

Souderton - Harleysville Game, Fish & Forestry Association, Inc.



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Dates to Remember

September 2nd - Action Pistol, PCC - .22
(Center- fire Only) 7:00p
September 8th - 200 Yard Small Bore Shoot
September 9th - .22 Pistol & Rifle 7:00p
September 11th - Patriot's Day
September 11th - Trap Shoot - Class Shoot-
Off 6:00 - 10:00p
September 16th - Action Pistol, PCC - .22
(Center- fire Only) 7:00p
September 23rd - Tactical Shotgun 7:00p
September 30th - Hunter's Shoot w/Spec. Bird



SCHOOL'S
OPEN...



PLEASE DRIVE
CAREFULLY

General membership meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday in the months of January, March and October at 7:30pm in the Fisherman's cabin

Director's meeting Tuesday, September 22nd @ 7:00pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

2027 Membership Renewal Application

As a reminder, on the reverse side of your 2027 membership renewal application is the Waiver and Release of Liability form that **must be completed and signed by all members over the age of 18. Failure to complete and sign the mandatory Waiver and Release of Liability form will result in the termination of your membership.**

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Never Forget
September 11th



FYI

- ◆ **Your 2027 membership renewal application is included as an insert in this newsletter. You must complete and sign the Waiver and Release of Liability on the reverse side. Complete it and send it in today.**
- ◆ Moving or have recently moved? It's your responsibility to notify the Membership Director (Club's P O Box, page 2) or Editor (page 2, lower right) immediately of any change of address.
- ◆ The newsletter is published February, May, September and December. Be sure to check out the Club's website <http://www.shgffa.com> for the latest news, updates and information.
- ◆ Every member is required to have their membership badge and a valid picture ID in their procession at all times while on Club property.

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***** 2027 Membership Renewal Information *****

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2027 official membership renewal form. The membership renewal form will be sent out again with the winter newsletter and will also be available on the Club's website and in the Fisherman's cabin. Complete it and send it in today! The 2027 membership renewal period runs between September 1, 2026 and December 31, 2026.

ALL MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31ST, 2026. DUES MUST BE PAID OR POST-MARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31ST, 2026. THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS. THE 2027 DUES ARE ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00) USD.

Your completed membership renewal form for 2027, along with the completed and signed Waiver and Release of Liability form on the reverse side, can be mailed in after September 1, 2026, and must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2026. In addition, members can now drop off their 2027 membership renewals in person. A mail slot has been added to the door of the Fisherman's Cabin. Please note, that 2027 membership renewals are still required to be postmarked on or before December 31, 2026, or dropped in the new mail slot prior to midnight on December 31, 2026. Any 2027 membership renewals found in the new mail slot after December 31, 2026 will be considered late and returned. **No Exceptions.**

Dependent members wanting to procure their own membership must attend the monthly General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, January 19th, 2027 @ 7:30pm. They must bring a completed Dependent Membership Application, SHGFFA liability release form, proof of graduation, ID and \$150.00 USD. All forms and dependent criteria can be found on the Club's website (www.shgffa.com). For information pertaining to the New Membership lottery for 2027, please visit the Club's website.

Any membership questions, contact **Mike Iannetta** at mikeiannetta@comcast.net

Game Committee

Kevin O'Driscoll

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

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 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.
- ◆ No baiting allowed on Club property.



Please hunt safely, and respect safety zones while on Club property. Thanks, **Kevin**

Rifle Range Violations

Recent events at the Club have resulted in two members having their memberships suspended for 90 days due to rifle range violations. All ranges are under constant camera surveillance with the film reviewed daily.

Notice To All Club Members

Membership cards must be displayed on your person at all times while on Club grounds. Dependents using a copy must display it at all times. You must also have a valid picture ID with you at all times. Members are responsible for the conduct of their dependents while on Club grounds.

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There are nine 911 Emergency Signs that have GPS Coordinates listed for that specific location. Follow the directions listed on the sign for the most accurate information. Request Grand View Ambulance service if possible since they are the closest.

Pistol

Bob Dell

Our outdoor shooting league on Wednesday nights will end as of the last week of September. We will not shoot indoor bullseye until the first Wednesday night in November. The start time will be at 7:00pm and only .22 hand guns are allowed. Indoor .22 is free to members and open to non-members for a nominal fee. Please remember to pick up your brass and pull the staples from the uprights that hold the paper targets. Please always shoot from behind the benches on the ranges. Never handle a gun when anyone is down range. Always wear eye and ear protection. If you see someone breaking the rules, please report them to me or any other Director. If you have any questions or concerns, notify me at shpistol@gmail.com. We will be hosting law enforcement qualifications throughout the season, they will be using the upper range only. The lower pistol range will always be open to Club members during law enforcement days. Thank you and enjoy the fall season. Remember cameras are operational on all ranges and throughout the property.



Rifle

Jake Ochnich



The 200 Yard Small Bore Rifle will be held on September 8th at 6:30pm. You must pre-register for the event by September 7th. Hunting season will be coming up soon. Please observe all range rules. It is your Club. Please pick up brass and casings, remove used targets and do not leave paper on patterning range. Remember when replacing broken boards to put them behind the target box on the ground. Keep up the good work and be safe. Remember all ranges are monitored by camera. Thanks, **Jake**.

Archery

Jerry Hawkins

The 3-D Archery course is completed and can now be used. There is a sign at the beginning of the course which is across Shultz Road from the parking lot at Fishermen's Cabin. Field points only!!! The regular practice course is in good shape at this point so shoot and have fun. Any questions call **Jerry** (267) 664-0720.



Trap Committee

Henry Kuestner



The summer series has finished up and results will be in the next newsletter. Enclosed is the schedule for the winter trap series. Don't forget the Hunter's Shoots coming up the last Wednesday in September and every Wednesday in October. Please observe the trap shooting /fishing bell policy when shooting trap during fall /winter fishing. Thanks, **Henry**

Fishing

Bryan Haywood

As the fall fishing season comes around, we will stock the rainbow trout as water temperatures permits. The lake, all ponds and the stream will be stocked. We also will be stocking our raising tanks for winter fishing. Check the Club's website for more information.

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.



***** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED *****

Over the past seventy years, we have been fortunate to have had many members of our Club volunteer to help with Committees and Club projects. Many of those volunteers are no longer with us, or are not able to work on Committees or projects. We need members to volunteer to work on Committees and Club projects.

Please step up and help our Club. We keep operating expenses and dues low by doing the work at the Club ourselves. We need members to volunteer to work in the following areas: Archery, Fish, Pistol, Rifle, Trap, Firewood, Property and Grounds. If you are interested and would like to volunteer, please call the Committee Chairman of the Committee that you are interested in. Their names and phone numbers are listed in every Club Newsletter on the left side of page 2, under Board of Directors.

Thank you, **Board of Directors**

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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. The Club is also now selling bundles of firewood for \$5.00 per bundle. The bundles are available at the building next to the Fisherman's cabin and you can deposit the money in the slot at the Fisherman's Cabin door. Call **Butch** at (215) 723-8530.

Orange Hat / Vest Policy

A fluorescent 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.



October 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>A fluorescent orange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.</u>	Please observe the trap shooting / fishing bell policy when shooting trap during fall / winter fishing.	All members must display their badges and have a valid picture ID while on Club property. No exceptions	The Club needs volunteers to help with Committees and Club projects. See page 3 for details	1	2	3
4 Trap Shoot 11:00 to 2:00pm	5 Fire Prevention Week is the 4th—10th	6 	7 Hunter's Shoot with Special Bird Event 6:00 - 10:00p	8	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day 	13 200 yard .22 rim-fire match @ 6:30p	14 Hunter's Shoot with Special Bird Event 6:00 - 10:00p	15	16 	17
18 Trap Shoot 11:00 to 2:00pm	19	20 General Membership Meeting 7:30	21 Hunter's Shoot with Special Bird Event 6:00 - 10:00p	22	23	24
25	26	27 Director's Meeting 7:00p	28 Hunter's Shoot with Special Bird Event 6:00 - 10:00p	29	30 	31  Halloween
All cameras are operational on the various ranges and throughout Club Property	Attend the general membership meetings on the third Tuesday in January, March and October at 7:30pm			***** CHANGE YOUR SMOKE ALARM BATTERIES *****	<u>Please note:</u> Scheduled events are subject to change or cancellation. Check the Club's website for the latest info.	3rd -Last Quarter 10th—New Moon 18th - 1st Quarter 26th - Full Moon