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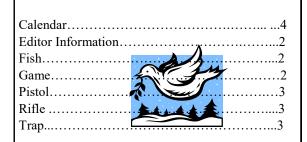
Dates To Remember

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

December 31st - Your 2019 membership expires. Send in your 2020 completed renewal early. Do it now. You know what happens if it arrives after December 31st.

2020 New Member Lottery

Check the Club's website in January for information and details on the 2020 new member lottery.







All ranges will be closed on December 1st and 2nd 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 17th, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

FYI -

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your 2020 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, 2019. 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, 2019. 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.

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Fishing

Dave Haywood

We'll stock 600 Rainbow trout (13"- 14") on January 3rd. Fishing is closed on January 3rd and will reopen on January 4th 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 2020 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.
- 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
- 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.

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.

Official 2020 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2020 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 14th, 2020

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—Har-leysville 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 no longer considered the dependent of a member when they're out of college, or the military, and no longer living at home, and was no longer dependent on their parent's support in 2019, and are 26 years old or older.

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ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED FOR BUCK ON DECEMBER 1st and 2nd.

Trap

Henry Kuestner

By now our winter series is under way. But there is still time to come out and have some fun. The results of our summer series are as follows:



High Gun for the year	
1st - J. Hannahoe	294x300
2nd - B. Paterson	285x300



Class shoot-off results:

High gun: A. Santopietro 48x50, 2nd high gun: B. Paterson 47x50, A class: D. McCauley 45x50-13, J. Hannahoe 45x50-5, B class: M. Chwastiak 44x50-13, H. Kuestner 44x50-9, C class: A. King 47x50, M. Cesarone 43x50, D class: L. Varichione 44x50

Our hunter nights went fairly well though attendance was down a little from last year. We got rained out one night. Once again I would like to thank my helpers, Butch King, My wife Dee, John Turner for doing the cooking, Pete Farrand, Tom Wiess and anybody else I may have missed. Without your help I could not run the shoots. Watch for the summer series schedule in the spring news letter. Hope to see you then. Thanks Henry.

Pistol

Neil Johnson

We are now shooting indoor bulls-eye every Wednesday. night. Shooting starts at 7:00 pm and must be finished by 10:00 pm. 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 empty shell cases and put them in the hanging buckets. Pick up your trash. Put stands and uprights back where they belong. Put misfires in the orange bucket. Stay safe and have fun. Questions or concerns, contact Neil E. Johnson at 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 did not have a great 3D 2019 season due to summer weather conditions. As for 2020 we will be going back to a 30 target course and will allow cross bows in with some rules. Shooters with crossbows will not be permitted to load until they reach their target station and only field tips will be permitted. A big thank you to everyone who helped out this past season it was greatly appreciated. We hope everyone has a great hunting season.



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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.

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.

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.

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





January 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			The general membership meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday of the month.		Don't forget to purchase your 2020 PA fishing license and trout stamp.	
A florescent or- ange hat or vest must be worn on the rifle range at all times.		NEW TENS	1 New Year's Day	2	3 Stock 600 Rainbow Trout (13" - 14") No fishing until the 4th	Open to fishing at 6:00am.
5	6	7 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm	8 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	9	10	11
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19 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 21st	20 Martin Luther King Day	21 General Member- ship Meeting 7:30	22 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	23	24	25
26	27 Indoor Rifle Small Bore 4 Position 6:15pm on the 28th	28 Director's Meeting 7:30	29 Indoor .22 Pistol 7:00 - 10:00pm	30	31	3rd - 1st Quarter 10th—Full Moon 17th- Last Quarter 24th - New Moon