



Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association

Meeting 1st Tuesday
each month 7pm

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CLUB OFFICE

The club office is open during club meetings. Day guest passes, belt buckles, club license plates, pins and targets are available for purchase at those times.

SHEESLEY LAKE

The lake is open for fishing. Fishing is for members only!



Vice-President's Pen

I hesitate to use this newsletter as a political forum but the reality is this, Biden and other liberals want to unleash a frenzied attack against our Second Amendment Rights. President Joe Biden has launched a "four-prong" attack against the Second Amendment and already has more plans to dismantle it.

If those of us who support our 2A Rights remain silent, we will no longer have 2A rights. It is imperative that supporters of our 2A Rights contact our legislators and demand their support for our right to "Keep and Bear Arms." Don't be the silent majority. Don't assume that drastic changes won't take place. Contact your legislators, join the NRA. Introduce non-shooters to the shooting sports. Be a good example by being a safe and responsible firearms owner.

Do something positive to preserve and protect our Second Amendment Rights. Once our rights are eroded or gone completely they will never be restored. History has proven that.

Stay well, be safe.

Alan Bernardi, Vice President

April, 2021

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CLUBHOUSE IMPROVEMENTS

We are always working hard to make improvements to your club. The restroom floors in the clubhouse were recently transformed using a special concrete coating applied by the capable staff at Floortek & More LLC. The new coating is 100% antibacterial and antimicrobial, and will eliminate past issues with chipping and peeling.

WINTER PISTOL LEAGUE

The last match of the 2020-21 William Penn Pistol League will be held on Wednesday night, April 14th. This is a traveling, indoor .22 pistol league, with ten local club teams participating. HH&A has two teams in the league - AMP and State.

Due to COVID-19 concerns, traveling was restricted, and special shooting procedures were developed to allow the AMP and State teams to follow social distancing and mask guidelines, and safely hold all matches at home.

Range setup begins at 5:30 PM. Relays start at 6:00 PM and run until around 8:00 PM.

New shooters are welcome, and you may join either team. Cost is \$5 per night. Juniors shoot free.

Contacts: State Team: Marshall Burnside, 717-939-5141, flashlite5448@gmail.com

AMP Team: John Zebel, 717-834-5466, jzebel@embarqmail.com

POLICE PISTOL COMBAT INFORMATION AND NEWS FOR 2021

HH&A's 2021 Police Pistol Combat (PPC) season opens on Saturday, April 3rd. Matches will be held monthly on the 1st Saturdays through October. See the schedule below.

We start setting up and taking registrations around 8:00 AM, do our safety briefing at 8:50 AM, and go hammer down at 9:00 AM. This is not a formal league, so you can shoot whenever you want and can make it. Just show up.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, during 2021 we will be offering shooters that are new to PPC a personal touch. We are fortunate to have many active and willing volunteers. If you are new to PPC and interested, we can assign an advisor to you. This person will be experienced in PPC matches. They will provide you with answers (one on one) to any questions you might have, and watch over you when you shoot until you are comfortable. This is not a shooting coach, rather, an experienced shooter to get you familiar with PPC rules (times, positions, equipment, reloading, etc).

PPC is a shooting sport focusing on precision shooting from a variety of stances at varying distances, including shooting from behind an obstacle. The competition seeks to create a measure of similarity to real world situations, and is considered one of the forerunners of practical shooting. PPC competitions started in the early 1960's and were meant to keep law enforcement officers' skills sharpened. Though not a 'run and gun' type match, PPC is a blend of shooting a handgun from different positions, under time, and concentrating most on accuracy.

Our courses are open to anyone, not just law enforcement officers. The course we shoot (60 rounds) mimics many of the police qualification courses of past years. It's a lot of fun. And we shoot for cash! Please contact our match director, John Kline, for more information at jpklime601@gmail.com or 717-514-0404.

2021 Match Schedule:

- April 3
- May 1
- June 5
- July 3
- August 7
- September 4
- October 2

LADIES NIGHT ON THE RANGE - 2021 SCHEDULE

Range sessions for the ladies will be held April 18, May 23, September 12, and October 24. Session one will run from 4:45 PM to 5:45 PM. Session two will run from 5:45 PM to 6:45 PM.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, NO WALK INS. Please register with Chris Touw at ceander-sonfl@aol.com.

HANDGUN SAFETY CLASSES

The Handgun Safety Classes scheduled for April 24 and May 8 are full. The next class will be held on October 23. We will not be conducting classes over the summer months. We will start accepting registrations for the October class on August 1. Watch the newsletter for registration instructions. A special thank you to all of the instructors who volunteer their time to conduct these classes. There is no better way to protect our Second Amendment Rights than to help people be safe and responsible firearms owners.

ADVANCED HANDGUN PROGRAM

Defensive Handgun Skills courses will be held throughout 2021. These 4-hour classes unique to HHA will develop additional knowledge, skills, and attitude for personal protection. Students will be introduced to the levels of awareness, learn rapid accuracy with flash sight picture, accelerated shooting with controlled pairs and trios as well as holster options. Approximately 125 rounds of ammo required (.380 or larger caliber handguns, no .22s). **Prerequisite is Intermediate Handgun and a range pre-qualification.**

Students already on the e-list will have first preference.

Contact Team Leaders Shere & Larry Gibson at personalprotection@verizon.net.

TARGET STANDS AT HH&A

Fellow members: Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers provides target stands on the PPC and Rifle Ranges, as well as target backers on the Bullseye Pistol range. As many of you know, there are few clubs that provide this benefit to their members. These stands are very well built by a small group of members who unselfishly donate their time to this cause without any compensation.

We recognize that a slightly off-center shot happens from time to time, but there have been a lot of times when the wood frames of these target stands are nearly destroyed. In fact, the recent condition of the stands at the PPC range indicate that there may have been intentional shots placed into the frames.

If you accidentally hit the frame of a target stand, then you are probably too far from the target, or you need a significant sight adjustment. The only other reason would be intentional damage.

PLEASE take care when shooting. Remember, only one (centered) target per stand is permitted on each frame. If you witness or suspect any intentional damage by other shooters, please contact any board member.

Shoot straight and be safe.

John Kline,
Board Member

SUMMER BULLSEYE PISTOL PRACTICE MATCHES

Our 2021 Summer Bullseye matches will be informal practices, starting on Wednesday, May 5th at 6:30 PM, and running through mid-August.

There will be no scores turned in, no awards, and no end of season Banquet. Just shoot for fun and score yourself. Rimfire and centerfire allowed. \$1 per relay. Four relays per night, weather permitting.

We will practice CDC Guidelines for social distancing and only shoot on every other position, so only 30 shooters per relay instead of 60. Shoot at your own risk and wear a mask.

Point of contact: Kay Bischof, 717-764-7033, kay007@comcast.net.

STRIKER FIRE CHALLENGE

We will be holding Striker-Fire Challenge matches at PPC Range #2 on May 29th, July 31st, and October 30th (all on 5th Saturdays).

These matches are for centerfire, striker-fire guns only, and are lots of fun. No formal competition experience needed.

You can compete in either or both of two gun classes: Stock (iron sights only) and Open (red dots allowed). We will be running 4 relays starting at 9:00 AM. Shoot all 4 relays if you like, pending availability of shooting positions.

Cost is \$10 per relay fired. Awards will be determined using the Lewis Classification System.

For more details about the match, please see our match program at:

<http://www.harrisburghunters.org/disciplines/striker-fire-challenge/>.

Gate opens and range setup/registration begins at 8:00 AM, orientation and safety briefing at 8:45 AM, hammer down at 9:00 AM. Please come and join us for some fun.

Contact: John Kline, Match Director, jpcline601@gmail.com, 717-514-0404.

INTERMEDIATE HANDGUN CLASS

This course is a prerequisite for more advanced classes, such as HHA Defensive Handgun Skills Class. The May class is full. Another class Saturday will be held on September 25. Registration starts at 7:45 AM, and class runs from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Pre-registration is required, contact HHAFirearmsCourses@outlook.com to register.

HHA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up to date information on events, range usage and closings, please check our website <http://www.harrisburghunters.org/calendar/>. Add this to your calendar on your phone. Many times events could be shortened, cancelled or range usage is necessary for unexpected events.



Learn more about the **National Archery in the Schools Program** (NASP), an international-style archery training for grades 4 through 12.

<https://www.pgc.pa.gov/Education/NationalArcheryInTheSchoolsProgram/Pages/default.aspx>



Crossbow Regulations in Pennsylvania

<http://www.bestcrossbowsources.com/crossbow-hunting-regulations-pennsylvania/#>



Hooked on a Feeling

<https://www.visitpa.com/article/hooked-feeling-22-ice-fishing-destinations-pa>



APRIL FOOLS - Some historians speculate that April Fool's Day dates back to 1582, when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregoria calendar. In the Julian calendar, the new year began with the spring equinox around April 1. People who were slow to get the news, or failed to recognize that the start of the new year had moved to January 1 and continued to celebrate it during the last week of March through April 1, became the butt of jokes and hoaxes and were called "April fools." (History.com)

The Great Spaghetti Harvest – One of the most famous April Fool's Day pranks of all time is the BBC's famous "spaghetti harvest" segment. On April 1, 1957, a news broadcaster told his British audience that Ticino, a Swiss region near the Italian border, had had "an exceptionally heavy spaghetti crop" that year. The camera cut to footage of people picking spaghetti off trees and bushes, then sitting down at a table to eat some of their "real, home-grown spaghetti." At the time, spaghetti wasn't necessarily a dish that British people would have known about. That doesn't mean that no one realized the segment was a prank – some viewers were upset the BBC had aired a fictional segment during a serious news program. But other viewers reportedly asked about how they could grow their own spaghetti at home. (BBC)



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BRASS RECYCLING PROGRAM

When at the ranges, please utilize the buckets provided for spent brass.

This brass is recycled and all funds are used to help fund all of the club's growing youth programs. We recycle this brass in two ways. All brass not suitable for reloading is sold to a salvage company, and the good brass is sold to re-loaders in the membership at very good prices.

So, when at the ranges, please remember to support our youth programs and keep your ranges looking good by placing your spent brass in the brass buckets. Please do not place steel, aluminum, loaded cases or garbage in these buckets. Brass only!!

Thank you for your support of your club's youth programs.

CLUB SALE ITEMS

Elusive Wildlife Technologies XLR 250 Gun mounted light red LED \$129.00

Elusive Wildlife Technologies XLR 100 Scan light red LED \$89.00

Cast lead bullets 45 caliber SWC185 box of 500 \$50

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Eley and SK 22 ammo Brick of 500 (limited supply) \$75

All of these products are available at regular membership meetings and on special request.

T-SHIRTS and HATS

Show support for your club by wearing club T-shirts and hats. They are available for sale at regular membership meetings.

INDOOR RANGE QUALIFICATION

The Indoor Pistol Range requires a proficiency qualification prior to use. If you are not Indoor Range qualified and wish to be, contact:

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