Tyler Karman Gets His Distinguished Expert Rating

Tyler Karman just earned his distinguished expert in junior rifle on February 13, 2013. Tyler and his dad, Scott, may be the only father-son that have earned this rating in the history of the Club.

Club Thank You

The Club would like to thanks the following members for their donations to the Club:

Keith Cecotti - \$15, David Kronz - \$25, John Pankowski - \$25, Gerry Priane - \$25, Tim Thiry - \$25, and Jeffrey Schilling - \$75.00. The Club would also like to recognize a \$100 Anonymous donation.

Scheduled Shoots

- Monday Night Recreational Pistol League.
- Indoor Range Monday Evening7:30 pm • Junior Rifle Program -
- Indoor Range Wednesday Evening.....7:00 pm Metropolitan Police Revolver League - Indoor Pistol
- **Range Thursday Evening 6 pm**
- Rangemaster Class March 19 10 am
- CMP Hi-Power Shoot 100 Yard Range 2nd Sunday - 10 am (Starts April 14)
- Open Trap Shooting Trap Range Sunday Afternoon - 1-4 pm (Starts March 3)

All Ranges Are Open and Operational

You can pay your dues at a membership meeting or mail it to: Paul Joos, 1316 Creedmoor Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226. Make your check payable to the Carrick Sportsmen's Club. If you mail it to Paul, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to return your new membership card

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Newsletter e-mail: parknews@comcast.net

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Meeting Notice

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March Meetings

| Membership Meeting | March 5 - 8 pm |
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| Directors Meeting | March 19 - 8 pm |
| Work Party | March 16 - 9 am |

I'm sure all of you are aware of the current "Gun Control" efforts in Washington, D.C. and some state capitols. There are efforts to create a national registry, establish a national background check, ban "assault" weapons and high capacity magazines, have owners turn in their "illegal" weapons - all in the name of protecting our children. The people who want more stringent laws on firearms have used the Sandy Hook school shooting to get this topic back on the national front page. And they are appealing to the public, which in general, doesn't understand the arguments being used. The politicians emotionally appeal to the public that "something has to be done to stop the shooting . . . even if it saves only one child something has to be done to stop the violence." They try to garner support based on these purely emotional arguments. Even to the point where they ridicule the logical arguments and sound ideas being proposed to help solve the problem.

These efforts don't seem to be going away. It seems that every time some tragedy happens there is a tremendous effort to ban this or that firearm, deny access to ammunition, or otherwise limit the access to firearms. Their argument is "Why do they need this or that?" ... "Why do you need to have more than one bullet in a firearm?"... "Why do you need a semi-automatic firearm?" All of these questions allow them to appear very sage and reasonable . . . but how did they become the people who decide what others need? Ask the woman who has only one bullet to fire before reloading as she tries to defend her kids against two intruders. How many bullets does she need? How do politicians believe they can tell us what we need?

Review the statistics, consider the arguments and the legislation being proposed, and get involved. This push for Gun Control is not going to go away! The only way we can avoid more draconian laws in the future, is to let our legislators know how we feel - NOW! The Club urges our members to call, write, and e-mail your representatives in Harrisburg and DC and let them know how you feel about these gun control efforts. If the laws on the books were enfocred then we wouldn't need any new laws. As they say "When they outlaw guns, only the outlaws will have guns." If you remain silent on this issue then don't complain when you can't seem to find ammunition the next time you want to go to the club for some target shooting.

FOAC will be travelling to Harrisburg on April 23, to show our State legislators that we are in favor of the 2nd Amendment and are against these useless gun control proposals. They are offering a round-trip bus transportation to Harrisburg to participate in the "Second Amendment Action Day" rally. There will be speakers from the Legislature addressing the group and afterward you will be able to visit the legislators in their offices. The cost is \$35 for the round trip.

They will leave from SouthPointe promptly at 4:30 a.m. and return at approximately 7:00 p.m. For more details on the trip and to sign up for the bus, please contact Roger at brk357@aol.com.

The 2013 Dues Are Past Due If you haven't paid your 2013 dues, you no longer have access to the Club grounds.

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April Meetings

| Membership Meeting | April 2 - 8 pm |
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| Directors Meeting | April 16 - 8 pm |
| Work Party | April 20 - 9 am |

Gun Control

Election Results

The annual election of Directors took place at the January 8, 2013 membership meeting. With only 5 incumbent directors on the ballot for the 5 open positions, Scott Karman, Gerry Kurzawski, Stew Beck, Ray Noakes, and Wayne Perry were re-elected to the Board. At the Directors meeting on January 15, 2013, the Directors elected the officers of the club as follows:

- President Steve Boehm
- . Vice President - Scott Karman
- Recording Secretary Wayne Perry
- Treasurer Gerald Kurzawski
- Membership Chairman Paul Joos.

Membership Open The Club has 251 senior members, 13 junior members, and

21 associated members as of the end of February for a total of 285 members.

The Club always welcomes new members. If you have any friends or acquaintances who might be interested in joining the Club, bring them up and show them around. They might like to join the club and participate in the Club's activities.

New Members

January - There were 13 new members accepted at the January membership meeting: Michael Blasso III, Gregg Carmen, Robert Colborn, Christopher Hal, Lenell Hall, Keith Jeziorski, Leo Jeziorski Jr., Robert Karmer, Robert Kramer II, Delmar Olson, David Peyton, Guy Reschenthaler, and Daniel Schar.

February - There were 10 new members accepted at the February meeting: Chad Berner, John Gourley, Jesse Gray, Jonathan Lashley, Linda Morris, Ronald Morris, Joseph Renk III. Michael Totin, Brian Vallor, and Matthew Lee Yee.

Hunter Safety

The Club would like to offer Hunter Safety Courses this year. but the Game Commission has not established schedules for the classes for us yet, because we have a lack of certified instructors. If anyone would like to become a certified hunter safety instructor. Please contact Steve Boehm at Stephen.Boehm@ verizon.net

CMP

The Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Hi-Power Shoot is held on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10 am on the 100-yard range and will resume shooting on April 14. The CMP program is encouraging shooters who would like to get involved with this group to attend one of their shoots and give it a try. They shoot M-1 rifles which are provided by the Club.

The cost per session is only \$25 and that includes 64 rounds for 3 targets.

This is a fun activity and should be better attended. If you are interested in shooting the WWII M-1 come out and give it a try.

For more information on the CMP please contact Ron Milanek at 412-833-2493.

RangeMaster Classes

Ron Milanek and Steve Boehm have been conducting Range-Master classes at 10 a.m. on the second Sunday of the month while the CMP program is not shooting. There is one more RangeMaster class scheduled for March 10. No reservations are required. Just show up and take the class.

The Board will evaluate the response to this scheduled class and may schedule the RangeMaster classes on a regular basis for new members and those who would like to refresh their RangeMaster rating.

Courses

Basic Pistol Course

The Club will be conducting 3 NRA Basic Pistol Shooting Courses this year. They will be offered on Saturdays, March 23, May 11, and August 3 from 8:30 am till 4:30 pm.

The course teaches the basic knowledge, skills, and attitude for safely owning and operating a handgun.

The course is a minimum of 8 hours and includes classroom and range time learning to shoot revolvers and/or semi-automatic pistols. Students learn NRA's rules for safe gun handling; pistol parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest position, and two handed standing positions; cleaning the pistol; and continued opportunities for skill development. They will receive the NRA Guide to the Basics of Pistol Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, take a Basics of Pistol Shooting Student Examination, and receive a course completion certificate.

The course fee is \$60 for Club members and \$75 for nonmembers. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is required. Bring a lunch and non-alcoholic beverage.

If you bring your own firearm, the following ammunition restrictions apply; velocity must be less than 1200 fps, no +P, +P+, Magnum, or .17 or 5.7x28 cartridges permitted.

If you do not have your own firearm the Club will provide .22 caliber firearms and ammunition for you to you use along with eye and ear protection.

For further details, deposit information and directions to the club contact Denis Nill 412-531-5890 or Steve Boehm 412-571-2376. Final registration is done on the NRA web site.

PPIH and PPOH Courses

The Club is offering the Personal Protection In the Home (PPIH) course on Saturday, September 14 and the Personal Protection Outside the Home (PPOH) on Saturday, October 26 and Saturday, November 2 (this is a 2-day class). The cost of the PPIH class is \$60 for Club members and \$75 for non-members; the cost for the PPOH course is \$120 for Club members and \$150 for non-members. Shooters must be 21 years old to take these courses. More details on these courses in future newsletters.

Tactical Course

The Club has developed a Tactical Shooting Course and will be doing a trial class in late February (after this newsletter was sent to the printer). Details of the new course will be in the next newsletter.

Open Trap Shooting

Sunday Afternoon Trap Shooting has been closed for the winter but will resume on Sunday, March 3 (weathe permitting). It will be held from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm every Sunday. The Sunday afternoon trap shoot is open to the public

The cost for a 25-bird line of trap is now \$3.00 for adults, and \$2.50 for junior members. Shooters can bring their own shotgu shells (shot no larger than $7 \frac{1}{2}$) or they can buy shotgun shells at \$8.00 a box at the range.

For questions on this open trap shooting, please call Jo Montuoro at 412-833-0897

Wednesday Night Trap Shooting will open of May 1. They shoot from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm every Wednesday until mid-November. Wednesday Night Trap shooting is open to the public.

Carrick-Mingo Shootout League Trap shooting in the Carrick-Mingo Shootout League wil

start in May. The league shoots on Friday evenings at 6:00 pm alternating between the Carrick and Mingo ranges.

January - The work party consisted of Stew Beck, Steve If you are interested in shooting with the Club Team this year, please call Joe Montuoro at 412-833-0897. Now is the time to Boehm, John Huemrich, Linda Karman, Scott Karman, Pete Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Joe Montuoro III, Mike Montuoro, Denny practice for the league. Come up to the Sunday afternoon trap shoots and get in that practice before the league starts. Nill, Ray Noakes, Tom Plappert, and Amy Taylor. They cleaned out the sand pit on the indoor range, insulated the furnace room **Metro Police Revolver League** ceiling, and cleaned up the furnace room. (If we missed anyone The Carrick Pistol Team is now competing on Thursday who was at the work party, we apologize.)

nights for their Indoor Season. At the end of February the team February - The work party consisted of Jeff Davis, Jim is in 5th place in .22 and 4th place in center fire. If you are Davis, John Huemrich, Scott Karman, Tyler Karman, Pete interested in shooting with the team they ask that you come Luttrell, Joe Montuoro, Ray Noakes, and Tom Plappert. They out and give it a try. All shooting is done at the Club, scores painted the new walls in the meeting room, continued to clean are submitted and tallied by the league scorekeeper. For more up the furnace room, and built a new storage cabinet. information Please contact Denny Nill at 412-531-5890 or Bill Kramer at 412-835-5453.

Jr. Rifle Program The Jr. Rifle Program is shooting on Wednesday evenings day night pistol shoots on March 11 and will begin shooting steel silhouettes at 7:30 pm on the indoor 50-ft range. The silhouette and will continue shooting until April. shoot will continue through May.

If you are interested in the Club's Junior programs, please The cost for the silhouettes is \$2 per line with the winner contact Jim Warden at 412-480-2212 or Ray Noakes at 724of the line getting his money back. The course is 10 shots at 3 348-5633. separate metal targets (chickens, groundhogs, and pigs) for a total of 30 shots per line.

Work Parties

You will need your favorite 22 calibre firearm, 30 rounds of Work Parties are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month to do ammunition per line (with a velocity under 1200 fps) and eve maintenance and improvements around the Club. These work and ear protection. Each 5-shot round of shooting is timed at parties and the Club volunteers are a critical part of Club opera-1 minute. tion. Without proper maintenance and an effort to improve the There is no need to sign up for the Monday Night Club, members would find it more and more difficult to use the Silhouette Shoot; just come to the Club about 7:15 and check Club's facilities. The Directors ask everyone who can to donate in. If you have any questions, please call Joe Montuoro at some time to these work parties. Lunch is provided. 412-833-0897.

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Monday Night Pistol League The Monday Night Recreational Shoot will finish their Mon-