



Harrisburg Hunters' & Anglers' Association
Meeting 1st Tuesday
each month 7pm
6611 Hunters Run Rd.
Harrisburg, PA 17111
717-545-6834
www.HarrisburgHunters.org

President's Pen

I want to remind all members who use the indoor range to only turn on the heater above where you are shooting. The system is not designed to heat the space you're in but heat you.



Turning on more than one wastes money and does nothing to make you warm.

Since the new heaters were installed the club's electric bill has almost doubled.

Thank you for using your club's resources smartly.

See you at the club
Jerry

February, 2026

2026 Club Officers

- President**
Jerry Dougherty
- Vice-President**
Alan Bernardi
- Treasurer**
Barry Peterson
- Secretary**
Connie Tyson

2026

- Board of Directors:**
Charles Acre, Bill Chastain,
Scott Faust, John Glatz,
Chuck Grubb, John Hill,
John Kline, Jim Lambert,
Fred Rogers, Randy Stoner,
Rich Willier

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!

Happy Valentine's Day February 14



February 2



February 16



CLUB DINNER

On Saturday, February 7th, an AYCE Spaghetti Dinner will be served from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., or until sold out. Donation \$14. AYCE applies to spaghetti and sauce only.

UPCOMING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

The next three general membership meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on:

- February 3
- March 3—Big Buck Contest Awards
- April 7

Light refreshments will be served at our meetings.

WEATHER WATCH

In case of inclement weather, watch Channel 21 or Channel 27 News to find out if our club meeting has been cancelled.

DAILY GUEST PASS NOTICE

Daily guest passes will only be sold at the club only. Our thanks to the businesses that have sold them for us in the past.

PRECISION PISTOL - WILLIAM PENN PISTOL LEAGUE

The William Penn Precision Pistol League is in full swing. This is an indoor, .22 caliber only competitive pistol league. HHA has two teams, the HHA team and the State team, available for anyone to join. All you need is a .22 caliber pistol and an optic which uses a dot for aiming.

No experience is necessary, just a willingness to shoot, learn, and do so safely. Matches are every Wednesday evening from now until April 1st and typically start around 6pm. Shooters with work and family commitments can come as late as 9pm and still be allowed to shoot per the match rules.

The cost is \$5 per match and you'll need at least 60 rounds of .22 ammo per match. You can join at any time throughout the season and you don't have to be a member of the club to participate. If you want to learn more, contact Gene Cash at gene_cash@yahoo.com or 408-568-7665.

ANNUAL HH&A BIG BUCK CONTEST

With the beginning of another hunting season the annual HH&A Big Buck Contest is under way. It is open to all HH&A members that harvest a Pennsylvania whitetail buck. Scoring goes by a modified Boone and Crockett system. There are several categories/age groups. Winners in each category will win a prize. John Hoffer and Barry Peterson will score antlers by appointment. Please give either of us a call to schedule a date and time to get together. John can be reached at (717) 979-6014 and Barry at (717)439-4980. There is no cost to enter and all entrants have a chance to win a prize in the random drawing after the awards are given out. The awards will be given out at the March 2026 general meeting, so all racks must be scored by February 8, 2026. Prizes may include trail cameras, hunting accessories, gift cards or cash. Good luck and hope to see you at the club.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

To maintain uninterrupted access to all club benefits, members are encouraged to submit renewal applications as soon as the renewal period begins. Early submission ensures continued participation in club activities, communications, and events throughout the entire upcoming year. The club will start accepting membership renewals for 2026 on October 1, 2025. Please note that the current 2025 membership expires on December 31, 2025.

Renewal applications are provided in the newsletter. Alternatively, members can download and print the application from the club website at www.harrisburghunters.org; look for the link labeled "Renewal Applications." Each application must be accompanied by full payment. Accepted forms of payment are checks or money orders—credit cards are not accepted, and it is advised not to send cash through the mail.

Please do not staple or tape checks to the application, as this may delay processing. Incomplete applications will also result in delays. Renewal applications should not be mailed directly to the club, as this causes unnecessary work and delays in processing. Please send all renewal applications to the following address:

HHA MEMBERSHIP PO BOX 4129 HARRISBURG, PA 17111.

To help ensure a smooth renewal process, please fill out your renewal application completely and legibly. Double-check that all required information is included and that the correct payment amount is enclosed before mailing your application. Adhering to these guidelines will help avoid processing delays and guarantee continued membership benefits.

CLUB DRAWINGS

At the January general membership meeting, Andrew Cooper's name was drawn to win the \$250 drawing, and Sue Heist's name was drawn to win the \$50 drawing. Neither member was present. The 50/50 drawing for \$54 was won by Ron Schaffer. The .22LR Suppressor raffle was won by Brian Mountain.

NRA BASIC SHOTGUN SHOOTING COURSE

Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers is offering an NRA Basic Shotgun shooting course on Saturday March 28, 2026 at the clubhouse. Register with NRA online at: <https://firearmtraining.nra.org/student-courses/>.

This course teaches the basic knowledge, skills, and attitude for the safe and proper use of a shotgun. The course is 10 hours long and includes classroom and range time learning how to shoot shotguns at moving targets. Students learn NRA's rules for safe gun handling; shotgun parts and operation; shotgun shell components; shotgun shell malfunctions; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting at straight away and angled targets; cleaning; and continued opportunities for skill development. Students will receive the Basics of Shotgun Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet, take a Basics of Shotgun Shooting Student Examination, and receive a course completion certificate. All materials provided.

Register by February 28th. The fee is \$100. Cash or check payable to HH&A. Minimum deposit of \$25 by February 28, 2026. Space is limited! For more information, contact John Kline: jpcline601@gmail.com or 717-514-0404.

POLICE PISTOL COMBAT (PPC) MATCHES

2026 matches will run monthly on the first Saturdays from April through October (no match in July), at PPC Range #2. Match dates are as follows: April 4 - May 3 - June 6 - August 1 - September 5 - October 3. We will have 5 Gun Classes to shoot in and will run 5 relays per match date, as long as we have enough shooters. Cost is \$5 per relay. Shoot as many relays as you like, pending availability of space. A minimum of 50% of fees taken in will be paid back as cash awards to winners using the Lewis Classification System. Each Gun Class will be handled separately for awards.

An end of season award raffle (gift cards and/or shooting accessories) will be drawn in November for those shooting more than 10 relays during the season.

For more details about our matches (e.g., match flyer, safety briefing, course of fire, range commands, how awards are determined, etc.), please go to our web page at: <https://www.harrisburghunters.org/ppc>.

On match days, the security gate opens and range setup/registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Safety briefing at 8:50 a.m. Hammer down at 9:00 a.m. We are usually done by noon. We run a cold range. Do not bring loaded guns to the range. Guns must remain unloaded and holstered or cased, except when under the direction of the range officer on the firing line, or when in a safe gun handling area.

Please come and join us for some fun. Bring a shooting friend with you. Our matches are open to the public. Beginners are welcome. It will be nice to see everyone again! Contact: John Kline, Match Director, 717-514-0404, jpcline601@gmail.com.

STRIKER FIRE CHALLENGE

Our Striker Fire matches for 2026 will commence in April and run through October. There will be five total matches throughout the year. They are held the last Saturday of the scheduled month. Check the club's website and calendar for exact dates. We will also have an updated match flyer posted with all the details on the club's website as well. Each relay is \$10 and we shoot 1 to 5 relays in a match. 50 rounds of centerfire ammo is required per relay. Shooters are welcome to shoot just one or all 5 relays. Half of the match proceeds go back to the shooters depending on how competitors scored based on the Lewis classification which means you don't have to be the best to win money.

This is the best match for inexperienced shooters or someone who wants to start competing. It requires the least amount of equipment and movement to safely participate. The format caters to gun owners who want to get more experience and be comfortable with their firearm under some stress of a match. Any striker-fired handgun is welcome. Typical models include Glock, Springfield Armory, Canik, any model without an external hammer.

For any questions or more details on how the match goes, contact the match director, Gene Cash at gene_cash@yahoo.com or 408-568-7665.

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.

ACTION SHOOTING - MOVE AND SHOOT

The club started hosting action pistol shooting events. For 2025, we held three move and shoot pistol or Pistol Caliber Carbine matches following the Practical Competition Shooting League (PCSL) rules. These events challenge the competitor to move and engage multiple targets at various distances and angles at each stage. We use hit factor scoring which rewards speed and accuracy to determine who completed each stage the best. This fun and dynamic event will challenge shooters of all experience levels.

If you are tired of shooting the same target from the same position and want to challenge your ability to move, shoot, think, reload while safely navigating a course of fire, this is the match for you. Events will be on the club calendar, but registration will occur using the Practiscore website at www.practiscore.com.

For 2026, we are planning to add USPSA, United States Practical Shooting Association rules to these events and get the club USPSA affiliated. This will allow competitors shooting under this format to receive a ranking by USPSA.

If you want to learn more or get involved, contact Gene Cash at gene_cash@yahoo.com or 408-568-7665. We need volunteers for setup the day before matches, tear down at completion, and maintaining the match equipment.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM, DUE BEFORE JANUARY 1

- This form can **only** be used if you are **renewing a membership**. If you were a member in the past 2 years, you may use this form; otherwise, you must use a New Member Application form to obtain membership.
- If changing from an Adult to Family membership, please use a New Member Application form and follow the instructions.
- If a previous year's junior member is 16 as of January 1, they must renew as a separate member. This includes children that are part of a family membership.
- **If you do not renew your membership by December 31, your privileges to use any club facilities will be suspended (card keys will be disabled) until your renewal is received and processed. Allow at least two weeks to receive your membership card after we receive your renewal.**
- ADULT: 22-61 years, JUNIOR: up to 15 years, YOUNG ADULT: 16-21 years, SENIOR: 62 years and older (ages as of Jan. 1).
- Make checks payable to HH&A. Applicant will be responsible for all bank fees for a check returned for any reason.
- **MUST mail form and check to: HH&A, c/o Membership, P.O. Box 4129, Harrisburg, PA 17111.**

Please print clearly and fill out form **completely** to avoid delays in issuing card(s) **PLEASE NOTE IF ADDRESS CHANGED.**

Name _____ Member # _____
 Street _____ DOB ____/____/____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____

Additional Name(s)	Member #	Date of Birth
_____	_____	____/____/____
_____	_____	____/____/____
_____	_____	____/____/____
_____	_____	____/____/____

___ Adult	\$	85.00
___ Family	\$	160.00
___ Young Adult	\$	60.00
___ Senior	\$	45.00
___ Junior	\$	30.00
___ Life	\$	1,500.00
___ Donation	\$	_____
___ Annual Guest Pass		80.00
Total Enclosed	\$	_____

I will download the club newsletter each month to help save club costs (x) Yes _____ No _____

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Your club benefits from people joining or renewing a membership to the NRA. Go to the website for information: harrisburghunters.org click on the NRA logo.

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CLUB NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING

The club is now able to provide advertising in the Newsletter. **This service is open to members only.**

The cost is \$15 per newsletter and should be business card size.

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BRASS RECYCLING PROGRAM

When at the ranges, please utilize the recycling buckets provided for spent brass, steel and aluminum cases. You can throw them all in the same recycle bucket since we recycle all three types of cases now.

We recycle the brass in two ways: (1) we sort by caliber and sell all brass suitable for reloading to club members at very good prices, and (2) we sell the remainder, along with the steel and aluminum cases, to a salvage company.

All funds made from sales and recycling are used to help fund the club's growing youth programs. Thank you for your continued support.

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

To schedule for an Indoor Range Qualification and access, contact one of the following:

- John Plouse 717-903-9554
- Alan Bernardi 717-514-2729
- Richard Willier 717-884-4878
- Scott Faust 717-525-7847
- Luis Rodriguez 717-648-5705
- Chuck Acre 717-756-8975
- John Hill 717-503-7936
- James Lambert 717-773-1319
- John Kline 717-514-0404
- Steve Touw 717-319-7306

JOIN NRA

Join the NRA, or renew your membership, through our web site and get a \$10 discount. Instead of paying \$45, the cost will only be \$35. Click on the **JOIN TODAY NRA** logo on our web page and follow the instructions.

