission has outlawed the use of buckshot statewide. In keeping with our "no single projectile rule", deer hunting on the Club property will now be limited to archery hunting only. Bows and crossbows may be used on Club property for firearms deer season. Hunting with shotguns on Club property will continue to be allowed for small game.

Official 2022 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2022 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!

Venison Donation

Club members can help their neighbors in need by donating extra venison to Keystone Opportunity Center's Food Pantry in Souderton. Processed venison, especially ground meat, can be donated by calling **Cindy Dembroski**, the food pantry coordinator at (215) 723-5430. For additional information please contact club member **Randy Floyd** at (215) 416-1679.

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 Tuesday, January 18th, 2022 at 7:30p.

The dependent must be accompanied by a parent, bring a completed Dependent Membership Application, along with a signed SHGFFA liability release form, 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.

All forms and dependent criteria can be found on the Club's website (www.shgffa.com).

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 2021, and is 26 years old or younger.

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ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED FOR BUCK ON NOVEMBER 27th and 28th.

Trap

Henry Kuestner

Our winter series is half way through. The hunter night shoots went as well as can be expected with the ammo shortage. Both manual traps are back and working fine. Our summer series ended with 24 shooters eligible for the class shoot-off.

Here are the results:

<u>High Gun for the year</u>			
1st - Pete Farrand	286x300	2nd - Larry Schlippert	282x300

Class shoot-off results:

1st High gun **Henry Kuestner** 48x50, 2nd High gun **Pete Farrand** 46x50, **Larry Schlippert** 46x50

A Class: 1st **Bruce Paterson** 45x50, 2nd **Diana Kuestner** 44x50

B Class: 1st **Anthony Santopietro** 45x50x8, 2nd **Mario Cesarone** 45x50x4

C Class: 1st **Larry Varichione** 41x50, 2nd **Al Santopietro** 38x50

D Class: 1st **Don Degan** 40x50, 2nd **Huguenin** 38x50

I would like to thank all those who competed this year and a big thanks to everyone who helped through the year. I could not do this without the help. I will have the summer series schedule in the next newsletter. Hopefully ammo will be available by then. Until then stay safe and have a good holiday season. Thanks, Henry



Pistol

Neil Johnson

Indoor bulls-eye shooting started November 3rd beginning at 7:00pm. This is an NRA challenge. Shooting is .22 hand-guns only and done one-handed. NRA awards are issued based on progress. This is also open to non-members for a fee and the signing of a release. If using the outdoor ranges please continue to clean up your spent shells and put up target stands back. Be courteous and follow the rules posted. If you use the outdoor ranges please be courteous. Pull your staples, clean up after you are done, pick up your empty shell cases. Questions? Contact Neil E. Johnson. a2quest4@msn.com



Rifle

Jake Ochnich

Indoor 4 position small-bore will start on Tuesday nights in January. Check the website for more information. Please remember to follow all rules and SAFETY FIRST. It's that that time of year again when the range gets busy. Please observe all range rules. Please keep range times to 30 minutes the two weekends before deer season and sighting in of deer rifles only.

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 and No guests.



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

Archery

Jerry Hawkins

We have installed a fence between the sections on practice archery range. The left-hand side will be for the old type targets, including broad heads. The right-handed side will be for field points only. No broadheads whatsoever on the right-handed side. Jerry



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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

Butch King

The Club has firewood for sale at \$175 per 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.

Minimum Age for Unsupervised Shooters

As a reminder to all members, the minimum age for unsupervised shooters is 18 years of age. This applies to rifles, shotguns, handguns and archery. Anyone under the age of 18 participating in any of these actions must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. No exceptions.



January 2022



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		The general membership meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday in January, March and October at 7:30pm.		Don't forget to purchase your 2022 PA fishing license and trout stamp.	Stock 600 Rainbow Trout (13" - 14") on December 31st. <u>No fishing until 6:00am on January 1st</u>	1 New Year's Day Open to fishing at 6:00am. 
2	3	4 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm	5 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	6	7	8
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16	17 Martin Luther King Day	18 General Membership Meeting 7:30	19 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	20	21 	22
23	24 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 18th	25 Director's Meeting 7:30	26 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	27	28	29
30	31 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 25th	<u>A florescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.</u>		<u>Please note:</u> Scheduled events are subject to change or cancellation. Check the Club's website for the latest info.		2nd - New Moon 9th - 1st Quarter 17th - Full Moon 25th - Last Quarter