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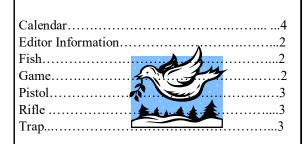
Dates To Remember

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

December 31st - Your 2020 membership expires. Send in your 2021 completed renewal early. Do it now. You know what happens if it arrives after December 31st?

2021 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 November 28th and 29th-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 15th, 7:30pm in the Fisherman's Cabin

FYI -

Enclosed again as an insert with this month's newsletter is your **2021 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, 2020. 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, 2020. 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 December 31st. Fishing is closed on December 31st and 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 2021 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 PA State game regulations or Club hunting rules will result in loss of their Club membership.

Official 2021 Membership Renewal Form

Enclosed with this newsletter is your 2021 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 19th, 2021 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 2020, and is 26 years old or younger.

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.

Minimum Age for Unsupervised Shooters

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ALL RANGES ARE CLOSED FOR BUCK ON NOVEMBER 28th and 29th.

Trap

Henry Kuestner

As I'm writing this, we have one hunter night left. The turnout has been good considering the circumstances. Thanks to everyone who came out. We are about half- way thru our winter series and the turnout has been good there as well. I will have the summer series schedule in the spring newsletter. Hope to see everyone back next summer. If things go crazy again check the website for updates. Thanks, Henry



Pistol

Neil Johnson

We are now shooting indoor NRA 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). You must sign in and out. 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

Our Archery 3D Shoot is over for the 2020 season. We did not have a great turnout and hopefully the 2021 season will be better. We are placing new targets on the practice course and cannot stress enough that broad heads are not permitted as they have a mesh on the front of the targets and cause extensive damage to the targets. The cost of the new targets were well over three hundred dollars. Signs will be posted that only field points will be permitted. This work will start after the first of the year. Thanks to everyone that came to help with the 3D shoot this season and wish everyone 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 or \$90 per half—cord. It's ready for pickup and you'll have two (2) weeks from the point you place your order to pick it up or you'll lose your order. Call 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.





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